

Olaseni officially on board

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The Iowa men's basketball team landed its second recruit in four days on Tuesday with the official signing of center Gabe Olaseni, who originally hails from England but played his high school basketball at Sunrise Christian Academy in Wichita, Kan.

Olaseni signed his national letter of intent three days following the signing of junior college transfer Anthony Hubbard. As a senior last season, he averaged 10.3 points, 8.3 rebounds, and 4.2 blocks per contest, while shooting 72 percent from the floor.

In a release sent out Tuesday, Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery said Olaseni fits the Hawkeyes' style of play and he also stressed the importance of signing another post-player to add to Iowa's frontcourt for the 2011-12 season.

"To get a legitimate 6-10 player that has his skill set is very important," McCaffery said in the release. "He complements the class very well."

Olaseni joins Hubbard, Aaron White and Josh Oglesby as members of Iowa's 2011 recruiting class. The Hawkeyes do have one remaining scholarship open this spring should McCaffery and his staff elect to use it. Olaseni, along with both White and Oglesby, will have four years of eligibility at Iowa.