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## VETERAN OUTFIELDER MICHAEL LANG SIGNS WITH REDHAWKS

FARGO, N.D. – Outfielder Michael Lang has been signed by the Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks for the 2021 season. "On behalf of the coaching staff, I can say we are ecstatic to have Michael in a RedHawks uniform" said RedHawks manager Chris Coste.



Lang signed his first professional contract in 2012 with the Sioux City Explorers out of Rutgers University. On June 24, 2012, his contract was purchased by the Arizona Diamondbacks organization and he was assigned to Low-A Yakima. In 2013, Lang spent the entire season with the South Bend Silver Hawks in the Single-A Midwest League. He returned to the Explorers in 2014.

His breakout season came in 2015 as he was named to the American Association's Post-Season All-Star team in the outfield and helped guide the Explorers to the most wins in AA history, with 75. Lang hit

.343 with six home runs and 59 RBI in 81 games that year. However, the Explorers would lose three-games-to-one to the Laredo Lemurs in the American Association Championship Series.

"Not only does he have valuable experience and a track record of success within our league, Michael is a very well-rounded player with the type of ability that every team looks for, but just as important, he has an unmatched passion not only for the game of baseball, but also to win." Coste added.

Lang was selected for the second time for the AA Post-Season All-Star team in the 2018 season, hitting .304 with nine home runs and 45 RBI while playing all 100 games.

On July 28, 2019, Lang was traded to the Saints from the Explorers. Overall, he hit .277 with 11 home runs and 36 RBI in 100 games. He was even better in the playoffs, hitting .323 with three RBI in eight games and helped lead the Saints to a league championship over the Explorers, his former team.

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