



2006-07 HOFSTRA MEN'S LACROSSE COACHING STAFF



SETH TIERNEY HEAD COACH

Seth Tierney, associate head coach at Johns Hopkins University and formerly an assistant on the Pride staff, became the fifth head coach in the 58-year history of the Hofstra Men's Lacrosse program when he was hired to the position in August, 2006.

Tierney, 37, served as an assistant coach at Hofstra from 1995 through 2000 before leaving for a similar position at his alma mater Johns Hopkins University. During his six-year tenure with the Pride, Hofstra recorded six consecutive winning seasons with a combined overall record of 61-28 and a conference mark of 29-2, captured five league titles, received five top 15 final national rankings, and played in four NCAA Championship tournaments.

Tierney also coached seven All-Americans and nearly two dozen all-conference players while at Hofstra. Among them was midfielder Doug Shanahan, who would receive the inaugural Tewaaron Trophy as College Lacrosse Player of the Year, the Lt. Ray Enners Award as the Division I Player of the Year, and the Lt. Donald McLaughlin Award as the Division I Midfielder of the Year in 2001.

"During our search, we had the privilege of meeting many outstanding candidates including several former Pride assistants," Hofstra Director of Athletics Jack Hayes said. "Although all of them had exceptional and unique plans for Hofstra Lacrosse, Seth Tierney's presentation displayed the enthusiasm, intensity and passion that we were looking for. We are committed to assisting him to move the program into the elite level of college lacrosse."

Tierney returns to Hofstra after a six-year tenure at John Hopkins, the last two seasons as associate head coach. As the Blue Jays offensive coordinator, he was the architect of one of the most potent and explosive offenses in the nation in recent years. Tierney directed the Blue Jays attack that finished second in the nation in scoring margin, sixth in scoring offense and 16th in man-up offense during Hopkins' NCAA title run in 2005. The Blue Jays led the nation in scoring offense and man-up offense in 2003 and finished fifth in both categories in 2004.

This past season, Hopkins posted a 9-5 record, advanced to the NCAA Championship quarterfinals, and ranked in the top 15 in the country in four statistical categories. With an emphasis on a balanced attack that puts pressure on the opposition at every position, individual awards have been plentiful at Hopkins. A total of 21 Blue Jay midfielders and attackmen earned All-America honors during Tierney's tenure in Homewood. Among them was

Kyle Harrison, a two-time first team All-America, who received the Tewaaron Trophy and the Lt. Enners Award in 2005 and the McLaughlin Award in 2004 and 2005.

Tierney played for the Blue Jays from 1988-91 and served as team captain as a senior. He helped lead Hopkins to the NCAA Tournament in each of his four seasons, including an appearance in the 1989 NCAA title game. He received Hopkins' Turnbull-Reynolds Award as a senior as the player most exemplifying leadership and sportsmanship. Tierney was also selected to play in the North-South game as a senior.

After graduating from Johns Hopkins, Tierney continued his playing career by playing three seasons of indoor lacrosse for the New York Saints before serving as an assistant coach for the Saints for two seasons.

Tierney and his wife, Maureen, have two children; a son, Ryan (8), and a daughter, Erin (6).