



Erica Schwab

Women's Novice Coach 4th Season

Erica Schwab is in her fourth season as a full-time member of the Washington women's crew staff as the women's novice coach. She was hired in 2003 by head coach Eleanor McElvaine. In her three seasons coaching the huskies, Schwab

has coached the novice women's eight to win or place second each year 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 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 came 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 two 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, 1993 in the JV eight and again 1994 in the 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. She went on to complete her Master of Arts degree in American Studies while coaching at Trinity College.

Schwab's Profile

Name: Erica Ann Schwab

Birthdate: 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
1993 Gold medal, collegiate national championships, JV eight
1993 Silver medal, Pac-10 Championships, JV eight
1994 Gold medal, Pac-10 Championships, varsity four
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
1996-98 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
2006 CanAmEx Women's Junior Team coach

Coaching Highlights

1996 Led UW's third and fourth varsity boats to undefeated season
1999 Led Trinity to the New England Championship Team Championship
2004 Pac-10 Championships, novice eight silver medal
2005 Pac-10 Championships, novice eight gold medal
2006 Pac-10 Championships, novice eight silver medal