Biography and Information for Ron Miller, Ph.D., M.d'A.

Education

1966 Florida State University – BS – Exercise Science Major – Psychology Minor

1967 Eastern Kentucky University - MA - Exercise Science

1976 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill – Ph.D. – Exercise Science, Higher Education, Psychology and Guidance Fencing Timeline, Accomplishment and Awards

Began fencing and joined the AFLA in 1960

Began fencing club at Eastern Kentucky University in 1966-67

Began teaching and coaching fencing at the University of North Carolina in the fall of 1967

Appointed as Varsity Head Coach at UNC for the 1967-68 season and remained in that position until retirement at the end of the 2018-19 season (52 years)

Established the Carolina Fencing Club at UNC-CH in 1974-1984

Appointed to the National AFLA Coaching staff for National Squad Training Program - Circa 1978-82

Appointed as a coach (South Team) for the US Olympic Sports Festivals in 1978 (Colorado Springs), 1979 (Colorado Springs), 1981 (Syracuse) and 1987 in Chapel Hill, NC

Awarded 3 Weapon USFCA Maitre d'Armes Degree in 1980

Appointed to the coaching staff for the Junior World Fencing Championship Team in Lausanne, Switzerland in 1981 (Sabre and Women's Foil)

Appointed to the coaching staff for the World Championship Team in Rome, Italy in 1982 (Sabre and Women's Foil)

UNC Women's Varsity Fencing Team Finished 4th at the NCAA Fencing Championships - 1982

UNC Men's Varsity Fencing Team Finished 3rd at the NCAA Fencing Championships - 1983

UNC Fencer John Friedberg NCAA Sabre Champion - 1983

Selected as NCAA Fencing Coach of the Year in 1983 and 1986

Appointed director of the US Fencing National Junior Elite Training Program – circa 1984-88 (Colorado Springs and Lake Placid, NY)

Served as Director and Co-director of the US Fencing Association's Coaching Education Program (Coaches' College) Circa 1985-1993

Selected to represent the US as a coach at the International Olympic Solidarity Sabre Clinic in Budapest, Hungary in 1984 and 1985

Appointed to the coaching staff of the US Junior Pan American Fencing Team in Guadeloupe in 1987

Served as member of the NCAA Fencing Committee and Chair of the NCAA Mid-Atlantic Fencing Committee three times (80s, 90s and 2000s) and NCAA Regional Chair for MAS Qualifying events

Received the 2016 Award of Merit by the United States Fencing Coaches Association

Currently Serves on the USFCA Certification and Accreditation Board

Received the 2017 Jack Baker Award for Service to USA Fencing

Received the Priceless Gem Honoree Award in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the University of North Carolina – 2017

Received the Alumni Achievement Award by the University of North Carolina School of Education

Atlantic Coast Conference Men's Champions 8 times from 1970-80 (no women's championship fenced)

Atlantic Coast Conference Women's Champions 2018

ACC Men's Coach of the year eight times between 1970-80 and 2019

ACC Women's Coach of the year 2018 and 2019

(Note: No championship was held from 1981-2014)

Career Team NCAA Record 1602 Wins and 900 losses (1967-2019) (all at UNC)

Currently Coaching at NCFDP and Apex Fencing Academy in Apex, NC





