

## Four Finalists Named For Head Football Position

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Two NCAA Division III head coaches and two NCAA Division II associate head coaches are the four finalists for the UW-Eau Claire head football position which became vacant with the resignation of Todd Hoffner February 10.

The search and screen Committee has tabbed Lakeland College head coach **Jim Zebrowski (zeh BROW ski)**, Marietta College head coach **Todd Glaser (GLAZE er)**, University of Nebraska-Omaha associate head coach **Lance Leipold (LIE pold)** and University of North Dakota associate head coach **Chris Mussman** as finalists. Those four will be on campus next week for interviews with the search and screen committee, team members, athletics staff and university administrators.

**Glaser** is a Blugold alum who played for Jim Lind, then was an assistant for Lind, Greg Polnasek and Bob Nielson and a four-year defensive coordinator for Todd Hoffner. He has been the head coach at Marietta College the past three seasons, leading the Pioneers to a 6-4 record in 2004, their first winning season since 1998. Marietta plays in the strong Ohio Athletic Conference that includes current Division III national champion Mount Union College.

**Zebrowski** has revitalized the Lakeland College football program, producing a 23-8 record in his three seasons there along with the school's first NCAA playoff berth this past season. Prior to that, Zebrowski was the offensive coordinator for three years at Millikin University, during which time, the Big Blue compiled a 24-6 mark. He also spent three years at Southern Illinois as a graduate assistant and six years as a high school coach in Ohio. Zebrowski played his college football at Mount Union.

**Mussman** has coached seven seasons at the University of North Dakota after eight seasons at Minnesota State-Mankato. He has been the offensive coordinator for the past five years at UND and the associate head coach the past two seasons. He followed a similar pattern at Mankato, leaving as the associate head coach. Mussman was a four-year letterwinner at Iowa State, serving as a 1990 team captain for the Cyclones. During his stint at North Dakota, the Fighting Sioux won the NCAA Division II national championship in 2001 and have won 10 or more games in four of the last five years.

**Leipold**, a native of Jefferson, Wisconsin, is currently the associate head coach at Nebraska-Omaha. He has had two stints at UNO sandwiched around a three-year term at the University of Nebraska where he was the football administrative assistant for the Cornhuskers. He was a record-setting quarterback at UW-Whitewater for Bob Berezowitz, then spent time as an assistant coach there before joining the UW-Madison staff as a graduate assistant for four years including Barry Alvarez' first Rose Bowl team. He joined the staff at UNO in 1994 until leaving for Nebraska in 2001. In 19 years of coaching, Leipold has been associated with nine conference championship teams and 10 post-season teams.

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