

## Skylar Meade

- Currently serves as the head baseball coach at Troy University
- Spent four seasons as the pitching coach at the University of South Carolina
- A 14-year coaching veteran, Meade has previous stops at Michigan State, Middle Tennessee, and Eastern Illinois following a standout playing career at Louisville, where he pitched in the College World Series.
- Meade anchored a pitching staff that helped lead Louisville to an appearance in the 2007 College World Series. The southpaw recorded nine wins and limited opposing batters to a .247 average during the Cardinals' run to Omaha.
- Meade has coached 28 players who have been selected in the MLB First-Year Player Draft, with 12 of those players taken within the first 10 rounds.
- Meade joined the South Carolina staff before the 2018 season and during his four seasons 14 Gamecock pitchers were selected in the MLB Draft. Seven of those picks came in the top 10 rounds, including Carmen Mlodzinski, who was selected by the Pittsburgh Pirates with the 31st overall pick in the 2020 MLB Draft.
- three seasons as the pitching coach at Michigan State. Under his watch, a Spartan pitcher led the Big Ten in ERA in each of his last two seasons on staff (Walter Borkovich in 2017; Dakota Mekkes in 2016). Additionally, the Spartans posted their top three strikeout totals in school history his final three seasons with 409 strikeouts in 2015, 466 in 2016 and 420 in 2017.

Michigan State led the Big Ten in ERA (2.75), opponent's batting average (.234) and runs allowed (199) in 2016. That ERA also was third in the nation and fifth lowest in school history.

- Meade helped lead the eastern Illinois Panthers to the 2009 OVC regular-season championship and the 2008 OVC Tournament title; the berth in the 2008 NCAA Tournament was just the second in school history.
- A native of Louisville, Ky., Meade earned his bachelor's degree in sports administration from Louisville in 2007 and completed a master's degree in kinesiology and sports studies (sports management) in the summer of 2009 from EIU. Meade and his wife, Jesse, have two children, Kasen and Mikah.