





HEAD COACH JAMIE DIXON

TCU '87 ■ Seventh Year as Head Coach ■ 11th Year at Pitt

Beginning his seventh season as the University of Pittsburgh's head men's basketball coach, Jamie Dixon has certainly made his mark on the Pitt program. Dixon, who is in his 11th year at Pitt, has compiled several coaching milestones:

- Set an all-time NCAA Division I record for most wins after six seasons as a head coach in 2009 with his 163 career victories.
- Guided Pitt to its first-ever NCAA Regional Final and Elite Eight appearance, a school-best 31-5 record, the school's first-ever No. 1 national ranking and the program's first-ever No. 1 seed upon entering the NCAA Tournament in 2008-09.
- Named the 2009 Naismith National Coach of the Year.
- Led the USA Basketball Under-19 Team to the 2009 FIBA World Championship Gold Medal and 9-0 record after inheriting an overhauled roster and assuming head coaching duties a month before the competition began.
- Concluded the 2008-09 season as the winningest coach in Big East history with a current .698 winning percentage in league games (81-35), while besting several legendary names including John Thompson, Jim Calhoun, Jim Boeheim and Lou Carnesseca.
- Became the first head coach in school history to guide Pitt to six consecutive 20-win seasons, six straight 10-plus win Big East regular seasons and six straight NCAA Tournaments. Dixon has also guided Pitt to three NCAA Sweet Sixteen appearances (2004, 2007 and 2009).
- Guided Pitt to its second all-time Big East Championship title in 2008. The Panthers became just the second squad in league history to capture the crown after winning four consecutive games.
- Guided Pitt to the Big East Championship Final in four of his first five seasons as head coach.
- Is one of only nine coaches in NCAA Division I history to win over 100 games during the first four seasons of a coaching career.
- Reached 100 wins at Pitt faster than any other head coach in school history. Dixon needed only 126

- games to reach the milestone. Only 14 coaches in the history of college basketball reached 100 career victories faster than Dixon.
- Amassed a six-year 70-30 Big East regular-season record, the best mark in school history.
- Tallied a 99-10 home record in his first six seasons.
- Became the first rookie head coach in Big East history to both guide his team to the league's regular season title and earn Big East Coach of the Year honors in 2003-04. Dixon earned those accolades after leading the Panthers to their third consecutive Big East regular season title and second all-time overall Big East title, third straight NCAA Tournament "Sweet Sixteen" appearance and to a school-record 31 wins. In addition, the 31 victories rank as the third highest total in NCAA Division I history for a firstyear head coach. Dixon also led Pitt on an 18-game win streak to begin the 2003-04 season, a streak which ranks as the third-best start for a rookie head coach in NCAA Division I history.

An outstanding talent evaluator who is nationally recognized for his coaching know-how, unquestioned character and integrity, recruiting skills, rapport with players and work ethic, Jamie Dixon was introduced as the University of Pittsburgh's 14th head basketball coach on April 15, 2003.

Dixon, who has spent 10 seasons as both the head coach and assistant at Pitt, is a basketball coach who is intelligent, honest, confident, wellspoken and true to his word. He is a family man and complete coach who cares for his players and program to the highest degree. For Dixon, basketball is a lifestyle, not a job. He believes teamwork, offensive efficiency, defense, rebounding and taking good shots are the key ingredients to winning championships. That philosophy has paid off as Pitt consistently ranks among the nation's top offensive, defensive and rebounding squads.

Dixon's six-year head coaching tenure at Pitt has seen the Panthers compile a remarkable 163-45 record, accumulate a 70-30 Big East regular





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THE JAMIE DIXON FILE

- Birthdate: November 10, 1965 in Burbank, Calif.
- Hometown: North Hollywood, Calif.
- **Education:** Notre Dame High School graduate (Sherman Oaks, Calif.), 1983; Bachelor of Business Administration–Finance, Texas Christian University, 1987; Master of Science-Economics, University of California-Santa Barbara, 1992.
- Date announced as Pitt Head Coach: Tuesday, April 15, 2003.
- Family: Wife, Jacqueline, son Jack Connor (born June 2, 2002), daughter Shannon Iwalani (born Feb. 25, 2004); son of Jim & Marge Dixon who reside in Los Angeles; has two sisters: Julie, who is an attorney in Los Angeles and the late Maggie Dixon, who served as head women's basketball coach at the United States Military Academy (2005-06) and as an assistant at DePaul.

■ Coaching Career

Head Coach, University of Pittsburgh, 2003-present; Associate Head Coach, University of Pittsburgh, 1999-2003; Assistant Coach, University of Hawaii, 1998-99; Assistant Coach, Northern Arizona University, 1994-98; Assistant Coach, University of Hawaii, 1992-94; Graduate Assistant Coach, University of California-Santa Barbara, 1991-92; Assistant Coach, Los Angeles Valley Junior College, 1989-91.

■ Playing Career

Notre Dame High School, Sherman Oaks, Calif.; Texas Christian University, 1984-87 (Named All-SWC in 1987 and SWC All-Academic honoree), led SWC in assists as a senior; Inducted into the TCU Athletic Hall of Fame, 2007; Played professionally in the Continental Basketball Association (Lacrosse Catbirds) and overseas (New Zealand).

Noteworthy Awards

2009 Naismith National Coach of the Year; 2009 USA Basketball Under-19 Head Coach, FIBA World Championship Gold Medal; 2009 USBWA District 2 Coach of the Year; 2009 Woodlands Foundation Spirit Award; 2008 Bob Prince Award winner recipient at Art Rooney Awards Dinner, Catholic Youth Foundation; 2007 TCU Athletic Hall of Fame inductee; 2004 Big East Coach of the Year; 2004 YMCA "Person of the Year."

season record and earn six NCAA Tournament berths, including three Sweet Sixteen appearances (2004, 2007 and 2009) and one NCAA Regional Final (2009). His 163 victories established an NCAA Division I all-time record for best start to a coaching career after six seasons and his .784 career winning percentage currently stands third nationally and among the best among active Big East coaches. His .698 Big East winning percentage ranks as the best all-time in league play, surpassing such names as Georgetown's John Thompson, Connecticut's Jim Calhoun, Syracuse's Jim Boeheim and St. John's Lou

Over the past 10 seasons, Dixon has been the constant and essential figure in the Panthers' dramatic rise to national prominence. The three-year span from 2001-04 produced the winningest period in school history as Pitt won three consecutive Big East regular-season titles, advanced to three straight NCAA Sweet Sixteen appearances, captured the program's first-ever Big East Tournament title in 2003 and compiled one of the nation's three best winning percentages (.846 with an 88-16 record) from 2001-04 including a 51-2 home record over those three years. In addition, the program opened its sparkling, 12,508seat Petersen Events Center, the

nation's best on-campus basketball

Dixon has 18 years of major NCAA Division I coaching experience, including stints at Pitt (10 years), Northern Arizona (four years), Hawaii (three years) and UC-Santa Barbara (one year). Additionally, he has served as an assistant under a school's winningest coach in four different stints (winning percentage). His teams have won 10 conference titles, advanced to the postseason in 13 different seasons and his student-athletes have earned five league player of the year awards. He helped turn destitute programs at Pitt, Hawaii and Northern Arizona into winners and has experienced a high level of accomplishment at several different levels.

Facing a major rebuilding project, he joined the Pitt staff in 1999 as associate head coach and recruiting coordinator. In four short years, he helped turn the Pitt basketball program into a consistent national power. In 2000-01, the Panthers surged through the conference tournament, earning a surprising Big East Championship title game berth while winning five of their last seven contests. It was that year in Madison Square Garden that the college basketball world first took notice of the emerging Pitt program as the Panthers upset nationally ranked Syracuse, Notre Dame and a surging







ACTIVE NCAA WINNING PERCENTAGE LEADERS

Coach	Pct.
Roy Williams, No. Carolina	.808
Mark Few, Gonzaga	
JAMIE DIXON, PITT	.784
Bruce Pearl, Tennessee	.774
Bo Ryan, Wisconsin	.767
John Calipari, Kentucky	
Mike Krzyzewski, Duke	.752
Thad Matta, Ohio State	
Rick Pitino, Louisville	.737
Jim Boeheim, Syracuse	.735

Miami team to earn the school's firstever championship game berth. That strong finish concluded with a National Invitation Tournament berth, the school's first postseason appearance in four years.

The 2001-02 Pitt team built upon that momentum as it finished 29-6 and surpassed the school-record of 25 victories set in 1973-74. Pitt won the Big East West championship, the school's first league title of any kind since the 1987-88 campaign, and made its first NCAA Tournament appearance in nine seasons (1992-93). The squad also became the first Pitt team to advance to an NCAA Sweet Sixteen since 1973-74 with two NCAA tournament wins over Central Connecticut State and California.

With all five starters and nine letterwinners back, the 2002-03 Pitt squad captured the school's first-ever Big East Tournament championship while making its third straight appearance in the title game. It finished 28-5 on the year and advanced to its second consecutive NCAA Sweet Sixteen. The Panthers also won their second straight Big East West title and co-Big East regularseason title with a second consecutive 13-3 league record. In addition, the Panthers concluded the inaugural season in the Petersen Events Center with a perfect 16-0 home record and

NCAA DIVISION I BEST COACHING STARTS (6 YEARS)

Coach JAMIE DIXON, PITT	<u>Vins</u> 163
Everett Case, NC State	
Roy Williams, Kansas	
Mark Few, Gonzaga	
Bruce Stewart, WV-W/MT	
Thad Matta, BU/XU/OSU	
Tom Izzo, Michigan State	
Fred Schaus, WVU	
Larry Brown, UCLA/Kansas	145
Pete Gillen, Xavier	141

ended the season on a 22-game home win streak.

In his first season as head coach at Pitt (2003-04), Dixon guided the Panthers to a school-record 31-5 slate which included the Big East regular season championship, a third consecutive NCAA Sweet Sixteen appearance and the program's fourth straight Big East Tournament title game appearance. He became the first rookie head coach in league history to earn both Big East Coach of the Year honors and guide his team to the regular season title. He led Pitt to a school record 27-3 regular season and its first Big East Tournament No. 1 seed in 16 years. Dixon also won the first 18 contests of his coaching career, a mark that ranks third in NCAA Division I history for most wins to begin a coaching career.

His second season as Pitt's head coach saw Dixon guide the Panthers to a school-record fourth straight NCAA Tournament appearance and the program's fourth consecutive 20-plus win season (20-9).

In 2005-06, Dixon guided Pitt to a fifth straight NCAA Tournament appearance, 25-8 record and fifth berth in the Big East Championship Final over the last six seasons. The year marked Dixon's third straight 20-win season since taking over the coaching

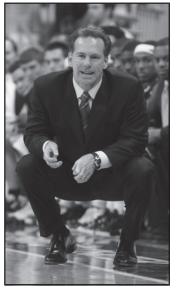




DIXON IN THE COMMUNITY

- Maggie Dixon Foundation.CARE Foundation which sponsors the Maggie Dixon Classic, the premier women's
- college basketball event at Madison Square Garden. Sponsors Coaches vs. Cancer Auction and dinner evening in
- Pittsburgh each May. Big Brothers/Big Sisters.
- Kennometal United Way. Campaign Chairman-Junior Achievement
- 2004 YMCA Person of the Year Award winner.
- Boy Scouts of America.
- Frank McGuire Foundation Bob Prince Award, Art Rooney Dinner and Catholic Youth
- Association. Woodlands Foundation Spirit of Golf Award.

- American Heart Association.
- Raises funds for The Caring Place, a community supported center that helps grieving children and families cope with the loss of a loved one.
- HOPE Network Hoops Classic, a charitable event that raises funds to support sports, fitness and recreation programs for disabled children and adults.
- Charity work with the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.
- Attends the American Diabetes Association Expo with the entire Pitt basketball team.
- Variety Club-recognition for outstanding community service and fundraising in Pittsburgh.
- Coach Dixon's Timeout program.
- Keynote speaker at numerous non-profit organizations.





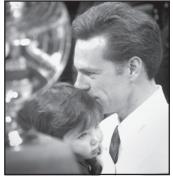












The 2006-07 Panthers ranked among the nation's top-10 teams all season and ended with a 29-8 record. Pitt advanced to NCAA Sweet Sixteen play for the fourth time in six seasons and achieved its sixth straight 20-win overall and 10-win league year. Additionally, Dixon reached 100 career wins faster than any other coach in school history and concluded the year with 105 career wins, the second-most wins accumulated over the first four seasons of a head coaching career.

The 2007-08 season saw Dixon's Panthers overcome the incredible adversity of losing two starters (Mike Cook and Levance Fields) and four total players to serious injuries. Nevertheless, under Dixon's leadership, the undermanned Panthers continued on. Fields returned for the team's final 13 games and Pitt went on to a successful season. Pitt captured the school's second Big East Tournament title, becoming just the second team in league history to win the tourney by registering four straight wins, advanced to its seventh straight NCAA Tournament and finished 27-10 overall.

The recently completed 2008-09 season was Pitt's most successful to date as the Panthers achieved numerous program milestones including a school-record tying 31-5 record, the school's first-ever appearance in the NCAA Regional Final and Elite Eight, the program's first-ever No. 1 national ranking (for three weeks) and Pitt's first-ever No. 1 seed upon entering the NCAA Tournament. In addition, the 2008-09 team led by veterans Levance Fields, Sam Young and DeJuan Blair, compiled a perfect 19-0 home record and set school records for attendance.

Prior to Pittsburgh, Dixon served as an assistant coach at the University of Hawaii under legendary head coach Riley Wallace for the 1998-99 season



BIG EAST'S ALL-TIME WINNINGEST COACHES (PCT.)

Coach Jamie Dixon, Pitt	Pct.
John Thompson, GU	653
Jim Calhoun, UConn	650
Jim Boeheim, Syracuse	637
Lou Carnesecca, SJU	635
Mike Jarvis, SJÚ	613
Ben Howland, Pitt	
Rollie Massimino, VU	572
(league regular season games and	
championship games combined)	

and previously was an assistant under Ben Howland at Northern Arizona University (1994-98). He also coached as an assistant with Howland at the University of California-Santa Barbara (1991-92) under Jerry Pimm before moving on to the University of Hawaii for two seasons (1992-94).

While at Northern Arizona, Dixon helped lead the Lumberiacks to a 42-17 record over his last two years, including back-to-back 21-win seasons and a pair of Big Sky regular season championships. Northern Arizona led the nation for three consecutive seasons (1997-99) in 3-point field goal percentage and ranked among the nation's top two schools in overall field goal percentage during that span. In addition, Northern Arizona won 20-plus games in three consecutive seasons and advanced to postseason play two times, including the 1997 National Invitation Tournament and the school's first-ever NCAA Tournament appearance in 1998. The 1998 Lumberjack squad was one of two teams to reach the NCAA Tournament and carry a team grade point average of 3.0 or better.

Howland and Dixon arrived at Northern Arizona for the 1994-95 season. After suffering through back-

YEAR BY YEAR WITH JAMIE DIXON

	0	Overall Big East		Big East		BET	BET NCAA	
Year	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
2003-04	31-5	.861	13-3	.813	2-1	.667	2-1	.667
2004-05	20-9	.689	10-6	.625	0-1	.000	0-1	.000
2005-06	25-8	.758	10-6	.625	3-1	.750	1-1	.500
2006-07	29-8	.783	12-4	.750	2-1	.667	2-1	.667
2007-08	27-10	.730	10-8	.556	4-0	1.000	1-1	.500
2008-09	31-5	.861	15-3	.833	0-1	.000	3-1	.750
Career	163-45	.784	70-30	.700	11-5	.688	9-6	.600

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FASTEST TO 100 COACHING WINS IN PITT HISTORY

Coach Games	to 100	<u>W-L</u>	1st Year	Date of 100th win
	126	100-26	2003	Feb. 19, 2007
H.C. Carlson	140	100-40	1922	Feb. 22, 1930
Paul Evans	156	100-56	1986	Nov. 20, 1991

to-back 9-17 and 7-19 seasons, the staff guided Northern Arizona to the 10^{th} all-time best one-year turnaround in NCAA Division I basketball history, improving the Lumberjacks to a 21-7 record in 1996-97.

Dixon completed his first stint as an assistant coach at the University of Hawaii from 1992-94 under head coach Riley Wallace. In 1993-94, he helped lead the Rainbows to their firstever WAC championship and first NCAA Tournament appearance in nearly 30 years. Dixon was also instrumental in developing the Rainbows' perimeter players, including former Phoenix Suns guard and Buffalo, N.Y. native Trevor Ruffin. In his second stint at Hawaii (1998-99), he worked with the perimeter players including Denver Nugget Predrag Savovic and concentrated on recruiting both nationally and abroad. At UC-Santa Barbara, Dixon helped lead the Gauchos to an NIT appearance in 1992

Dixon began his coaching career in 1989 as the head coach at TeAute College in New Zealand before serving as an assistant coach from 1989-91 at Los Angeles Valley Junior College where he helped head coach Jim Stephens lead the school to a Western States Conference Championship.

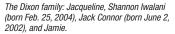
A North Hollywood, Calif. native, Dixon attended Notre Dame High School in Sherman Oaks, Calif., where he earned All-Del Rey League and All-California Interscholastic Federation honors. Dixon enjoyed a successful four-year career at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, Texas where he played for Jim Killingsworth and led the Horned Frogs to two Southwest Conference titles both as a junior and senior. He earned All-SWC honors in 1987 and was an All-SWC Academic performer. Additionally, he led the SWC in assists as a senior, earned the Henry lba Award as MVP of the All-College Tournament and was voted TCU's Senior Male Scholar-Athlete Award recipient. He was inducted into the TCU Athletic Hall of Fame in 2007. Dixon received his bachelor's degree in finance from TCU in 1987 and earned a master's degree in economics from UC-Santa Barbara in 1992.

Dixon was selected in the 1987 NBA draft by the Washington Bullets. He went on to play professionally with the Lacrosse Catbirds of the Continental Basketball Association and also in New Zealand before getting involved with collegiate coaching.

Dixon is extremely active in the Pittsburgh community. His many charitable events and affiliations include the CARE Foundation, Coaches vs. Cancer, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Kennometal United Way, HOPE Network Hoops Classic, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and Boy Scouts of America. Dixon has also served as a featured speaker at a variety of community-related functions and non-profit organizations. He was honored as the YMCA's "Person of the Year" at its awards banquet in 2004 and received the Woodlands Foundation Spirit Award in 2009.

Dixon is married to the former Jacqueline Corteway. The couple has one son, Jack Connor, born June 2, 2002, and a daughter, Shannon Iwalani, born Feb. 25, 2004. His wife earned a Masters Degree in speech language pathology at the University of Pittsburgh in 2003.

The son of New York City natives
Jim and Marge, Dixon spent much of
his childhood in the Bronx. He has two
sisters: the late Maggie Dixon, who
served as head women's basketball
coach at the United States Military
Academy, and Julie Dixon, who is a
Los Angeles attorney.











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TOM HERRION **ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH**

Merrimack '89 ■ Third Season at Pitt

An East Coast native with over 19 years of collegiate coaching experience, Tom Herrion begins his third season at the University of Pittsburgh as its Associate Head Basketball Coach. Herrion's main responsibilities include recruiting student-athletes, game preparation and on-floor coaching.

Herrion arrived at Pitt in May, 2007 with an impressive resume, including four seasons as the head coach at the College of Charleston. From 2002-06, Herrion compiled an 80-38 four-year record, earned a national top-25 ranking, guided his team to the 2003 National Invitation Tournament and achieved the best winning percentage in the Southern Conference during that period. His first Cougar team in 2002-03 finished 25-8, captured the Great Alaska Shootout title and advanced to the NIT. His 25 victories marked the highest total of any first-year NCAA Division I head coach during the 2002-03 season. Herrion also guided the Cougars to a 20-9 finish in 2003-04, 18-10 performance in

2004-05 and 17-11 record in 2005-06.

Herrion spent the 2006-07 year working as a television commentator for both ESPN Regional and Comcast, providing analysis for Conference USA games. He also worked as a collegiate player development consultant at the Nike All-American Camp and Michael Jordan Flight School.

"Over the past three years, Tom has proved to be an outstanding and valuable addition to our staff, Dixon said. "Tom is a well-rounded coach and has assisted us in recruiting, scouting and player development. We are extremely fortunate to have a coach with his background. He also has the experience of coaching in several different environments and is familiar with the Big East region."

Herrion's widespread collegiate coaching experience includes assistant stints at the University of Virginia (1999-2002), Providence College (1994-98) and NCAA Division II Merrimack College (198994). He spent eight seasons under Pete Gillen at both Virginia and Providence. In his four seasons at Virginia, Herrion helped Gillen orchestrate a 70-50 record and three postseason appearances. His main responsibilities included recruitment of student-athletes, scheduling and scouting of opponents and assisting with practice planning and game preparation. Additionally, the Cavaliers' recruiting classes were ranked among the nation's top-10 in three of his four seasons with the program. At Providence under Gillen, the Friars put together a 72-53 four-year record including a berth in the NCAA Tournament's Elite Eight and two NIT appearances.

Herrion also served as an assistant coach at his alma mater, Merrimack College, from 1989-94. During that time, he helped guide Merrimack to two NCAA Division II tournament appearances.

Herrion received his bachelor's degree in psychology from Merrimack in 1989. As an undergrad at Merrimack, he

competed in both basketball and baseball and worked as a student assistant coach in 1986-87. He also served two seasons as the iunior varsity coach at Cambridge Ridge and Latin High School in Cambridge,

A native of Oxford, Mass., Herrion was a three-vear letterwinner in both basketball and baseball at Oxford High School.

Herrion hails from a coaching family. His father, the late Jim Herrion, was a successful high school coach in the New York City Catholic League before becoming an assistant coach at Holy Cross and later the head coach at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. His older brother Bill is currently the head basketball coach at the University of New Hampshire (2005-present), Bill has also served head coaching stints at both East Carolina (1999-2005) and Drexel University (1991-

Herrion resides in Wexford with his wife, the former Leslie Tysinger of Hampton, Va. and their son, Robert James. Leslie is a former athletic administrator.



- Birthdate: November 13, 1967.
- Hometown: Oxford, Mass.
- Education: Bachelor of Arts-Psychology, Merrimack College, 1989; Oxford High School (Oxford, Mass.), 1985.
- Family: Wife Leslie and son Robert James. Brother Bill Herrion is the head basketball coach at New Hampshire (2005-present) and served as head coach at both East Carolina (1999-2005) and Drexel (1991-99). Father Jim Herrion coached in the New York City Catholic League, as an assistant at Holy Cross and as head coach at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.
- Coaching Career

Associate Head Coach, University of Pittsburgh, 2008-current; Assistant Coach, University of Pittsburgh, 2007-08; Head Coach, College of Charleston, 2002-06; Assistant Coach, University of Virginia, 1998-2002; Assistant Coach, Providence College, 1994-98; Assistant Coach, Merrimack College, 1989-94; Assistant Varsity Basketball Coach, Cambridge Ridge and Latin School, 1987-89.

Student Assistant Coach, Merrimack College, 1986-87; Merrimack College, 1985-86 (basketball and baseball); Oxford High School (basketball and baseball).



The Herrion family: Tom. son Robert James and Leslie.





PAT SANDLE ASSISTANT COACH

San Francisco State '87 ■ Seventh Season at Pitt

Known for scouting ability, work ethic, defense, intensity and successful guard play, Pat Sandle begins the seventh year of his second stint as an assistant coach at Pitt. Along with head coach Jamie Dixon, Sandle came to the University of Pittsburgh in 1999. Sandle's primary responsibilities include overseeing guard play and scouting opponents.

Sandle has played a key role in helping lead Pitt Basketball to national prominence. Since Sandle arrived back at Pitt in 2003, the Panthers have compiled a 163-45 record and .784 winning percentage, advanced to the 2009 Elite Eight, earned the school's firstever No. 1 national ranking and No. 1 seed upon entering the NCAA Tournament in 2009, won a Big East regular season title (2003-04), captured a Big East Championship title in 2008 and advanced to six straight NCAA Tournaments. In 2003-04, the Panthers set a school record with a 31-5 mark, captured the Big East regular season title and advanced to NCAA Sweet Sixteen play. Pitt finished 25-8, earned a berth in the Big East Championship final and advanced to its fifth

straight NCAA Tournament in 2005-06. In 2006-07, the Panthers went 29-8, advanced to the NCAA Sweet Sixteen and appeared in their sixth consecutive NCAA Tournament. In 2007-08, Pitt overcame several injuries to finish 27-10 and win its second all-time Big East title. The 2008-09 year saw Pitt finish with a school record tying 31-5 record, first-ever Elite Eight appearance and first-ever No. 1 ranking.

Sandle came back to Pitt from UCLA, where he served as an assistant basketball coach from 2001-03. At UCLA, Sandle helped guide the Bruins to an NCAA Sweet Sixteen appearance and 20-plus win season under Steve Lavin in 2001-02. During his tenure, he assisted in the development of NBA players Dan Gadzuric, Matt Barnes and Jason Kapono.

"We're fortunate to have Pat Sandle at the University of Pittsburgh," Head Coach Jamie Dixon said. "Pat and I have known each other for a number of years. From the start, he was instrumental in building this program."

During a five-year coaching tenure with Dixon on Ben Howland's staffs at both Pitt and Northern Arizona (1996-99), Sandle has been responsible for guard play, scouting, conditioning and player development, on-campus recruiting and academic progress. He also served as director of the school's summer basketball camps. During Sandle's 2000-01 season on Pitt's staff, the Panthers advanced to the National Invitation Tournament, their first postseason appearance in four years. While at Northern Arizona, the Lumberjacks enjoyed their most successful three-year period in school history (63-23, .733), won back-to-back Big Sky Conference titles and advanced to the 1997 NIT and 1998 NCAA Tournament.

Sandle owns 22 years of coaching experience, including 11 seasons at the NCAA Division I level. He has served NCAA Division I stints at Pitt (1999-2001, 2003-current), UCLA (2001-03), Northern Arizona (1996-99), Fresno State (1991-92) and Saint Mary's College, Calif. (1990-91). Additionally, Sandle has coached at Sonoma State (1994-96), Santa Barbara City College (1989-90), Skyline (Calif.) Junior College (1987-88) and Cuesta College (1986-87). He also coached two stints at San Rafael (Calif.) High

School in 1988-89 and from 1992-94.

A standout at San Francisco State University from 1982-84, Sandle is a member of the school's athletic hall of fame. A two-time All-California North Conference selection, Sandle is the school's all-time career assist leader and ranks third in career steals (120). He also held the single-season assists record for seven years with 138 in 1983-84.

Sandle began his basketball career at Los Angeles Crenshaw High School while playing for legendary prep coach Willie West. As a six-foot-one-inch senior guard, Sandle helped lead Crenshaw to back-to-back Los Angeles city championships.

Sandle was a standout junior college performer at Cuesta College (1980-82), earning All-California and All-North Coast Conference honors. He played his final two seasons at San Francisco State (1982-84), where he earned his undergraduate degree in communications in 1987.

Sandle resides in Pittsburgh with his family: Desiree, Derek, Kruz, Pierrce and dog Haley.

THE PAT SANDLE FILE

- Hometown: Los Angeles, Calif.
- Education: Bachelor of Arts—Communications, San Francisco State, 1987; Los Angeles Crenshaw High School, 1980.

Coaching Career

Assistant Coach, University of Pittsburgh, 2003-current; Assistant Coach, UCLA, 2001-03; Assistant Coach, University of Pittsburgh, 1999-01; Assistant Coach, Northern Arizona University, 1996-99; Assistant Coach, Sonoma State University, 1994-96; Assistant Coach, San Rafael High School, 1992-94; Assistant Coach, Fresno State University, 1991-92; Assistant Coach, St. Mary's College, 1989-90; Assistant Coach, Santa Barbara City College, 1989-90; Assistant Coach, San Rafael High School, 1988-89; Assistant Coach, Skyline Junior College, 1987-88; Assistant Coach, Cuesta Junior College, 1986-87.

■ Plaving Career

San Francisco State, 1980-82 Member of SFSU Athletic Hall of Fame.

Cuesta College, 1980-82 All-California Junior College and All-North Coast California honoree.



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BRANDIN KNIGHT ASSISTANT COACH

Pittsburgh '05 ■ Fourth Season at Pitt

Former University of Pittsburgh star and retired No. 20 jersey honoree Brandin Knight begins his second year as an assistant basketball coach at Pitt. In his fourth season on Pitt Head Coach Jamie Dixon's coaching staff, Knight served the 2006-07 year as its Program Assistant/Video Coordinator and the 2007-08 season as Director of Men's Basketball Operations.

In his role as an assistant coach, Knight is responsible for recruiting student-athletes, scouting opponents, game preparation and on-floor coaching.

"Brandin has always been a tremendous asset for our program," Dixon said. "As a player, Brandin proved to be a coach on the floor and he has developed through the years into an outstanding basketball coach. He has been a terrific role model for our players and he was instrumental in turning our program around. In addition, he has always remained loyal to Pitt."

Following his Pitt career, Knight played two seasons with the NBDL's Asheville Altitude. He helped lead the Altitude to back-to-back league titles in both 2003-04 and 2004-05. In 2005, he signed a contract with the NBA's Houston Rockets, but suffered a knee injury two weeks later. Knight spent the following two years in Pittsburgh rehabbing the injury.

Knight has coached several AAU teams, including a squad that captured the Under-16 Pittsburgh Jamfest title in 2006.

A Pitt point guard from 1999-2003, Knight's leadership was largely responsible for Pitt's recent basketball renaissance. The transformation of Pitt's basketball program into a national power can be traced directly through Knight who led the dramatic turnaround. Pitt finished 13-15 during his freshman year, improved to 19-14 with a surprise Big East Championship Finals appearance and NIT berth as a sophomore, then

burst onto the national stage with a 29-6 record, Big East West regular season title, national top-10 ranking and NCAA Sweet Sixteen berth during his junior season in 2001-02. As a senior in 2002-03, Knight's Panthers maintained that success with a 28-5 record, co-Big East West title and second straight NCAA Sweet Sixteen appearance.

In the end, Knight helped lead Pitt to two consecutive Big East regular season titles (2001-02 and 2002-03), two NCAA Sweet Sixteen appearances (2002 and 2003), the program's first-ever Big East Tournament title (2003), three consecutive appearances in the Big East Tournament final (2001, 2002, and 2003) and an 89-40 (.690) four-year record. A 2003 Wooden All-America team selection, 2002 Associated Press All-America team member and two-time All-Big East honoree, Knight concluded his career with 1,440 points, 785 assists, 492 rebounds and 298 steals. He earned the Big East's coMost Valuable Player and Most Improved Player awards in 2001-02. Knight still holds school records for career assists (785), career assist average (6.2 apg.), career steals (298) and season minutes played (1,284 in 2001-02).

Knight's No. 20 jersey was retired in a ceremony prior to the Panthers' Marquette game on March 6, 2009.

Knight, who graduated with a History degree from Pitt in June, 2005, is a native of East Orange, N.J. His brother Brevin, a 12-year NBA veteran who currently plays for the Utah Jazz, was a consensus All-America point guard at Stanford (1994-97). His father Melvin is a former Seton Hall assistant basketball coach (1978-82) and player (1968-71) who currently serves as basketball coach and athletic director at Essex County College in New Jersey.

Knight resides in Pittsburgh with his girlfriend Michelle Gonzalez and daughter Kylah Knight (6).





Pitt point guards: Levance Fields and Brandin Knight.

THE BRANDIN KNIGHT FILE

- Birthdate: December 16, 1981.
- Hometown: East Orange, N.J.
- **Education:** Bachelor of Arts–History, University of Pittsburgh, 2005; Seton Hall Prep, 1999.
- Coaching Career

Assistant Coach, University of Pittsburgh, 2008-current; Director of Men's Basketball Operations, University of Pittsburgh, 2007-08; Program Assistant/Video Coordinator, University of Pittsburgh, 2006-07

Playing Career

University of Pittsburgh, 1999-2003
Fourth jersey retired (No. 20) in school history; Retired prior to Pitt's game vs. Marquette on March 6, 2009; Four-year starter at point guard; scored 1,440 points, finished with 785 assists and 492 rebounds; Pitt's career recordholder in assists (785), assist average (6.2), steals (298) and season minutes played (1,284); selected to the 2003 Wooden All-America team, 2002 AP All-America; two-time All-Big East team member; named the Big East Most Valuable Player and Most Improved Player in 2001-02; guided Pitt to its first-ever Big East Tournament title in 2003, two NCAA Sweet Sixteen appearances (2002 and 2003) and back-to-back Big East regular season titles in 2001-02 and 2002-03.

NBDL's Asheville Altitude, 2003-05 Guided the Altitude to back-to-back NBDL titles (2003-04 and 2004-05).

NBA's Houston Rockets, 2005





BRIAN REGAN DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Saint Vincent '88 ■ Third Season at Pitt

A native of Pittsburgh's Northside, Brian Regan is in his third season as the University of Pittsburgh's Director of Basketball Operations. Regan's association with the Pitt Basketball program goes back more than 30 years when he first attended the "Play Basketball Day Camps," directed by former Pitt coach Tim Grgurich.

As Director of Men's Basketball Operations, Regan's various responsibilities include day-to-day operations of the men's basketball program, serving as a liaison to athletic department officials and coordinating the student-athletes' practice, game-day and daily schedules. He also coordinates the program's summer camp schedule and monitors academic progress. Regan spent the 2007-08 campaign as Pitt's Video Coordinator.

"We are excited to have Brian as our Director of Operations," Pitt Head Coach Jamie Dixon said. "Brian has proved to be a valuable part of our program and has played a key role in our success. He brings with him extensive experience at several different levels. He is also thrilled to be working at Pitt and in his hometown of Pittsburgh."

Regan has a combined 21 years of college coaching experience. He

spent five seasons (2002-07) as an assistant basketball coach at Colgate University under Head Coach Emmett Davis. As a top assistant at Colgate, Regan's responsibilities included recruiting, scouting and coordinating the Raiders' summer basketball day and elite prospect camps. He also served as academic coordinator for the program.

Prior to his stint at Colgate, Regan served three years (1999-2002) as an associate head coach at Assumption College under Head Coach Tom Ackerman. In 2001-02, Assumption posted one of its most successful seasons in school history, advancing to the NCAA Division II Tournament Sweet Sixteen, capturing the Northeast-10 regular season championship and compiling a 24-6 record. All accomplishments were achieved after the Greyhounds were picked to finish dead last in the league's preseason coaches' poll. Three of Regan's recruits played key roles in that success, including league defensive player of the year Shahar Golan, All-America selection and league rookie of the year Brian Robinson and first team allconference pick Shane O'Donoghue.

Regan is no stranger to the Western Pennsylvania coaching

ranks after having served assistant coaching stints at Slippery Rock University (1994-99), LaRoche College (1993-94) and Robert Morris University (1990-93). During his tenure at Robert Morris, the Colonials won the Northeast Conference title and advanced to the NCAA Tournament in 1992 before dropping their first round matchup to UCLA in Tempe, Ariz. At Robert Morris, Regan oversaw guard play including Northeast Conference Player of the Year and Aliquippa native Myron Walker.

Regan began his college coaching career as a graduate assistant coach at Pitt, serving two seasons (1988-90) under Head Coach Paul Evans. He helped guide the Panthers to a 17-13 record and NCAA Tournament berth in 1989.

One of six siblings, Regan and his brothers regularly attended the

Pitt basketball camps. Two of his brothers served as Pitt ballboys and both went on to compete collegiately at New York University. His father, the late "Baldy" Regan, served as a Pittsburgh city councilman.

A 1988 graduate of Saint Vincent College in Latrobe, Pa., Regan earned his degree in communications. At Saint Vincent, he worked as a student under legendary coach Bernie Matthews. Regan also attended the Kiski School in Saltsburg, Pa.

A member of the National
Association of Basketball Coaches,
Basketball Coaches Association of
New York and Western
Pennsylvania Coaches Association,
he earned the NABC's 15-year merit
award for service.

Regan resides in Pittsburgh with his wife Catherine and daughter Sophia.



- Birthdate: August 13, 1965.
- Hometown: Pittsburgh, Pa. (Northside).
- Education: Bachelor of Arts-Communications, Saint Vincent College (Latrobe, Pa.), 1988; Kiski School (Saltsburg, Pa.), 1984.
- Family: Wife Catherine and daughter Sophia.
- Coaching Career

Director of Basketball Operations, University of Pittsburgh, 2008-current; Video Coordinator, University of Pittsburgh, 2007-08; Assistant Coach, Colgate University, 2002-07; Associate Head Coach, Assumption College, 1999-2002; Assistant Coach, Slippery Rock University, 1994-99; Assistant Coach, LaRoche College, 1993-94; Assistant Coach, Robert Morris University, 1990-93; Graduate Assistant Coach, University of Pittsburgh, 1988-90.





BASKETBALL SUPPORT STAFF



TONY SALESI

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE

Pitt's athletic trainer and team confidant, Tony Salesi begins his 24th season as a member of the Panthers' basketball staff. He was appointed Coordinator for Athletic Training for Olympic Sports in 2005.

A 1980 University of Pittsburgh graduate, Salesi began his athletic training career at Frazier High School. He then served three years as a head trainer for the Keystone Rehabilitation Center in Indiana, Pa., working with the IUP football team.

Salesi, who earned his Master's degree from Miami University (Ohio) in 1981, returned to his alma mater in August of 1986, when he was appointed a clinical instructor for the University of Pittsburgh sports medicine department and head trainer for the Panthers men's basketball, men's soccer and tennis teams.

In addition to his basketball responsibilities, Salesi serves as the Coordinator of Clinical Services for Olympics Sports.

Born April 9, 1957, Salesi and his wife Kathleen (Pitt grad, MBA '85) have five children: Lauren Ashley (22), who is a Pitt senior, Andrew Louis (21), Anthony Alexander (19), Matthew Aaron (16) and Joseph William (11).



MIKE FARABAUGH

DIRECTOR OF ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES FOR STUDENT-ATHLETES

Mike Farabaugh is in his 17th year at Academic Support Service for Student-Athletes. As Director, Farabaugh oversees the operation of the academic support program that assists the academic and personal development for the student-athletes. In addition, Farabaugh also serves as the liaison between the academic and athletic community concerning the interests of student-athletes.

His career in Academic Support began in 1990 as a graduate student, overseeing the math and science program. After a two-year stint as a graduate student, Farabaugh moved into a permanent role in the department as a learning skills specialist for the unit.

In his current capacity as Director, Farabaugh serves as the academic counselor for the men's basketball team, providing the necessary services and resources to the student-athletes and coaches. Farabaugh is also responsible for the coordination of the mathematics and science program for the unit.

Over the years, Farabaugh has conducted numerous time management, study skills, communication skills and goal setting workshops and seminars in academic settings.

A 1987 graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, Farabaugh went on to receive his master's degree in 1992. In addition to his duties at the University, Farabaugh also serves on the learning disabilities and Two-Year college committee with the National Association of Athletic Advisors as well as previously acting as the chair of the research committee.



DR. ROBIN WEST

TEAM PHYSICIAN

Dr. Robin West begins her seventh season of service as a team physician and orthopaedic surgeon with the University of Pittsburgh Athletic Department and men's basketball team. An assistant professor at the University of Pittsburgh in the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Dr. West also serves as head team physician at Carnegie Mellon and as an assistant team physician for the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Dr. West earned her bachelor's degree in biology at The Johns Hopkins University and went on to receive her M.D. from George Washington University. While at George Washington, Dr. West completed her surgical internship and orthopaedic surgery residency. She worked with the GW men's basketball team and supervised care of several District of Columbia high school football teams. She completed her training with a sports medicine and shoulder fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh.

Born and raised in Santa Monica, Calif., Dr. West competed on the Santa Monica High School Swim Team and advanced to the California State Swimming Finals. Dr. West and her husband, Mark have two daughters: Jordan (4) and Peyton (2).



RASHEEN DAVIS

VIDEO COORDINATOR

Rasheen Davis begins his second year with the Pitt men's basketball program as its Video Coordinator.

Davis has a diverse coaching background both at the collegiate and high school levels. He served the 2007-08 season as a program assistant for the men's basketball team at the University of Louisville. Among his many duties with the Cardinals, Davis assisted in opponent scouting and film breakdown, monitored on-campus recruiting efforts and facilitated the program's daily schedules.

Prior to his stint at Louisville, Davis served as the assistant boy's varsity basketball coach at national power Rice High School in New York City for two seasons (2005-07) under coach Maurice Hicks. During his two seasons at Rice, the program captured back-to-back New York State Archdiocesan championships and one city title in 2005-06, totaled a combined 57-9 overall record and finished both seasons ranked among the nation's top-25 teams. Additionally, he worked extensively with the New York Gauchos AAU Basketball program, assisting Coach Dwayne Mitchell with the Under-17 boy's team for three years. Combining his high school coaching tenure, Davis has coached one McDonald's All-Americans.

Davis worked three years as an assistant coach at his alma mater St. Thomas Aquinas College (2002-05) in Sparkill, N.Y. where he played for two years and coached under 500-game winner Dennis O'Donnell. He earned a bachelor's degree in social science from STA in 2002.

A Bronx, N.Y. native, Davis earned a Master's degree in guidance and counseling from the College of New Rochelle (N.Y.) in 2005.

Davis resides in Pittsburgh with his wife Evelyn and has a son Isaiah (6).



BASKETBALL SUPPORT STAFF



TIM BELTZ

STRENGTH & CONDITIONING COORDINATOR

Tim Beltz begins his 10th season as a strength and conditioning coach for the Pitt men's basketball program. Beltz also serves as the strength coach for the Pitt women's basketball, baseball and softball squads.

Originally from Denver, Colo., Beltz attended the University of Northern Colorado where he earned his bachelor's degree in exercise physiology in 1995. Upon graduation, Beltz began working as an operations manager at the Amelia Wellness Center in Amelia Island, Fla. While in Florida, he additionally served as a consultant for competitive triathletes for two years.

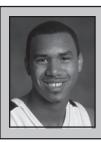
Beltz returned to school to earn a master's degree in exercise physiology, from Akron in 1998. During his two year-stint at Akron, he began competing as an Olympic weightlifter. Beltz was also employed at the Fast Program in Boca Raton, Fla., where he worked with numerous NFL, MLB and NBA athletes. Most notably, he prepared Ron Artest (former St. John's standout) for the 1999 NBA Draft. Beltz also assisted the Toronto Raptors strength coach and developed weight training programs for the team.

Beltz is married to the former Trish Andrews, a 1994 University of Pittsburgh graduate. The couple has a daughter Alyssa and son T.J.



JORDAN MARKS

ASSISTANT VIDEO COORDINATOR



AUSTIN WALLACE STUDENT ASSISTANT



BRIAN BRIGGER

EQUIPMENT MANAGER

Brian Brigger begins his third season as equipment manager for the Pitt basketball program. Brigger is responsible for the day-to-day equipment operations of both the men's and women's basketball teams as well as several Olympic sports. His duties include distributing practice gear, game uniforms and equipment for the student-athletes and coaching staff.

Brigger is in his fifth year at the University of Pittsburgh. Prior to arriving at Pitt, Brigger served equipment internships at both the University of Central Florida (2004-05) and William & Mary (2005). At UCF, Brigger was primarily responsible for the Knights baseball team.

A native of Cincinnati, Ohio, Brigger earned a sports management degree from Xavier University in 2004. At Xavier he served as a men's basketball manager for four years under coaches Skip Prosser and Thad Matta.

Brigger has completed four marathons.



BETH SCHOEDEL

MEN'S BASKETBALL
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

STUDENT MANAGERS



KEVIN FUNSTON Manager 4th year



SHAMUS McNULTY Manager 3rd year



DAN O'BRIEN Manager 3rd year



MELANIE WILMOT Manager 3rd year

STUDENT MANAGERS



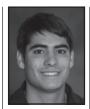
BEN BLOUNT Manager 1st year



QUINN COZZENS Manager



JARED DORFMAN Manager 2nd year



MATT FALCON Manager 2nd year



ZACH HESS Manager 1st year



BRENDAN KOZLOWSKI Manager 2nd year



ELAN STERNBERG Manager 2nd year