

MCAA Newsletter



MCAA Instructor Jerry Campbell Presenting at Coaching Conference
Las Vegas, Nevada

Spring

MCAA Program

- *Preparing Coaches
and Athletic
Administrators for
service in the
21st Century*

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A Note from the Director

Wishing you a Great Spring...

As some of you shed your icy cocoon of winter, a spring wonderland of color and sound emerges to transform your environment. While spring continues to blossom, new life and new thoughts grow. Like spring, the Concordia University Irvine MCAA program has a calling with remarkable capability to provide “A transformational experience that connects athletes with faith, learning, and a life’s work of service.”

I would like to thank CUI President Dr. Kurt Krueger for his tremendous support, leadership and advocacy for our students and MCAA program. Dr. Krueger’s Easter message can be found on page 2.

In this edition of our **Spring Newsletter**:

- The Spring Term began on Monday, February 16th. 57 classes are being offered during this term. I would like to wish you the very best as you move through the program. A complete listing of classes can be found on page 3.
- Our Academic Advisors, Chelsea O’Hara and Sheila Hannah, give great professional academic guidance and are available to answer your questions. Please see their reminders on page 5.
- Our alumni are doing great things. We are so very proud of all that you do. We would like to continue to stay connected with you.
- On page 8, you will find a brief note from Chris, Jon and Erika, our Admissions Team. We are excited to host MCAA events around the country.
- Please check out Dean’s Devotion on “Determination” written by our own Rev. Dr. Dean Vieselmeyer (page 10).
- Congratulations to those students completing MCAA 595 Professional Portfolio. You should take great pride in the quality of this “legacy work.” We would love to see you at our graduation ceremony on **May 2nd**. We are very proud of your accomplishments!
- Don’t forget to check out our Summer Schedule of MCAA classes, found on page 4. We are looking forward to another super summer. Register early!
- Upcoming Blended Class Opportunities
 - MCAA 591** Athletic Director Institute: This seminar prepares students regarding the duties and responsibilities of becoming an Athletic Director. Reno, NV – this class is open for spring enrollment.
 - MCAA 573** Advanced Theories/Strategies for Coaching Basketball: A professional seminar designed to assist basketball coaches in developing their coaching philosophy, team building, and coaching strategies. Las Vegas, NV
 - This blended class kicks off our Summer Term.

May you spring forward in your career and your life’s work in the world of athletics. May God continue to bless and keep you,

Tom

A Note from the President

Dear Friends,

Warm, personal greetings from all of us here at Concordia University.

As a fellow educator and as a former coach and athletic director, I want to tell you how much I admire your efforts to complete your master's in Coaching and Athletic Administration at Concordia University Irvine. Over the years we have heard "wonderful words" from hundreds of graduates that commend us for our MCAA program and thank us for providing them the skills, knowledge and confidence to advance in their careers as teachers, coaches and administrators. The list of our graduates is impressive, both in numbers and in the quality of people on that list.

I hope that over your career – whether you're just starting out or are a veteran – that you've also heard wonderful words about your work – about your teaching or coaching. Maybe you've heard these words from a student, "You've taught me so much. You're the best teacher I ever had." Or from a player, "Coach, thanks for helping to make me not only a better player but also a better person."

Someday soon, our registrar hopes to send you these wonderful words: "You have completed all the requirements for your master's degree in Coaching and Athletic Administration."

Someday, your AD may say these words to you, "You have just been selected coach of the year." (Knowing the caliber of our students, some of you have already heard those words!)

We all love to hear words of praise and words which acknowledge our dedication and accomplishments.

However, as I think about the approach of the Easter season, for Christians, the words Jesus speaks are truly wonderful words: Jesus says to all of us, "I am the resurrection and the life. He that believes in me though he were dead, yet shall he live." These are words filled with meaning, words that trump any words that might be said by a Concordia registrar, or student or AD. These are words that have eternal significance and words that also give proper perspective to our current challenges and ongoing struggles. They are words that assure us we will live forever with the Lord, and words that give us hope and joy as we go about our daily tasks.

May you have a blessed Easter, and may God continue to bless you and your studies at Concordia University.

In His service,

Kurt Krueger, PhD
President, Concordia University Irvine



Spring 2015 Course Offerings

Class	Title
MCAA 510	Principles in Coaching and Leadership
MCAA 520	Psychology of Coaching
MCAA 530	Ethics and Sport
MCAA 540	Sport Technologies
MCAA 550	Research Methods and Analysis
MCAA 560	Leadership and Administration
MCAA 561	Athletic Finance
MCAA 562	Facility Planning/Event Management
MCAA 563	Intercollegiate Athletics in America
MCAA 567	Advanced Theories/Strategies in Coaching Track
MCAA 568	Advanced Theories/Strategies for Coaching Basketball
MCAA 570	Sport Medicine and Performance
MCAA 572	Advanced Theories/Strategies Coaching Cross Country
MCAA 573	Advanced Theories/Strategies Coaching Basketball
MCAA 574	Advanced Theories/Strategies Coaching Football
MCAA 575	Advanced Theories/Strategies Coaching Softball
MCAA 577	Advanced Theories/Strategies Coaching Baseball
MCAA 579	Advanced Theories/Strategies Coaching Wrestling
MCAA 580	Legal Aspect of Sport
MCAA 585	Strength, Speed, and Conditioning
MCAA 591	Athletic Director Institute
MCAA 595	Culminating Project
MCAA 595E	Culminating Project: Extension



Subject to change based on enrollment



Master of Arts in Coaching and Athletic Administration

Summer 2015 Course Offerings

Courses subject to change, based on sufficient enrollment.

** Summer registration begins March 16th*

Blended: May 8-25

COURSE-SECTION	TITLE
MCAA 573	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH BASKETBALL (IN PARTNERSHIP WITH NIKE)

Online: May 18- July 31

COURSE-SECTION	TITLE
MCAA 510-OL1 to OL7	PRINCIPLES OF COACH & LEADERSHIP
MCAA 520-OL1 to OL2	PSYCHOLOGY OF COACHING
MCAA 530-OL1 to OL5	ETHICS AND SPORT
MCAA 540-OL1 to OL2	SPORT TECHNOLOGIES
MCAA 550-OL1 to OL5	RESEARCH METHODS & ANALYSIS
MCAA 560-OL1 to OL3	LEADERSHIP & ADMINISTRATION
MCAA 561-OL1 and OL2	ATHLETIC FINANCE
MCAA 562-OL1 and OL2	FACILITY PLANNING/EVENT MGMT
MCAA 563-OL1	INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS IN AMERICA
MCAA 567-OL1	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH TRACK
MCAA 568-OL1	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH SOCCER
MCAA 570-OL1 and OL2	SPORT MEDICINE & PERFORMANCE
MCAA 572-OL1	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH XC
MCAA 573-OL1	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH BASKETBALL
MCAA 574-OL1	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH FOOTBALL
MCAA 575-OL1	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH SOFTBALL
MCAA 577-OL1	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH BASEBALL
MCAA 579-OL1	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH WRESTLING
MCAA 580-OL1 to OL5	LEGAL ASPECT OF SPORT
MCAA 585-OL1 to OL3	STRENGTH, SPEED & CONDITIONING
MCAA 595E-OL1 and OL2	CULMINATING PROJECT: EXTENSION
MCAA 595-OL1 and OL2	CULMINATING PROJECT

Onsite: June 22-26

COURSE-SECTION	TITLE
MCAA 568-IR	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH SOCCER
MCAA 572-IR	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH XC
MCAA 573-IR	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH BASKETBA
MCAA 574-IR	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH FOOTBALL
MCAA 575-IR	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH SOFTBALL
MCAA 576-IR	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH VOLLEYBA
MCAA 577-IR	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH BASEBALL
MCAA 578-IR	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH H2O POLO
MCAA 579-IR	ADV THEOR/STRAT COACH WRESTLG
MCAA 585-IR	STRENGTH, SPEED & CONDITIONING

Onsite: July 6-10

COURSE-SECTION	TITLE
MCAA 510-IR	PRINCIPLES OF COACH & LEADERSHIP
MCAA 550-IR	RESEARCH METHODS & ANALYSIS
MCAA 571-IR	ADV THEOR/STRATEG COACH GOLF

Onsite: July 13-17

COURSE-SECTION	TITLE
MCAA 540-IR	SPORT TECHNOLOGIES
MCAA 590-IR	COACHING ACADEMY

Onsite: July 20-24

COURSE-SECTION	TITLE
MCAA 520-IR	PSYCHOLOGY OF COACHING
MCAA 580-IR	LEGAL ASPECTS OF SPORT

Onsite: July 27-31

COURSE-SECTION	TITLE
MCAA 591-LB	AD INSTITUTE (CIF SS OFFICE)



Chelsea and Sheila's Corner



Academic Calendar:

Spring 2015 (Feb 16– May 1)

April

- * 3 Good Friday (Offices Closed)
- * 6 Easter Monday (Offices Closed)
- * 24 Last day to WITHDRAW from a class with "W"

May

- * 1 Session Ends
- * 2 Spring Commencement Ceremony
- * 5 Final Grades Due



Preparation for MCAA 595 Culminating Project:

Plan ahead and submit your graduation application when you register for your final class, MCAA 595. Pay attention to deadline dates on the Registrar's web page.



You will register for MCAA 595 in your last term once you are done with your 4 core required classes, 510, 530, 550, 580 and your 4 electives. Once you are registered, MCAA 595 will be available via Blackboard on the start date of the term.

If you have an instructor you would like to work with as an advisor that you had for a previous course, please email Chelsea O'Hara at chelsea.ohara@cui.edu once you are registered for the class to make arrangements and see if they are available. Otherwise, you will be assigned an advisor.

Financial Aid Reminder:

The Summer 2015 term is the start of the new 2015-2016 academic year. To receive Financial Aid you must complete the [2015-2016 FAFSA](#) and the 2015-2016 MCAA Financial Aid application. The 2015-2016 FAFSA and the 2015-2016 MCAA Financial Aid application are available online now at cui.edu/financialaid. Any questions in regards to Financial Aid can be directed to your Financial Aid counselor, Chris Preszler at chris.preszler@cui.edu or [949-214-3077](tel:949-214-3077).

Hold Reminder:

Check your My Records account for holds and address any student account holds with the Bursar's Office, so that you can register. Please contact Edgar Lopez at edgar.lopez@cui.edu or call [949-214-3073](tel:949-214-3073).

Bible Verse: Colossians 1:4-5

"We have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God's people – the faith and love that spring from the hope stored up for you in heaven and about which you have already heard in the true message of the gospel."

As a reminder, be hopeful. God is working in our world. Through all of the pain and conflict, in the personal and private tragedies, as well as in the public world-shaking crises – our God is at work to bring about His peace on earth. Consider this benefit of hope to carry you throughout 2015. Don't forget to open your bible along with your other academic books this spring term!

Blessings,

Chelsea and Sheila

MCAA ALUM SPOTLIGHT

Chad Robert Bentz-2014 MCAA Alum

After I retired, I instantly signed up with a full load of classes and was going to try and reach my academic goals. I've wanted to be a Physical Education teacher longer than I wanted to be a baseball player. In 2013, I earned my bachelors degree from Castleton College and finally earned my teaching license in PE and Health.

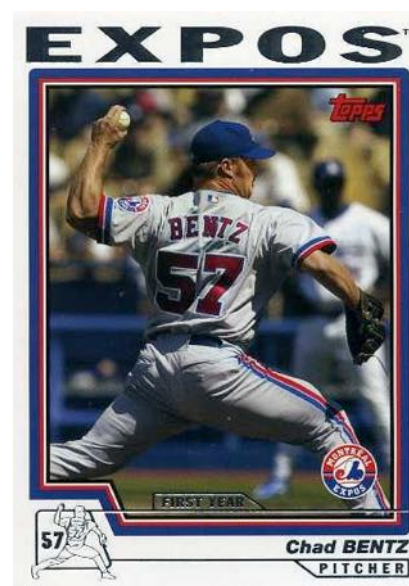
After I graduated, I saw the MCAA program online and I was instantly hooked and registered for classes the next day. I have learned so many pivotal things through the MCAA program that I can take with me throughout my entire professional and personal life. The professors are extremely knowledgeable, supportive and will always work with you.

What makes the MCAA program so unique is that while you're learning how to become a better coach and athletic administrator, you get a chance to reflect upon who you are as a person and what your beliefs and values are. Attending a Christian university comes with many benefits that can help you thrive spiritually throughout your education and even after you graduate.

Chad Robert Bentz born on May 5, 1980 in Seward, Alaska is a Major League Baseball pitcher. Bentz grew up in Juneau, Alaska and made history on April 7, 2004 by becoming the second pitcher, after Jim Abbott, to play in the Major Leagues after being born with one hand.

BIO - Career Accomplishments

1999 Gatorade Player of the Year in Alaska for Baseball
 1999 Drafted by the New York Yankees right out of High School
 1999 - 2001 Played at Long Beach State University
 2001 Signed with the Montreal Expos in the 7th round
 2002 Was a "All-Star" in the Florida State League A
 2003 "Pitcher of the Year" for the Harrisburg Senators in the Eastern League AA
 2003 Won the "Good Samaritan" award with the Harrisburg Senators
 2003 Added to Major League 40 Man Roster for Montreal Expos
 2004 "Voted" the most inspirational player in the Spring Training by the Sportswriters
 2004 Made the opening day roster for the Montreal Expos. "Welcome to The Big Show!"
 2004 Signed as a free agent in December with the Florida Marlins
 2005 Made it back to the big leagues in June with the Florida Marlins
 2005 Signed as a free agent with the Chicago White Sox in October
 2006 Played for the Charlotte Knights AAA
 2006 Signed as a free agent with the Cincinnati AAA
 2007 Signed with the Bridgeport Bluefish in August
 2008 - 2009 Invite to Spring Training for St Louis Cardinals 2008



Alumni Benefits

All Concordia University Irvine alumni can enjoy special benefits, discounts, and events. For more information go to www.cui.edu/alumni.

Keep up to date with all MCAA News and Updates:



Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/ConcordiaIrvineMCAA>



Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/ConcordiaMCAA>

Here are some helpful career links:

NCAA Career Services

<http://ncaamarket.ncaa.org/jobs> (Job Openings)

<http://ncaamarket.ncaa.org/jobseekers/> (Job Seekers)

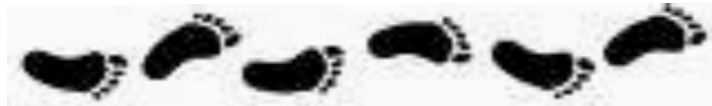
National Federation of High Schools

<http://www.nfhs.org> (Link to each State organization)

American Association of Community Colleges

<http://www.aacc.nche.edu/Resources/Careers/Pages/default.aspx>

Keeping Up with MCAA Alumni



MCAA 2010 Alum Michael Washington



The Field of History

Michael Washington leads a new league—the Big 12—that has international and Chinese students playing together for the future

Why did you first create the Big 12? Chinese schools are banned from joining international sports associations in Shanghai, regardless of the sports ability of the students. I decided to bring together government schools and any willing international schools to make our own league. With this Big 12 association, we've made a bridge of friendship, respect, sportsmanship and integrity. We're affecting about 1,000 kids with the program.

What problems have you run into while integrating Chinese and international schools? International schools are really on guard about their sports reputation and playing only high-quality teams. And that's totally understandable. Our job is to try to educate the Chinese schools so we can get them up to par with the international schools. We have to sort of break down the walls of this cultural conflict because sports are an integral part of someone's childhood. It builds confidence, it teaches you hard work, accountability, integrity.

What are your longterm goals for the Big 12? If we can file our organization with the city of Shanghai, which we are working on, this will legitimize us in the eyes of colleges in the U.S. That's never been done before. Even at the international schools in Shanghai, they don't help their students obtain sports scholarships. Once we're filed, we can start bringing American university scouts here like

"It's never been done before"

from the University of Hawaii, the closest state to China. A lot of government schools here don't want their Chinese athletes to go to America, however; they want to send them to the Olympic team. My goal is to educate them, so they understand that if these students go to America and get a scholarship, it doesn't affect their amateur status. They can still come back and represent their country. We're ultimately changing the lives of Shanghai's student athletes, who always thought their athletic careers would stop after high school. ***Erica Martin**

Find it: Washington is Commissioner of the Big 12 and Sports Director of the government school Jin Cai. www.jincal.sh.cn.

Hi Tom,

It's been a while since we last saw each other, when I brought my HS team to Concordia for the CIF girls volleyball state championships in '12. I added a second CIF state championship in girls' volleyball in 2013, and then quickly transitioned to San Diego Miramar College, where I accepted a contract as a full-time assistant professor in the Department of Exercise Science, Health and Nutrition. I have also put together and started the College's men's volleyball program, in our inaugural season as we speak, and will also start up Miramar's women's volleyball program when approval is granted by our district (anticipated within the next two years).

Hope all is well in your world.

Blessings,

John Landicho
MCAA '11

MCAA 2011 Alum
John Landicho

Professor White,

My name is Aaron Parr and I have completed 4 classes in the MCAA program. I have thoroughly enjoyed my experience thus far and have gained so much insight and knowledge.

I work at St. Pius X High School in Atlanta, GA and am a teacher and Head Men's Basketball Coach. I read your newsletter and wanted to share something we did with our basketball team this year to try and develop better leadership and team cohesiveness. I thought of the idea while taking Professor Dean V's Ethics and Sport class.

We took our team to a place called WhiteWater Express which is in the mountains in Tennessee. It is a retreat type of place. We stayed in two big cabins (coaches in one and players in the other). We whitewater rafted down the Ocoee River, did a ropes course, and made a bonfire and talked about team goals, season goals, fellowship, and leaving a legacy at our school. We had so much positive feedback from our parents, players and administration. Without taking the Ethics and Sport class, I would not have thought of this idea so thank you guys!!

I am excited about continuing the MCAA program and eventually earning my Master's degree.

Thank-you!

Future MCAA Alum
Aaron Parr

A Note from Admissions

Greetings from the MCAA Admissions Team!

We hope that 2015 has started off great for you and that it will be your best year yet. We wanted to let you know that in an effort to “get the word out” about the MCAA program, we are hosting information sessions in various cities around the country. These information sessions are being hosted by Jon and I, as well as MCAA Program Director Tom White and other members of the MCAA team. We are always looking for current students and alumni to attend these events and speak about their MCAA experience. We are hoping to host information sessions in other states in 2015. If you are interested in us hosting a session for your Coaching and Athletic Administration friends, call Chris Lewis at 949-214-3025 or Jon O’Neill at 949-214-3577.

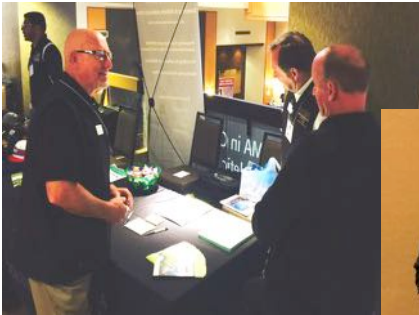
We also want to remind our alumni that we continue to add new courses to our curriculum, and continually update our existing classes with the latest information.

Whether you are a current student, alumni, or prospective student, we are here to help you in any way that we possibly can. Thank you for all you do and how well you represent the MCAA program!

Sincerely,

Chris, Jon, and Erika

Getting the Word out Across the Country...



Dave Cowen in Costa Mesa, CA



Jon O’Neil in Las Vegas, NV



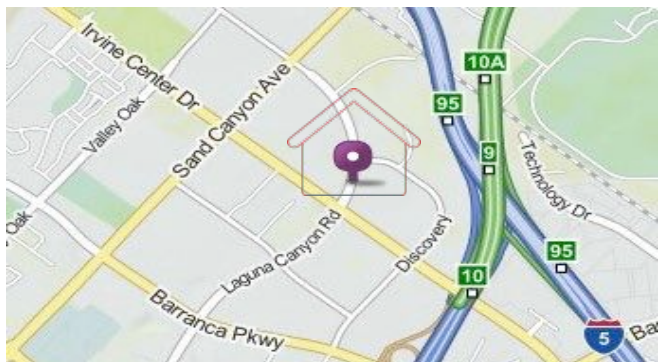
Tom White in Orlando, FL



Chelsea O’Hara in Daytona, FL

COME VISIT US!

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MCAA Winter Graduation



CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2014!



Dean's Devotion- Determination

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

-Galatians 6:9

In the movie Rocky Balboa, Rocky talks to his son about life, "The world ain't all sunshine and rainbows. It's a very mean and nasty place and I don't care how tough you are, it will beat you to your knees and keep you there permanently if you let it. You, me, or nobody is gonna hit as hard as life. But it ain't about how hard ya hit. It's about how hard you can get up and keep moving forward. How much you can take and keep moving forward. "

After General Grant's defeat at Shiloh, nearly every newspaper in the United States demanded his removal. Lincoln's friends pleaded with him to give the command to someone else; but to all appeals, Lincoln replied, "I can't spare this man. He fights. He's got the grip of a bulldog, and when he gets his teeth in, nothing can shake him off."

The battle of life in most cases is fought uphill. Difficulties may intimidate the weak, but they act as a spring board to the person who wants to achieve. All my experiences in life tell me that impediments thrown in the way of human advancement may be overcome by perseverance and determination to overcome the difficulties we face.

The Apostle Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 4:8-9 "We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body." Paul was not going to let frustrations, imprisonments, stonings, and beatings deter him from preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Remember, if at first you don't succeed, you're in good company.

Abraham Lincoln's first business as owner of a dry goods store was a flop. He was a flop. He was later appointed postmaster in his township and had the worst efficiency record in the country. Franklin D. Roosevelt began his career in public service after flunking out of Columbia Law

School. He then decided to run for governor of New York. Harry Truman opened a hat and shirt shop at age 35 that went bankrupt after just two years. Truman worked for 15 years to pay off the debt.

Dwight D. Eisenhower was rejected three times for command positions before being appointed supreme commander in 1942.

"We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed..."

Remember Joseph who went from the pit, to slavery to jail, to second in command of all of Egypt (See Genesis 37-50).

James reminds us in 1:2-4, consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. I do not know what ills may come along life's road today. I only know I shall not mind, because Christ leads the way. (Author Unknown) .

Prayer: *Dear Jesus, help us remain determined when the challenges of life seem to put roadblocks in our path. Give us the strength to keep moving forward, as you did in securing salvation for us. In Your Name, Amen.*



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Have a great Spring term!

