

PEYTON W. STARKEY

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Energetic and driven young coach passionate about investing in student-athletes by passing down skills, experience, and lessons learned through player development, mentorship, and competitive team culture. Former NCAA Division II baseball student-athlete with collegiate playing experience in the South Atlantic Conference and Conference Carolinas. Extensive background in offensive and defensive instruction, individualized skill development, and building strong relationships within a program. Earned 2nd Team All-Conference honors as a third baseman at Mars Hill University while competing at a high level of NCAA Division II baseball. Seeking opportunities in collegiate baseball coaching and player development to positively impact and develop future student-athletes on and off the field.

Skills

- **Offensive Player Development**

Experience utilizing player development technology including TrackMan and Blast Motion to analyze swing metrics, bat speed, attack angle, and overall offensive performance. Familiar with implementing data-driven hitting development plans and incorporating modern training methodologies, including driveline-style bat speed and swing efficiency training.

- **Defensive Player Development**

Extensive experience in infield player development, focusing on footwork, glove presentation, transfer efficiency, throwing mechanics, and defensive consistency. Skilled in utilizing training gloves, paddles, short bats, and various defensive training tools to enhance infield performance and player progression.

- **Structured Pregame & Individual Development Routines**

Experience with organized pregame routines and individualized development plans to maximize player preparation, consistency, and skill advancement.

- **Infield Systems & Defensive Positioning**

Experience working within an infield defensive systems, including positioning adjustments, shifts, scouting-report implementation, and situational defensive alignments based on hitter tendencies and count management.

- **Batting Practice & Skill Instruction**

Proven ability to throw consistent, game-quality batting practice while providing detailed instruction and feedback to hitters during offensive development sessions.

- **Fungo & Defensive Drill Instruction**

Skilled in delivering accurate and efficient fungo work to support defensive instruction, game-speed repetitions, and team defensive preparation.

- **Recruiting & Player Evaluation**

Interest in growing skills evaluating talent through live game assessment.

- **Practice & Camp Organization**

Strong background and experience in two different university systems with efficient team practices, instructional camps, and skill-development sessions focused on maximizing player growth and team productivity.

- **Athlete Mentorship & Player Development**

Dedicated to mentoring student-athletes both on and off the field through leadership development, accountability, and personal growth initiatives.

- **Communication & Relationship Building**

Strong interpersonal communication skills with the ability to build meaningful relationships with players, staff, alumni, parents, and recruits.

- **Leadership & Team Culture Development**

Experience fostering a competitive, disciplined, and positive team culture centered around accountability, work ethic, and player investment.

ATHLETIC EXPERIENCE

Mars Hill University

NCAA Division II | South Atlantic Conference

Third Baseman | 2024–2026

- 88 games started on the infield at MHU, 91 games played
- **Career .337 batting average**, 29 extra base hit.
- 28 strike outs in 322 Plate appearances in two years at MHU, 8% k rate.
- **2nd Team All-SAC Selection in 2026**
- Helped lead team to **program-record 19 conference wins** in the South Atlantic Conference & a 4th place finish

Francis Marion University

NCAA Division II | Conference Carolinas

Third Baseman / Shortstop / RHP | 2022–2024

- Starting 3B and RHP during 2024 season
- Conference Carolinas Tournament Runner-Up (2023)

EDUCATION

Mars Hill University (*Bachelor of Science in Business* – May 2026)

Francis Marion University (Completed coursework toward Bachelor's Degree)

References:

Art Inabinet - Head Coach at Francis Marion | 2022-2023

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Zachary Honeycutt - Head Coach at Mars Hill University | 2024-2026

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Charles Assey Sr - High School Head Coach at Gray Collegiate Academy | 2019-2022

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Jason Gross - Lessons and Coach | Area Director of Perfect Game|2015-2022

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Andy Fox - Head Coach Sandhills Bogeys & Former St Andrews University Head Coach | Summer 2025/2026

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Michael Fitschen - Assistant Coach Mars Hill (2025) | Assistant Coach Lander (Current)

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