



Head Coaching Position – GVSU Men's ACHA D3 Hockey

About the program: The men's D3 ACHA team at Grand Valley State University has a tradition of success. We have achieved top 10 rankings consistently throughout the last 3 seasons and have had consecutive appearances at the national tournament over the last 4 years, with a runner up and two final four finishes. Our team is built on values that resemble those of a family. A combination of hard work, family values, and commitment to excellence have all led to the team's continued success at the top of the division.

Although this form explains the opening of a head coaching position, an assistant coaching position is available as well.

Position Overview: Part time paid position

We are seeking a passionate, team-first leader to serve as the Head Coach of our hockey team. The ideal candidate brings a high level of hockey intelligence, experience, and an unshakable work ethic. This is a hands-on role that requires someone who leads by example, inspires grit and determination in their players, and fosters a culture centered on accountability, growth, and unity. The Head Coach will be responsible for all aspects of the D3 team, including practice planning, in-game decision making, player development, and team culture. We're looking for someone who isn't afraid to get in the trenches with their players, and can bring both strategic insight and emotional toughness to the locker room and the bench.

Responsibilities:

- Manage/ organize practice plans
- Create lineups for gamedays

- Build relationships with players and other members of staff
- Additional administrative duties within organization
- Be present for any team activities
- Scouting and recruiting for future seasons
- Listen to player feedback

Qualities:

Hands-on leadership

- Actively engage in all levels of development, both on and off the ice

Team First Mentality

- Foster a culture that's deeply rooted in trust, discipline, and selflessness

Grit and Tenacity

- Bring a relentless drive to compete, as well as intensity and toughness day in and day out

Time Commitment:

- Practices 2 nights A week (Tuesday and Thursday nights, 9-10:30 PM)
- 2-3 Games per weekend
- Season extends from late August – late March
- 2 overnight trips (weekend showcase and national tournament)

Location:

- All home games played at Griff's Georgetown
- All practices at Griff's Georgetown
- Away events are located across midwestern states (Michigan, Ohio, Missouri, Indiana)

Interested applicants should contact the following people-

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