

Alfred Williams

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Former Xavier University of Louisiana men's basketball standout Alfred Williams rejoined the program in August 2009 as assistant coach.

Williams, 25, played basketball for Xavier from 2004-08. As a 6-foot-4 forward he averaged 8.4 points and 5.8 rebounds in 97 career games and helped Xavier earn a share of the 2006-07 Gulf Coast Athletic Conference regular-season championship and qualify for the NAIA Division I National Championship in 2005, 2007 and 2008. He was All-GCAC his senior year when he averaged 11.4 points and a team-leading seven rebounds per game.

"Alfred epitomizes what I've always looked for in a player and a staff member — dedication, loyalty and toughness," Xavier head coach Dannton Jackson said when Williams was hired. "He has all those qualities and the advantage of being a former Gold Rush player. He knows me and will blend in seamlessly with my system. He'll do a great job for Xavier again."

Williams is one of three Gold Rush players with 800 points, 500 rebounds and 150 assists in a career. Williams shot 41.1 from 3-point range in his career to rank second in Xavier history. His blocked shot and ensuing tiebreaking basket with seven seconds remaining lifted Xavier to an 82-79 victory over third-seeded Georgetown (Ky.) in the opening round of the 2007 NAIA nationals at Kansas City, Mo. — the first opening-round victory for the Rush since 1973.

After receiving his bachelor of science degree from Xavier in 2008 and before returning to the university, Williams worked in his native Greenville, S.C., with his brother Eric for Fundamentals 4 Success, a non-profit community agency which offers educational, personal and athletic assistance to basketball student-athletes.

"I'm excited to be back at Xavier," Williams said. "To have an opportunity to jump into college coaching at my age is beyond words."

Another brother, Shammond Williams, is the University of North Carolina's career leader in 3-point field goals made and free-throw percentage and was a member of the New Orleans Hornets in 2003-04 during a seven-year NBA career. Shammond Williams spent the 2007-08 and 2008-09 seasons playing professionally in Spain.

Williams is a 2003 graduate of Greenville's Southside High School, where he was an all-conference basketball player and helped his team reach the Class AAA state playoffs. He started his collegiate career at North Carolina Wesleyan, an NCAA Division III member, before transferring to Xavier in the summer of 2004.

Williams replaced another XU alum, David Egans, who resigned in June 2009 after three seasons.