

# Clark resigns

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Marshall Clark has resigned as assistant track coach and cross country coach at Stanford to become head track coach and assistant athletic director at the University of Montana.

Clark, 45, will assume his new duties at Montana July 1.

"This is an excellent opportunity that professionally I couldn't afford to pass up," Clark said. "The dual role will give me a chance to do something different and challenging. My first priority, though, is to do a good job as track coach.

"It was not an easy decision to leave Stanford. I'll really miss the student-athletes I've worked with. I appreciate the opportunities (head track coach) Payton Jordan has given me and his support in getting my new job."

Clark has developed a number of top distance runners at Stanford, including Don Kardong, fourth-place finisher in the 1976 Olympic marathon, and Duncan Macdonald, former American record holder in the 5,000-meter run.

In 1968, Clark directed the Stanford cross country team to a second place in the NCAA championships.

He is a 1957 graduate of USC, where he lettered for three years in both track and cross country. He was a member of the Trojans' NCAA championship track team in 1955.

After earning his master's degree at USC in 1958, Clark coached high school track and cross country in Southern California for 10 years before coming to Stanford.

Clark and his wife, Beverly, are parents of three children--Richard, 12, and nine-year-old twins, Stacy and Shannon.