University of Bristol Volleyball Club is looking to appoint a new BUCS Head Coach

About the role

The coaching role involves working with our established Women's A and Men's A teams to run training sessions and provide match day coaching. Training is expected to be on Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. Matches are on Wednesdays according to the BUCS schedule. The season runs from the 2nd of September to April.

Home games and training are held at the same venue: University of Bristol Indoor Sports Centre, Tyndall Ave, Bristol, BS8 1TH.

Compensation

The university pays approximately £24 an hour for 8 hours a week, and the club contributes to match day pay and extra training needed pay. Match day travel is not covered, but coaches can travel on the university bus with the team. We envision this role will be best suited to someone relatively local.

Key responsibilities

- Deliver a high standard of technical coaching for the various players.
- Design and deliver a training programme across the season that develops the technical, tactical, and physical skills of the team.
- Provide match day coaching to assist the team in reaching its goals in competitive competition.
- Lead fun training sessions with a focus on individual player development.
- Drive towards specific goals agreed upon by the club, with an emphasis on performance goals.
- Provide leadership and guidance to players to ensure team morale is high and the team works together effectively.
- Support the development of student coaches for the other teams in the club.
- Collaborate with other coaches from BUCS Premier tier teams to move the sport forward.

Role requirements

- Have a Volleyball England Level 1 coaching qualification or above.
- Able to attend training weekly and preferably matches as well.
- Experience in coaching competitive adult teams.
- Have a current DBS check (this can be completed by the club upon appointment).
- Willingness to work with both experienced players and development players to ensure the sustainability of the squad.

About the teams

Our Women's A Team have maintained their place in the BUCS Premier South for many years and aim to rank as high as possible. Our Men's A Team have just been promoted from BUCS Division 1 to BUCS Premier South and will look to cement their position in the league next year. The University of Bristol also provides a Strength and Conditioning programme to our athletes. Given the nature of university sports and quickly changing squads, it is crucial to get the best out of the team at each match while ensuring training sessions are fun and players are improving.

About the University of Bristol Volleyball Club

The University of Bristol Volleyball Club is an established club at the university with 200 members and was awarded the best club at the university last year. We currently have our 1st teams competing in BUCS Premier Tier, our 2nd teams in BUCS Division 1 Tier, and our 3rd teams in the Local League.

Qualified coaches are an essential part of our setup to ensure we can grow and develop athletes according to the university's strategic priorities for sports: https://www.bristol.ac.uk/sport/strategic-priorities/

Applying for the role

To find out more, please email uobvolleyball@gmail.com, giving us some background about your volleyball journey and why you're interested in the role. We'd love to have you as part of our club and team!

It is possible the role could be split into two, with different coaches for the Men's and Women's teams and the pay divided in half. This depends on the candidates; please mention in your email if you would prefer to coach a certain team.

Applications close on 31st July 2024 or sooner should we find the right candidate.