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St. Mary's University College Welcomes David Petroziello as Director of Athletics

Calgary, AB (July 15, 2010) – St. Mary's University College is excited to announce David Petroziello as Director of Athletics for the St. Mary's Lightning effective July 15, 2010.

David brings to this position a unique background combining a strong interest in academics and the liberal arts with a life-long interest in athletics. He holds a BA Honours in Political Science from Bishops University and is completing an MA in political science from Simon Fraser University. He served as Head Coach and Program Coordinator at College Charles-Lemoyne and College de Sherbrooke in Quebec. David was an assistant basketball coach at Simon Fraser University and a guest national team coach and clinician for the Basketball Federation of India and the Punjab Basketball Association. In addition, he served as the Head Coach, General Manager and Director of Operations for the Vancouver Titans, a professional basketball team in the International Basketball League. This past year, he was General Manager of the Bunbury Basketball Association in Western Australia where he provided leadership for a 130 team, 1500 member association, as well as coached a second division professional team. David has also been very involved in running training camps and clinics for athletes of various ages and performance levels over the past fifteen years.



"I am thrilled to be joining Lightning Athletics at an exciting time in our development as a varsity program," said David. "The familial environment here and the institution's commitment to excellence in the classroom and on the playing field convinced my family and I it was time to return to Canada from overseas. I look forward to working with the St. Mary's community, staff, coaches, and athletes to make Lightning Athletics the best it can possibly be."

About Lightning Athletics

Lightning Athletics strives to contribute to the overall synergy of the St. Mary's University College community by bringing students, faculty and staff together in activities that encourage the pursuit of excellence, promote healthy lifestyles, and foster growth in leadership and teamwork through competitive and recreational physical activity. The Lightning Athletics program offers men's and women's basketball, men's and women's volleyball, men's and women's futsal (indoor soccer) and cross country running.

About St. Mary's University College

St. Mary's University College is a Catholic post-secondary, liberal arts and sciences teaching and research institution open to all faiths and traditions. St. Mary's offers Bachelor of Arts degrees, a Bachelor of Education (Elementary) degree and university courses in 33 academic disciplines. For more information, visit www.stmu.ab.ca

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