



## Lauren Paul

A two-time All-America choice and three-time Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association (IWLCA) All-Metro Region First Team selection for the Diplomats, Lauren Paul '03, became the 10th women's lacrosse coach in the program's history in September, 2008.

In addition to earning national and regional honors, Paul was also a three-time All-Centennial Conference First Team nod, one of only eight players in league-history to accomplish that feat. As a senior, she served as team captain under then first year head coach, Anne Phillips. Phillips resigned in June to assume the head coaching position at Yale.

Paul's name peppers F&M's lacrosse record book. She was the first player in the program's history to score 100 goals and register 100 assists in her career. The Baltimore native ranks second in career assists (103), sixth in career points (242), and tenth in goals (139). Despite her impact on the record books, Paul's most indelible impression on the program may lie in the fact that she is the origin of "YEER", the battlecry that has morphed into the symbol of Franklin & Marshall's women's lacrosse tradition.

Beyond the lacrosse field, Paul made her presence felt in the College's campus life. She was a four-year member of the all girls A Capella signing group and a participant in The Women's Center program, Take Back the Night, aimed at raising awareness of sexual assault and abuse on the campus and in the community. She also presented research at Moravian College's Student Mathematical Conference.

Following her graduation from Franklin & Marshall, she assumed an assistant coaching position at Lafayette University. At that post, Paul was charged with the Leopards' recruiting efforts and budget management. On the field, she worked with Lafayette's attack and keepers. Two of her players earned All-Patriot League honors, leading the team back to the Patriot League Championships.

From Lafayette, she moved on to Centennial Conference rival Dickinson where she coached under F&M alumna, Kasey Ryan '99. The former duo of Diplomats led the Devils to their first Centennial Conference Championship Tournament appearance in 2005 and followed that effort with showings in the 2006 and 2007 championships.