

Tim Hall Becomes Eighth SIUE Director of Athletics

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EDWARDSVILLE - Southern Illinois University Edwardsville Chancellor Randy Pembrook today introduced Tim Hall as the eighth director of athletics in University history in the Lukas Annex Cougar Pavilion. Hall arrives on campus after serving as director of athletics at the University of Maryland-Baltimore County (UMBC).

"We are so excited that Tim Hall and his family have joined SIUE," Pembrook said. "He is an experienced, proven athletic director who has had tremendous success at UMKC and UMBC. We anticipate great achievement in the future for SIUE Athletics, as Cougar student-athletes compete in the Ohio Valley and Mid-American Conferences."

"SIUE Athletics has a strong foundation on which to build, but what has impressed me the most is the quality of the people with whom I will work and serve," Hall said. "The notion of successful academics and athletics not being mutually exclusive, is clearly attainable at SIUE.

"I pledge to work every day to advance the reputation and impact of SIUE Athletics, doing so in the spirit of respect, honor, dignity, civility and inclusion. My family and I look forward to being part of both the University and extended communities."

Hall served UMBC since July 2013. During his tenure, the Retrievers posted nine conference championships that encompassed men's basketball, men's and women's soccer, men's cross country, swimming and diving, and baseball. After reaching the 2017 College Insider Tournament, the Retrievers men's basketball program made history by becoming the first 16-seed to upset a No. 1 seed when UMBC stunned Virginia in the 2018 NCAA Tournament.

Also on Hall's watch, UMBC opened a \$90-million events center during winter 2018, which serves as the home for the basketball and volleyball programs and the Department of Athletics.

Hall has an extensive history in intercollegiate athletics administration nationally. In summer 2017, he was appointed president of the Division I-AAA Athletics Directors Association (ADA), an organization composed of Division I athletics directors and administered by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA). He previously served the ADA as first vice president in 2016.

Hall was selected as chair of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA) for fall 2014. He began serving the multi-divisional committee in 2011 and chaired the CWA/Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC) Disability Subcommittee from 2012-14. He has also served on the NCAA volleyball rules committee.

Taking over as director of athletics at UMKC in February 2007, Hall led the Kangaroos to unprecedented NCAA Division I heights in competitiveness, academic success, fundraising and community service efforts. He also led UMKC into a new era, as it joined the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) on July 1, 2013.

In 2008, UMKC received a \$5-million pledge from the Stanley H. Durwood Foundation, the largest gift for the Department of Athletics and the fifth-largest gift in university history. The Stanley H. Durwood Soccer Stadium and Recreational Field debuted in August 2009 as one of the premier soccer facilities in the Midwest.

Hall's career began with a foundation in development, as he was an assistant director of athletic development at Youngstown (Ohio) State in 1997 before moving to Saint Xavier (Illinois) University as assistant director of development in 1999.

Hall brings previous experience in the OVC at Eastern Kentucky University, where he began as the university director for development in 2000. He later was promoted to director of major gifts and special projects, and raised more than \$4.6 million for the institution, including \$1.3 million for intercollegiate athletics.

Hall moved to UMKC after serving as the associate athletics director for development at Kent State (Ohio) University from 2003-07.

Hall earned a bachelor's in sports administration from the University of Toledo in 1994 and achieved a master's in sports administration from Kent State University in 1998. He and his wife, Beth, have four children.

Hall succeeds Brad Hewitt, who retired at the end of the 2019 spring semester. Full video of the press conference is below.

All-Time SIUE Cougars Directors of Athletics

Harry Gallatin (1967-72)*

Bob Guelker (1972-78)*

Ed Bigham (1978-83)

Jim Buck (Acting) (1983-85)

Lynn Lashbrook (1985-88)

Cindy Jones (1988-02)*

Brad Hewitt (2002-19)

Tim Hall (2019-present)

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