Title: Parafencing Coaches Clinic

Instructor/s: Eric Soyka

Clinic description: Join USA Fencing Parafencing National Team Coach, Eric Soyka, for a hands-on parafencing coach clinic! All coaches are welcome, regardless of parafencing experience.

Student-centered outcomes:

- *Understand key differences in coaching parafencing*
- *Know how to get an athlete in and out of a fencing frame safely*
- *Get hands-on experience using parafencing coaching techniques*

Other resources:

Link to the world Parafencing website: https://parafencing.org/

Parafencing rules: https://parafencing.org/about/rules-and-documents/

Clinic schedule:

Day 1	4/25/2026 7:00-9:00PM EST	Para pod	April NAC, Richmond, VA	

Total number of instructional hours: 2

The USFCA will use this number of hours as continuing education hours.

Textbook and materials:

Required:

- Coaches are expected to attend the clinic fully equipped to give an individual lesson (coach jacket, mask, glove, weapons, etc)

Suggested:

- Complete the "SPO 301 - Introduction to Parafencing" on-line USFCA course
- Check out Parafencing on the USA Fencing website: https://www.usafencing.org/parafencing
- Notebook

Inclusivity and Accessibility statement:

This clinic is committed to following the commitment to inclusivity and accessibility espoused by the USFCA. Specifically, students from diverse backgrounds and perspectives will be welcomed and served by this course, students learning needs will be addressed both in and out of class, and diversity that the students bring to this class be viewed as a resource, strength and benefit. It is my intent to present materials and activities that are respectful of diversity: gender identity, sexuality, disability, age, socioeconomic status, ethnicity, race, nationality, religion, and culture. Presentations will be accessible to individuals with mobility disabilities, and will mitigate the effects of other disabilities that might present a barrier to attendees.