

Hauck Named Soccer Assistant At LMC

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Catherine Hauck has been named the new assistant women's soccer coach at Lees-McRae College, announced head coach Nick Whiting Tuesday.

"Catherine is a great addition to Lees-McRae and our program," praised Whiting. "She brings a great amount of

energy and enthusiasm for coaching and is going to be an excellent role model for our players. She is a great asset to our team and I am very happy that she has decided to join us."

Hauck brings several years of coaching experience at the high school and club level with her to Lees-McRae, having served as an assistant coach at Saint Stephens High School in Hickory, N.C. while also working with the Catawba Valley Youth Soccer Association as an assistant coach. The Lake Mary, Fla. native comes to Lees-McRae from nearby Lenoir-Rhyne University in Hickory, N.C., where she earned back-to-back South Atlantic Conference Player of the Year honors in 2010 and 2011. Hauck was named to the Daktronics NCAA Division II All-America First team this past fall, finishing the season with 11 goals and 26 points to earn Daktronics Southeast Region Player of the Year honors as well as a spot on the NSCAA /Continental Tire NCAA Women's Division II All-America Second team.

"I am really excited for the chance to work with this group of girls," said Hauck. "I would like to thank Nick Whiting for giving me this opportunity. I look forward to helping the team reach their goals and continue their success."

A three-year captain at Lenoir-Rhyne, Hauck garnered all-conference honors in each of her four seasons with the Bears, while also earning both NSCAA and Daktronics all-Southeast Region recognition each year. Hauck enjoyed a tremendous career on the pitch, compiling 31 goals and eight assists for 70 points in four seasons with the Bears.

Hauck not only performed at the highest level on the pitch, but also in the classroom, completing her Bachelor of Science in health and exercise science in May 2012 with a cumulative grade point average of 3.61. For her combined efforts in the classroom and on the pitch, Hauck earned a spot on the NSCAA's Scholar All-America Second team in 2011.

The two-time All-America selection has been extremely involved in a variety of activities during both her high school and college careers, serving as president of the Bears' Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and vice president of the Mortar Board Honor Society in addition to her coaching duties at Saint Stephens and CVYS.

Hauck is an active member of Young Life, serving as a leader with YL for two years. She has been a part of several mission trips over the last seven years, traveling to Egypt, Jamaica, Swaziland, Brazil, and most recently Kenya, to help the less fortunate.

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