



## ASSISTANT COACH **MICK STATHAM** Franklin Pierce College '92 1st Season at FSU

**M**ick Statham is in his first year with Florida State but he has 17 years of coaching experience at every level of soccer both in the US and in his native England. He has built a long standing relationship with Florida State head coach Mark Krikorian. Most recently he spent last year as the assistant coach at the University of Pennsylvania. He joins current U-17 US National Team head coach Erica Walsh on Krikorian's first-ever Florida State staff.

"Mick is a great addition to our staff and will be a perfect compliment to the coaches we currently have," said head coach Mark Krikorian. "He brings a wealth of background in the game and he knows the sport. His experience at so many different levels of soccer is a great asset to me and to the Florida State soccer program."

Statham has worked with Krikorian previously as a team administrator/assistant coach with the Philadelphia Charge of the WUSA. He has been a staff member with the US U-19 Women's National Team and also has collegiate experience at Penn and as an assistant with the men's team at Philadelphia University and as a head coach of the men's team at Mount St. Mary College in Newburgh, NY.

Statham has been a fixture on the Pennsylvania soccer scene since 1999. He has served as an ODP Staff Coach in Eastern Pennsylvania, head girl's soccer coach at Radnor High School, Director of Coaching and Player Development for FC Delco, Director of Girl's Soccer and Coaching Education for the United Sports Training Center and Director of Coaching for Downingtown Spirit United Soccer Club on top of his time with the WUSA's Philadelphia Charge.

"I am thrilled to get the opportunity to coach at Florida State," said Statham. "There is only one coach in the country I would move my family to work with and Mark is that guy. I believe in what he does and what he is going to do at Florida State. That

is as high a compliment as I can give him. I also enjoy working with Erica very much so the working environment and the opportunity for my own professional development couldn't be better.

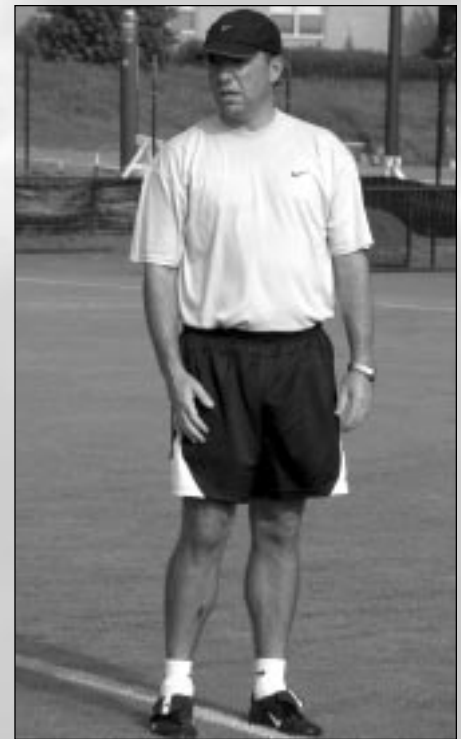
"To be honest, the excitement over trying to win a National Championship at FSU was a big factor as well. I was impressed with the passion people at the school have for Florida State soccer. That really came across and helped make my decision pretty easy."

Statham is a graduate of Franklin Pierce College with a B.A. in Communications. He was a four-year scholarship player who played in the NCAA Tournament three of his four years as a collegian. Statham played at the Rindge, NH college during Krikorian's tenure as the women's head soccer coach.

Before his career at Franklin Pierce, Statham spent four years with one of England's most prestigious football clubs. As an apprentice professional player with Blackburn Rovers, he gained valuable experience playing along side and against some of England's and the world's top players. He went on to become a professional youth coach with Bury Football Club and gained his FA Coaching License. Statham is

currently pursuing his UEFA coaching qualifications.

The Manchester, England native and his wife Kelly have four children. Ryan is 10, Matthew is eight, Megan is six and Emma was born December 9, 2004.





## ASSISTANT COACH ERICA WALSH

College of William & Mary '97  
1st Season at FSU

**C**urrent US U-17 National Team head coach Erica Walsh is in her first season as a member of the Seminole soccer staff. A former college head coach at Dartmouth, Walsh has eight years of experience coaching at the collegiate level. She has also been associated with the US National Team for over a year now as an assistant with the U-19's and as the head coach of the U-17's since December of 2004.

"I am thrilled to have Erica join our staff," said FSU head coach Mark Krikorian upon Walsh's hiring in January. "She brings a wealth of knowledge to our staff. I had the opportunity to work with her with the U-19's and she is smart, hard-working and diligent. She has great ideas about the game and she will have a very positive impact on the Florida State soccer program."

Walsh will continue to lead the US U-17 National Team on top of her duties at Florida State. The national team coach is 5-3-1 at the helm of U-17's winning both of her first two matches versus the German U-17 National Team in Carson, CA. The team also defeated the Japanese U-18 team 2-0 in the final match of the Texas Shootout to win the tournament in June 2005.

Prior to her head coaching position with the U-17's, Walsh was Krikorian's assistant with the U-19's as the team captured the bronze medal at the 2004 World Cup in Thailand. Walsh also spent two years as a Region I ODP staff member with the U-16's.

Before joining Krikorian's U-19 staff, Walsh was an assistant at Lehigh University for the 2004 season. She also spent five seasons at Dartmouth College as an assistant coach and head coach. As an assistant, Dartmouth won an Ivy League championship and advanced to the Elite Eight of the NCAA Tournament and finished the season with a No. 8 ranking.

In 2000, Walsh took over the head coaching responsibilities at Dartmouth and in three seasons her teams compiled a 37-15-2 record

and a 16-4-1 mark in league play. She led the squad to two Ivy League championships, three NCAA Tournaments and two trips to the Sweet 16. Her teams finished 13<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> in the National Soccer Coaches Association (NSCAA) final rankings in her three seasons at Dartmouth. Her squads never lost more than five games in a season and won at least 11 matches in each of her three years at the helm.

"Her college coaching record and experience are huge assets," said Krikorian. "Florida State is committed to excellence and Erica has established herself as one of the top coaches in the country. The work she did at Dartmouth was phenomenal. She will be able to step in right away and be a positive influence because she has been a head coach and she understands all the dynamics involved with a college program. She is going to be a great asset."

As a player, Walsh had a stellar career at the College of William & Mary where her teams went to four NCAA Tournaments and won four Colonial Athletic Association (CAA) conference championships. She was a regional All-American, a two-time first team All-CAA selection, a two-time team MVP and a team captain. She was also a member of the US U-



17 National Team and an NSCAA All-American.

Walsh received her B.S. with a concentration in biology from the College of William & Mary and is close to finishing her M.B.A from Lehigh University. All three of her Dartmouth teams received the NSCAA's Team Academic Award while she was the head coach.





**LISA COLE**

Volunteer Assistant  
Pacific Lutheran '97  
1st Season at FSU

Volunteer Assistant Lisa Cole is the third coach on head coach Mark Krikorian's first-ever staff at Florida State with collegiate head coaching experience. The Washington native comes to Tallahassee following a successful two-year stint as the head coach of the University of Rhode Island. She is one of the nation's top goalkeeper coaches and she will work with FSU's three keepers in 2005.

"We are thrilled to have Lisa Cole join us," said Krikorian. "She has great references from everywhere she has been. Mick D'Arcy at Central Connecticut has raved about her for years. She has the highest endorsement from Tony DiCicco who is at the top of the world of women's soccer. We are happy to have her here at FSU and look forward to getting her input and having her help us build a great team."

Cole compiled a 19-18-4 record at URI and a 13-6-3 record in Atlantic 10 play including a 7-2-2 record in 2004. Last season her Rams played for the A-10 Championship with an automatic berth to the NCAA Tournament on the line. It was the first time the Rams had advanced to the conference championship game since 2002. She coached the conference's rookie of the year in 2004 and the A 10's offensive player of the year and student-athlete of the year in 2003.

Cole's team didn't just succeed on the field at URI. Her 2004 Rams were awarded the NSCAA Team Ethics Award of Merit for receiving no red cards and just one yellow card throughout the entire season. She also saw one of her student-athletes receive second team Academic All-American honors from ESPN the Magazine in 2004.

Before taking over the Rhode Island program, Cole spent three seasons as an assistant at one of the most successful college soccer programs in America while working at the University of Connecticut from 1999-2003. One of Cole's main responsibilities at UConn was recruiting and working with the Huskie keepers. During her tenure, UConn made two appearances in the Elite Eight and one trip to the Sweet 16. Cole developed walk-on goalkeeper Maria Yatrakis who played for the Greek National Team in the Olympics and won 2002 BIG EAST Goalkeeper of the Year honors. UConn won its first BIG EAST Championship during Cole's tenure.

Cole also served as an assistant at Mississippi from 1997-2000. She helped guide Ole Miss to its first-ever SEC Western Division Title and SEC Tournament final in 1999. It was the first SEC Tournament bid in program history.

Cole is currently a director for Tony DiCicco's SoccerPlus Camps and has been a part of his staff for 11 years. DiCicco was the head Coach of the 1996 Olympic Gold-Medal Winning and 1999 World Cup Champion USA Women's National Soccer Teams.

Cole is also a member of the ODP Region I staff and also work with the Rhode Island ODP. She had a stellar career in net at Pacific Lutheran where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in 1997.



**KRISTEN BOYCE**

Team Manager  
Florida State University '03  
2nd Season at FSU

Former Seminole great Kristin Boyce is one of the players credited with helping turnaround the Florida State program. In her four years at Florida State Boyce started 79 matches and appeared in over 80 games during her stellar career. Although her final season was cut in half due to an injury, the left back still received All-ACC first team honors from conference coaches. This year she returns to the bench as she will serve as team manager for the second season.

Only three players in Seminole history have started more games for Florida State than Boyce and she and teammate Amber Tollefson were the first two Seminoles to ever be a part of four NCAA Tournament squads. When Boyce committed to Florida State, the Tribe had never been to the NCAA Tournament. Since her arrival, FSU has played in a College Cup, three Sweet 16's and five consecutive NCAA Tournaments.

Boyce will go down in FSU history as one of the greatest defenders to ever wear the Garnet and Gold. She was a starter on four of the top five best statistical defenses in team history starting as the left back from 2000-2003. She made a team-high 66 consecutive starts before her career ending-injury.

As good as Boyce was defensively, no defender in Seminole history was a more potent offensive weapon. The Texas native still holds the career record at FSU for goals scored by a defender and she is third all-time for points by a defender. In each of her first three years she led all FSU defenders in scoring and she scored one of the biggest goals in team history. As a freshman it was her game-winning goal at 11:02 that gave FSU its first and only win ever against North Carolina. As a sophomore she set the school record for goals in a single season by an FSU defender with five including a goal versus Maryland in the 2001 ACC Championships. Even in her final game as a Seminole Boyce was making an impact on the offensive end. The last play of her career was a game-winning goal versus Clemson in South Carolina.

On top of her first team All-ACC selection in 2003, Boyce has been named all-region by Soccer Buzz on two occasions and by the NSCAA in 2003. She is also a three-time member of the ACC Academic Honor Roll.

A former team captain, Boyce graduated with a degree in Sport Management. She is now pursuing her Master's Degree at FSU in Physical Education.



**PAULIINA MIETTINEN**

Team Manager  
Franklin Pierce '99  
1st Season at FSU

One of the greatest players ever to take the field in collegiate soccer, Pauliina Miettinen joins the Florida State soccer staff as team manager in 2005. Miettinen played for FSU head coach Mark Krikorian in 1995 at Franklin Pierce College where she went on to have one of the most remarkable careers in collegiate soccer history winning three National Championships, playing in four national semifinals and setting NCAA career records that still stand almost a decade after her playing career.

Miettinen is the Division II leader for career points scored with 309 in her four years at Franklin Pierce and only three players in college soccer have ever averaged more points per game in a career than Miettinen's 3.96. No player in the history of women's collegiate soccer has more than 300 career points except for Miettinen and her 122 goals are the second-most ever by a collegiate player. Her 65 assists are also a D-II career record. She is also the only player in NCAA soccer history to score more than 110 goals and record more than 60 assists. Miettinen was a three-time NSCAA All-American from 1996-1998 and also a two-time Academic All-American (1997 and 1998).

The first year manager at FSU appears in the NCAA Division II record book 23 times. She ranks among the NCAA leaders for points per game in a single season in her sophomore, junior and senior seasons. Her 105 points as a senior in 1998 still ranks as the third-highest total in the history of NCAA. She is one of just three players to ever score 100 points in a single season. Miettinen is also one of just two D-II players to appear in the top 10 for single season points twice in her career.

Miettinen is in the top five for goals per game and is among the top single season goal scorers when it comes to goals scored appearing on the list twice. She is second all-time in Division II in points per game and third all-time in goals per game. Her average of 0.83 assists per game ranks her fourth all-time in D-II history.

The Franklin Pierce product also ranks in the top 10 for consecutive games with a goal as she scored in 10 straight games in both the 1997 and 1998 seasons. She also ranks among the Division II leaders for points in a game with 12 as well as recording five assists in a game, which is the second-highest assist total in D-II history and the third-most ever in a women's college soccer game.

Miettinen had a successful career on the International level as well making 26 international appearances for Finland. She appeared in seven games from 1992-1995 as a goalkeeper. Then from 2002-04 she was back on the national side making 17 appearances in the back.

In 2005, Miettinen received her master's in elementary education from Barry University. She completed her undergraduate degree in 1999 when she received her bachelor's in psychology and secondary education from Franklin Pierce.