



John Calipari

NINTH SEASON AT MEMPHIS IN 2008-09
219-65 record at Memphis (8 years)
412-136 record overall (16 years)

2nd For Most Wins In NCAA History Through 16 Seasons
15 Postseason Tournaments
10 NCAA Tournament • 1 NCAA Title Game appearance • 2 Final Four • 5 Elite Eights •
6 Sweet 16
5 NIT • 4 Final Fours
2002 NIT Title
9 League Championships

He's won over 73 percent of his games as a collegiate head coach. He's won over 74 percent of his games during his tenure as the head coach at the University of Memphis. Calipari won his 100th game as the Memphis head coach midway through the 2004-05 season, and he reached that milestone the second fastest of any Tiger mentor. That same season, Calipari became one of only seven coaches in NCAA Division I history to win 300 or more games in their first 13 years

But John Calipari, who just completed his seventh year at Memphis in 2006-07, has an even higher winning percentage in another area of collegiate athletics — graduating student-athletes. Since stepping foot on the Memphis campus, 13 of 16 seniors that have played for Calipari earned their bachelor's degrees. In case you're wondering, that's over 80 percent. And while Calipari enjoys winning games, he is thrilled when members of his basketball family walk across the stage, receive their diplomas and make their marks in a chosen profession.

To Calipari, college basketball is more than wins and losses. It's about the student-athletes. It's always been that way in his two collegiate coaching stints at Memphis (2000-present) and UMass (1988-96). In one of college basketball's best reclamation projects, Calipari led the Minuteman program to numerous wins, conference titles and NCAA Tournament appearances. His passion to build a program helped accelerate the construction of the Mullins Center, UMass' basketball and hockey facility. In his final season at UMass, Calipari was named the 1996 Naismith National Coach of the Year and *The Sporting News* National Coach of the Year. He was also named the Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year for the third time in four years, as well as *Basketball Times* East Region Coach of the Year.

Calipari's endeavors in the community and on the University of Memphis campus have rivaled the strides the Tigers have made on the court during the coach's seven seasons in the Mid-South. Calipari's prescriptions for success are profiles in his popular book, *Refuse To Lose*. Calipari and his wife, Ellen, have two daughters, Erin Sue and Megan Rae, and a son, Bradley Vincent.