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Shantay Legans, a former point guard for winning basketball programs in high school and college, begins his eighth season as an assistant basketball coach for the Eagles in the 2016-17 school year. Legans assists in recruiting, scouting and game preparation for the Eagles, as well as on-the-floor coaching and the development of EWU's backcourt players.

Legans has also helped develop current guard Tyler Harvey, and his transition to a starting position late in the 2012-13 season.

"Having Shantay on our staff is a huge plus," said Eastern head coach Jim Hayford.

Legans came to Eastern after serving as an assistant coach for two seasons at Laguna Blanca High School in Santa Barbara, Calif.

Previously, he was a student assistant coach for Ray Lopes at Fresno State for two seasons before embarking upon a more than five-year career playing professional basketball in Europe and for the Santa Barbara Breakers of the West Coast Professional League.

Legans helped lead the Breakers to two WCBL Championships (2008-09) while also garnering attention on ESPN when he nailed a game ending halfcourt shot with his back to the basket. Legans also has experience coaching various AAU teams in California and serving as a personal trainer.

He played at California for three seasons from 1999-2002, helping lead the Golden Bears to a collective record of 61-35 (.635). He then spent his senior season (2003-04) at Fresno State, which finished with a 14-15 record overall and a 10-8 mark in the Western Athletic Conference. He averaged 15.0 points and 5.6 assists while averaging more than 38 minutes per game in his final collegiate season. Formerly from Goleta, Calif., and Dos Pueblos High School, Legans averaged 4.4 assists, 10.4 points and 1.4 steals per game during his 124-game collegiate career, making 83.9 percent of his free throws, 40.2 percent of his field goals and 36.6 percent of his three-point shots. His high school team advanced to the CIF Playoffs each of his four seasons on the squad.

While at Dos Pueblos High School, he was named league MVP and Player of the Year for Santa Barbara County. He also earned All-California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) honors, and was rated as the seventh-best point guard in the country by Recruiting USA and the No. 19 point guard by PrepStar.

Legans was born July 30, 1981, in Ventura, Calif.