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# head coach j. kelley HAL

sixth season overall | second at cincinnati

J. Kelley Hall enters his second season at Cincinnati after leading the undermanned Bearcats to a 12-16 record in his first season at the helm. Hall's up-tempo style led to wins against crosstown rival Xavier and BIG EAST foes Georgetown, USF, and Providence. Hall earned his 300th career head-coaching victory in a 69-49 win against Georgetown on Jan. 8.

Hall became just the seventh head coach of the University of Cincinnati women's basketball program when he was introduced as the Bearcats' new mentor on April 4, 2007. The 49-year-old Hall is considered one of the top recruiters in the nation and brings with him a winning system which has been developed in some of the most competitive regions of America in women's college basketball. Hall's national recruiting base was developed during coaching stops at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, as head coach (2002-07), at Louisville, as associate head coach/recruiting coordinator (2000-02), and assistant coach/recruiting coordinator positions at Auburn (1996-2000), Cal State Fullerton (1994-96), Mississippi State (1992-94), the University of Alabama (1983-84) and Troy (1982-83).

Hall's career coaching highlights include guiding his teams to six NCAA Tournaments, one WNIT appearance, while coaching six all-Americans, 10 all-Southeastern Conference student-athletes, and one NCAA scoring champion. Hall's career record as a head coach stands at 302-134, a winning percentage of .692.

Hall comes to the Bearcats from the University of Louisiana-Lafayette where he coached five seasons, transforming the team

## the j. kelley hall file

### personal information

**Full Name:** James Kelley Hall

**Born:** January 13, 1959

**Hometown:** Selma, Ala.

**College:** Troy State, '82 (BA Secondary Education)

**Family:** Wife, Meredith (Sisson); Daughters Brynley Michele (6), Jordyn Kelley (5) and son Aubrey Oneal (1).



### coaching experience

2004-05 Sun Belt Conference Coach of the Year

### hall coaching year-by-year

Season	School (Conf.)	Position	Record/Conf.	Postseason
1982-83	Troy State	Asst. Coach/Recruiting Coordinator		
1983-84	Alabama	Volunteer Asst. Coach		
1984-85	Gordon JC	Head Coach	19-7	
1985-92	Truett-McConnell JC	Head Coach	185-49	3 State Championships
1992-94	Mississippi State	Asst. Coach/Recruiting Coordinator		
1994-96	Cal State Fullerton	Asst. Coach/Recruiting Coordinator		
1996-00	Auburn	Asst. Coach/Recruiting Coordinator	3 NCAAs	
2000-02	Louisville	Assoc. Head Coach	1 NCAA, 1 WNIT	
2002-03	UL-Lafayette	Head Coach	8-19/4-11	
2003-04	UL-Lafayette	Head Coach	13-15/7-8	
2004-05	UL-Lafayette	Head Coach	22-9/10-5	Sun Belt West Div. Champs
2005-06	UL-Lafayette	Head Coach	18-10/8-7	
2006-07	UL-Lafayette	Head Coach	25-9/14-4	Sun Belt West Div. Champs
				NCAA Tournament
2007-08	Cincinnati	Head Coach	12-16/3-13	
<b>Division I Totals</b>	<b>6 years</b>		<b>98-78/46-48</b>	<b>.557/.489</b>
<b>Overall Totals</b>	<b>14 years</b>		<b>302-134</b>	<b>.693</b>

from a struggling program to a power in the Sun Belt Conference. Hall took over at UL-Lafayette in 2002-03 and inherited a program with a 300+ RPI rating and built Louisiana's Ragin' Cajuns into a Top 60 RPI program in 2006-07. From 1990 to 2000, the Cajuns averaged four wins a season. In Hall's first two seasons the UL program was 21-34 but posted a mark of 65-28 in his final three seasons.

Hall's 2006-07 squad, which was picked to finish third in the Sun Belt Conference's West Division, finished 25-9, winning the regular season Sun Belt West Division title, and accepted a rare mid-major at-large berth to the NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament. It was the first-ever NCAA Tournament invitation in UL-Lafayette history. The 25 victories set a new school record for single-season wins, eclipsing the mark of 22 set by the 2004-05 team.

One of Hall's most impressive statistics as a coach has nothing to do with results on the court, but in the classroom. In five years, his recruited student-athletes at UL-Lafayette recorded a 100-percent graduation rate.

The 2005 Sun Belt Conference Coach of the Year, Hall is the all-time winningest coach in University of Louisiana at Lafayette women's basketball history. During his five seasons, Hall's Cajuns set eight individual and 12 team records, including most victories in a season (25, 2006-07), most home wins in a





season (13, 2004-05), most consecutive home wins in a season (13, 2004-05), and most consecutive home wins, notching 22 consecutive wins from February 5, 2004 through January 5, 2006.

Under Hall's direction, the Ragin' Cajuns finished either first or second in their Sun Belt West Division in his last four seasons, including Sun Belt West Division titles in 2005 and 2007, and second-place finishes during the 2004 and 2006 seasons.

Regarded as one of the finest defensive coaches in the women's college game, Hall is known for his aggressive match-up zone and tenacious presses and half court traps. Over the Cajuns' last 147 games, UL-Lafayette held the opposition to 58.7 ppg on 36.3 percent shooting.

During the 2006-07 season Louisiana's Ragin' Cajuns finished the season ranked eighth nationally in rebound margin (+9.3), 18th in field goal percentage defense (35.7), and 40th in win-loss percentage (.735).

During his five seasons Hall directed three 1,000-point scorers and coached one Sun Belt Conference Player of the Year, three Sun Belt Conference Newcomers of the Year, and three first-team all-Sun Belt performers.

Over his quarter century of coaching, Hall has been a proven winner, posting 19 winning seasons -- 13 of which included 20-plus victories.

Prior to his stint at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Hall spent two years as an associate head coach at BIG EAST foe University of Louisville. He served as the Cardinals' recruiting coordinator and a defensive specialist coach, as well as handling on-floor coaching duties and working with the post players. During his stint at U of L, Hall was key in signing the No. 2-ranked junior college player in the country, Amande Wolfe. He is also credited with organizing the first Lady Cardinals Elite Basketball Camp.

Prior to his success at Louisville, he spent four seasons as the recruiting coordinator at Auburn, bringing in some of the top players in the country, and producing nationally-ranked classes in each of his four seasons. Hall's first recruiting class ranked fourth in the nation by *Blue Chip Magazine*. The class included All-Americans Shana Askew, Tasha Hamilton and Consawella Sparrow. His second class was ranked fifth overall in the country and





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each were named an All-American by *USA Today*. His third and fourth classes also received national acclaim, including Top 10 by *USA Today*, *Blue Star* and *All-Star* recruiting services. His fourth recruiting class included Carol Smith, the Rawlings NJCAA National Player of the Year in 2000.

Hall spent two seasons (1994-96) at California State University Fullerton as an assistant and recruiting coordinator. While at Cal State Fullerton, he coached Koko Lahanas who averaged 26.8 ppg, leading the nation in scoring in 1994-95. He also served in the capacity of recruiting coordinator at Mississippi State from 1992-94.

Hall became head coach for the first time when he took over the reigns at Gordon Junior College in 1984-85. He guided the team to a 19-7 record and a third-place finish in the Georgia Junior College Athletic Association (GJCAA).

The Selma, Ala. native honed his X's and O's as a head coach in the highly competitive junior college ranks at Truett-McConnell Junior College from 1985-92. Hall averaged 26 wins per year during a seven-year stint as the head coach, capturing three state championships and four second-place finishes. In 1991 and 1992, he was named the GJCAA Coach of the Year and mentored five NJCAA All-Americans. Hall also got valuable experience as director of athletics, assistant dean of students, and was the chairman of the health and physical education department.

He began his coaching career at his alma mater, Troy (Ala.) University, serving as an assistant for one season in 1982. Following the 1982 campaign, Hall moved on to Tuscaloosa, Ala. where he was a volunteer assistant at the University of Alabama during the 1983-84 season.

Hall and his wife Meredith have two daughters, Brynley Michele and Jordyn Kelley, and one son, Aubrey Oneal. Meredith (formerly Sisson) Hall has served on her husband's staff, including four seasons as a volunteer assistant coach at UL-Lafayette, and the 2006-07 season as co-head coach of the Ragin' Cajuns. The former Virginia Commonwealth standout was a two-time team captain for the Rams, and later played briefly in the WNBA with the Washington Mystics.

Hall received his bachelor's degree in secondary education from Troy University in 1982.



*The Hall family: J Kelley, Meredith, Brynley, Jordyn and Aubrey.*

## hall vs. all-time opponents

	W-L
Alaska-Anchorage	1-0
Arkansas	0-2
Arkansas-Little Rock	4-1
Arkansas-Pine Bluff	2-0
Arkansas State	3-5
Auburn	0-1
Bethune-Cookman	1-0
Centenary (La.)	2-0
Central Michigan	1-0
Cincinnati	0-1
Coastal Carolina	1-0
Connecticut	0-1
Dayton	0-1
Denver	6-4
DePaul	0-1
Duquesne	1-0
Florida Atlantic	1-0
Florida International	6-3
Georgetown	1-0
Hampton	2-0
Indiana	0-1
Lamar	2-0
Louisiana-Monroe	1-1
Louisiana State	0-1
Louisiana State-Shreveport	1-0
Louisiana Tech	0-1
Louisville	0-2
Marquette	0-2
Maryland-Eastern Shore	1-1
McNeese State	1-0
Memphis	0-1
Michigan	0-1
Middle Tennessee	0-8
Missouri	1-0
Montana State	1-0
Nebraska	0-2
New Orleans	8-2
New Mexico State	3-3
Nicholls State	3-1
North Texas	7-3
Notre Dame	0-1
Pittsburgh	0-1
Prairie View A&M	2-0
Presbyterian	1-0
Providence	1-0
Rutgers	0-1
Sacred Heart	0-1
Sam Houston State	2-0
Savannah State	4-1
SMU	0-1
South Alabama	3-6
South Carolina	1-2
Southeastern Louisiana	2-0
Stanford	0-1
Texas	0-1
Texas A&M-Corpus Christi	0-1
Texas-El Paso	1-1
Texas-Pan American	5-1
Texas Southern	2-0
Texas State	1-0
Troy	3-0
UC Davis	1-0
Western Kentucky	2-4
Seton Hall	0-1
St. John's	0-1
Syracuse	0-1
Tennessee Tech	1-0
USF	1-0
Valparaiso	1-0
Villanova	0-1
West Virginia	0-1
Wright State	1-0
Xavier	1-0
Youngstown State	1-0

*As an NCAA Division I head coach*



# todd SCHAEFER

associate head coach | second at cincinnati

A nine-year head coach at the junior college and Division II level, Todd Schaefer enters his second season as associate head coach on A.J. Kelley Hall's staff.

Schaefer, a native of Cincinnati and graduate of Finneytown High School, made his return to the Queen City after more than a decade of coaching college basketball across the country.

Schaefer came to the Bearcats from Arkansas Tech University where he was head coach from 2005-07, compiling a 37-22 record. Schaefer had taken over a Golden Suns program coming off the worst consecutive seasons in the program's history. During the 2006-2007 season, Schaefer led the Golden Suns to a 22-10 record, the Gulf South Conference Championship game, an NCAA Division II Tournament at-large berth, and a first-round Division II Tournament win.

Schaefer had two players earn GSC All-Conference honors, had a player earn a GSC first-team all-academic award and had a conference-high eight players make the GSC Academic Honor Roll. The Golden Suns carried a 3.2 overall grade point average during the fall semester. Schaefer was promoted to the helm of the Golden Suns program after one season as assistant coach in 2004-2005.

Prior to his stint at Arkansas Tech, Schaefer was the head coach at Christian Brothers University in Memphis, Tenn., for five seasons, amassing an overall record of 60-76.

In his first season, 1999-2000, he led the Lady Bucs to their first-ever NCAA postseason tournament appearance by qualifying for the Gulf South Conference Tournament.

By his fifth and final season his hard work and recruiting efforts produced one of the best seasons in the school's history as CBU won its first and only GSC Western Division regular season championship, and earned the school's only NCAA Division II National Tournament bid in 2003-2004. The accomplishment is all the more remarkable considering the 2002-2003 edition of the Lady Bucs, decimated by injury, posted just a 5-22 record. CBU finished the 2003-2004 season with a school-best 23-7 record, marking the biggest single-season turnaround in Division II women's basketball history.

While at CBU, Schaefer had five different players earn GSC all-conference honors and one player earn GSC Freshman of the Year. His teams regularly had cumulative grade point averages over 3.0 and every player that finished their eligibility at CBU under Schaefer walked away with their degrees.

Schaefer secured his first head coaching position when he was appointed to the helm of the women's basketball program at Allen County Community College in Iola, Kansas in 1997. He remained at ACCC for two seasons where his teams were competitive in the toughest Junior College conference in the country. Schaefer recruited and coached the Jayhawk Conference's Eastern Division Player of the Year and NJCAA scoring champion Heather Baker. Until the 2006-07 season Baker held the NJCAA National record for points in a game, when she totaled 57 points versus Highland Community College.

Schaefer's professional coaching experience began in 1995 when he was hired as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at Western Illinois University, in Macomb, IL. At WIU, Schaefer was responsible for two recruiting classes that included two players who earned high school honorable mention All-America honors, one Mid-Continent Conference

Freshman of the Year award, and two all-conference selections.

He gave up his football career and started his collegiate coaching career as a student assistant while attending Thomas More College in Crestview Hills, KY. While at Thomas More, he helped coach Kim Prewitt, who broke the single-season record for 3-point field goals made in a season with 107 in 1994. Schaefer earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in English/Communications from Thomas More College in 1995.

Schaefer was an honorable mention all-state performer in football and baseball at Finneytown High School where he earned four letters in football and baseball and two in basketball.

He is a member of the Women's Basketball Coaches Association and is married to the former Lisa Harper of Pocahontas, Ark. The couple had their first child, Landon Harper Schaefer, on August 24, 2006.

## the todd schaefer file

### personal information

**Birthdate:** Dec. 3, 1972  
**Family:** Wife Lisa (Harper), son Landon (2)  
**College:** Thomas More (BA English 1995)



### coaching experience

Years	Positions	School
1994-95	Student Assistant Coach	Thomas More
1995-97	Assistant Coach	Western Illinois
1997-99	Head Coach	Allen County (Kan.) CC
1999-04	Head Coach	Christian Brothers
2004-05	Assistant Coach	Arkansas Tech
2005-07	Head Coach	Arkansas Tech
2007-pres.	Associate Head Coach	Cincinnati





# tari CUMMINGS

assistant coach | second at cincinnati

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Tari Cummings, a former Big 12 standout with five years of coaching experience, enters her second season at UC, serving as UC's recruiting coordinator, and mentoring the post players.

Cummings spent four seasons at Arkansas-Fort Smith under long-time head coach Louis Whorton, where she helped the Lions to three NJCAA National Tournament appearances, including a pair of Final Fours and a consolation championship. She mentored three NJCAA all-Americans during her tenure at UA-Fort Smith.

A 1998-99 NJCAA all-American at UA-Fort Smith (then Westark College), Cummings served as team captain during each of her two years and helped the Lions to a seventh-place finish in the NJCAA National Tournament in 1997-98. She earned all-America honors in 1999 and her 1,262 career points ranked third in the program's history. She went on to play two seasons at Oklahoma State University, where she was an all-Big 12 performer in 2001-02, averaging 13.1 points per contest and leading the Cowgirls with 6.9 rebounds per game.

Cummings earned her Associate of Arts degree from Westark College in 1999 and received a B.S. in sociology from Oklahoma State in 2003.

A native of Pocola, Okla., Cummings has a eight-year-old daughter, Tiya.

## the tari cummings file

### personal information

**Birthdate:** Jan. 5, 1979

**Family:** Daughter Tiya (8), parents Joe and Loyce Cummings, sister Tammy, brother Joe, nieces Chauntel and Dachelle

**College:** Oklahoma State (BS Sociology 2003)



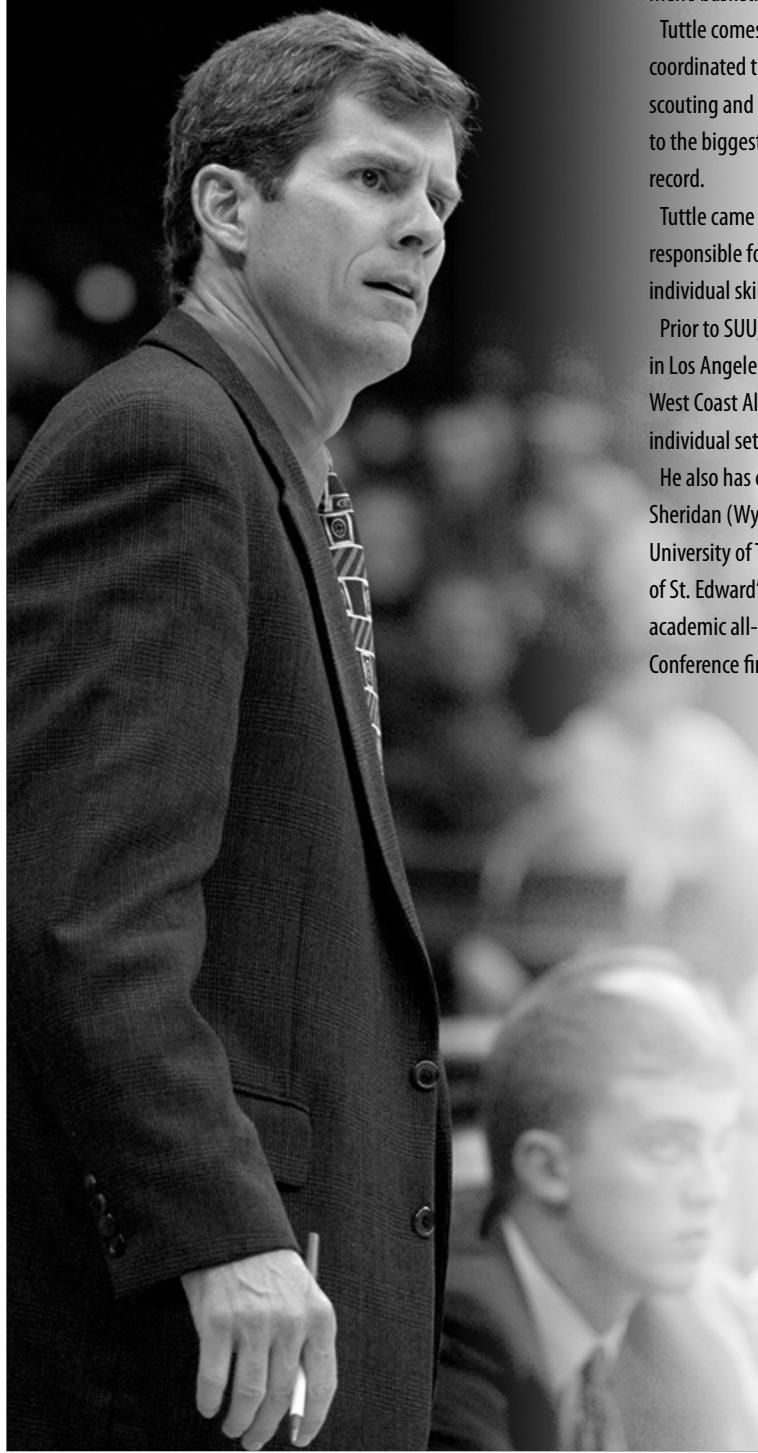
### coaching experience

Years	Positions	School
2004-07	Assistant Coach	Arkansas-Fort Smith
2007-pres	Assistant Coach	Cincinnati



# george TUTTLE

as assistant coach | first at cincinnati



**G**eorge Tuttle joins the Bearcats as an assistant to head coach J. Kelley Hall after a three-year stint at the University of San Diego, where he served as an assistant coach for the men's basketball team.

Tuttle comes to UC after three seasons as the top assistant coach at San Diego. Tuttle coordinated the Torero recruiting efforts and handled the scheduling duties, in addition to scouting and working with the post players. In his first year on the staff he helped the Toreros to the biggest turnaround in NCAA Division I basketball with 12 more victories and a 16-13 record.

Tuttle came to USD from Southern Utah University where he was an assistant coach responsible for recruiting, scheduling, working with the post players, and developing individual skills.

Prior to SUU, Tuttle worked in private business and coached in the Fila Summer Pro League in Los Angeles. In the Fila League, Tuttle served as head coach of the Moore Management West Coast All-Stars, selecting and coaching free agent professional players in both team and individual settings. He coached the team to a league title in the summer of 2000.

He also has coaching experience at the college level with stops at Cal State Fullerton, Sheridan (Wyoming) College, and the University of Texas. Tuttle is a 1990 graduate of the University of Texas, where he earned a bachelor's degree in liberal arts. He was a member of St. Edward's University (NCAA Division II) basketball team, where he was twice named academic all-conference and helped guide the Hilltoppers to a second-place Heart of Texas Conference finish.

## the george tuttle file

### personal information

**Birthdate:** Oct. 30, 1967  
**College:** Texas (BA Liberal Arts 1990)



### coaching experience

Years	Positions	School
1990-91	Graduate Assistant	Texas
1991-93	Assistant Coach	Sheridan (Wyo.) College
1993-97	Assistant Coach	Cal State Fullerton (men's)
2003-04	Assistant Coach	Southern Utah (men's)
2004-07	Assistant Coach	San Diego (men's)
2008-pres.	Assistant Coach	Cincinnati



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# tomekaBROWN

director of basketball operations | second at Cincinnati

**T**omeka Brown, a former WNBA player and standout at Ohio State University, enters her second season as UC's Director of Basketball Operations.

Brown spent the 2006-07 season at Columbus Africentric Early College School serving as the varsity girls assistant coach and as a long term intervention specialist in the area of social studies. She helped guide the program to city, district, regional, and state championships in her

first year with the team and was instrumental in the development of one Player of the Year, three all-city members, and two all-district honorees.

A native of Columbus, Ohio, she was a four-year letterwinner on the Buckeyes women's basketball team where she finished 11th in school history in career steals and 20th in career assists. She was twice named honorable mention all-Big Ten and was highlighted on ESPN's SportsCenter "Play of the Day" in 2001 after she landed the game-winning buzzer beater in the first round of the WNIT. In 2002, she was selected by the WNBA's Orlando Miracle as a fourth-round draft pick.

Brown holds a bachelor's degree in African American Studies from Ohio State (2003).

## the tomeka brown file

### personal information

**Birthdate:** Sept. 5, 1980

**Family:** Elizabeth Brown-Paschal and Rory Brown, brothers Aaron and Kevin Brown, nieces Kaylah and Damonique, nephews Aaron and Kevin, Jr.

**College:** Ohio State (BA African American and African Studies 2003)



### coaching experience

Years	Positions	School
2003-04	Assistant Coach	Marion Franklin (Ohio) High School
2004-06	Head Coach	World Harvest Prep (Ohio) High School
2006-07	Assistant Coach	Africentric (Ohio) High School
2007-pres.	Dir. Basketball Operations	Cincinnati