

head coach **ERROL ROGERS**



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ROGERS AT A GLANCE

Birthdate

November 26, 1960

Hometown

Lake Charles, La.

Years at UL

Second Season

UL Coaching Record

8-22 (1 year)

Career Coaching Record

Same

Alma Mater

Louisiana, 1995

Family

wife

Damita

daughters

Dominique

Desiree

Danielle

Erin

Erika

son

Errol, Jr.

On May 2, 2007, Louisiana's Ragin' Cajuns named **Errol Rogers** the 11th head women's basketball coach in school history.

Rogers' eight wins in his rookie season tied him for the most by a first-year women's head coach at UL since 1988.

He helped seniors Onna Charles and Sonora Edwards both top 1,000 career points in their final campaign.

Rogers also tutored the rise of **Alicia McDaniel (2005-08)**. McDaniel finished her career as only the second player (**Kim Perrot, 1987-90**) in UL women's basketball history to post at least 750 points, 500 rebounds, 250 assists and 150 steals in a career.

The Louisiana graduate spent the previous four seasons as an assistant coach at Mississippi State with his primary responsibilities including on-court teaching and assisting with recruiting. The Bulldogs enjoyed a 12-win turnaround last season and advanced to the WNIT quarterfinals – their second WNIT trip in the last three seasons.

Rogers' collegiate experience also includes four years as an assistant coach at Bethune-Cookman College

from 1999-2003 where he was in charge of developing game strategies, conditioning and training, recruiting, and arranging travel and lodging accommodations. BCC enjoyed back-to-back winning seasons in his final two years, marking the best two campaigns for the Wildcats in the past decade.

"I'm very pleased to bring a coach to our University that was born in Louisiana, graduated from Louisiana-Lafayette and has coaching ties to the state," said athletics director David Walker.



ROGERS CAREER BY THE NUMBERS

Season	Record	Conference Record (Finish)
2007-08	8-22	4-14 (7th, West)



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"His recruiting abilities are very well known and I expect our program's recent success to continue. He came highly recommended by some very well respected and prestigious college coaches."

Prior to his stint as an assistant coach on the collegiate level, Rogers spent eight years as a high school head coach in Louisiana. He accumulated a career record of 200-76 on the high school level in the state of Louisiana and was named Coach of the Year six times during his career.

Rogers' final high school stop was at Lafayette High, leading his team to a district co-championship, the first in school history.

He was the head girl's coach from 1993-98 at Opelousas Catholic High School, coincidentally, during nearly the same period Cajuns head men's basketball coach Robert Lee was the head boy's basketball coach at Opelousas High School from 1992-96.

Rogers tallied 120 victories with OCHS, as the Vikings were named district champions twice and had appearances in the playoffs all five years.

He started coaching in the high school ranks from 1991-93 at the Holy Rosary Institute. Rogers advanced to the state semifinals with his girl's team, leading HRI to its first Sweet 16 appearance in school history. The 1993 team produced the most wins in school history.

Rogers got his start in coaching at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Middle School during his tenure from 1984-91. In addition to coaching the girl's basketball team, he also had stints as the athletic director and head football coach. While at the helm of the basketball team, Immaculate Heart was Catholic league champions four times.

In 1985, Rogers founded the Acadiana Stars, an AAU girl's basketball club in Lafayette. He was instrumental in helping bring the first AAU national championship to Lafayette for girls 14 and under in 1997. Former WNBA Miami Sol standout Shari Sam went through his program.

A native of Lake Charles, La., Rogers is married to the former Damita Nabers. The couple has six children, five daughters, Dominique, Desiree, Danielle, Erin and Erika and one son, Errol, Jr.

Rogers Against...

Alabama State	First Meeting
Arkansas-Monticello	1-0 (1.000)
Arkansas State	0-2 (.000)
Centenary	1-0 (1.000)
Denver	1-1 (.500)
Florida Atlantic	0-1 (.000)
Florida International	0-1 (.000)
Georgia State	First Meeting
LSU	0-1 (.000)
LSU-Shreveport	1-0 (1.000)
McNeese State	First Meeting
Mercer	0-1 (.000)
Middle Tennessee	0-1 (.000)
Mississippi State	0-1 (.000)
New Orleans	2-0 (1.000)
Nicholls State	1-0 (1.000)
North Texas	1-1 (.500)
Ole Miss	0-1 (.000)
Savannah State	0-1 (.000)
South Alabama	0-2 (.000)
Texas	0-1 (.000)
Texas Southern	First Meeting
Troy	0-1 (.000)
Tulane	0-1 (.000)
UAB	First Meeting
UALR	0-2 (.000)
ULM	0-2 (.000)
Western Kentucky	0-1 (.000)
TOTAL	8-22 (.267)



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paula LEE

assistant coach | second season | lsu, 1988

LEE AT A GLANCE

Hometown

New Roads, La.

Years at UL

Second Season

Alma Mater (Bachelor's)

LSU, 1988

Alma Mater (Master's)

LSU, 1996

Paula Lee enters her second season as an assistant women's basketball coach for Louisiana's Ragin' Cajuns and her fifteenth season as a coach in the college ranks. Lee brings with her a wealth of knowledge and experience after spending seven years at LSU under the direction of Hall of Fame coach Sue Gunter.

Lee, the sister of UL head men's basketball coach Robert Lee, comes to Louisiana after serving as the head women's basketball coach at Southern University in Shreveport and an assistant coach at Tennessee State.

Prior to Louisiana-Lafayette

As the head coach at Southern University at Shreveport, Lee resurrected the dormant women's basketball program. Under Lee's tutelage, the Lady Jaguars won the Louisiana Athletic Association of Community Colleges Championship for three consecutive years and qualified for the NJCAA Region 23 Tournament for two years where they lost in the semifinals to Copiah-Lincoln Community College.

For her efforts and the team's success, Lee was named the LAACC Coach of the Year in 2006.

Prior to SUSLA, Lee served as the first assistant coach and recruiting coordinator for two years at McNeese State. She was very instrumental in recruiting and signing some of Louisiana's top high school talent as well as helping McNeese improve in Southland Conference play.

Lee got her college coaching start as a member of the LSU women's basketball staff, where she was a part of the program's tremendous turnaround. They improved from a 20-34 record prior to Lee's arrival to a .680 winning percentage. Her work paid huge dividends as LSU went on to earn three NCAA appearances, including two Sweet 16 trips and one Elite Eight finish.

Lee also impacted the program from the recruiting standpoint as she assisted in the signing of six recruiting classes, which were ranked nationally in the Top 20. Among the athletes under Lee's tutelage were three All-Americans and seven players who are currently playing professionally.

Also, while at LSU, Lee spent five years teaching in the Kinesiology Department as well as designed and implemented the first Activity Course for High School students to take through correspondence study.

Lee began her coaching career at Belaire High School in Baton Rouge, La., where she coached girl's basketball, softball and cross country as well as taught physical education courses.

It was under Lee's leadership and direction that the girl's basketball program was established in 1990. Four years later, Lee was named Basketball Coach of the Year after guiding her team to the state playoffs with a 20-9 record. Lee was also named Coach of the Year for Softball in 1993.

During her coaching tenure, Lee has coached numerous players who are either playing professionally overseas or are active players in the WNBA: Elaine Powell – Detroit Shock; Temeka Johnson – LA Sparks; Marie Ferdinand-Harris – LA Sparks; Roneeka Hodges – Houston Comets; Doneeka Hodges-Lewis – Indiana Fever; DeTrina White – Overseas – Israel; and Katrina Hibbert – Overseas – Australia.

Personal

Lee, a native of New Roads, La., received her bachelor of science degree in physical education with a minor in english from Louisiana State University in 1988.

She later obtained her master's degree in administration and supervision from LSU in 1996.

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lori MORRIS

assistant coach | first season | san diego, 1984

MORRIS AT A GLANCE

Hometown

Chula Vista, Calif.

Years at UL

First Season

Alma Mater (Bachelor's)

San Diego, 1984

Alma Mater (Master's)

Azusa Pacific, 1990

Lori Morris enters her first season as an assistant women's basketball coach for Louisiana's Ragin' Cajuns. Morris joins the Cajuns with over 20-years of coaching experience. Morris' primary responsibilities will include academics, team travel and defense, as well as, recruiting.

Most recently, Morris served as the head women's basketball coach Southwestern Junior College. She helped Southwestern Junior College to the Southbay Championship in 2007, earning California Interscholastic Federation Coach of the Year accolades. Southwestern finished as the California Interscholastic Federation Division two runner-ups.

While at Southwestern Junior College, Morris was responsible for conditioning, weights, study hall, grade checks and player development. In addition, she was responsible for breaking down film and scouting. Morris taught Basketball Theory, Basketball Activity, Film and Intercollegiate Basketball at SWJC.

She was involved with the community and opened a basketball player development class to high school players, along with, mini-clinics to local high school teams.

Prior to her stint at Southwestern Junior College, Morris spent 20 years as the head coach of the Montgomery High School girl's basketball team from 1987-07. Before assuming the head coaching position, she served as the MHS assistant coach during the 1986-87 season.

While at Montgomery High School, she was named the 2006 High School Sports Association Head Coach's Award. She helped MHS to the Mesa League Championships in 2002 and 2005 and Metro League Championships in 1990, 1995, 1996 and 1997. Morris was the CIF Female Coach of the Year in 1998.

Morris developed 18 players who went on to play at either the junior college or university level using basketball as a vehicle to continue their education.

Morris received her bachelor's degree in language arts from University of San Diego in 1984. She earned her master's degree in education with an emphasis in administration from Azusa Pacific University in 1990.



courtney SIMMONS

assistant coach | first season | louisville, 2008

SIMMONS AT A GLANCE

Hometown

Baton Rouge, La.

Years at UL

First Season

Alma Mater (Bachelor's)

Louisville, 2008

Courtney Simmons enters her first season as an assistant women's basketball coach for Louisiana's Ragin' Cajuns. Simmons comes to the Cajuns after finishing her collegiate basketball career at Louisville in 2008.

While at Louisville, Simmons served as a camp counselor for Louisville's women's basketball camps. As a counselor, she supervised approximately 20 campers per day, while developing specific drills for the participants and monitoring the dormitories during overnight camps.

Simmons also worked in the Housing and Residence Life Office while at Trinity Valley Community College. Simmons oversaw approximately 30 students daily, maintaining the cleanliness of the dormitory and assisting the students with any and all problems.

In addition, Simmons coached the Bayou Flames Girls 12 and Under AAU Basketball Team in Gonzales, La. She served as the top assistant and coordinated travel arrangements for all 16 players and coached. Simmons also assisted the head coach with developing plays and assisted the assistant coach with player statistics.

Simmons is fluent in sign language and volunteered at the 2007 Mini Deaf Olympics. She also volunteered at the 2007 Scotlandville Alumni Associations Basketball Clinic, and the 2003 and 2006 Southland Girls All Star Basketball Camp.

As a Player

Simmons played two seasons at Louisville, with a year at Trinity Valley Community College and two seasons at Tulane.

Simmons played in 30 of the Cardinals 36 games in her final season, helping Louisville to a 26-10 overall record with a 10-6 Big East mark. Simmons helped UL post wins over three ranked teams in her final season - Rutgers (No. 5), West Virginia (No. 13) and DePaul (No. 25).

Personal

Simmons was born on September 14, 1984. She is the daughter of Remi Simmons and received her degree in communications from Louisville in 2008.