



The Honors College Distinguished Alumni Award

Ashley D. Koranteng
BS Community Health '19, MPH '21

Ashley D. Koranteng, BS Community Health '19, MPH '21, is a leader, community builder, and advocate for women's sports whose work is rooted in servant leadership and meaningful impact. She is the owner and general manager of Virginia Vitesse in Loudoun County, which is part of the Women's American Basketball Association and the only semi-professional women's basketball team in Northern Virginia. Founded in 2025, Vitesse creates opportunities for women to excel on and off the court while using basketball to foster leadership, empowerment, and community connection.

Nationally, Koranteng has been recognized for her growing influence in basketball operations and athlete development. She was selected as one of only 80 participants out of more than 4,000 applicants for the NBA's Future Basketball Operations Stars' 2025–26 cohort. Prior to that, she was selected as one of just 11 individuals globally to serve as a San Antonio Spurs Human Performance and Equity Fellow for the 2024–25 cohort.

A Loudoun County native, Koranteng has dedicated years to mentorship and service through coaching, youth development, and community outreach. She served four seasons as a volunteer head coach and division coordinator for the Seneca Ridge River Bend Basketball League, winning two championships while mentoring young athletes in character, confidence, and leadership. In recognition of her impact, she was one of the youngest finalists for the Loudoun Coalition of Women and Girls' Biennial Women's Hall of Fame (2025) and a finalist for the Loudoun Chamber of Commerce's 2026 Young Professional of the Year. Her work reflects a lifelong commitment to leadership, service, and advancing opportunities for women and youth through sport.