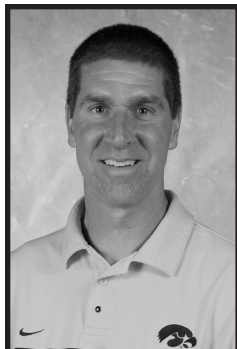




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Head Coach Ron Rainey



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Head Coach
Third Season

Ron Rainey is in his third year as head coach of the Hawkeyes.

The rebuilding effort continued in 2007, Rainey's second season at the helm of the Hawkeyes. Rainey coached the Hawkeyes to a record of 8-8-4, the program's best record since 2001. Iowa also earned a trip to the Big Ten Conference tournament for the first time since 2001.

Rainey joined the Hawkeyes from Ball State University before the start of the 2006 season, where he served as the school's head coach since the program's inaugural season in 1999. Under his tutelage, the Cardinals posted a 70-52-17 record in seven seasons.

Ball State showed swift improvement under Rainey's guidance, and amassed a 62-25-14 record in his last five years. In 2001, he coached the third-year program to a 12-6-2 mark and was named Mid-American Conference Coach of the Year. In 2005, Rainey guided Ball State to a 15-3-2 record and advanced to the Mid-American Conference Tournament for the fifth-consecutive year.



Before starting the program at Ball State, Rainey served as an assistant coach at the University of Iowa for the first two seasons of the Hawkeye program (1997-98). In Iowa's first year of varsity soccer, Rainey and the Hawkeyes were named the No. 1 first-year program by *Soccer Buzz Magazine*.

Prior to his stint with Iowa, Rainey was the head women's coach at Towson State University for one year, where his team was 10-7-2 and won the America East Tournament. He has also served as an assistant coach at the University of Cincinnati (1995-96), and head coach and sports information director at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside (1994-1995), where his first year team finished with a 10-6-2 record. Rainey was also the graduate assistant coach at Trenton State College (1992-94).

Outside the collegiate ranks, Rainey has served as a regional staff coach for the Region II Girls Olympic Development Program every summer since 1994. He received his United States Soccer Federation (USSF) "A" License in 1996 and his "B" License in 1995. He has also written articles for leading soccer publications such as *Soccer Coaching Magazine* and presented at numerous coaching clinics around the Midwest.

Rainey graduated from Wilkes University in 1992 with degrees in Mathematics and English. He went on to get his Master of Education degree from Trenton State College in 1994.

As a player, Rainey was a two-time captain and team MVP for Wilkes University. In 1990, he was a second team National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) all-region pick.

Rainey's wife Margaret earned her Masters degree in education at Iowa and played collegiate soccer at the University of Wisconsin. They have three children: Wade (7), Sally (5) and Mary (3).



The Rainey family (l-r): Sally (5), Ron, Wade (7), Margaret, (Mary 3)



Eric Golz
Assistant Coach
Third Season

Eric Golz is in his third season as an assistant coach at Iowa. In addition to serving as Iowa's recruiting coordinator, he is primarily responsible for coaching field players, obtaining opponent scouting reports, and equipment.

Before joining the Hawkeyes, Golz served as an assistant coach at Bowling Green State for two seasons and was promoted to top assistant in 2005. In 2005, Golz helped the Falcons to a 14-7-2 record which included the first MAC regular-season title in school history. Bowling Green also won the MAC Tournament and earned a bid to the NCAA Championships.

Golz was a volunteer assistant during the 2004 season and helped the Falcons to their first Mid-American Conference Tournament title in school history and an NCAA Tournament berth. Golz coached both the 2005 MAC Player of the Year and Freshman of the Year while at Bowling Green, and served as academic and recruiting coordinator. Golz helped recruit the No. 1 ranked incoming class in the MAC for the 2006 season. The class was also ranked 10th in the Great Lakes Region and 70th nationally by Soccer Buzz magazine.

Golz also spent time with the Greater Toledo Futbol Club and Westminster College men's soccer team. He has also worked with the Ohio North Olympic Development Program and is also on the USYSA Region II Girls staff, which helps identify, train and evaluate girls from a 14-state region to participate in both national and international competitions.

Golz graduated from Grove City College, PA, in 2002 with a degree in finance and was an all-conference goalkeeper. He has earned his United States Soccer Federation (USSF) "A" License and owns a Level 1 goalkeeping License from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA).



Eileen Narcotta
Assistant Coach
Third Season

Eileen Narcotta is in her third season as an assistant coach for the Hawkeyes. Her duties at Iowa include coaching the defenders and goalkeepers, managing travel arrangements, video coordination, conditioning and recruiting.

Narcotta joined the Iowa program from Ball State, where she was an assistant coach with Ron Rainey for four seasons. While at Ball State, Narcotta was in charge of coaching goalkeepers and defenders, while assisting in practice planning and recruiting. In 2005, Narcotta helped the Cardinals to a 15-3-2 record and advanced to the Mid-American Conference Tournament for the fifth-consecutive year. She has coached two goalkeepers to all-MAC honors, including Ali Becker, who transferred to Iowa from Ball State and finished his playing career last season. Narcotta also coached Becker to NSCAA All-Great Lakes region honors.

Narcotta received her masters in sports administration from Ball State in 2006. She graduated from Vermont in 2000 with a degree in nutritional and food sciences and was a member of the Vermont soccer team for five seasons. She was an assistant at Vermont for one season before accepting an assistant coaching at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, ME, in August of 2000.

Narcotta currently serves as a Regional Staff Coach for the Region II Girls' Olympic Development Program and for the Iowa Olympic Development Program. She holds both a United States Soccer Federation (USSF) "B" License and an Advanced National Diploma from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA).



Stacy Welp
Volunteer Assistant
Third Season

Stacy Welp is in her third season as a volunteer assistant coach at Iowa. Before coming to Iowa, Welp was an assistant coach at Illinois State for two seasons. While at Illinois State, Welp was travel and recruiting coordinator and also served as the program's fundraiser.

Welp also serves as a staff coach for the United States Youth Soccer Association Olympic Development Program. Her duties include evaluating, training and selecting girls from the Midwest to be considered for the U.S National Soccer Team youth player pools. She is also the head coach for the Eastern Iowa United U-17 girls team.

Welp holds a Masters degree in student development and works at the Career Leadership Academy at the University's Pomerantz Career Center. Prior to her time at Illinois State, Welp was an assistant coach at both Clemson and California State (Fresno). She was also promoted to head coach at California State from 2001-04.