



Esther RAMACIERI

5-8 | Freshman | Guard
Repentigny, Quebec, Canada
(Felix Leclerc/Dawson College)

Ramacieri's Honors

- Four-Time Felix LeClerc High School Athlete of the Year (2008, 2009, 2010, 2011)
- Led Dawson College to Silver at CCAA National Championships (2013)
- Led Dawson College to Silver at Quebec Provincial Championships (2012)

Five Facts About Esther

1. Esther is half Italian and half Haitian.
2. She speaks French.
3. Esther says "eh" like there is no tomorrow.
4. Esther likes to use her hair as a pillow because it is so fluffy.
5. She loves pugs.

Outlook (2013-14)

Esther Ramacieri (pronounced RAH-muh-Cherry) was the final commit to the Huskers' three-player recruiting class, choosing Nebraska in September 2012 after her official visit. Ramacieri completed her second season of CEGEP at Dawson College in 2012-13.

The 5-8 guard from Repentigny, Quebec, Canada will have four years of eligibility at Nebraska.

Ramacieri helped Dawson College to a silver medal at the Canadian National Championships in 2012-13, after a silver medal finish at provincial championships and an unbeaten regular season.

"On offense we like to play fast and Esther is an up-tempo type of guard," Nebraska Coach Connie Yori said. "Esther is a good on-ball defender and excels at pushing the ball in transition, which makes her a great fit for our system. She is athletic, competitive, an excellent ball-handler and a hard worker. She can score off the dribble or shoot the three. She will help provide immediate depth in our backcourt."

Before Nebraska

Ramacieri helped Dawson College to a second-place finish at the CCAA National Championships in 2012-13. Dawson also took second at Quebec's Provincial championships following an undefeated regular season.

In 2011-12, Dawson won the Quebec Provincial Championship and claimed a silver medal at the CCAA National

Championships. Ramacieri averaged 7.4 points and 3.2 rebounds per game, while helping Dawson to an 18-2 record.

Ramacieri was chosen as Felix Leclerc High School's athlete of the year four times. She was also selected as the most valuable player of her Dawson Community Blues club team in both 2009 and 2010. In 2010-11, Ramacieri started all 26 games for the Blues and averaged 16.0 points, 3.0 rebounds, 2.3 assists and 2.2 steals per game for Coach Terri Neill.

Ramacieri played on bronze medal-winning teams for Quebec at the 2011 Canadian U-17 Championships and the 2008 Canadian U-15 Championships. She also helped her Lanaudiere club team to a silver medal at the 2007 Quebec Games. She served as the official flag bearer for Lanaudiere at the 2010 Quebec Games in Gatineau.

Ramacieri is the fourth Canadian to compete for the Huskers in women's basketball, following 2012 Canadian Olympian Chelsea Aubry (2004-07), Kaitlyn Burke (2008-12) and Harleen Sidhu (2009-12).

Personal

The daughter of Giuseppe Ramacieri and Marie-Herta Celestin Ramacieri, Esther was born March 4, 1994 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Esther is the youngest of four children, with sisters Cynthia (34) and Julia (31) along with one brother, Pascal (28).

"I chose Nebraska because it was the best fit for me, as far as the school, academics, coaches and players," Ramacieri said. "Once I came on the visit, I knew there was no other place that could compare to Nebraska. It felt like I was a part of a family. I've wanted to play basketball in the states ever since I was six years old, so finding a perfect fit for me was a dream come true. Nebraska was the only place that felt like home."

