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Yes and No Answers to Gonzaga's 93-63 Thrashing of BYU

Yes, *Gonzaga is really that good!*

Yes, *The Zags have 4 and possibly 5 legitimate NBA prospects on their roster.*

No, *BYU has zero NBA prospects on its current roster. (They may have a couple of Euro prospects in Childs and Haws and it's still too early to tell with Baxter, but he is trending up.*

Yes, *The coaching apples don't fall far from the Dave Rose tree. Quincy Lewis played for Rose at Dixie JC. Lee Cummond played for Dave Rose at BYU. Tim Lacombe didn't play for anybody.*

Here is the official BYU resume of Lewis, Lacombe and Cummond.

Tim Lacombe - Coaching Experience

- BYU Assistant Head Coach (2017-present)
- BYU Associate Head Coach (2015-17)
- BYU Assistant Coach (2010-15)
- BYU Director of Operations (2007-10)

- Utah Video Coordinator (2005-07)
- American Fork Assistant Coach (2002-05)
- Lone Peak Assistant Coach (1999-02)
- Utah Team Manager (1994-96)

Quincy Lewis – Coaching Experience

- BYU Assistant Coach (2015-present)
- Lone Peak High School Head Coach (2003-15)
- Southern Utah Assistant Coach (2002-03)
- Utah Valley State College Assistant Coach (1997-02)
- BYU-Hawaii Assistant Coach (1995-97)

Lee Cumard – Coaching Experience

- BYU Assistant Coach (2018-present)
- BYU Graduate Assistant (2016-2018)

Yes, the coaching apples also don't fall far from Gonzaga's Mark Few's tree.

Donnie Daniels – Coaching Experience

- Gonzaga Assistant Coach (2010 - 2019)
- UCLA Assistant Coach (2004 - 2009)
- Cal State Fullerton Head Coach (2001-2003)
- Utah Assistant Coach (1990-2010)

Tommy Lloyd – Coaching Experience

- Gonzaga Assistant Coach (2001-2019) Responsible for Foreign Recruiting
- Gonzaga Administrative Assistant (1999-2000)

Brian Michaelson – Coaching Experience

- Gonzaga Assistant Coach 2013-2019)
- Assistant director of basketball operations (2010-2012)
- Gonzaga administrative assistant (2008-2009)
- Walk-on for Mark Few at Gonzaga (2001-2002)

So, what's the difference between the coaching staffs at BYU and Gonzaga and the superior success of the Zags over the Cougars and the rest of the WCC?

This guy – His name is Tommy Lloyd



[Click Here](#) to see what he has done for Gonzaga.

Sheepish of Sheepskin?

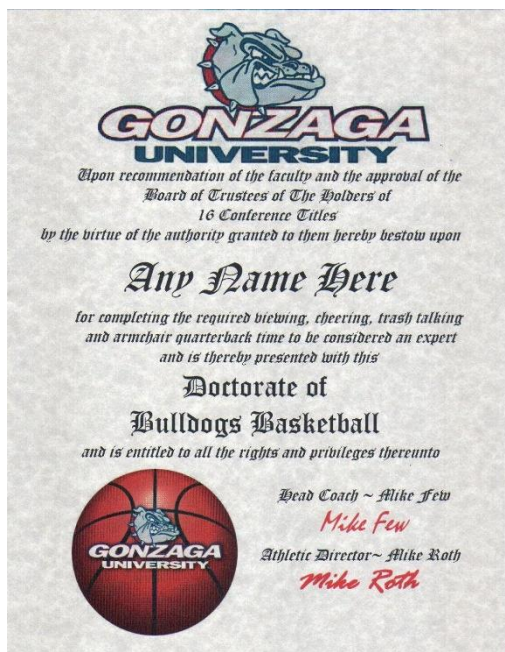


Ask any Gonzaga graduate or current student if they think their degree is diminished or tarnished by their school admitting 4-5 foreign students with limited English proficiency annually to play basketball. How do you think they would respond? How would you respond?

Ask any BYU graduate or current student if they think their degree is diminished or tarnished if their school admits 2-3 foreign students annually to play basketball? How do you think they would respond? How would you respond?

Since I have a degree from BYU as evidenced by the above photo, let me respond personally. I would gladly give up 3-10% of my BYU birthright and diploma bragging rights for an annual berth in the NCAA tournament. What's a little mess of pottage on my part to clean up the current messes of recruiting for BYU football and basketball.

Here is Gonzaga's diplomatic diploma response below.



Here's my personal response. I will gladly take a 5% depreciation on my BYU degree if the Cougars can beat Utah, Tennessee, USC, Washington and Boise State in football and can at least split with Gonzaga. And I don't care if they do it with little to no English grammar skills as long as they have "game".



The only other alternative for BYU in basketball is this:

Thu, Jan 24	vs	 Saint Mary's	W 71-66	13-9 (5-2)
Thu, Jan 31	vs	 Gonzaga	L 63-69	13-10 (5-3)
Sat, Feb 2	vs	 Loyola Marymount	W 67-49	14-10 (6-3)
DATE		OPPONENT	TIME	TV
Thu, Feb 7	@	 Portland	9:00 PM	ESPN 2
Sat, Feb 9	vs	 Pacific	7:00 PM	
Thu, Feb 14	@	 San Diego	8:00 PM	
Sat, Feb 16	@	 Loyola Marymount	2:00 PM	
Thu, Feb 21	vs	 San Francisco	7:00 PM	
Sat, Feb 23	@	 Gonzaga	8:00 PM	
Sat, Mar 2	vs	 San Diego	7:00 PM	

Refuse to play Gonzaga and plead and play the xenophobia card.

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dislike of or prejudice against people from other countries.

BYU 67 LMU 49

It Was Baxter to the *Maxter*

Take it to the max is an expression of achievement. Try this on for achievement in your first start as a BYU basketball player. I'm referring of course to Gavin Baxter's line in BYU's 67-49 win over LMU last Saturday night in Provo.

NO.	Starters		MIN	FG-FGA	3P-3PA	FT-FTA	OFF	DEF	REB	AST	BLK	STL	PF	TO	PTS
23	CHILDS, Yoeli	F	33	3-7	0-1	0-0	1	8	9	2	2	2	2	5	6
24	CANNON, McKay	G	32	1-3	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	7	0	1	1	0	2
25	BAXTER, Gavin	F	32	10-14	2-3	3-4	4	6	10	0	2	1	3	1	25
30	HAWS, TJ	G	33	2-7	0-3	5-6	0	1	1	4	1	0	1	2	9
44	HARDING, Connor	G	9	1-4	0-1	0-1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	2

Granted, they are only numbers, but are numbers that are usually reserved for Yoeli Childs and TJ Haws. What does it mean? Baxter can play...at least against LMU in his first career start.

Nick Emery used to know how to play and then he forgot after a two-year layoff. The temporary bout of amnesia is apparently gone based on Emery's stats against LMU.

NO.	Bench	MIN	FG-FGA	3P-3PA	FT-FTA	OFF	DEF	REB	AST	BLK	STL	PF	TO	PTS
00	HARDNETT, Jahshire	12	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	1	0	0	2	1	0
01	BERGERSEN, Rylan	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
02	SELJAAS, Zac	9	1-4	0-3	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
04	EMERY, Nick	27	6-10	5-5	0-0	1	1	2	2	0	4	2	0	17

All box scores are not equated equal. For that reason, don't go looking at the BYU boxes with Gonzaga, Mississippi State and San Francisco.

The BYU women also had a couple of box bummers this last week on the road as they lost to both LMU and Pepperdine.

Here are the current WCC standings for men and women.

	CONFERENCE				OVERALL		
	W-L	GB	PCT	W-L	PCT	HOME	AWAY
 Gonzaga Bulldogs	8-0	-	1.000	21-2	.913	13-0	5-1
 BYU Cougars	6-3	2.5	.667	14-10	.583	11-2	2-7
 San Francisco Dons	5-3	3	.625	17-5	.773	12-1	4-3
 Saint Mary's Gaels	5-3	3	.625	14-9	.609	11-2	2-4
 San Diego Toreros	4-4	4	.500	15-8	.652	11-1	3-6
 Loyola Marymount Lions	4-5	4.5	.444	16-7	.696	10-1	4-6
 Santa Clara Broncos	4-5	4.5	.444	12-11	.522	9-5	3-4
 Pepperdine Waves	4-5	4.5	.444	11-12	.478	7-3	2-8
 Pacific Tigers	3-6	5.5	.333	13-11	.542	9-4	4-7
 Portland Pilots	0-9	8.5	.000	7-17	.292	6-7	1-9

West Coast Conference

	CONFERENCE				OVERALL		
	W-L	GB	PCT	W-L	PCT	HOME	AWAY
 Gonzaga Bulldogs	10-1	-	.909	21-2	.913	11-0	8-1
 BYU Cougars	9-2	1	.818	17-5	.773	8-1	7-4
 Saint Mary's Gaels	7-4	3	.636	14-8	.636	6-4	6-4
 Pacific Tigers	7-4	3	.636	14-7	.667	8-3	6-3
 Pepperdine Waves	7-4	3	.636	13-8	.619	7-1	4-6
 Loyola Marymount Lions	6-5	4	.545	13-10	.565	8-3	5-4
 Santa Clara Broncos	3-7	6.5	.300	10-11	.476	5-6	5-5
 San Francisco Dons	2-8	7.5	.200	6-15	.286	3-7	2-7
 Portland Pilots	2-9	8	.182	10-12	.455	6-4	4-7
 San Diego Toreros	1-10	9	.091	8-14	.364	6-6	2-8

Television Timetable

BYU vs. Portland (M Basketball)

Thursday February 7 at Portland

Tipoff: 9:00 pm MST

TV: ESPN2

BYU vs. Pacific (M Basketball)

Saturday, February 9 at Provo

Tipoff: 7:00 pm MST

TV: BYUtv

BYU vs. Saint Mary's (W Basketball)

Thursday, February 7 at Provo

Tipoff: 11:00 am MST

TV: BYUtv

BYU vs. Pacific (W Basketball)

Saturday, February 9 at Provo

Tipoff: 2:00 pm MST

TV: BYUtv

I'll be back later tonight, but probably tomorrow, with some previews of national letter-of-intent day for football.