



## **Erika Quint Hired as new OC Softball Coach**

Olympic College alum Erika Quint has been named the next head softball coach.

Quint graduated in 2007 from Central Kitsap High School, helping the Cougars win two Narrows league titles. She was the MVP of the league her junior year. She played at Olympic College, pitching for the Rangers from 2008-2009 and was a first-team NWAACC North selection both years. In 2008 she was the Olympic College Female Athlete of the Year to go along with NWAACC North Division pitcher of the year. After OC Quint followed in her sister's footsteps to Western Washington University in Bellingham where she set a school record for strikeouts and wins in a season despite only playing there for two years. The Vikings were ranked as high as No. 6 nationally her senior year. Quint was a first-team Daktronics National West Region all-star in 2011 and was a GNAC first-team all-star in 2010 and 2011.

Recently Erika was hired by West Sound Orthopedics as a PT aide in Silverdale; her Bachelor's degree is in Kinesiology. Before accepting the position at OC she was in her first year as a student assistant coach at Western.

Quint's first priorities will be to assemble her coaching staff and get acquainted with her current team. "I'm very excited to set the expectation of winning an NWAACC Championship on a yearly basis. This is really surreal for me," Quint said. There are currently six sophomores – five returners – on the roster. Local sophomore infielders Bridget Box (South Kitsap) and Jessica Klump (Olympic) were all-league selections last spring.

Quint replaces Cabato, who in her four years compiled a 91-64 record, qualifying for the playoffs in all four years as coach. Her best season was her first in 2008 when Quint helped the Rangers take home 3rd place at the NWAACC Championships. OC's first game is Saturday March 3 at a preseason tournament in the Tri-Cities. The team will play their home games at Lions Field in East Bremerton this season.

The Olympic College softball program won an NWAACC championship in 1981.

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