

HEAD COACH BILL SALL

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Head Coach ♦ Fifth Season
Calvin, 1994



The Bulldog men's basketball program began its ascent to the top of the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) when Bill Sall was named the program's 11th head coach on April 23, 2002.

After leading the Bulldogs to an 11-15 overall record in his first season at the helm, Sall guided Ferris to the GLIAC North Division Regular-Season Championship in 2003-04. FSU finished the season with a 14-14 overall record, including a first place 14-4 league mark.

During the 2004-05 campaign, Sall led FSU to its second-straight divisional crown and a berth in the NCAA-II Great Lakes Regional where the Bulldogs earned runner-up honors. FSU posted a 24-7 overall record and earned a spot in the national rankings. His 2005-06 team was 18-13 overall, advanced to the NCAA-II Tournament for the second consecutive year and was the GLIAC Tournament runner-up.

Sall, who served for four seasons (1998-2002) as the assistant men's basketball coach at GLIAC member Hillsdale (Mich.) College, was the unanimous choice of a five-member search committee.

In four seasons at Hillsdale, Sall was instrumental in leading the Chargers to a 72-41 (.637) record and two consecutive (2001-02) NCAA-II Great Lakes Regional tourney berths while being involved with the program's administrative, recruiting and on-floor coaching aspects under head coach Ed Douma. The Chargers reached the regional semifinals during the 2000-01 campaign while posting a 24-8 overall mark en route to a first-place 13-4 GLIAC South Division title.

Prior to his appointment at Hillsdale, Sall was the top assistant coach at Ferris State for three seasons (1995-98) and spent the first year (1995-96) as an assistant to head coach Tom Ludwig. During the 1995-96 campaign, he had the opportunity to serve a portion of the season as the Bulldogs' interim head coach. In his brief tenure, Ferris recorded a 5-8 start before finishing the year with a 6-20 overall record. As an assistant under former head coach Edgar Wilson, Sall helped guide FSU to a 21-12 finish along with a GLIAC Tournament Championship title and a NCAA Division II National Tournament berth during the 1997-98 season.

A nine-year collegiate assistant coach, Sall received his coaching start under Douma at his alma mater Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Mich., from 1992-95. The Knights made two NCAA-III National Tournament appearances, claimed the 1993-94 Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA) Championship and were 37-17 (.685) during his two seasons as an assistant.

Before joining the coaching ranks, Sall was a standout player at Calvin from 1985-1990. A two-time (1989-90) MIAA Co-Most Valuable Player, Sall currently ranks as the Knights' third-leading all-time scorer with 2,063 points, which included a 70-game double-figure scoring streak. The 6-5 forward also grabbed 738 career rebounds as Calvin captured three (1986, 89-90) MIAA championships, earned four NCAA-III tournament bids and advanced to the 1990 NCAA Division III Final Four. During his collegiate career, the three-time (1987, 89-90) first-team All-MIAA honoree reached double-figure scoring in 100 of 109 outings, which presently ranks second on the all-time Calvin chart. Sall, a two-time (1989-90) second-team National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) Division III All-America performer, is currently listed 10th (864 points) among the MIAA's all-time scoring leaders and is seventh (.586; 341-582) on the league's field goal percentage chart.

As a prepster, Sall attained honorable mention all-state and all-area basketball laurels at Unity Christian High School in Hudsonville, Mich. The Zeeland, Mich., native displayed his athletic versatility by winning the 1985 Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Class B State 400-meter run title. He also competed in cross country.

A member of the National Association of Basketball Coaches, Sall is married to the former Karen Brower. The couple has a daughter, Delaney (born 7/19/02), and welcomed the birth of triplets Quentin, Hannah and Lydia in March 2005 (3/9). Sall graduated from Calvin in 1994.

BILL SALL YEAR-BY-YEAR HISTORY

Season	School	Position	G	Won	Lost	Postseason
1985-86	Calvin	Player	26	20	6	NCAA-III First Round
1986-87	Calvin	Player	26	21	5	NCAA-III First Round
1988-89	Calvin	Player	26	19	7	NCAA-III Second Round
1989-90	Calvin	Player	31	28	3	NCAA-III Final Four
1993-94	Calvin	Assistant Coach	27	20	7	NCAA-III Second Round
1994-95	Calvin	Assistant Coach	27	17	10	NCAA-III Second Round
1995-96	Ferris State	Assistant Coach*	26	6	20	—
1996-97	Ferris State	Assistant Coach	26	14	12	—
1997-98	Ferris State	Assistant Coach☆	33	21	12	NCAA-II Great Lakes Regional
1998-99	Hillsdale	Assistant Coach	26	12	14	—
1999-00	Hillsdale	Assistant Coach	27	16	11	—
2000-01	Hillsdale	Assistant Coach	32	24	8	NCAA-II Great Lakes Regional
2001-02	Hillsdale	Assistant Coach	28	20	8	NCAA-II Great Lakes Regional
2002-03	Ferris State	Head Coach	26	11	15	—
2003-04	Ferris State	Head Coach♦	28	14	14	—
2004-05	Ferris State	Head Coach♦	31	24	7	NCAA-II Great Lakes Regional
2005-06	Ferris State	Head Coach	31	18	13	NCAA-II Great Lakes Regional
Totals (17 years)			477	305	172	Eleven Postseason Appearances
Head Coaching Record			129	72	57	

*Interim Head Coach

☆GLIAC Tourney Champions

♦GLIAC North Division Champions

BILL SALL BY OPPONENT

(2006-07 OPPONENTS IN BOLD)

OPPONENT	W	L
Alma	1	0
Ashland	4	1
Aquinas	1	1
California (Pa.)	2	0
Calvin	3	2
Central Michigan	0	1
Cheyney (Pa.)	0	1
Cornerstone	2	1
Findlay	1	5
Florida Gulf Coast	0	1
Gannon	3	2
Glenville State (W.Va.)	0	1
Grand Valley State	5	5
Hillsdale	4	1
Indianapolis	3	1
Lake Superior State	7	1
Lewis (Ill.)	1	2
Lincoln (Mo.)	1	0
Manchester (Ind.)	1	0
Mercyhurst	3	2
Michigan Christian	1	0
Michigan Tech	4	4
Montevallo (Ala.)	0	1
Northern Kentucky	0	1
Northern Michigan	8	2
Northwood	6	3
Ohio Wesleyan	0	1
Olivet	1	0
Saginaw Valley State	6	2
Saint Francis (Ill.)	0	1
Saint Joseph's (Ind.)	1	3
Saint Xavier (Ill.)	0	1
Southern Illinois-Edwardsville	0	1
Southern Indiana	2	2
Toledo (Ohio)	0	1
Wayne State	1	6
Totals	72	57
vs. GLIAC	49	28
vs. GLIAC (all games)	52	33
At Home	39	11
On The Road	27	38
Neutral Site	5	7



Did You Know ...

Ferris State head coach Bill Sall was a two-time NCAA Division III Second-Team All-American as a player at Calvin College from 1985-90.

