



MICHAEL PECK

ASSISTANT COACH (THIRD YEAR)

“Michael has had so many different experiences in the game from working with Florida, Penn State and in the WNBA and brings those unique elements to the court. His contributions were instrumental in Penn State’s run to the Final Four while he was there. He has a proven record.” – Head Coach Carolyn Peck

Michael Peck, younger brother of head coach Carolyn Peck, enters his third year in Gainesville working with the University of Florida women’s basketball team. However, it is his second consecutive season on the Gator sidelines, having returned to UF in April 2002 after gathering additional coaching experience.

Peck’s on-court duties for the 2003-04 season include



the development of the point guards.

He began his collegiate coaching career as an assistant coach at Florida during the 1998 campaign under then-Head Coach Carol Ross before assuming a similar position at Penn State for the next three seasons, including the team’s run to the 2000 Final Four.

Michael, who was one of the primary recruiters for the Lady Lions, helped orchestrate one of the nation’s top recruiting classes which brought two-time Kodak All-American Kelly Mazzante to Penn State.

Following the 2001 season, Michael joined Carolyn’s WNBA Orlando Miracle staff and served as an assistant coach in 2002.

During his four years as a collegiate assistant coach prior to returning to Gainesville in April 2002, Florida and Penn State combined for a 94-32 overall record, including a 23-9 mark during the Gators’ run to the NCAA Sweet 16.

Florida was Michael’s first collegiate position after coaching the Michigan Spartans, a 15-17 year old Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) team, while working as an account executive for the Fortune 200 firm Pitney Bowes, Inc.



Peck also volunteered for the Detroit Pistons’ Jerome Williams inner-city mentoring program. He has served as an individual instructor at the University of Tennessee’s, Vanderbilt University’s and the University of Virginia’s women’s basketball camps.

A 1996 graduate and four-year letter winner at Marshall University, Michael played his final year under current Gator men’s basketball coach Billy Donovan. He still stands among the leaders on Marshall’s all-time block list.

Michael married the former Rachel Marzouca on July 31, 1999. The couple has one girl, Carly, who was born on May 11, 2001. Michael and Rachel met in Gainesville while Michael was an assistant coach at UF and Rachel was a student at the university.

Michael Peck at a Glance

Date of Birth: August 1, 1972

Hometown: Jefferson City, Tenn.

Education: Marshall (B.S. in Journalism, 1996)

Playing Background: basketball letterwinner at Marshall, 1991-95

Height: 6-foot-7

Of Interest:

- An assistant coach with Penn State during its 2000 Final Four season
- Brought a top 10-ranked recruiting class to Penn State
- Played college ball at Marshall under current Gator men’s coach Billy Donovan
- Florida head coach Carolyn Peck is his older sister
- Served as an assistant coach at Florida during the 1998 season
- Met his future wife Rachel in Gainesville while he was assistant coach at UF

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