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Softball Announces Fall Academies

The Eagles will offer three different academies with instruction from each of the EMU softball coaches.

YPSILANTI, Mich. (EMUEagles.com) -- The Eastern Michigan University softball team has announced dates for its 2014 Fall Academies. The sessions, scheduled for a variety of dates, are open to any and all entrants.

There are three different academies that participants can choose from with specific instruction from one or more of the EMU softball coaches. The first academy the Green and White will offer is a catching academy coached by Eastern Michigan Head Coach Melissa Gentile. Catchers will have the chance to take their game to the next level as Gentile will refine participants skills in receiving, blocking, quick release, and leadership to mold them into well rounded catchers. The catching academy requires a minimum of four participants and a maximum of 10.

The second instructive camp the Eagles will offer is a fielding and hitting academy coached by EMU Assistant Coach Kim Burke. Participants will have an hour long defensive session focused on the necessary skills for outfielders, followed by an hour long hitting session that will focus on drills and techniques to improve their hitting skills.

The final camp offered by EMU softball will be a pitching and hitting academy instructed by EMU Assistant Coach Courtney Pruner. The academy will give advanced professional instruction on the progression approach to pitching and will allow participants to repeat the skills learned with success. Following the pitching session, there will be a hitting camp that will consist of cage work and drills.

The first session of both the catching academy along with the fielding and hitting academy will be on the last Tuesday in September (Sept. 30) and the first three Tuesdays of October (Oct. 7, 14, 21), while the second session will be on the last Tuesday in October (Oct. 28) and the first two Tuesdays in November (Nov. 4, 18).

The first session of the pitching and hitting camp will run for the first four Thursdays of the month of October (Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23), while the second session will be the last Thursday in October (Oct. 30) and the first and third Thursdays in November (Nov. 6, 18). The first hour of the pitching clinic will be for ages 7-12, while the second hour will be for ages 13-18. The hitting camp is open to any and all entrants.
The academies will run from 4:20-7:30 p.m. each day with the choice to attend just a single one-hour session or all three hours. Cost of the academy is $140 per session or $80 to attend just two dates of any session. To register for any of the fall academies click here.

For additional information on the 2014 EMU Softball Fall Academies, contact Coach Burke via email at kburke11@emich.edu or via phone: 419.429.9611.