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EDUCATION

1/2007

Sports Management Institute, Executive Program Certificate of Completion

5/2004

University of Wisconsin Law School, Juris Doctor

5/1999

University of Notre Dame, Bachelor of Business Administration

- Major: Finance and Business Economics – Mendoza College of Business
- Interdisciplinary Minor: Peace Studies – Joan B. Kroc Institute
- Honors included magna cum laude, four-year letter winner, 2nd Team Academic All-American, Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) All-Academic Team, Rockne Student-Athlete Award (1998-99) and Team MVP (1998-99)

EXPERIENCE

7/2005 – present

University of Alaska Fairbanks

Fairbanks, AK

Director of Athletics

– NCAA Participation

- Student-athletes have won three team and three individual NCAA championships since 2005
- Women's cross country team competed in the 2011 NCAA DII championships for the first time
- Men's ice hockey team competed in the 2010 NCAA DI tournament for the first time
- Chaired the NCAA Ice Hockey Rules Committee from 2008-10 (served from 2006-10)
- Secured an NCAA Strategic Alliance Matching Grant to enhance position and promote diversity
- Set NCAA attendance record while hosting the 2007 Men's and Women's Rifle Championships

– Marketing and Sponsorships

- Partnered with Tanana Valley Television KFXF Fox 7 and General Communication Inc. (GCI) to broadcast Nanook hockey statewide
- Hired the first director of athletics development and brought all booster club funds on campus
- Initiated the university's first ever partnership with the Collegiate Licensing Company (CLC)
- Negotiated significant corporate sponsorship agreements, including:
 - \$575,000 with BP Exploration (Alaska), Inc.
 - \$321,000 with Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.
- Worked with various groups to attain the first student fee supporting Nanook Athletics
- Established the Nanook Hall of Fame in 2008 and the Junior Nanooks Club in 2007
- Oversaw rebranding process, including the development of a new logo to achieve consistency in appearance and increase brand awareness

– Facilities and Operations

- Completed a multi-year project at the Student Recreation Center (SRC) that resulted in a new climbing wall, aerobic machines, circuit training equipment, weights, flooring, spin bikes, safety netting, lighting, renovated locker rooms and a digital surveillance system
- Obtained financial support from BP Exploration (Alaska), Inc., which was used to purchase and install new Daktronics scoreboards in the Patty Center gymnasium
- Worked together with vice provost to create Sports Mathematics Academics Reading Teamwork (SMART) Academy to solidify math and reading skills and prepare students for high school
- Partnered with School of Management dean to develop a Minor in Sport Management program
- Received the 2006 "Chancellor's Supervisory Award" for excellence and contributions to UAF
- Initiated and oversaw renovation of the E.F. Horton Range in 2006
- Added the Nanook women's swimming program in 2005
- Worked with a state senator and representatives of the Fairbanks North Star Borough to finance a center-hung scoreboard with video display at the John A. Carlson Community Activity Center

– Conference Responsibilities

- Served on the Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC) commissioner search committee
- Worked through the conference realignment process and secured membership in the Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA) beginning with the 2013-14 season
- Chaired the Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) Management Council in 2009

– **Presentations**

- Weekly radio interviews – 970 KFBX-AM, 104.7 KKED-FM and 102.5 KIAK-FM
- Fairbanks Downtown Rotary Club – 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2012
- Fairbanks Youth Sports, Inc. – 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011
- Fairbanks Host Lions Club – 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011
- Chena Kiwanis Club of Fairbanks – 2011
- Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation Knowledge Industry Network – 2011
- Rotary Club of Fairbanks Sunrisers – 2007, 2009 and 2010
- Fairbanks Kiwanis Club – 2009
- Fairbanks Golden Heart Rotary Club – 2006 and 2009
- Optimist Club of Fairbanks – 2007 and 2008
- Rotary Club of North Pole – 2006 and 2008
- Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce – 2007
- Fairbanks College Rotary Club – 2007

1/2008 – present

Adjunct Faculty

• *Courses Taught:*

BA 491 – Sports Marketing (spring 2009, spring 2010, spring 2011)

BA 467 – Legal Issues in Sports & Recreation Management (fall 2008, fall 2009, spring 2012)

BA 330 – Business Law (fall 2011)

BA 281 – Sports Management (spring 2008, spring 2009, summer 2011)

• *Guest Lecturer:*

PSY 337 – Sports Psychology (spring 2005)

BA 280 – Sports Leadership (fall 2011)

8/2004 – 7/2005

Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance

- Revised the Department of Athletics Policies and Procedures Manual
- Created the first compliance section for the Nanook Athletics website
- Initiated the department's use of the NCAA Compliance Assistant Internet (CAi) program
- Completed the Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG)

2/2003 – 2/2004

Garvey & Stoddard, S.C.

Madison, WI

Law Clerk

- Assisted Harlem Globetrotters International, Inc.
- Performed legal research and writing involving sports, environmental and labor law
- Helped citizens' group stop construction of a proposed plant in Horicon, WI

9/2001 – 4/2004

University of Wisconsin Women's Ice Hockey Team

Madison, WI

Goaltending Coach

8/2003 – 12/2003

U.S. Bankruptcy Court of Judge Robert D. Martin

Madison, WI

Judicial Intern

5/2003 – 8/2003

National Collegiate Athletic Association

Indianapolis, IN

Law Clerk

- Performed legal research on independent contractors, the exemption status of preseason football games, drug testing protocol revisions, trademark infringements and web site privacy policies
- Worked with outside counsel defending the NCAA's academic eligibility requirements

6/2002 – 8/2002

Cornerstone Management

Philadelphia, PA

Sports Agent Intern

- Analyzed collective bargaining agreements and facilitated client recruitment

8/2000 – 5/2001

USA Hockey National Team Development Program

Ann Arbor, MI

Graduate Assistant Coach

- Prepared elite athletes for participation on U.S. National Teams and future hockey careers

9/2000 – 4/2001

One-On-One Athletic Club

Ann Arbor, MI

Membership Department Coordinator

9/1999 – 3/2000

Jacksonville Lizard Kings / South Carolina Stingrays

Jacksonville, FL / Charleston, SC

Minor League Professional Hockey Player

SERVICE

2004 – present	<i>Regular Donor</i> , Blood Bank of Alaska <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Donated over 3 1/2 gallons
2005 – present	<i>Member</i> , Rotary Club of Fairbanks Sunrisers <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2009 Sergeant at Arms• 2007 Vocational Service Director
2006 – present	<i>Patroller</i> , National Ski Patrol <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2006-07 “Outstanding Rookie Patroller” award for the Alaska Division
2009 – present	<i>Editorial Board Member</i> , UAF Alumnus newsletter
2011 – present	<i>Committee Member</i> , 2014 Arctic Winter Games organizing committee
2007 – 2011	<i>Organizer</i> , United Way of the Tanana Valley Day of Caring community events
2010 – 2011	<i>Committee Member</i> , 2014 Arctic Winter Games successful bid committee
2005 – 2010	<i>On-Air Fundraising Personality and Donor</i> , KUAC-FM
2006, 2008 and 2010	<i>Presenter</i> , USA Hockey Level 4 Coaching Clinics
2010	<i>Recipient</i> , Alaska Journal of Commerce “Top 40 under 40” award
2010	<i>Co-Chair</i> , United Way of the Tanana Valley fundraising campaign <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brought in \$1,488,763—the most dollars ever raised in the organization’s 55-year history and an 18% increase over the previous year
2010	<i>Master of Ceremonies</i> , Fairbanks Resource Agency Annual Gala
2006 – 2009	<i>Community-Based Mentor</i> , Big Brothers Big Sisters of Fairbanks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2008 “Big Brother of the Year” award• Dream Big Breakfast table captain
2006 – 2009	<i>Guest Waiter</i> , Resource Center for Parents and Children (RCPC) Tips for Kids fundraising event
2007 – 2009	<i>Team Leader</i> , Fairbanks Heart Walk <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2009 “Most Competitive Team Leader” award• 2008 and 2009 University of Alaska Fairbanks “Top Male Fundraiser” award
2009	<i>Keynote Speaker</i> , Golden Key International Honour Society induction ceremony
2009	<i>Chair</i> , Big Brothers Big Sisters of Alaska Statewide Board of Directors <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hired CEO for the statewide organization• Selected to review national Big of the Year nominations
2009	<i>Recipient</i> , Delta Kappa Gamma, Theta Chapter “Golden Apple Award” for dedication and excellence in educational service
2009	<i>Master of Ceremonies</i> , Fairbanks Hall of Fame induction
2005 – 2008	<i>Project Leader</i> , Habitat for Humanity yearly student-athlete and staff service project
2008	<i>Keynote Speaker</i> , Big Brothers Big Sisters of Fairbanks Dream Big Breakfast
2007	<i>Recipient</i> , Fairbanks Convention and Visitors Bureau “Ambassador Award”
2005 – 2007	<i>Volunteer Coach</i> , Fairbanks Amateur Hockey Association goaltending clinics
2003 – 2004	<i>Presenter</i> , Level 2 and 3 coaching clinics, Wisconsin Amateur Hockey Association

ACTIVITIES

7/2009	<i>Finisher</i> , Alaska Mountain Wilderness Classic adventure race—Gerstle River to McKinley Village
2005, 2006 and 2009	<i>Finisher</i> , Fairbanks Equinox Marathon
2/2008	<i>Certified American Mechanized Ski Guide with Level II Avalanche</i> , Heli Ski US Association
2005 and 2006	<i>Secretary</i> , Alaska Alpine Club
2002 and 2003	<i>Volunteer</i> , IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA)
2001 – 2005	<i>Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist</i> , National Strength and Conditioning Association
2001 – 2003	<i>Board Member</i> , University of Wisconsin Law School Environmental Law Society
2000 and 2002	<i>Finisher</i> , Chicago Marathon
2001	<i>Certified Personal Trainer</i> , American Council on Exercise (ACE)
5/2000 – 6/2000	<i>Finisher</i> , Bicycle trip from Juarez, Mexico to Carway, Alberta
8/1999	<i>Certified Open Water Diver</i> , Professional Association of Diving Instructors (PADI)
4/1999	<i>Finisher</i> , Big Sur Marathon
5/1998 – 6/1998	<i>Participant</i> , St. Mary’s College Summer Study Program in Ireland, Scotland, England and France