GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. – Davenport University Director of Athletics Paul Lowden has announced the hiring of Greg Teliczan as the first ever women's rugby head coach for the program.

The women's DU program, which will start play in the fall of 2013, joined the list of teams at Davenport in October and Teliczan will begin his duties immediately. Greg comes to Davenport from Sparta High School and has over 30 years of playing and coaching experience locally and nationally.

"Greg has an extensive career involved in playing and coaching rugby," said Lowden. "He is recognized nationally and internationally for his accomplishments and his knowledge and experience will be a great asset for a new women's rugby program."

Teliczan became the first women's rugby coach at Davenport University on December 3, 2012 and will help start the program that will compete at the DI level of USA Rugby.

"It's a huge privilege – I have coached many of the coaches that are in the men's program and it's so nice to see the success that they have had," said Teliczan. "I have wanted to be so much a part of it and I felt connected already and now this opportunity came up and it's just great timing for me."

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