

Richard Powers

Summary of qualifications

Over a 50 year career as a head coach I have coached the national teams of seven countries: Ecuador, Venezuela, Brazil, Israel, Kuwait, the Philippines and Malaysia, as well as at the club, high school and university levels. My swimmers have participated in 6 Olympic Games, many other international regional championship meets and at every level in the US.

Swimmers I have trained have set a world record, many national records in the various countries I coached, won at the junior national level and have had many Top 16 rankings in the US. I have given over 100 clinics in 57 countries. I was a speaker at the 2007 World Swimming Clinic in San Diego and taught the Masters School, as well. I have been the Senior Chair of Alaska Swimming and have an ASCA Level 5 certification.

Currently, I give clinics for FINA and other swimming organizations around the world.

Education

1963 - 1966	Eastern Illinois University	Charleston, IL
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Bs in Ed.

- Award for highest GPA among graduating athletes

1978-1979	Southern Illinois University	Carbondale, IL
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additional physical ed courses

Professional experience

1966 - 1967	Peace Corps Volunteer	Guayaquil, Ecuador
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Head Coach of Ecuadorian national team for Pan Am Games, Winnipeg, Canada

1967- 1970	Head Coach Central University, Caracas, Venezuela and National Team
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1970- 1977	Head Coach of club teams in Brazil and national champion team, 1976. Coached Brazil national team for Maccabiah Games in Israel, 1973
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1978- 1980	Head Coach, women's swim team, Southern Illinois University
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1980- 1981	Head Coach of Quito Tennis Club, Quito, Ecuador
1981- 1983	Head Coach of Geshom Club and national team of Israel
1983- 1987	Head Coach of NOX Club, Hania, Crete, Greece
1988- 1989	Head Coach of Clubs in Singapore and the national team of Malaysia
1989- 1994/ 1995-1998	Head Coach of Northern Lights Swim Club, Anchorage, Alaska
1994- 1995	Head Coach of national team of Kuwait
1998- 2000	Head Coach of Sheridan Swim Club and Quincy HS, Quincy, IL
2001-2008	Head Coach of Davis Aquatic Masters, Davis, California. Largest single masters team in USA, with over 600 swimmers annually
2008-10	Consultant to the Philippine Aquatic Sports Association

Publications Many articles published in both American and foreign swimming magazines since 1977. Book published in 2009, Swimming from A-Z, Alaska to Zimbabwe

Languages Fluent in Spanish and Portuguese, fair Greek.

References On request

Objective Develop national level swimmers within a team environment that meets

the commitment and ability levels of all participants, stressing technique to promote efficient swimming. As a masters coach, promote fitness swimming to maintain a healthy body and mind and provide an atmosphere where competitive swimmers can also reach their goals.

Interests and activities

Jogging, swimming and weightlifting