



Fast Facts

Two-time Olympian (2008-2004)

Three Olympic medals (2s, 1b)

International Medals

2006 SC World Champs

2006: Bronze, 800m FR-R (SCM) (pr) (WR)

2009 SCY National

2009: Bronze, 200y BK

Beijing Olympic Games

2008: Silver, 400m MED-R (pr); Silver, 200m BK; Bronze, 100m BK

2008 SC Worlds

2008: Gold, 400m MED-R (SCM) (WR);
Bronze,
200m BK (SCM)

2007 World Championships

2007: Gold, 200m BK (AR); Gold, 800m FR-R (pr)

CLUB: Unattached-FAST Swim Team

AGE: 26 **DOB:** Mar 30, 1983

RESIDENCE: Fullerton, Calif.

COACHED BY: Sean Hutchison

HEIGHT: 5' 11" (180.3 cm)

HOMETOWN: Huntsville, Ala.

BIRTHPLACE: Huntsville, Ala.

Career Highlights:

Placed third in the 100m and 200m back at the 2009 National Championships ... triple medalist at the 2008 Olympic Games by earning silver in the 200m back and 400m medley relay (prelims) and a bronze in the 100m back ... qualified for the 2008 Olympic team by placing first in the 200m back, setting a world record, and placing second in the 100m back at Trials ... earned bronze in the 200m back at the 2008 Short Course World Championships ... finalist in the 200m back at the 2004 Olympic Games, finishing fifth

Margaret Hoelzer is not just a swimmer on the rise. She's at the top! At the 2007 World Championships she broke the American Record in the 200m backstroke and won her first World Championship in dramatic fashion. She believes that if you put your mind to it, anything is possible and she has stuck by those words. In 2003, she was the top ranked American in the 200m and after earning silver in the 200m backstroke at the 2005 World Championships, Hoelzer broke through for her first gold in the event at the 2007 World Championships where she dropped nearly two seconds off her best time. In 2008, Margaret qualified for the Olympic team in three events: 100m back, 200m back, and 4x100 medley relay and then headed to her second Olympics as world champion in the 200m backstroke. In Beijing, Margaret medaled in the 100 Back (Bronze), 200 Back (Silver), and 400 Medley Relay (Silver). Outside of her swimming career, she says she would like to be a psychologist and help children who have been abused, or study the criminals who abuse them, such as sex offenders.