

SHELLOUSE RENOVATION

HIRAM CONIBEAR SHELLHOUSE THROUGH THE YEARS



History and tradition were prevalent throughout the Conibear Shellhouse. Trophies, medals and photos will again fill the facility while varsity letterwinners' names will be seen etched on glass.



Conibear is home to Husky Crew and also serves as the Student-Athlete Academic Services headquarters. It has evolved into a hub of student-athlete life for all 23 sports at Washington.



The Huskies' shellhouse sits on the shore of Lake Washington, providing rowers a premier on-campus venue. The crewhouse cafeteria, the main dining facility for Husky athletics, will be greatly improved with the renovation.

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Nickname: Huskies
President: Dr. Mark Emmert
Athletic Director: Todd Turner
Home course: Montlake Cut (2,000 meters), Lake Washington, Seattle, Wash.
Head men's coach: Bob Ernst (Irvine 1967, Washington 1979), 18th year / 31st year overall
Head women's coach: Eleanor McElvaine (Washington 1985), 2nd year / 15th year overall
Men's freshman coach: Michael Callahan (Washington 1996), 1st year
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2005 WASHINGTON ROWING SCHEDULE

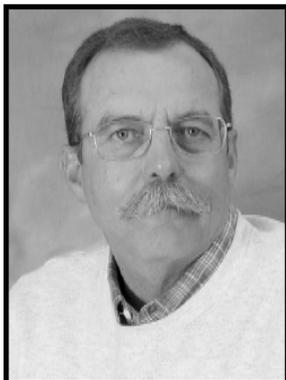
Date	Opponent	Time	Location
March 26	Class Day Regatta	10:00 a.m. PST	Montlake Cut; Seattle, Wash.
April 2	Husky Invitational	7:00 a.m. PST	Montlake Cut; Seattle, Wash.
April 9-10	at Windermere Crew Classic	10:00 a.m. PDT	Redwood Shores; Belmont, Calif.
April 16	at Washington State dual	10:00 a.m. PDT	Wawawai Landing; Pullman, Wash.
April 23	California dual	10:00 a.m. PDT	Montlake Cut; Seattle, Wash.
April 30	Oregon State dual	10:00 a.m. PDT	Montlake Cut; Seattle, Wash.
May 7	Windermere Cup / Opening Day	10:00 a.m. PDT	Montlake Cut; Seattle, Wash.
May 15	at Pac-10 Championships	7:00 a.m. PDT	Lake Natoma; Rancho Cordova, Calif.
May 27-29	at NCAA Championships (women)	8:00 a.m. PDT	Lake Natoma; Rancho Cordova, Calif.
June 2-4	at IRA Championships (men)	5:00 a.m. PDT	Cooper River; Camden County, N.J.

The start line for home regattas is on Lake Washington, parallel to the Governor A.D. Rosellini (Evergreen Point) Floating Bridge. The course proceeds from east to west through Montlake Cut to the finish line near the mouth of Portage Bay, at the west end of Montlake Cut. A good view of the race course is available along either side of Montlake Cut or from the Montlake Bridge. Spectators are advised that on Opening day, the Montlake Bridge is closed to vehicle traffic once the racing begins. At noon, when the yacht club Opening Day Parade begins, the Montlake Bridge is raised and remains up for the duration of the parade (about two hours).

On the cover: Washington won the 2004 Pacific-10 Conference men's team title with victories in the varsity eight, junior varsity eight and varsity four events. The 2004 UW women's varsity eight captured the Pac-10 silver medal and won the NCAA petite final. **Credits:** The 2005 crew guide was written by Dan Lepse and C.J. Bowles. Design, layout and paste-up were done completely in-house by Lepse and Jeff Bechthold. Photography by Joanie Komura, Bruce Terami, Dan Lepse and Bob Ernst unless otherwise noted. Henley photos courtesy of Dorothy Slepian. Front cover design by Jay Torrell. Special thanks the Independent Rowing News for use of its June 22, 1997 magazine cover for the inside back cover. The media relations staff extends its thanks to all members of past sports information staffs that have assisted in compiling information that is an integral part of this guide. Corrections or additions to the media guide are welcome and should be directed in writing to the media relations office.

BOB ERNST

Crew Program Coordinator and Head Men's Coach



The Washington crew program is all about tradition. The white blades of Husky oars have cut through the water on the Nile in Egypt, in South America, the Soviet Union, on the Thames in England, across the United States as well as on their home on the Montlake Cut. UW rowing is all about great competitors, great races and great coaches.

Bronze plaques, immortalizing some of the great Washington coaches, hang in the Conibear shell house. Tributes to Hiram Conibear, Al Ulbrickson and Dick Erickson keep the history of the program alive and stand as a reminder of the great champions and tradition that is Washington Rowing.

Current Husky men's rowing coach Bob Ernst is a proud caretaker of the history and tradition of Washington Rowing.

Ernst, who hails from southern California and graduated from UC Irvine, was a 27-year-old coach at his alma mater when he first caught the eye of former Husky men's Coach Dick Erickson. Ernst's upstart team from UC Irvine nearly upset the Huskies in the spring of 1974 and Erickson wasted little time offering him an assistant's position coaching the Huskies.

Ernst coached the freshman men from the fall of 1974 to the spring of 1980 before taking over as the women's head coach. Ernst became the men's head coach in 1987 when Erickson retired.

Now in his 31st season of coaching at Washington, including his 16th year as the Husky men's coach, Ernst continues to have the same passion and dedication he had when he first arrived in Seattle. He has had many successes over the years including the distinction of being the only collegiate coach to have coached both the men's varsity and the women's varsity to a National Championship. He also coached the 1984 women's Olympic eight to a gold medal win in Los Angeles.

In the most recent racing season (spring, 2004) the Huskies won the Pac-10 team championship by bringing home the gold in the varsity eight, junior varsity eight, and varsity four events. The Huskies beat California for the second consecutive year in the varsity eight at the Pac-10 regatta. And, at the IRA regatta in June, the junior varsity eight and the four with coxswain both won the gold, and the varsity eight won the silver.

Ernst was honored as the 2004 Pac-10 Coach of the Year, his tenth such honor. He was named the conference's top women's coach in 1987 before winning as the men's coach from 1990-93, 1995-97 and 2003.

In 2003, Washington celebrated its 100th season of rowing. During the 2003 season, Ernst directed the men's varsity eight crew to its first Pac-10 championship since 1997. Both the varsity and junior varsity eights finished the season with silver medals at the IRA Championship. The varsity four won the IRA title. The Huskies also posted a runner-up performance in the junior varsity event and won the gold in the varsity four.

The Huskies capped their centennial season at the prestigious Henley Royal Regatta in England. Washington triumphed against a strong international field to win the Ladies Challenge Plate competition.

All along the way, Bob Ernst has directed the Huskies to stellar results and historic moments. None were more significant than what happened in June of 1997.

That season, the Washington men reached the pinnacle of their sport, as the varsity, junior varsity and freshman crews all won gold medals at the prestigious Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championships. It marked the first time since 1950 that the Huskies had accomplished the feat.

Washington's 1997 Varsity Challenge Cup victory at the IRAs was the 11th such title in Husky history. The junior varsity crew picked up its 10th all-time victory in the Kennedy Challenge Cup as did the freshmen in the Stewards Cup. It capped an undefeated season across the board for the Huskies.

What made the weekend even more special was the fact that the Husky women's team won the inaugural NCAA rowing championships in Sacramento, under the direction of Jan Harville, whom Ernst had coached as an Olympian.

"That is probably the most significant day in the history of Washington rowing, for me," said Ernst. "In the 25 years I've coached here, to have the men and women both be national champions on the same weekend - that's special."

Under Ernst, the varsity men have won a variety of events, including: Six Copley Cup titles (San Diego Crew Classic); 13 consecutive Windermere Cup titles, 11 of the last 16 dual regattas against rival California and ten conference championships. In addition, Ernst's freshman crews won five Pacific-10 Conference titles from 1975 to 1980.

He has been honored by his peers as Pac-10 Coach of the Year ten times and was recognized locally as a finalist for the Seattle Post-Intelligencer Sports Star of the Year award in 1982.

Under his guidance, the Husky women brought home Washington's first national team championship when the junior varsity and varsity both earned titles in 1981. Both crews successfully defended their titles the following two seasons (1982, 1983) and the varsity women went on to claim three more national championships, in 1984, 1985 and 1987. In his final season as the women's coach, Ernst's rowers swept the top three races at the national championships, winning gold medals in the varsity eight, JV and varsity four races. The Washington women claimed a total of six national titles in seven years while he directed the program. His 1981 women's varsity crew was inducted into Washington's athletic Hall of Fame in 1989. The 1982 and 1982 women's crews were 2001 inductees into the Husky Hall of Fame.

Ernst has also brought international recognition to the program. Four times in his span as head men's coach, he has taken Husky crews to the Henley Royal Regatta in England. He took Washington rowers to the Henley Royal Regatta four times since becoming the head men's coach and he helped to build the internationally recognized Windermere Cup Regatta. National crews from Italy, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, China, Egypt, Czech Republic, Germany and the United States have competed at the Opening Day festival.

Ernst also had the opportunity to coach outside the college ranks. He coached the U.S. National Team from 1976 to 1988, and traveled with the team to Amsterdam, New Zealand, Belgium, Germany, Yugoslavia, Seoul and Switzerland. He had the honor of coaching on four Olympic Teams, in 1976, 1980, 1984 and 1988. At the 1984 Games in Los Angeles, he directed the women's eight-oared crew to the only Olympic gold medal in its history.

His Olympic accolades extend beyond the water as well. In 1996, Ernst worked with NBC Television providing color commentary for the rowing events at the Atlanta Games and he served as the course announcer at the rowing venue for the 2000 Games in Sydney, Australia.

While Ernst's honors are numerous, the accolades collected by his rowers are just as plentiful. Over the last 25 years, many of his student-athletes, both men and women, have gone on to compete on national and Olympic teams. Ernst coached former Washington women rowers Kristi Norelius, Shyrl O'Steen and former coxswain Betsy Beard in the gold medal winning eight in 1984. Norelius also rowed on the 1980 Olympic team and competed on the 1981, 1982 and 1983 National teams. Ernst also coached O'Steen and Jane McDougall on the '82 and '83 National teams. Norelius, O'Steen and McDougall won the silver medal in the eight at the 1982 World Championships. And, former rower Susan Broome (an alternate on the 1984 Olympic team) won a silver medal in the pair at the 1985 World Championships. Ernst also coached former rowers Chris Campbell, Broome and coxswain Beard to a silver medal at the 1987 World Championships and at the 1988 Olympic games in Seoul.

In addition, some of the men who rowed for Ernst were also successful on the international front. Al Forney, Charlie Clapp, and Ed Ives (all former freshman rowers for Ernst) rowed on the 1984 Olympic team and won silver medals in the four without coxswain, the eight and the four with coxswain respectively. Brad Lewis won the gold medal in the double skulls and Bruce Ibbetson, who rowed for Ernst at UC Irvine, won a silver medal in the eight in 1984. Canadian Blair Horn, another former freshman rower for Ernst, won the gold medal for Canada in 1984 in the eight. Former varsity rowers Rob Shepard and Scott Munn rowed in the eight in the 1992 Olympics. Italian Roberto Blanda rowed for the Italian Olympic team in 1992 and 1996, and Jason Scott rowed in the straight four in the 1996 Olympics. Matt Minas also rowed for the United States national team. Mark Schneider rowed in the four without coxswain in the 2000 games, and in the bronze medal winning four without in the 1996 games. Phil Henry (spare at the 2000 games) and Bob Cummins won the gold medal in the eight at the 1997 World Championships. Former men's coxswain Sean Mulligan earned a gold medal in the men's four at the 1999 World Championships. The national team trend continued in 2001 as rowers Lucas Ahlstrand and John Lorton competed at the world championships. Canadian Dave Calder competed in the eight in the 2000 Olympics, became a World Champion in 2003 in the eight and represented Canada in the pair at the 2004 Olympic Games. In 2003, Steve Gillespie competed in the double skulls and Matt Deacon won a gold medal in the four at the World Championships. Matt Deacon became an Olympic Champion this past summer at the Athens games by winning the gold in the men's eight. And finally, new freshman coach Michael Callahan and former men's team member Erik Miller represented the U.S. as spares on the 2004 Olympic team. Ernst is proud of all of his former rowers and considers himself lucky to have coached such great athletes.

Ernst, who began his coaching career at his alma mater, earned a bachelor's degree in biology from UC Irvine in 1967 and his master's degree in sports administration from the University of Washington in 1979. He was inducted into Irvine's athletic hall of fame in 1984 and the National rowing hall of fame in 1994.

A 1963 graduate of Costa Mesa (Calif.) High School, Ernst attended Orange Coast College for two years, where he played center on the 1963 national championship junior college football team and competed in swimming and water polo. He transferred to UC Irvine and continued his swimming and water polo career. Ernst was also a member of Irvine's rowing program in 1966 and 1967 and was team captain as a senior.

Ernst, 58, resides in Edmonds with his family.

COACHING STAFF

ERNST'S PROFILE

Full Name: Robert Gardner Ernst II

Date of Birth: Dec. 30, 1945

Hometown: Edmonds, Wash.

High School: Costa Mesa HS; Costa Mesa, Calif.

College:

University of Washington 1979

Master's degree, sports administration

University of California, Irvine 1967

Bachelor of Science, biology

Orange Coast College, 1963-64

Athletic Experience

1963-64 Orange Coast College – Football, swimming, water polo

1966-67 UC Irvine – Rowing, water polo

Athletic Honors

1963 Football – junior college national champions

1967 Rowing team captain

Coaching Experience

at Washington

1974-80 Freshman men's coach

1980-87 Head women's coach

1987- Head men's coach / Crew program coordinator

National Level

1976-88 U.S. National Team Coach

1976 U.S. Olympic Team, women's double sculls coach

1980 U.S. Olympic Team, head women's sculling coach

1984 U.S. Olympic Team, head rowing coach, women's eight

1988 U.S. Olympic Team, head rowing coach, women's eight

Coaching Highlights

1981 National champions, women's varsity and junior varsity eight

1982 National champions, women's varsity and junior varsity eight

1983 National champions, women's varsity and junior varsity eight

1984 National champions, women's varsity eight

1984 Olympic Games, United States women's eight, gold medal

1985 National champions, women's varsity eight

1987 National champion sweep – women's varsity and junior varsity eight and varsity four gold medals

1997 IRA sweep – varsity, junior varsity and freshman eight gold medals

2003 Ladies Challenge Plate champions – men's varsity at Henley

Honors and Awards

National Rowing Hall of Fame inductee – 1994

UC Irvine Hall of Fame inductee – 1984

10-time Pacific-10 Conference Coach of the Year

Pac-10 Men's Coach of the Year – 1990, '91, '92, '93, '95, '96, '97, '03, '04

Pac-10 Women's Coach of the Year – 1987

Seattle Post-Intelligencer Sports Star of the Year, finalist – 1982



Bob Ernst with Husky Hall of Fame coach Dick Erickson.

Q & A with Bob Ernst

Who has had the biggest influence on you as a coach?

"There are several people, but probably most important is my father. He always did the 'Dad' stuff – drove me to the baseball and football games. We talked sports his whole life, so he obviously was the biggest influence. Of course, when you're a kid, you always want to please your dad. He had a great appreciation for the things I've had a chance to do – coaching here, coaching the Olympic team.

"After him, it certainly would have to be Dick Erickson. He had a huge influence on my coaching career. Dick allowed me to come to the University of Washington to coach. That's a career in itself, a unique opportunity. You can't buy that type of opportunity. Everything I learned from Dick and all the doors he opened for me were outstanding.

"If I had to name a third person, it would be my old coach Duvall Hecht. He is still coaching at UC-Irvine. He gave me my first coaching job there. He won a gold medal in the Olympics, in the pair in 1956. He was the consummate coach-businessman. He taught me a lot about organization, business and personal standards."

What does it mean to you to coach at Washington?

"As far as the Washington rowing program – there is nothing else like it. The fact that we have a community and a university and people in the state who understand what's going on here is unique. A big part of it is that the campus has water on three sides. The guys who have gone before me here – from Conibear and Ulbrickson to Dick Erickson – we've all done our best to be the guardians and custodians of Washington rowing. Probably the most impressive thing to me, when I first came here, was to see the number of people who actually pulled an oar for Washington, who still live within a couple hundred miles of this boathouse. To have such a beautiful university and have the boathouse right on campus, in a city surrounded by water, it all fits together. It's all like magic."

What is the trademark of a Bob Ernst-coached team?

"I like to think our guys will be prepared for just about anything they are going to face. I think my crews have always trained pretty hard. Probably the most important thing is, I hope that when they are finished rowing and finished doing all the hard work, and get old and gray, looking back on it, they think it was all worthwhile.

"I would like to think that we're prepared to compete, any place, any time, to the best of our resources."

Comment on the "family" of Washington coaches around the country.

"Over the years, there have been lots and lots of Washington coaches all over the country. Rick Clothier, at the Naval Academy, probably has the longest tenure. We're pleased to have Kris Sanford coaching the women's team at Syracuse and Lori Dauphiny at Princeton, both of whom had crews at the NCAA finals.

John Murphy, at Brown, didn't go to school at Washington, but he coached here. Certainly, we consider him one of us. They're everywhere and they always have been. There have been a lot of Washington coaches throughout the country. Chris Allsop is coaching at Navy with Clothier. The list goes on and on."

COACHING STAFF

ELEANOR McELVAINE

Women's Head Coach



Eleanor McElvaine is in her second season at the helm of the Husky women's rowing program. She was hired as the Washington women's head coach on August 13, 2003 after serving 13 seasons as the novice coach.

"I am thrilled that Eleanor is succeeding Jan Harville as head coach of women's crew at the University of Washington," said athletic director Barbara Hedges. "Her history with the program, as a rower and a coach, in addition to a well-conceptualized vision of the future Washington rowing, will ensure a smooth transition and continue the legacy of excellence for the program."

A native of Everett, Wash., the 41-year-old McElvaine is just the third women's head coach at Washington since 1980, during which time Husky women's crews have earned 22 national collegiate titles. McElvaine replaced longtime head coach Jan Harville, who retired in June of 2003 after 16 years at the helm of the UW women's program.

"I don't just have shoes to fill, I have hip waders," McElvaine said. "The good news is, I've been fishing next to Jan for the last 13 years. When I rowed here in the 1980s, I felt it was an honor to race with the Washington uniform on. I feel the same sense of honor and responsibility now as I take on the mantle of head coach, and look forward to continuing the tradition of excellence that is Washington rowing."

Washington is the first collegiate head coaching position for McElvaine, who worked the previous 13 years as a women's novice coach, both at Washington and for U.S. Rowing. McElvaine's pupils formed the UW varsity four that won three-straight gold medals at the NCAA Championships from 1999-2001.

Last year, McElvaine directed the Huskies to a fifth-place NCAA team finish and a second-place Pac-10 performance. She served as the coach of the U.S. women's four at the 2004 world rowing championships.



Eleanor McElvaine is in her second season as the Washington women's head coach after serving 13 years as an assistant coach on the UW staff.

McElvaine capped her final season as the novice women's coach by receiving the 2003 National Assistant Coach of the Year award from the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association. That marked the first year that the CRCA honored assistant coaches.

In 2001, McElvaine was inducted into the Husky Hall of Fame as a member of the 1983 national champion women's crew. In four years as a Husky rower from 1982-85, McElvaine helped Washington to three-consecutive varsity eight national titles, rowing in the six seat.

"Eleanor's dedication and hard work during her time at Washington, both as a rower and a coach, are what have made her so successful," UW men's head coach Bob Ernst said. "She's trained for this for a long time, and is eminently qualified to do the job."

McElvaine has also excelled as a coach on the national level. In 1994, both McElvaine and Harville were honored by U.S. Rowing with its Woman of the Year award for "outstanding service to rowing in the United States." McElvaine was named head coach of the U.S. Junior National Team in 2000, and led the United States' four-oared crew to a gold medal at the 2000 Junior World Championships - the first gold medal ever won by the U.S. junior women - and a silver medal at the event in 2001.

A 1985 graduate of Washington with a degree in history, McElvaine attended Cascade High School in Everett. She was honored as the Everett Herald's Woman of the Year in 1984, following her junior season at Washington.

Prior to assisting Washington's women's crew, McElvaine was the head rowing coach at the nationally prominent Mt. Baker Rowing and Sailing Center from 1986 to 1990. She tutored her junior women's eight teams to three regional titles and her junior eight squads finished among the top five nationally in each of her seasons there.

MCELVAINE'S PROFILE

Full Name: Eleanor McElvaine

Date of Birth: Feb. 3, 1963

Hometown: Everett, Wash.

High School: Cascade HS; Everett, Wash.

College: University of Washington, 1985
Bachelor's degree, history

Rowing Experience

1983-85 University of Washington

Athletic Honors

1983 Gold medal, collegiate national championships, varsity eight

1984 Gold medal, collegiate national championships, varsity eight

1985 Gold medal, collegiate national championships, varsity eight

Coaching Experience

1986-90 Mt. Baker Rowing Club

1991 U.S. National Team Development, coach

1993 U.S. National Team Development, coach

1995 U.S. National Team Development, coach

1994-98 U.S. Junior National Team, assistant coach

2000-01 U.S. Junior National Team, head coach

1990-2003 University of Washington, novice women's coach

2003-present University of Washington, head women's coach

2004 U.S. National Team, coached women's four at world championships

Coaching Highlights

1997 NCAA team champions, varsity four silver medal

1998 NCAA team champions

1999 NCAA champions, varsity four gold medal

2000 NCAA champions, varsity four gold medal

2001 NCAA team champions, varsity four gold medal

Honors and Awards

1984 Everett Herald Woman of the Year

1994 U.S. Rowing Woman of the Year

2001 Inducted in Washington Hall of Fame with 1983 crew

2003 National Assistant Coach of the Year, Rowing Coaches Association

COACHING STAFF

MICHAEL CALLAHAN Men's Freshman Coach



Michael Callahan returns to his Alma Mater to coach the highly successful freshman program. Callahan is the first graduate of the University of Washington to coach the Men's Freshman Husky team since the 1970's.

Callahan graduated with a bachelor degree in History in 1996. While at the University of Washington, Callahan was the Captain and Commodore of the 1996 team. Callahan won four Pac-10 Championships, winning the Ky-Ebright trophy in the Men's Varsity Eight three times. In 1995 and 1996 he won a bronze and silver medal in the Men's Varsity Eight at the

Intercollegiate Rowing Association's National Championships.

Before coming to Washington, Callahan won a gold medal at the 1992 World Rowing Championships in the Junior Men's Eight in Montreal.

After graduation, Callahan joined the U.S. Men's National Team, winning a Bronze medal in the 1995 Under-23 World Rowing Championships, followed by a Gold medal at the 1996 Under-23 World Rowing Championships. He stroked three U.S. National Team boats at the World Championships between 1997 and 2002. Callahan was a medalist at the 1999 Pan-American Games and 2000 World Rowing Cup. Callahan was a member of the 2004 Olympic Rowing Team.

While training for the Olympic team Callahan worked for Bloomberg Financial Markets and Commodities News, the Head of the Charles Regatta and Goldman Sachs and Co.

In 2001 Callahan joined the University of Washington rowing program as an intern coach. He had specific responsibilities to coach the junior varsity eight that won a silver medal at the IRA National Championships and the men's pair without coxswain that won a gold medal.

While, growing up, Callahan lived with his family in six states on both coasts following his father, a U.S. Navy Submarine Officer, from port to port.

CALLAHAN'S PROFILE

Full Name: Michael F. Callahan
Date of Birth: Feb. 24, 1974
Birthplace: Honolulu, Hawaii
High School: Washington-Lee; Arlington, VA.
College: University of Washington
 Bachelor of Arts Degree, History

Professional Experience

1997-2000 Bloomberg Financial Markets and Commodities News, Multimedia Producer
 2001 Head of the Charles, Media Relations Director
 2002-2003 Goldman Sachs Co., Foreign Exchange Back-Office Operations Analyst

Rowing Experience and Honors

1988-1992 Washington-Lee High School
 1992-1996 University of Washington
 1996 University of Washington Team Captain and Commodore
 1992, 1995-2003 United States National Rowing Team
 2004 United States Olympic Rowing Team

Athletic Honors

1992 Gold Medal, Junior World Rowing Championships, men's eight
 1995 Bronze Medal, U-23 World Rowing Championships, men's eight
 1996 Gold Medal, U-23 World Rowing Championship's, men's eight
 1997 7th Place, World Championships, men's four without coxswain
 1998 7th Place, World Championships, men's four without coxswain
 1999 Silver Medal, Pan-American Games, men's four without coxswain
 2000 Bronze Medal, Lucerne World Cup, men's eight
 2002 10th Place, World Championships, men's quadruple sculls

Coaching Experience

2001 University of Washington, Men's Varsity Intern Coach
 2004-present University of Washington, Men's Freshman Coach

Coaching Highlights

2001 IRA Championships, men's pair gold medal
 2001 IRA Championships, men's junior varsity eight silver medal

ADDITIONAL ROWING STAFF



Iliia Ash
Women's Novice
Intern



Matt Deakin
Men's Freshman
Intern



Gints Salaks
Manager



Bryan Volpenhein
Men's Varsity Intern



Mary Whipple
Women's Varsity
Intern

COACHING STAFF

ERICA SCHWAB

Women's Novice Coach



Erica Schwab is in her second season as a full-time member of the Washington women's crew staff as the women's novice coach. She was hired in September of 2003 by head coach Eleanor McElvaine. In her first season, Schwab coached the novice women's eight to an undefeated regular season. The novice eight then placed second behind University of California, Berkeley at the Pac-10 Championship Regatta.

"Erica is a product of the Washington rowing program and that is important," said McElvaine who was named the head coach in Aug., 2003 after 13 seasons as an assistant on the UW staff. "She is an excellent coach. Erica got some valuable experience

back east and at Oregon State."

Schwab comes to UW from Oregon State where she served as the novice/freshman coach for the Beavers. Prior to that, she spent six years at Trinity College in Hartford, Conn. Schwab was Trinity's novice women's coach for 2 years before taking over as the head coach in 1998. She also served as an assistant coach on the women's basketball staff at Trinity for the 1997-98 season.

A product of Anacortes (Wash.) High School, Schwab first came to UW as an undergraduate and rowed from 1992-95. She won Pac-10 championships in the 1992 novice eight and the 1994 varsity four. Her 1993 junior varsity eight won the Pac-10 title and finished second nationally. In 1995 she rowed in the junior varsity eight and won a bronze medal at the National Championships.

Schwab was invited to participate at the U.S. pre-elite training camp in 1995, where she rowed at the National Training Center in Chattanooga, Tenn. After completing her eligibility at UW, Schwab remained on campus as the varsity intern coach and tutored the third and fourth varsity boats.

Schwab graduated from the University of Washington in 1996 with a bachelor's degree in sociology. Then went on to complete her Master of Arts degree in American Studies while coaching at Trinity College.

SCHWAB'S PROFILE

Full Name: Erica Schwab
Date of Birth: March 6, 1973
Hometown: Anacortes, Wash.
High School: Anacortes HS; Anacortes, Wash.
College: University of Washington, 1996 Bachelor's degree, sociology
 Trinity College, 2003 Master's of Arts, American studies

Rowing Experience
 1992-95 University of Washington

Athletic Honors
 1992 Gold medal, Pac-10 Championships, novice eight
 1994 Gold medal, Pac-10 Championships, varsity four
 1993 Silver medal, collegiate national championships, JV eight
 Gold medal, Pac-10 Championships, JV eight
 1995 Bronze medal, collegiate national championships, JV eight
 1995 Invited to U.S. pre-elite training camp

Coaching Experience
 1995-96 University of Washington, varsity intern
 1996-1998 Trinity College (Hartford, Conn.), novice women's coach
 1997-98 Trinity College, women's basketball assistant coach
 1998-2002 Trinity College (Hartford, Conn.), head women's coach
 2002-03 Oregon State University, novice women's coach
 2003-present University of Washington, novice women's coach

Coaching Highlights
 1996 Led UW's third and fourth varsity boats to undefeated season
 2004 Pac-10 Championships, novice eight silver medal

SEAN MULLIGAN

Women's Varsity Assistant Coach



Former University of Washington coxswain Sean Mulligan is in his second year as a full-time member of the Husky crew staff.

Mulligan was hired last year by head coach Eleanor McElvaine to serve as the women's varsity assistant coach.

"Sean is a product of the Washington rowing program and that is important," said McElvaine who was named the head coach in August of 2003 after 13 seasons as an assistant on the UW staff. "He is a very good coach. Sean did a great job with the varsity four men's crew."

Mulligan accepted a full-time position on the Husky women's staff after serving during the 2003 season as men's varsity intern. He directed the UW varsity four to the national championship at the 2003 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships.

A graduate of LaSalle High School in Lansdale, Pa., Mulligan originally came to Washington as a coxswain beginning in the 1995-96 season.

As a sophomore in 1997, he coxed the men's varsity eight to an undefeated season. The Huskies finished first at the IRA Championships to win UW's 11th all-time varsity eight national title, the school's first since 1970. Mulligan was the team captain in 1999. He guided the varsity eight to a silver-medal performance at the 1998 IRA Championships and a bronze in 1999.

In international competition, Mulligan helped the U.S. crew win gold in 1997 and silver in 1998 at the U-23 World Championships. He coxed the U.S. lightweight eight that finished second at the 1998 World Championships.

In 1999, he won gold in the coxed four at the World Championships.

Mulligan graduated from the University of Washington in 1999 with a bachelor's degree in communications.

MULLIGAN'S PROFILE

Full Name: Sean Mulligan
Date of Birth: October 31, 1976
Hometown: Lansdale, Pa.
High School: LaSalle
College: University of Washington, 1999
 Bachelor's degree, Communications

Rowing Experience
 1996-99 University of Washington, coxswain
 1999 UW team captain

Athletic Honors
 1997 Gold medal, Pacific-10 Championships, varsity eight
 1997 Gold medal, IRA Championships, varsity eight
 1997 Sixth place, World Championships, lightweight eight
 1997 Gold medal, U-23 World Championships, men's eight
 1998 Silver medal, IRA Championships, varsity eight
 1998 Silver medal, FISA World Championships, lightweight eight
 1998 Silver medal, U-23 World Championships, men's eight
 1999 Bronze medal, IRA Championships, varsity eight
 1999 Gold medal, FISA World Championships, four with coxswain

Coaching Experience
 2003 Washington, men's varsity intern

Coaching Honors
 2003 IRA Championships, varsity four gold medal
 2004 Pac-10 Championships, varsity four gold medal
 2004 NCAA Championships, varsity four silver medal