

# MICHAEL FOSTER

College Hockey Coach

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Experienced College Hockey Coach with over 12 years of leading teams at the NCAA Division I level. Known for player development, advanced game strategies, and fostering professional-level talent.

## EDUCATION

2010 - 2012

### Master's Degree in Sports Management

University of North Dakota / United States, Grand Forks, ND

2006 - 2010

### Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration

University of North Dakota / United States, Grand Forks, ND

### USA Hockey Level 5 (Master) Coaching Certification

Certification Date: March 2021

### Advanced Sports Psychology Certification

National Coaching Association / Certified: November 2019

## SKILLS

- NCAA recruiting and talent development Expert
- Advanced defensive and offensive systems Expert
- Team leadership and management Expert
- Player scouting and video analysis Expert
- Sports psychology and mental conditioning Expert

## EXPERIENCE

2014 - Now

### Head Coach, Men's Hockey

#### University of Minnesota / United States, Minneapolis, MN

- Led the university's Division I hockey team to two NCAA tournament appearances and one conference championship.
- Develop advanced defensive systems that result in the lowest goals-against average in the conference for two seasons.
- Recruit top-level talent, many of whom advanced to professional leagues, including the NHL.
- Manage a team of assistant coaches and support staff, ensuring a collaborative and efficient team environment.

2012 - 2014

### Assistant Coach

#### University of North Dakota / United States, Grand Forks, ND

- Focused on defensive strategies and power play units, contributing to the team's consistent national rankings.
- Assisted with player recruitment, particularly focusing on defensive talent from across North America.
- Conducted off-season training programs to ensure players maintained peak physical condition year-round.

## Recruitment Highlights

### Top-10 Recruiting Class (2023)

- Assembled a recruiting class ranked in the top 10 nationally, focusing on a balance of offensive and defensive players.

### International Talent Scouting

Successfully recruited top talent from Europe and Canada, expanding the program's global reach and competitiveness.

### Player Development for Pro Leagues

- Guided 15+ players who advanced to professional leagues such as the NHL, AHL, and European leagues.