# Rob Erickson

## Professional Portfolio and Resume

Prepared For: University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Head Football Coach

## Acknowledged for:

Being the Assistant Head Coach / Defensive Coordinator at the University of Wisconsin – Platteville (2008-present) and resurrecting a football program that had only two winning seasons since 1991. Posted a 32-10 record over the past four seasons and won a NCAA playoff game for the first time in program history.

### Qualifications for

Professional commitment to upholding the utmost integrity in college student-athletes and having the urgency to achieve great results in coaching; remaining committed to the philosophy of college athletes while accomplishing success at a championship level; continuing to be a tireless worker, inspirational leader, and extremely loyal to the players, coaches, and the administration; using selfless devotion teamed with organizational and management skills, along with my great expertise for the game of football to positively impact student-athletes today and in the future here at UW-Platteville; recognized professionally as a leader for professional and community contributions in the areas of public speaking, volunteerism and humanitarian efforts through personal and program involvement.

#### **Experience and training include:**

- Voted 2011 Assistant Coach of the Year for Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC), one of the top conferences in Division III athletics
- Coordinated defenses for eleven years, eight in the WIAC
- Recruited metropolitan and rural settings successfully
- Coordinated areas of defense, recruiting, fundraising, alumni and student networking, career development, attitude training program, social media
- Committed to the academic and athletic success of student-athletes
- Served in public relations and fundraising positions within a college community as well as create all highlight videos and multi-media connected to UW-Platteville football
- Showed creativity and excellent administrative and organizational skills
- Known for strong leadership abilities and exceptional communication skills
- Incorporated a 5-step plan to educate student-athletes in the development of positive attitudes and leadership skills.

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#### **Education**

- Masters of Science in General Education, May 2006, University of Wisconsin Stevens Point
- o Bachelor of Science in History Education, Dec. 2003, University of Wisconsin Stevens Point
- o High School Diploma, May 1999, Stevens Point Area Senior High (SPASH), Stevens Point, WI

### **Professional Experience**



**Defensive Coordinator, Assistant Head Coach** (2008 to Present) UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-PLATTEVILLE, Platteville, Wisconsin

**Challenge:** To take over a defense that ranked 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> in the WIAC in scoring

defense, turnover margin, total defense, and sacks from 2005-2007. Also improve on only 8 wins over that time span (average 2.3 wins a year).

Action: Improved fundamentals, techniques, and schemes. I also developed an

attitude plan of winning (average 8 wins a year the last four years).

**Results:** 

- In 2008, had back-to-back conference shutouts for the first time since 1950 (UW-River Falls 7-0, and UW-Oshkosh 28-0), with two more shutouts in 2014.
- 2008, posted back-to-back WIAC victories since 2001 and posted consecutive shutouts for the first time since 1971
- 2010 held UW-La Crosse without a touchdown for the first time since 1973
- Tied school record for victories in 2013. Held 5 of 7 conference opponents underneath their season scoring average to record 6-1 league mark
- In seven years as coordinator at UW-Platteville, have held 21 opponents to single digits in scoring, 5 being by shut-outs
- 2008-2014 have had 4 All-Americans, 8 All-Region, and 42 total All-Conference performers.
- 32-10 record over the last four seasons and finished ranked 18th nationally
- Fundraised over \$45,000 for football program annually from 2008-present

"Coach (Rob) Erickson is one of the best assets we have in the program."

-Mike Emendorfer, Head Coach University of Wisconsin-Platteville



**Defensive Coordinator, Admissions Counselor, Event Supervision** (2005-2007) **AURORA UNIVERSITY, Aurora, Illinois** 

Challenge: To take a defense to a championship level and establish Aurora

University as a conference contender each year.

Action: Recruit the best players in Chicago area and rural communities in Illinois

and Indiana. Implement an attitude training program for champions.

**Results:** 

- Coached 13 All-Conference, 3 All-Region, 1 All-American Performers
- National Ranking
  - o 39<sup>th</sup> in Total Defense (280 ypg)
  - o 24<sup>th</sup> in Turnovers Forced (29)
- Conference Rankings
  - o 1<sup>st</sup> in Turnovers Forced (2006 & 2007)
  - o 1<sup>st</sup> in Total Defense

-Rich Duncan. Former Head Coach Aurora University

<sup>&</sup>quot;Rob brings a great work ethic into the office every day, backed by a positive attitude and outstanding enthusiasm for the game of football. He is a rising star in this profession."



#### **Defensive Coordinator, Defensive Backs Coach** (2003-2004) **UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN – STEVENS POINT**, Stevens Point, Wisconsin

**Challenge:** Keep UW-Stevens Point at a Championship level in the WIAC

**Action:** Continue the tradition of a tough defense by installing a new defense that

adjusted to our personnel strengths.

**Results:** 

• 3<sup>rd</sup> in WIAC in Scoring Defense

• 1 All-Region Performer and 3 1st Team All-Conference Performers

"Rob being a graduate assistant and defensive coordinator for an elite football program says a lot about his maturity and ability to coach the game of football."

-John Miech, Former Head Coach University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point

## **Related Experience**

Passing Game Coordinator, Outside Linebacker Coach (2002) UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-PLATTEVILLE, Platteville, Wisconsin

Varsity Defensive Back and Junior Varsity Head Coach (2000-2001) STEVENS POINT AREA SENIOR HIGH, Stevens Point, Wisconsin

## **Playing Experience**

1996-99

University of Wisconsin – Platteville, Platteville, Wisconsin

- 1999 Team Captain
- 4-year starter at Defensive Back

1993-95

Stevens Point Area Senior High (SPASH), Stevens Point, Wisconsin

- 1993 Wisconsin Valley Conference (WVC) Champions
- 1995 Team Captain

## **Recruiting Experience**

**2008-Present** Football Recruiter, University of Wisconsin – Platteville

- Succeeded in recruiting urban areas Milwaukee, Madison, Eau Claire, Green Bay, Stevens Point, La Crosse, Oshkosh, Appleton, Chicago, Tampa (FL)
- Succeeded in recruiting rural areas of Western and Central Wisconsin
- Succeeded in recruiting the states of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, California, Indiana, Florida, Pennsylvania
- Succeeded in recruiting junior colleges in Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois

2005-2008

Football Recruiter, Aurora University

- Succeeded in recruiting Illinois urban areas of Chicago, Champaign, Quad Cities, Normal, Decatur
- Succeeded in recruiting rural areas of Central, Southern, and Eastern Illinois
- Succeeded in recruiting the states of Indiana, Florida, Michigan, Iowa
- Succeeded in recruiting junior colleges in the greater Chicago area