

UNC Ice Hockey Welcomes Adam Dauda as Head Coach!

After an extensive search that included more than 50 applicants from Europe, Canada and throughout the United States, The University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill Ice Hockey program is pleased to welcome Adam Dauda as our new Head Coach!



Born in Bratislava, Slovakia, Dauda moved to Kitchener, Ontario at age seven where he spent most of his childhood before coming to the United States. Dauda attended Colgate University where he studied Economics and played 116 games for the NCAA D1 Men's Hockey team accumulating 51 points. During his sophomore season in 2016-2017 he ranked # 1 in faceoff win percentage and throughout his four years made the All-academic Team and Colgate Raider academic honor roll three times.

Post-college, Dauda helped the Sydney Bears win the Australian Ice Hockey League Championship in 2019. He also split time between Kalamazoo, MI and Jacksonville, FL in the ECHL, ranking third on the Jacksonville Icemen in goals (14) and points (30) as well as ranking first on the team in plus/minus (+10). Afterwards, Dauda spent time playing for HK Nitra in the Slovak Extraliga in a shortened Covid season.

After his playing career Dauda was the Assistant Coach and Recruiting Coordinator of the NCAA D3 Men's Hockey Team at Manhattanville College while earning his Master's of Science in Finance and graduating with a 4.0 GPA. During his time there, he helped recruit 22 student athletes which included the Male Rookie of the Year. He also helped Manhattanville make it to the UCHC semifinals both years."





A Personal Note from Adam Dauda

"I'm extremely honored to be the next head coach of the UNC Hockey Team. I appreciate all of the support and faith Coach Volkman, the team, and the Board have shown in me.

I hope to build on everything Coach Volkman has achieved with the team thus far. From all of the conversations I've had with the staff and players, I'm happy to see there is a high level of dedication to the growth of the program. I plan on guiding this team to reach new heights.

I'm confident there are many national championships in our future. Go Tar Heels!"

What those that have worked with Adam say...

Adam is an exceptional person and coach...he is an absolute homerun hire for any organization at any level from junior hockey to the NHL.

He is professional, intelligent, contentious and knowledgeable about all aspects of hockey tactics...further, he builds strong relationships with players through his genuineness, thoughtfulness and integrity.

Congratulate Adam!

Coach Dauda's Thumbnail Bio

Assistant Coach & Recruiting Coordinator, Manhattanville College, NCAA D3 Ice Hockey Program

Professional hockey player in the ECHL with Kalamazoo Wings (MI) and Jacksonville Icemen (FL). International play with HK Nitra in Slovakia and the Sydney Bears in Sydney, Australia

Colgate University NCAA D1 Ice Hockey - an "Academic Athlete" who made the All Academic Team in all four years

