

Accreditation Special Committee Bios- 2019

Administrator Representative

Dr. Diane Bartholomew, DHSc, ATC, LAT, CES



Diane Bartholomew is currently the Vice President of Academic Affairs at Missouri Valley College. She's been a certified athletic trainer for more than 25 years, has over 20 years in higher education, including 15 in supervisory and administrative roles. Diane has served as a Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) site visitor for over a decade, was the Mid-America Athletic Trainers' Association (MAATA) Vice President, Iowa Athletic Trainers' Society (IATS) President, and currently chairs both a regional and state athletic training committee. She and husband John are the parents of a 17-year daughter.

Educator Representatives

Dr. Todd Miller, PhD, CSCS*D, TSAC-F, FNCSA



Todd Miller is an Associate Professor of Exercise and Nutrition Sciences at George Washington University in Washington, DC. He is responsible for the creation of the Master of Science concentration in Strength and Conditioning at George Washington University, and currently serves as the Program Director. He is also the Director of the Weight Management and Human Performance Lab at George Washington University's Virginia Science and Technology Campus. Miller's research interests have included studies of exercise adherence in commercial health clubs; caloric expenditure during interactive video gaming in school children; obesity treatment in retired National Football League (NFL) players; and most recently, the role of resistance training in

preventing and treating obesity. Miller has a long history of involvement with the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA), including serving two terms on the Board of Directors.

Dr. Maura Bergan, Ph.D.



I'm Maura Bergan. I'm an Assistant Professor of Exercise Science and Sport Studies at Springfield College in Massachusetts. I teach a variety of classes within the undergraduate Applied Exercise Science program and the occasional graduate course in our Strength and Conditioning program. I completed my master's degree in Strength and Conditioning and my Ph.D in Physical Education, both from Springfield College. I have experience with curriculum, course design and accreditation.

Within my role, I serve as the undergraduate Internship Coordinator. Prior to my role as a faculty member, I spent time in the weight room coaching in both the collegiate and private sector. Next fall, I will be headed back to weight room to work with Softball. I'm very excited to be a part of this endeavor over the next few years! It's a pleasure to meet you all.

Dr Nicholas Hanson, PhD, ACSM EP-C, CSCS



Nicholas received a BS in Biology (2006) and an MS in Exercise Science (2009) from the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO). He received a PhD in Kinesiology from The Ohio State University (OSU) in 2013. He has worked as a Research Assistant in the Creighton University Rehabilitation Science Research Lab, and was a Graduate Teaching Associate at both UNO and OSU. He has certifications through both the National Strength & Conditioning Association (CSCS) and the American College of Sports Medicine (EP-C). He is currently an Assistant Professor of Exercise Science in the department of Human Performance & Health Education at Western Michigan

University (WMU). His research focus within the Human Performance Research Lab at WMU is on exercise and cognitive function, environmental exercise physiology, fatigue, pacing strategies and perception during exercise.

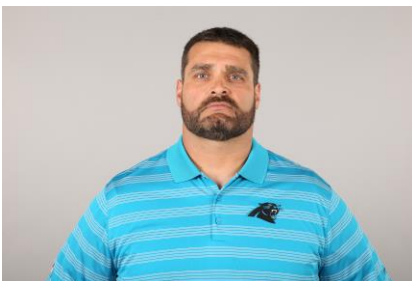
Strength and Conditioning Coach Representatives

Marissa Wehr



Marissa Wehr has been the Head Strength & Conditioning Coach at Husson University in Bangor, Maine for four years. She is also an instructor in the College of Business and College of Science & Humanities and works as an Account Manager at Employee Health Solutions, a Maine-based wellness company. Marissa received her Bachelor in Exercise Science from Slippery Rock University and her Master of Exercise Science from California University of Pennsylvania. She is currently working on her MBA in Athletic Administration at Husson University. Marissa has worked with clients of all ages and levels of play through her undergraduate studies and professional career. At Husson University, Marissa has helped to build the Exercise Science program from scratch. The department is currently in the process of designing courses and tracks for students.

Joe Kenn, CSCS, RSCC*E



NSCA member since 1986, was certified in 1990. Currently the Strength and Conditioning Coach of the Carolina Panthers (NFL) 9th year. Coached 19 years on the collegiate level, 2 on the HS level, 1 in the private sector. Been an active member in the NSCA having served as state director in three states, spoken at numerous coaches and national conferences, been published in both the journals.

I received my bachelor's degree in Health and Sport Science from Wake Forest University and my master's degree in education, curriculum and instruction from Boise State University.

NSCA Affiliate Representative

Ryoji Abe, MS, CSCS



EDUCATION

- BS.in Agriculture (Kyoto University, 1978)
- MS in Physical Education (Oregon University, 1992)
- Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (NSCA, 1992)

AWARDS

- Award of Appreciation Bronze Award (NSCA Certification Commission, 2007)
- Award of Appreciation Silver Award (NSCA Certification Commission, 2008)
- Award of Appreciation Gold Award (NSCA Certification Commission, 2010)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

- Strength & Conditioning Coach, HITACHI Leopard, women's basketball team (1997~2001)
- Personal Trainer, work for professional athletes and general people (1993~2004)
- Executive Director of NSCA Japan (2005~2018)

RELEVANCE POSITIONS

- Board of Directors of the NSCA Japan (2001~2002)
- Vice president of the NSCA Japan (2003~2004)
- Board of Directors of the Japan Holistic Conditioning Association (2005~2018)
- Vice president of the G-Ball Association of Japan (2009~2018)

Ryoji ABE, MS.
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