



2025-26 NIU Men's Basketball

2025-26 SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Tues.	Oct. 28	Quincy (Exhibition)	W, 82-68
Mon.	Nov. 3	ULM (ESPN+)	W, 102-82
Fri.	Nov. 7	at #24 Wisconsin (BTN)	L, 97-72
Mon.	Nov. 10	at Grand Canyon (Mt. West Net)	L, 88-59
Thurs.	Nov. 13	Benedictine (ESPN+)	W, 117-62
Tues.	Nov. 18	at Northern Iowa (ESPN+)	L, 70-57
Fri.	Nov. 21	at Loyola Chicago (Marquee)	W, 76-59
Tues.	Nov. 25	at Austin Peay (ESPN+)	L, 77-59
Sat.	Nov. 29	Bellarmino (ESPN+)	canceled
Tues.	Dec. 2	Lindenwood (ESPN+)	L, 99-64
Sat.	Dec. 6	at Bradley (ESPN+)	L, 84-55
Sat.	Dec. 13	at Elon (FloCollege)	L, 85-79
Tues.	Dec. 16	East-West (ESPN+)	W, 112-64
Sat.	Dec. 20	Central Michigan* (ESPN+)	W, 74-73
Wed.	Dec. 31	Buffalo* (ESPN+)	L, 81-67
Sat.	Jan. 3	at Kent State* (ESPN+)	L, 77-73
Tues.	Jan. 6	Toledo* (ESPN+)	L, 75-61
Tues.	Jan. 13	at Eastern Michigan* (ESPN+)	L, 77-59
Sat.	Jan. 17	UMass* (ESPN+)	W, 70-68
Tues.	Jan. 20	at Ohio* (ESPN+)	L, 80-77
Sat.	Jan. 24	at Ball State* (ESPN+)	L, 58-53
Tues.	Jan. 27	Western Michigan* (ESPN+)	W, 85-65
Sat.	Jan. 31	at #24 Miami* (ESPN+)	2:30 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 7	at Georgia State (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Wed.	Feb. 11	Bowling Green* (ESPN+)	7 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 14	at Central Michigan* (ESPN+)	4 p.m.
Tues.	Feb. 17	at Buffalo* (ESPN+)	5:30 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 21	Ohio* (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
Tues.	Feb. 24	at Toledo* (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 28	Ball State* (ESPN+)	3 p.m.
Tues.	March 3	Kent State* (ESPN+)	7 p.m.
Fri.	March 6	at Akron* (ESPN+)	TBA

Mid-American Conference Tournament

Thurs.	March 12	Quarterfinals (ESPN+)	TBA
Fri.	March 13	Semifinals (CBSSN)	TBA
Sat.	March 14	Final (ESPN2)	TBA

Home games in bold, all times central

* - denotes Mid-American Conference game

NIU Huskies (7-13, 3-6 MAC) at Miami RedHawks (21-0, 9-0 MAC)

Date: Saturday January 31, 2026

Time: 2:30 p.m. CT (3:30 p.m. ET)

Location: Oxford, Ohio

Arena: Millett Hall

TV: ESPN+

TV Talent: Steve Baker (play-by-play) and Randy Hollowell (color)

NIU Radio: 94-9 WDKB (DeKalb), Tuneln

Radio Talent: Andy Garcia (play-by-play), Rodney Davis (color)



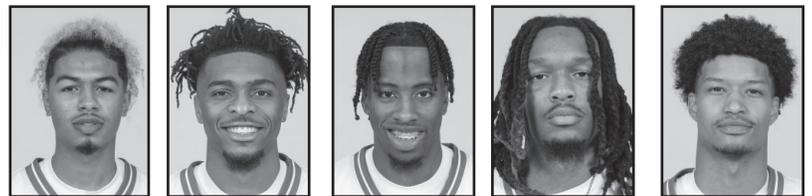
HUSKIE QUICK HITS

- This will be the 59th all-time meeting between NIU and Miami. The RedHawks swept the season series last year with NIU's last win coming on Feb. 6, 2024, in Oxford.
- NIU is played the 24th-ranked team in the AP Poll for the second time this season. Wisconsin was ranked 24th when the Huskies traveled to Madison on Nov. 7.
- The last time NIU met a ranked conference opponent came on Jan. 22, 2019, a 77-75 Huskie victory over 14th-ranked Buffalo.
- NIU tied a school record with 15 triples last time out against Western Michigan, tying a mark originally set on Feb. 22, 2025, against Eastern Michigan.
- Dylan Ducommun's seven threes against Western Michigan are the most in a game by a Huskie since David Coit made eight in a victory over DePaul on Nov. 25, 2023.
- Makhai Valentine is averaging 17.0 points per game over the last seven games.
- The Huskies rank first in the MAC in offensive rebounds, averaging 13.8 per game, which also ranks 19th nationally.
- In conference play, NIU leads the MAC in scoring defense, holding opponents to 72.7 points per game.
- Gianni Cobb is averaging 10.2 points and 4.8 assists per game over the last five games.
- All 16 players on the NIU roster this season are newcomers as the Huskies do not return a single player from the 2024-25 roster. The makeup of this season's roster includes seven NCAA Division I transfers, two junior college transfers and seven freshmen.
- NIU is playing its final season in the Mid-American Conference. The Huskies will move to the Horizon League for the 2026-27 school year.

TALE OF THE TAPE

NIU	2025-26 Stats	Miami
7-13	Record	21-0
3-6	Conference Record	9-0
73.6	Points Per Game	94.1
76.1	Opponents Points Per Game	75.1
36.7	Rebounds Per Game	35.9
13.1	Assists Per Game	17.4
1.6	Blocks Per Game	3.7
6.5	Steals Per Game	7.6
.425	Field Goal Percentage	.537
.321	Three Point Percentage	.409
.676	Free Throw Percentage	.770
.470	Opponents Field Goal Percentage	.430
.324	Opponents Three-Point Percentage	.323

POSSIBLE STARTING LINEUP



G • 0 • SO

G • 1 • SO

G • 6 • FR

F • 7 • JR

G • 25 • FR

Gianni Cobb

Makhai Valentine

Taj Walters

Tre Washington

Dylan Ducommun

PPG 8.2
RPG 2.4
APG 4.1

PPG 14.0
RPG 5.4
FT%852

PPG 7.5
RPG 5.8
FT%784

PPG 4.6
RPG 2.8
FG%548

PPG 12.9
RPG 2.8
FT%705

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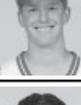
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at Georgia State
Atlanta, Ga.
Sat., Feb. 7
1 p.m. CT
ESPN+

NIU Huskies (7-13, 3-6 MAC)

Head Coach: Rashon Burno (Fifth Season, 46-98)

		PPG	RPG	APG	FG%	3-PT%	FT%	Notes
	0 Gianni Cobb 6-0 • 150 • G • Sophomore Chicago, Ill. Columbia	8.2	2.4	4.1	.438	.216	.545	Notes: 11th in MAC in avg. 3rd in steals/gm (1.9) ... T-1st in steals in MAC games (2.33 pg) ... 10.2 ppg, 4.8 apg in last 4, 77.3% FTs ... 2 dbl-dbls this season... Avg 4.3 pts, 1.7 ast and 1.0 reb pg at Columbia last yr... Helped Homewood-Flossmoor HS win a Class 4A state championship in 2024.
	1 Makhai Valentine 6-3 • 190 • G • Sophomore Munhall, Pa. Missouri State	14.0	5.4	1.0	.404	.333	.852	Notes: T-16th in MAC in PPG, 18th in MAC in RPG, 6th in FT% ... Avg. 17.0 ppg, 37.3% from three in the last 7 ... Scored in dbl fig 16 times ... Only Huskie to start all 20 gms ... Appeared in 12 games for Missouri State last season ... Averaged 33.7 ppg as a senior at Steel Valley HS.
	2 Carlos Coronado 6-3 • 160 • G • Freshman Coolidge, Ariz. Supreme Academy	3.4	0.8	0.5	.400	.308	.667	Notes: Has played in 13 games this season, including the last 5 ... Avg. 7.9 minutes per game ... Attended Supreme Academy in 2024-25 ... Went to PHH Prep in 2023-24 after starting high school at Coolidge HS.
	3 Daemar Kelly 6-5 • 195 • G • Junior Pittsburgh, Pa. St. Francis (Pa.)	7.0	3.3	1.4	.311	.290	.745	Notes: Scored in double figures five times this season ... Made 33 starts last year at St. Francis (Pa.) ... Averaged 8.3 pts, 3.3 reb and 1.8 ast per game ... Helped St. Francis win the NEC Tournament last season ... Appeared in 26 games at Quinnipiac in 2023-24.
	4 JJ Taylor 6-8 • 196 • F • Junior Chicago, Ill. Central Florida	8.7	2.7	0.3	.389	.111	.688	Notes: Will miss the rest of the season due to knee injury at Grand Canyon (11/10) ... Career best 17 pts in first collegiate start at Wisconsin (11/7) ... Played in 25 games at UCF last season ... Began his collegiate career at Memphis in 2023-24, playing in three games.
	6 Taj Walters 6-5 • 220 • G • Freshman Bronx, N.Y. Moravian Prep	7.5	5.8	0.5	.471	.378	.784	Notes: Avg. 11.0 ppg, 7.7 rpg (6th in MAC) in conf play ... Ranked 16th in MAC in reb, 11th in off reb (2.11 pg) ... Had game-winning tip-in at buzzer v. CMU (12/20) ... Has 13 starts this season ... Comes to NIU from Moravian Prep, where he competed in the Overtime Elite League.
	7 Hassan 'Tre' Washington 6-8 • 240 • F • Junior Providence, R.I. Monroe University	4.6	2.8	0.6	.548	.467	.481	Notes: Avg. 7.5 ppg, 5.8 rpg in last 4 ... Has started six contests this season ... Started 33 games at Monroe last season, averaging 11.0 points, 5.6 rebounds and 1.1 assists per game ... Played 30 games at Monroe in 2023-24, averaging 9.9 points and 4.7 rebounds per game.
	8 Ladji Kante 6-7 • 190 • F • Freshman Marseille, France	3.4	1.5	0.5	.429	.231	.688	Notes: Has seen action in 13 games this season, playing 10.3 min/gm ... Played primarily for the Élan Chalons U21 team in 2024-25 ... Averaged 11.4 pts, 4.0 reb and 4.2 ast per game ... Also played a pair of games for Élan Chalons in the French LNB Elite League.
	10 Jao Ituka 6-1 • 196 • G • Junior Gaithersburg, Md. Jacksonville State	6.9	2.5	0.9	.371	.344	.810	Notes: Has scored in dbl fig 42 times in his collegiate career ... Played in 36 gms at Jacksonville St. last yr, 8.7 ppg and 1.5 rpg ... Spent 2 seasons at Wake Forest ... Began at Marist in 2021-22, where he was the MAAC Freshman of the Year.
	11 Isaiah Washington 6-5 • 185 • G • RS Freshman Fayetteville, N.C. UNC Greensboro	2.6	1.0	0.6	.400	.167	.643	Notes: Has appeared in 10 contests ... Did not see action at UNCG in 2024-25 ... Played in the Overtime Elite League while attending Winston-Salem Christian ... Avg. 17.3 pts, six reb and two ast in his final season at Winston-Salem Christian.
	15 Lataevyon Taylor 6-0 • 160 • G • Sophomore Chicago, Ill. Western Oklahoma State							Notes: Has yet to see action ... Appeared in 16 games at Western Oklahoma State last season ... Averaged 4.2 points, 1.9 assists and 0.8 rebounds per game ... Spent 2023-24 at Alcorn State, where he did not see action.
	16 Isaiah Stewart 6-6 • 190 • G/F • Freshman Rockwall, Texas Big Tyme Prep	1.6	1.6	0.4	.375	.250	.667	Notes: Has seen action in seven games ... Appeared in 33 games for Big Tyme Prep in 2024-25 ... Averaged 11.1 points, 4.7 rebounds and 4.0 assists per game at Big Tyme Prep ... Finished his prep career with 2,004 career points.
	21 Max Laskey 6-5 • 195 • G • Freshman Birmingham, Mich. IMG Academy	0.8	0.3	0.3	.333	.333	.000	Notes: Has appeared in four games ... Spent a postgrad year at IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla., in 2024-25 ... Attended Birmingham Seaholm HS where he avg 12 pts, six reb and five ast per game as a senior in 2023-24.
	23 Jaylen Wharton 6-9 • 200 • F • RS Junior Plant City, Fla. South Florida	2.2	1.5	0.2	.524	.000	.500	Notes: Played in 13 games this season ... Did not see game action at South Florida in 2024-25 ... Played 30 games, with 21 starts, at Walters State in 2023-24 ... Averaged 5.8 points and 4.0 rebounds per game.
	25 Dylan Ducommun 6-4 • 190 • G • Freshman Geneva, Switzerland	12.9	2.8	3.2	.379	.336	.705	Notes: Fifth in MAC in 3's per game (2.38) ... Avg. 16.7 ppg in last 3 ... Scored in dbl figs 11x this season ... Has led NIU in scoring 8x this year ... Missed first four games due to injury ... Avg 13.9 ppg and 4.4 rpg for Union Neuchâtel in the Swiss SBL in 2024-25.
	96 Gustav Winther 6-10 • 200 • F • Freshman Roskilde, Denmark	8.3	5.0	1.1	.618	.500	.587	Notes: 3rd in MAC in FG%, 7th in off reb (2.25 pg) ... 45.5% of rebounds are offensive ... Two double-doubles this season ... Has made 19 starts this season ... Avg 12.3 ppg and 5.7 rpg for Basketball Club Copenhagen in the Danish BasketLigen in 2024-25.

ABOUT MIAMI

- The RedHawks are 21-0 and, along with Arizona, are one of two unbeaten teams left in the country. Miami topped UMass, 86-84, in Oxford last time out (Jan. 27) for its 27th consecutive home victory.
- Miami's 21-0 start is the best start to a season by a team in Mid-American Conference history.
- Six players score in double figures for the RedHawks who lead the nation in scoring at 94.1 points per game. Brant Byers is averaging 15.1 points per game, Peter Suder is averaging 14.1 points per contest while Evan Ipsaro (13.9 ppg), Eian Elmer (11.9 ppg), Almar Atlason (11.3 ppg) and Antwone Woolfork (10.1 ppg) are also scoring in double figures.
- Miami also leads the country in effective field goal percentage (63.2 percent) and field goal percentage (53.7 percent), and rank second in three-point percentage (40.9 percent), behind Yale (41.4 percent).
- Travis Steele is in his fourth season as head coach at Miami. He joined the RedHawks following four seasons as head coach at Xavier (2018-22).

THE SERIES WITH THE REDHAWKS

- This will be the 59th all-time meeting between NIU and Miami, with the RedHawks holding a 37-21 advantage all-time.
- Miami swept the season series against NIU last season, winning 84-69 in DeKalb (Jan. 14, 2025) before earning an 87-58 win in Oxford (Feb. 25, 2025).
- NIU's last victory in the series came on Feb. 6, 2024, in Oxford, a 62-59 win. Zarique Nutter led the way with 22 points while David Coit added 21 points in the win.
- The Huskies have a 5-6 record in their last 11 trips to Oxford, dating back to the 2012-13 season. Prior to that year, NIU had not won in Oxford since Feb. 21, 1981.

WESTERN MICHIGAN RECAP

- NIU led wire-to-wire on Tuesday night (Jan. 27) against Western Michigan as the Huskies cruised to an 85-65 victory over the Broncos.
- The Huskies tied a school record with 15 threes, a mark first set on Feb. 22, 2025, against Eastern Michigan. NIU shot 50 percent from beyond the arc against the Broncos.
- Dylan Ducommun scored a game-high 21 points, including 7-of-12 from three-point range. Ducommun's eight triples are the most in a game by a Huskie since David Coit made eight in a victory over DePaul on Nov. 25, 2023.
- Taj Walters netted a new career-high 16 points against the Broncos and tied for the game-high with eight rebounds.
- NIU shot 50 percent (32-of-64) from the field in the contest, including 57.1 percent (20-of-35) in the second half.
- The Huskies held Western Michigan to just 34.6 percent (18-of-52) shooting, including 31.8 percent (7-of-22) from three.

HUSKIES AGAINST RANKED FOES

- Miami will represent the 40th AP Top 25 ranked opponent for NIU in program history and the second this season. NIU travelled to Wisconsin on Nov. 7, like the RedHawks, the Badgers were also ranked 24th.
- NIU fell to Wisconsin in that contest, 97-72. JJ Taylor scored 17 points to lead the Huskies; Taylor has since been lost for the season due to a knee injury. The Huskies are 3-36 all-time against the AP Top 25.
- The last time NIU played two ranked opponents in the same season came in 2018-19, when the Huskies fell at eighth-ranked Michigan State, 88-66, on Dec. 29, 2018, before beating 14th-ranked Buffalo, 77-75, on Jan. 22, 2019, in DeKalb.
- NIU's first-ever win against a ranked opponent came as the Huskies toppled Bob Knight's fifth-ranked Indiana Hoosiers, 85-71, on Jan. 4, 1972, in DeKalb at NIU's Chick Evans Field House.
- Jim Bradley scored 24 points and grabbed a game-high 20 rebounds in the win over Indiana, Billy Harris added 18 points and Larry Jackson chipped in 17 points. The contest came during Knight's first season at Indiana, and the Hoosiers did not play NIU again during his tenure.
- NIU's second win over a top 25 foe came over 19th-ranked Oral Roberts at Chicago Stadium on Feb. 3, 1973, a 95-86 Huskie victory.
- Billy Harris scored a game-high 26 points in the victory over Oral Roberts while Jim Bradley recorded 21 points and a game-high 17 rebounds.
- NIU's third win over a top 25 opponent came in its most recent conference game against a ranked foe as the Huskies claimed a 77-75 win over 14th-ranked Buffalo on Jan. 22, 2019.
- Noah McCarty made a layup with 0.6 seconds left, off a feed from Trendon Hankerson, for the game-winner, in the 2019 victory over Buffalo. Dante Thorpe scored a game-high 23 points and Eugene German recorded his first career double-double with 20 points and 10 rebounds.
- The victory over Buffalo is one of just two previous conference games against the ranked opponent. The other came on Feb. 21, 1976, when the Huskies fell to 17th-ranked Western Michigan, 91-74, in Kalamazoo.

The Series Against Miami

Overall: 21-37

Home (in DeKalb): 13-12

Road: 6-25

Current Streak: 2, Miami

The Last 10 v. the RedHawks

Date	Result	Site
Feb. 15, 2020	L, 65-60	Oxford
Jan. 9, 2021	L, 70-58	Oxford
Feb. 20, 2021	L, 69-64	DeKalb
Jan. 22, 2022	L, 85-82 (ot)	Oxford
Feb. 19, 2022	L, 78-75	DeKalb
Jan. 17, 2023	W, 81-77	Oxford
Feb. 18, 2023	L, 66-65 (ot)	DeKalb
Feb. 6, 2024	W, 62-59	Oxford
Jan. 14, 2025	L, 84-69	DeKalb
Feb. 25, 2025	L, 87-58	Oxford

NIU Quick Facts

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Name of School.....	Northern Illinois University
Location	DeKalb, Ill.
Founded	1895
Enrollment	16,078
Nickname	Huskies
Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Conference.....	Mid-American (West Division)
Colors.....	Cardinal and Black
Arena.....	NIU Convocation Center (9,100)
President.....	Dr. Lisa C. Freeman
Vice President/Athletic Director.....	Sean T. Frazier

NIU BASKETBALL HISTORY

First Year of Basketball.....	1900-01
All-time Record.....	1331-1432
First Year of Division I Basketball.....	1967-68
All-time Division I Record	714-939
Postseason Appearances.....	4 (1982, 1991, 1996, 2016)
NCAA Appearances	3 (1982, 1991, 1996)
NCAA Tournament Appearances.....	3 (1982, '91, '96)
Record in the NCAA Tournament	0-3
NCAA Tournament Games .....	.....
.....	..... March 12, 1982: L, 77-68 v. Kansas State
.....	..... March 8, 1991: L, 75-68 v. St. John's
.....	..... March 15, 1996: L, 74-73 v. Texas Tech
Vegas 16 Game.....	.....
.....	..... March 28, 2016: L, 70-63, v. UC Santa Barbara

MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE HISTORY

Seasons in the MAC	38 (1975-86, 1997-pres.)
Record in the MAC Tournament.....	14-25
MAC Tournament Titles	1 (1982)

BASKETBALL STAFF

Head Coach	Rashon Burno
Alma Mater	DePaul, 2002
Career Record/Years	46-98/Fifth Season
NIU Record/Years.....	Same
Best Time to Reach Coach	Contact SID
Associate Head Coach	Drew Gladstone
Assistant Coach.....	Antwon Jackson
Assistant Coach.....	Jacob Kurtz
Assistant Coach.....	Eric Rwahwire
Assistant Coach.....	Eduardo Fernandez
Basketball Sports Performance Coach.....	Rhonda Watts
Athletic Trainer	Maryellen Hole

TEAM INFORMATION

2023-24 Record	6-25
2023-24 MAC Record.....	2-16 (12th)
Starters Returning/Lost.....	0/5

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DIVISION I TOTALS FOR CURRENT HUSKIES

POINTS

Jao Ituka (427 at Marist, 18 at Wake, 312 at Jack State).....	861
Daemar Kelly (40 at Quinnipiac, 277 at St. Francis).....	456
Makhai Valentine (47 at Missouri State).....	326
Gianni Cobb (99 at Columbia).....	263
Dylan Ducommun.....	207
Gustav Winther.....	166
Taj Walters.....	142
JJ Taylor (109 at UCF).....	135
Hassan 'Tre' Washington.....	88
Carlos Coronado.....	44
Ladji Kante.....	44
Jaylen Wharton.....	28
Isaiah Washington.....	26
Isaiah Stewart.....	11
Max Laskey.....	3
Lataevyon Taylor.....	0

REBOUNDS

Daemar Kelly (26 at Quinnipiac, 110 at St. Francis).....	202
Jao Ituka (88 at Marist, 7 at Wake, 54 at Jack State).....	187
Makhai Valentine (12 at Missouri State).....	120
Taj Walters.....	110
Gustav Winther.....	99
Gianni Cobb (24 at Columbia).....	71
JJ Taylor (2 at Memphis, 56 at UCF).....	66
Hassan 'Tre' Washington.....	53
Dylan Ducommun.....	44
Ladji Kante.....	20
Jaylen Wharton.....	20
Isaiah Stewart.....	11
Carlos Coronado.....	11
Isaiah Washington.....	10
Max Laskey.....	1
Lataevyon Taylor.....	0

ASSISTS

Gianni Cobb (39 at Columbia).....	120
Jao Ituka (45 at Marist, 5 at Wake, 29 at Jack State).....	93
Daemar Kelly (5 at Quinnipiac, 58 at St. Francis).....	90
Dylan Ducommun.....	51
JJ Taylor (21 at UCF).....	22
Makhai Valentine (1 at Missouri State).....	21
Gustav Winther.....	21
Hassan 'Tre' Washington.....	11
Taj Walters.....	10
Carlos Coronado.....	7
Ladji Kante.....	7
Isaiah Washington.....	6
Isaiah Stewart.....	3
Jaylen Wharton.....	2
Max Laskey.....	1
Lataevyon Taylor.....	0

STEALS

Gianni Cobb (26 at Columbia).....	64
Daemar Kelly (8 at Quinnipiac, 26 at St. Francis).....	47
Jao Ituka (19 at Marist, 11 at Jack State).....	38
Makhai Valentine (5 at Missouri State).....	29
Dylan Ducommun.....	23
Taj Walters.....	13
JJ Taylor (9 at UCF).....	9
Gustav Winther.....	7
Hassan 'Tre' Washington.....	6
Ladji Kante.....	4
Carlos Coronado.....	2
Isaiah Stewart.....	1
Jaylen Wharton.....	1
Max Laskey.....	0
Lataevyon Taylor.....	0
Isaiah Washington.....	0

BLOCKS (TOP FIVE ONLY)

Daemar Kelly (6 at Quinnipiac, 20 at St. Francis).....	29
Jao Ituka (7 at Marist, 1 at Wake, 3 at Jack State).....	12
Gustav Winther.....	9
JJ Taylor (7 at UCF).....	8
Taj Walters.....	6

WHAT'S TRENDING

- Makhai Valentine is averaging 17.0 points per game over the last seven games. He is shooting 37.3 percent (22-of-59) from three and 87.5 percent (21-of-24) from the free-throw line during the last seven.
- In the last five games since returning to the starting lineup, Gianni Cobb is averaging 10.2 points, 4.8 assists and 2.4 steals per game. He is also shooting 77.3 percent (17-of-22) from the free-throw line during that stretch.
- Dylan Ducommun is averaging 16.7 points per game over the last three contests, shooting 46.2 percent (12-of-26) from three-point range.
- Hassan 'Tre' Washington is averaging 7.5 points and 5.8 rebounds per game in the last four contests, shooting 57.1 percent (12-of-21) from the field.

IN THE RANKINGS

- The Huskies rank first in the MAC in offensive rebounds, averaging 13.8 per game, which also ranks 19th nationally.
- NIU is ranked third in the MAC in three-point defense, holding opponents to 32.4 percent shooting from beyond the arc.
- In conference play, NIU leads the MAC in scoring defense, holding opponents to 72.7 points per game, and three-point defense, holding opponents to 32.4 percent from beyond the arc.
- NIU is also third in conference play in field goal defense, holding opponents to 45.3 percent shooting, and third in rebounding margin at +3.22.

EVERYDAY IS VALENTINE'S DAY

- Makhai Valentine has scored in double figures in 14 of the last 15 games, including a new career-high 27 points, with five triples, at Kent State (Jan. 3).
- Valentine tied that career-high with 27 points in a victory over UMass (Jan. 17).
- Valentine is NIU's leading scorer at 14.0 points per game, which is tied for 16th in the MAC, and ranks 18th in the MAC with 5.4 rebounds per game.
- Valentine is also ranked sixth in the MAC in free throw percentage at 85.2 percent (52-of-61).
- Valentine has an unusual knack for getting fouled in the act of shooting a three-pointer. He has been fouled 15 times this season while shooting a triple.
- Valentine has scored in double figures a team-high 16 times, five more than Dylan Ducommun who is second with 11 double-figure scoring contests.
- Valentine had scored a then career-high 17 points four times in a seven-game stretch. Valentine first scored 17 points against Benedictine (Nov. 13), adding seven rebounds and three steals against the Eagles.
- Valentine then had 17 against at Loyola Chicago (Nov. 21), along with nine rebounds and four steals.
- The Munhall, Pa., native also had 17 points against Lindenwood (Dec. 2), along with four rebounds.
- Valentine had his first career double-double with 17 points and a career-high 10 rebounds at Elon (Dec. 13).

THE SWISS SCORER

- After missing the first four games of the season due to an injury suffered in late October, freshman Dylan Ducommun made his collegiate debut against Northern Iowa (Nov. 18).
- Ducommun started against the Panthers, playing 34 minutes with 12 points and seven assists.
- In his second game, Ducommun netted 24 points at Loyola Chicago (Nov. 21), including six three-point field goals, starting 5-of-5 from deep. Ducommun also had six assists without a turnover in 36 minutes.
- Ducommun has three 20-plus point games this season, which also includes 23 at Ohio (Jan. 20) and 21 against Western Michigan (Jan. 27).
- Ducommun made seven triples against Western Michigan (Jan. 27), the most by a Huskie since David Coit made eight in a victory over DePaul on Nov. 25, 2023.
- Ducommun ranks fifth in the MAC with 2.38 triples per game. He is also averaging 12.9 points per game and 3.2 assists per contest.
- Ducommun has led the Huskies in scoring eight times this season, a team-high, and has scored in double figures 11 times, second-most behind Makhai Valentine (16).
- Over the summer, Ducommun averaged 10.8 points and 2.4 rebounds per game for the Swiss National Team

Huskie Career Double-Doubles

Gianni Cobb (2)

Nov. 3, 2025, ULM.....	14 pts, 10 ast
Dec. 16, 2025, East-West.....	10 pts, 10 ast

Taj Walters (2)

Jan. 3, 2026, at Kent State.....	13 pts, 11 reb
Jan. 13, 2026, at Eastern Michigan.....	13 pts, 10 reb

Gustav Winther (2)

Nov. 3, 2025, ULM.....	18 pts, 10 reb
Dec. 20, 2025, Central Michigan.....	14 pts, 11 reb

Makhai Valentine (1)

Dec. 13, 2025, at Elon.....	17 pts, 10 reb
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Highest Scoring Games in NIU History

Date	Result	Opponent
Dec. 5, 1970	W, 123-105	Cal Poly Pomona
Nov. 26, 1994	W, 121-70	Rockford
Dec. 6, 2000	W, 121-88	Rockford
Nov. 26, 1988	W, 120-75	Bethel College
Dec. 13, 1971	W, 118-91	Western Illinois
Dec. 30, 2024	W, 117-50	East-West
Nov. 13, 2025	W, 117-62	Benedictine
Feb. 13, 1971	W, 116-92	Western Michigan
Dec. 4, 1971	W, 116-82	Cal-State Fullerton
Nov. 25, 1995	W, 116-77	Aurora

in World Cup Qualifying. Switzerland won Group A of the FIBA Basketball World Cup 2027 European Pre-Qualifiers.

- Ducommun averaged 13.9 points and 4.4 rebounds per game for Union Neuchâtel in the Swiss SBL in 2024-25.

TIME FOR TAJ

- Taj Walters leads NIU in rebounding, and is ranked 16th in the MAC, at 5.8 boards per game. He is also 11th in the league in offensive rebounds with 2.11 per contest.

- In league play, Walters is ranked sixth in the MAC in rebounding with 7.7 boards per game, fifth in free throw percentage (90.5 percent) and tied for 13th in three-point percentage (41.4 percent).

- The Bronx, N.Y., native averaged 4.3 points and 4.1 rebounds per game in non-conference play, those numbers have increased to 11.0 points and 7.7 rebounds per game in conference games.

- Walters scored a new career-high 16 points in a victory over Western Michigan (Jan. 27).

- Walters shot 41.2 percent (14-of-34) from the floor, including 31.3 percent (5-of-16) from three in non-conference play and has increased that to 50 percent (34-of-68) from the floor, and 41.4 percent (12-of-29) from three, in league games. He is also 19-of-21 (90.5 percent) from the free-throw line in conference play.

- Taj Walters tied his then career high with 13 points in four of NIU's five conference games.

- He also set a new career-high with 13 rebounds against Toledo (Jan. 6).

- In the league opener against Central Michigan (Dec. 20), Walters had the game-winning tip-in at the buzzer as the Huskies completed a 20-point comeback against the Chippewas.

- Walters recorded his first career double-double with 13 points and 11 rebounds at Kent State (Jan. 3). Walters also had a career-high three steals against the Golden Flashes.

- Walters posted his second career double-double with 13 points and 10 rebounds at Eastern Michigan (Jan. 13).

WHAT ABOUT COBB

- Gianni Cobb is ranked 11th in the MAC, with 4.1 assists per game. Cobb is also ranked third with 1.9 steals per game.

- In conference play, Cobb is tied with Bowling Green's Javontae Campbell for the league lead in steals with 2.33 per contest.

- Cobb had a career-high six steals for the first time this season against East-West (Dec. 16). He matched that number with six steals against UMass (Jan. 17).

- For the season, Cobb is shooting just 54.5 percent from the free-throw line, but over the last six games, Cobb is shooting 76.9 percent (20-of-26) from the foul line.

- Playing his first game as a Huskie following a season at Columbia, Cobb had a double-double with 14 points and 10 rebounds against ULM (Nov. 3).

- Cobb is the first Huskie to record 10-plus assists since Quentin Jones had 11 assists against East-West University on Dec. 30, 2024. Cobb's point-assist double-double is the first by a Huskie since that same game when Jones also scored 25 points.

- Cobb is the first Huskie to record 10-plus assists against a Division I opponent since David Coit had 10 assists against Western Michigan on Jan. 9, 2024. Cobb's point-assist double-double is the first by a Huskie against a Division I opponent since that same game when Coit also scored 32 points.

- Cobb's 10 assists against ULM without a turnover are the most assists without a turnover by a Huskie since at least the 1988-89 season.

- Cobb recorded his second double-double of the season with 10 points and 10 assists against East-West (Dec. 16).

- There have only been 16 double figure assist games for NIU since the 1988-89 season (see chart).

THE GOOSE IS LOOSE

- Gustav Winther is averaging 8.3 points and 5.0 rebounds per game. Winther is third in the MAC in field goal percentage at 61.8 percent.

- Winther is ranked seventh in the conference with 2.25 offensive rebounds per game. 45.5 percent (44-of-99) of his rebounds this season have come on the offensive end of the floor.

- Winther has had three-or-more offensive rebounds in nine games this season. He had a career-high six offensive rebounds in the season opener against ULM (Nov. 3).

- Playing in his first collegiate game, Winther recorded a double-double with 18 points and 10 rebounds against ULM (Nov. 3).

- Winther is the first Huskie freshman to record a double-double since Jayden Mott had 15 points and 11 rebounds against East-West University on Dec. 30, 2024.

- Winther is the first Huskie freshman to record a double-double against a Division I opponent since Will Lovings-Watts had 14 points and 11 rebounds at Toledo on Feb. 27, 2024.

- He is the first Huskie freshman with a double-double scoring at least 18 points since Levi Bradley had 19 points and 10 rebounds against Judson on Jan. 2, 2016. The last time a Huskie freshman had a double-double with at least 18 points against a Division I opponent was on March 1, 2008, when Darion 'Jake' Anderson had 23 points and 11 rebounds against Central Michigan.

- Winther shot 80 percent from the field (8-of-10) against ULM. The last time a Huskie shot 80 percent from the field with at least 10 field goal attempts came on March 5, 2024, when current LA Clipper Yanic Konan Niederhauser went 9-of-11 (81.8 percent) against Central Michigan.

- Winther recorded his second double-double with 14 points and 11 rebounds in the conference opener against Central Michigan (Dec. 20).

THE MAC/SUN BELT CHALLENGE

- NIU opened the 2025-26 season in the MAC/Sun Belt Challenge as the Huskies welcomed ULM to DeKalb for the first all-time meeting between the Huskies and Warhawks.

- The Huskies were one of nine MAC schools to win in the MAC/Sun Belt Challenge on Monday (Nov. 3), giving the conference a 9-4 record in the challenge.

- On February 7, NIU, along with the rest of the MAC, will head on the road for the second leg of this season's MAC/Sun Belt Challenge. It was announced on January 6 that the Huskies would travel to Georgia State.

- This is the third season of the MAC/Sun Belt Challenge. In the event's inaugural year in 2023-24, NIU opened the season with a 91-78 home win over App State (Nov. 11, 2023) before falling at South Alabama, 75-66, in the road matchup (Feb. 10, 2024).

- In last season's challenge, NIU opened the season with an 80-65 setback at Georgia Southern (Nov. 4, 2024) and then suffered a narrow, 66-64 defeat to Louisiana at home (Feb. 8, 2025).

THE CENTURY MARK

- NIU reached the century mark for the third time this season with its 112 points against East-West (Dec. 16).

- The Huskies also eclipsed 100 points in their season opening 102-82 win over ULM (Nov. 3) and in a 117-62 victory over Benedictine (Nov. 13).

- The last time NIU scored 100-or-more points three times in a season came during the 1995-96 campaign when NIU defeated Aurora, 116-77, in the season opener (Nov. 25), then won at Chicago State, 115-75, on Dec. 7, before topping Milwaukee, 100-90, in double overtime on Feb. 15.

- NIU has reached the 100-point mark six times during Rashon Burno's tenure, with half of those coming this season.

DOUBLE DOUBLE DEBUTS

- Gustav Winther recorded a double-double with 18 points and 10 rebounds in the season opener against ULM (Nov. 3), his first collegiate game. Gianni Cobb was

NIU 10-Plus Assist Games (Since 1988-89)				
Date	Player	Opponent	Ast	TOs
Nov. 30, 1991	Mike Hidden	Aurora	10	6
Feb. 26, 1995	Donte Parker	UIC	12	1
Dec. 27, 1997	Donte Parker	Central Michigan	10	1
Nov. 14, 1997	Ephraim Eaddy	Chicago State	12	3
March 10, 1993	Jay Bates	Buffalo	11	3
Jan. 12, 2005	Corey Sims	Ohio	10	6
Jan. 13, 2010	Mike DiNunno	Western Michigan	10	3
Nov. 21, 2015	Laytwan Porter	Eureka	10	2
Nov. 23, 2022	Kaleb Thornton	Long Island	11	1
Jan. 24, 2023	Kaleb Thornton	Kent State	11	4
Feb. 11, 2023	Kaleb Thornton	Western Michigan	11	2
March 3, 2023	Kaleb Thornton	Eastern Michigan	11	6
Jan. 9, 2024	David Coit	Western Michigan	10	4
Dec. 30, 2024	Quentin Jones	East-West	11	3
Nov. 3, 2025	Gianni Cobb	ULM	10	0
Dec. 16, 2025	Gianni Cobb	East-West	10	4

making his NIU debut against ULM, following a season at Columbia, and recorded a double-double with 14 points and 10 assists with no turnovers.

- The last time a Huskie had a double-double in the season opener was on Nov. 9, 2021, when Anthony Crump recorded 11 points and 11 rebounds in a 71-64 win at Washington. That contest was also Rashon Burno's head coaching debut.
- The last time a player had a double-double in their Huskie debut was on Nov. 14, 2017, when Lacey James (a transfer from Rider) recorded 10 points and 13 rebounds against Green Bay.
- The last time a Huskie had a double-double in his Division I debut was on Nov. 14, 1998, when Ephraim Eaddy (a junior college transfer) had 15 points and 12 assists.
- The last time a Huskie freshman had a double-double in his collegiate debut was on Nov. 19, 1997, when Steve Determan had 11 points and 10 rebounds against Sacramento State.

HELLO MY NAME IS...

- All 16 players on the NIU roster this season are newcomers as the Huskies do not return a single player from the 2024-25 roster.
- The makeup of this season's roster includes seven NCAA Division I transfers, two junior college transfers and seven freshmen.
- Among the seven Division I transfers, five: Gianni Cobb, Jao Ituka, Daemar Kelly, JJ Taylor and Makhai Valentine, have seen action at the Division I level. Ituka has the most experience having played 70 games between Marist, Wake Forest and Jacksonville State. Kelly has played in 60 games between Quinnipiac and St. Francis (Pa.).
- Two of NIU's Division I transfers, Isaiah Washington (UNC Greensboro) and Jaylen Wharton (USF), red-shirted last season and have not seen action at the Division I level.
- Among NIU's seven freshmen, three hail from Europe: Dylan Ducommun (Switzerland), Ladji Kante (France) and Gustav Winther (Denmark).

HUSKIES PICKED 13TH IN THE MAC PRESEASON POLL

- NIU was picked to finish 13th in the MAC Preseason Coaches Poll, which was released on Oct. 21.
- Akron was selected as the conference preseason favorite, followed by 2) Miami, 3) Kent State, 4) Ohio, 5) UMass, 6) Toledo, 7) Bowling Green, 8) Ball State, 9) Eastern Michigan, 10) Western Michigan, 11) Buffalo, 12) Central Michigan and 13) NIU.
- The All-MAC Preseason First Team features Tavari Johnson (Akron), Javontae Campbell (Bowling Green), Delrecco Gillespie (Kent State), Peter Suder (Miami) and Jackson Paveletzke (Ohio).
- The All-MAC Preseason Second Team includes Evan Mahaffey (Akron), Shammah Scott (Akron), Daniel Hankins-Sanford (UMass), Eian Elmer (Miami), Javan Simmons (Ohio) and Sonny Wilson (Toledo).

ONE LAST TRIP AROUND THE MAC

- As announced on Thursday, Feb. 27, 2025, NIU will be joining the Horizon League as its 12th member beginning in 2026-27. The move follows NIU's announcement on Jan. 7, 2025, that the Huskie football team would move to the Mountain West Conference beginning in 2026-27.
- Current members of the Horizon League include: Cleveland State, Detroit, Green Bay, IU Indy, Milwaukee, Northern Kentucky, Oakland, Purdue Fort Wayne, Robert Morris, Wright State and Youngstown State.
- NIU was previously a member of the Horizon League, then known as the Midwestern Collegiate Conference, from 1994-97. The Huskies won the MCC Tournament in 1996.
- Last season (2024-25), the Horizon League had a conference NET ranking of 19th, while the MAC was ranked 23rd. In 2023-24, the Horizon League finished 20th while the MAC finished 23rd.
- At KenPom, the Horizon League was ranked 16th in 2024-25 while the MAC ranked 23rd. In 2023-24, the Horizon League finished 20th while the MAC finished 24th.

AROUND THE WORLD

- NIU brought in a trio international players for the 2025-26 season in Dylan Ducommun (Switzerland), Ladji Kante (France) and Gustav Winther (Denmark).
- Ducommun averaged 10.8 points and 2.4 rebounds per contest for the Swiss National Team in 2024-25 during World Cup Qualifiers, helping Switzerland win Group A of the first round pre-qualifiers. He also averaged 13.9 points and 4.4 rebounds per game for Union Neuchâtel in the Swiss SBL.
- Kante played primarily for the Élan Chalon U21 team in 2024-25, where he averaged 11.4 points, 4.0 rebounds and 4.2 assists per game in 28 contests. He also appeared in a pair of games for Élan Chalon in the French LNB Elite League.
- Winther played with Basketball Club Copenhagen in the Danish BasketLigen in 2024-25 where he averaged 12.3 points and 5.7 rebounds per game in 27 games. Winther represented Denmark at the FIBA U18 Division B Championship in 2022, where he averaged 2.6 points and 4.1 rebounds per game.

NEW FACES ON THE BENCH

- A trio of new faces have joined the NIU men's basketball staff for the 2025-26 season as Antwon Jackson, Eric Rwahwire and Eduardo Fernandez join the Huskie basketball program.
- Antwon Jackson comes to NIU as an assistant coach following three seasons at Murray State. He also has spent time at East Carolina (2020-22), Virginia Tech (2019-20), Cincinnati (2012-19), UMass (2009-12) and William & Mary (2005-08).
- Eric Rwahwire comes to NIU as assistant coach/director of player development. Rwahwire spent the last two years as a graduate assistant at Texas Tech.
- Eduardo Fernandez comes to DeKalb as assistant coach/director of basketball operations. He joins NIU following a year in the basketball operations department with the Washington Wizards.
- In addition to the three new coaches, Jacob Kurtz received a promotion in the offseason to an assistant coaching role, after serving as an assistant coach/director of basketball operations since arriving in 2022-23.

2024-25 SEASON REVIEW

- NIU posted a 6-25 record a season ago, which included a 2-16 mark in Mid-American Conference play.
- The Huskies suffered a number of narrow losses a year ago, going 2-13 in games decided by 10 points or less last season, including 1-7 in games decided by five points or less.
- NIU also dealt with a significant number of injuries and illnesses as the Huskies lost 107 man-games among scholarship players during the 2024-25 season.
- The following members of last season's roster transferred to other Division I schools: Ethan Butler (Charlotte), James Dent Jr. (Middle Tennessee), Quentin Jones (Saint Louis), Quaran McPherson (UAB), Jayden Mott (Central Connecticut State), Nasir Muhammad (Albany), Tsvet Sotirov (Georgia Southern) and Steven Tipton (Western Illinois).

LAST MEETING



NIU: 58
Miami: 87
February 24, 2025 • Millett Hall
Oxford, Ohio

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
2	Sotirov, T.	4-10	0-5	0-0	1-3	4	2	8	1	0	0	33
1	Jones, Q.	3-10	1-6	3-3	0-4	4	0	10	3	4	0	30
3	Munden Jr., J.	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6
7	Muhammad, N.	6-14	3-9	2-2	0-4	4	1	17	0	3	0	32
14	Dent Jr., J.	4-10	1-5	3-4	0-6	6	4	12	4	3	0	33
5	Nicholls, K.	1-3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	5	2	1	1	0	19
11	Mott, J.	1-2	0-0	1-2	1-2	3	2	3	0	0	0	12
22	Tipton, S.	3-7	0-2	0-0	1-2	3	2	6	1	0	1	32
23	Sall, M.	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
TEAM		0-0 0										
TOTALS		22-59	5-29	9-11	3-21	24	16	58	10	13	2	200
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 10-29 .345	2nd: 12-30 .400		Game: 22-59 .373							
3-PT FG%:		1st: 2-15 .133	2nd: 3-14 .214		Game: 5-29 .172							
FT%:		1st: 6-7 .857	2nd: 3-4 .750		Game: 9-11 .818							

No.	Miami	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
0	Elmer, E.	8-14	5-9	1-2	1-3	4	1	22	1	0	1	25
13	Woolfolk, A.	2-5	0-1	1-2	1-4	5	3	5	2	4	1	20
4	Craft, K.	0-5	0-3	0-0	0-4	4	1	0	1	1	0	19
5	Suder, P.	3-6	0-1	0-0	3-4	7	0	6	1	1	0	22
11	Cooper, M.	1-1	1-1	2-3	1-4	5	2	5	1	0	6	19
2	Ipsaro, E.	2-3	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	2	4	1	0	0	17
3	Skaljac, L.	3-5	2-3	0-0	0-0	0	2	8	6	0	0	2
6	Sauer, J.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
8	Yofan, E.	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	0	0	1	0	0	4
22	Byers, B.	7-8	4-5	4-4	0-5	5	1	22	3	0	0	20
24	Kotecki, J.	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	5
25	Luers, D.	1-4	0-3	2-2	0-1	1	0	4	0	0	0	9
29	Wright, E.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
33	Anderson, B.	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
35	Potter, R.	5-6	0-1	1-3	1-4	5	4	11	2	1	0	15
TEAM		1-1 2										
TOTALS		32-60	12-29	11-16	9-35	44	16	87	25	11	2	200
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 18-31 .581	2nd: 14-29 .483		Game: 32-60 .533							
3-PT FG%:		1st: 5-11 .455	2nd: 7-18 .389		Game: 12-29 .414							
FT%:		1st: 5-9 .556	2nd: 6-7 .857		Game: 11-16 .688							

Technical Fouls: NIU - team

Officials: Chris Beaver, Luke Schumer, Bill Ek

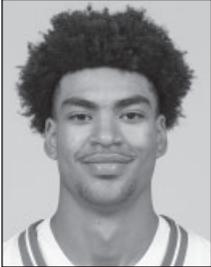
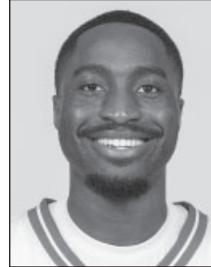
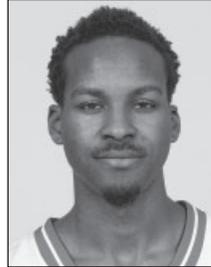
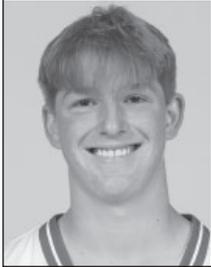
Attendance: 2,197

Score by Half

NIU.....	28-30	58
Miami.....	46-41	87



2025-26 NIU BASKETBALL ROSTER

GIANNI COBB  0 Sophomore Guard	MAKHAI VALENTINE  1 Sophomore Guard	CARLOS CORONADO  2 Freshman Guard	DAEMAR KELLY  3 Junior Guard	JJ TAYLOR  4 Junior Forward	TAJ WALTERS  6 Freshman Guard
HASSAN 'TRE' WASHINGTON  7 Junior Forward	LADJI KANTE  8 Freshman Forward	JAO ITUKA  10 Junior Guard	ISAIAH WASHINGTON  11 RS Freshman Guard	LATAEVYON TAYLOR  15 Sophomore Guard	ISAIAH STEWART  16 Freshman Guard/Forward
MAX LASKEY  21 Freshman Guard	JAYLEN WHARTON  23 RS Junior Forward	DYLAN DUCOMMUN  25 Freshman Guard	GUSTAV WINTHER  96 Freshman Forward	RASHON BURNO  Head Coach Fifth Season	

2025-26 NIU HUSKIES

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown (Last School)	First Name	Last Name
0	Gianni Cobb	G	6-0	150	So.	Chicago, Ill. (Columbia)	GEE-on-ee	common
1	Makhai Valentine	G	6-3	190	So.	Munhall, Pa. (Missouri State)	muh-KAI	common
2	Carlos Coronado	G	6-3	169	Fr.	Coolidge, Ariz. (Supreme Academy)	common	common
3	Daemar Kelly	G	6-5	195	Jr.	Pittsburgh, Pa. (St. Francis, Pa.)	DAY-mar	common
4	JJ Taylor	G	6-8	196	Jr.	Chicago, Ill. (Central Florida)	common	common
6	Taj Walters	G	6-5	220	Fr.	Bronx, N.Y. (Moravian Prep)	common	common
7	Hassan 'Tre' Washington	F	6-8	240	Jr.	Providence, R.I. (Monroe University)	common	common
8	Ladji Kante	F	6-7	190	Fr.	Marseille, France	lah-GEE	kahn-TAY
10	Jao Ituka	G	6-1	196	Jr.	Gaithersburg, Md. (Jacksonville State)	j-OW	EE-tu-kah
11	Isaiah Washington	G	6-5	185	RS Fr.	Fayetteville, N.C. (UNC Greensboro)	common	common
15	Lataevyon Taylor	G	6-0	160	So.	Chicago, Ill. (Western Oklahoma State)	la-TAY-VEE-on	common
16	Isaiah Stewart	G/F	6-6	190	Fr.	Rockwall, Texas (Big Tyme Prep)	common	common
21	Max Laskey	G	6-5	195	Fr.	Birmingham, Mich. (IMG Academy)	common	las-KEY
23	Jaylen Wharton	F	6-9	200	RS Jr.	Plant City, Fla. (South Florida)	common	common
25	Dylan Ducommun	G	6-4	190	Fr.	Geneva, Switzerland	common	DO-come-un
96	Gustav Winther	F	6-10	200	Fr.	Roskilde, Denmark	GOOSE-tav	winter

Head Coach: Rashon Burno

Associate Head Coach: Drew Gladstone

Assistant Coaches: Antwon Jackson, Jacob Kurtz, Eric Rwahwire, Eduardo Fernandez

SPECIALTY STATS

	Result	Pts in Paint (NIU/Opp)	Pts off TO (NIU/Opp)	2nd Chance (NIU/Opp)	Fast Break (NIU/Opp)	Bench Pts (NIU/Opp)	Largest Lead	Largest Deficit	Lead Changes	Ties
N3 ULM	W, 102-82	46/32	22/17	31/10	16/13	44/27	27	11	3	1
N7 at Wisconsin	L, 97-72	26/36	9/19	2/21	9/12	31/29	0	28	0	0
N10 at Grand Canyon	L, 88-59	14/38	12/33	11/19	3/19	26/39	1	35	6	0
N13 Benedictine	W, 117-62	44/24	27/9	9/5	36/7	55/36	59	0	0	0
N18 at Northern Iowa	L, 70-57	22/36	21/21	5/6	8/10	15/11	4	13	9	5
N21 at Loyola Chicago	W, 76-59	24/28	12/9	14/6	7/7	21/15	20	5	2	1
N25 at Austin Peay	L, 77-59	46/32	8/19	8/11	5/6	27/17	4	21	6	6
N29 Bellarmine	 canceled									
D2 Lindenwood	L, 99-64	26/54	5/25	4/33	6/20	17/37	2	38	1	1
D6 at Bradley	L, 84-55	26/40	8/22	17/8	6/12	17/29	4	29	2	2
D13 at Elon	L, 85-79	26/48	12/13	12/7	12/32	24/21	11	6	7	3
D16 East-West University	W, 112-64	68/20	28/17	30/6	22/10	51/13	53	2	4	2
D20 Central Michigan*	W, 74-73	34/44	10/18	16/17	10/8	22/22	2	20	2	3
D31 Buffalo*	L, 81-67	32/30	18/17	6/14	12/8	13/18	4	16	1	0
J3 at Kent State*	L, 77-73	20/32	12/23	10/11	7/12	18/17	0	21	0	0
J6 Toledo*	L, 75-61	24/40	6/26	9/4	4/20	16/7	1	20	2	1
J13 at Eastern Michigan*	L, 77-59	30/44	10/16	5/5	14/17	8/25	5	18	7	4
J17 UMass*	W, 70-68	28/24	24/8	9/10	15/13	17/19	12	3	6	11
J20 at Ohio*	L, 80-77	22/30	9/23	8/10	3/2	18/14	2	16	11	3
J24 at Ball State*	L, 58-53	28/32	13/16	13/7	9/6	15/26	0	12	0	1
J27 Western Michigan*	W, 85-65	30/18	15/9	15/9	8/6	19/25	25	0	0	0
J31 at Miami*										
F7 at MAC/Sun Belt Challenge										
F11 Bowling Green*										
F14 at Central Michigan*										
F17 at Buffalo*										
F21 Ohio*										
F24 at Toledo*										
F28 Ball State*										
M3 Kent State*										
M6 at Akron*										
TOTALS		616/682	277/362	233/219	211/239	474/447				
AVERAGES		30.8/34.1	13.9/18.1	11.7/11.0	10.6/12.0	23.7/22.4				

MISC. STATS IN 2025-26

Largest halftime lead	40, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)
Largest halftime lead (vs. a Division I opponent)	7, ULM (Nov. 3, 2025)
.....	7, at Elon (Dec. 13, 2025)
.....	7, UMass (Jan. 17, 2026)
Largest halftime deficit	21, at Kent State (Jan. 3, 2026)
Largest halftime lead surrendered to lose	7, at Elon (Dec. 13, 2025)
Largest halftime deficit overcome to win	17, Central Michigan (Dec. 20, 2025)
Largest lead at any time	59, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)
Largest lead at any time (vs. a Division I opponent)	27, ULM (Nov. 3, 2025)
Largest deficit at any time	38, Lindenwood (Dec. 2, 2025)
Largest lead surrendered to lose	11, at Elon (Dec. 13, 2025)
Largest deficit overcome to win	20, Central Michigan (Dec. 20, 2025)
Largest margin of victory	55, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)
Largest margin of victory (vs. a Division I opponent)	20, ULM (Nov. 3, 2025)
.....	20, Western Michigan (Jan. 27, 2026)
Largest margin of defeat	35, Lindenwood (Dec. 2, 2025)
Most points scored in a half	60, Benedictine -- first half (Nov. 13, 2025)
Most points scored in a half (vs. a Division I opponent)	57, ULM -- second half (Nov. 3, 2025)
Fewest points scored in a half	21, at Austin Peay -- second half (Nov. 25, 2025)
Most points allowed in a half	52, at Wisconsin -- first half (Nov. 7, 2025)
.....	52, Lindenwood -- first half (Dec. 2, 2025)
Fewest points allowed in a half	20, Benedictine -- first half (Nov. 13, 2025)

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Largest halftime lead	41, Calumet College (Dec. 18, 2023)
Largest halftime lead (vs. a Division I opponent)	23, vs. Long Island (Nov. 23, 2022)
Largest halftime deficit	36, at DePaul (Nov. 23, 2024)
Largest halftime lead surrendered to lose	12, at Monmouth (Dec. 9, 2023)
Largest halftime deficit overcome to win	17, Central Michigan (Dec. 20, 2025)
Largest lead at any time	69, East-West (Dec. 30, 2024)
Largest lead at any time (vs. a Division I opponent)	32, vs. Long Island (Nov. 23, 2022)
Largest deficit at any time	49, at Northern Iowa (Dec. 7, 2024)
Largest lead surrendered to lose	20, Miami (Feb. 18, 2023)
Largest deficit overcome to win	20, Central Michigan (Dec. 20, 2025)
Largest margin of victory	68, Holy Cross (Ind.) (Nov. 7, 2024)
Largest margin of victory (vs. a Division I opponent)	28, Western Michigan (Feb. 11, 2023)
Largest margin of defeat	46, at DePaul (Nov. 23, 2024)
Most points scored in a half	60, Benedictine -- first half (Nov. 13, 2025)
Most points scored in a half (vs. a Division I opponent)	58, vs. Little Rock -- first half (Nov. 18, 2023)
Fewest points scored in a half	15, at DePaul -- first half (Nov. 23, 2024)
Most points allowed in a half	60, Bowling Green -- second half (Jan. 18, 2022)
Fewest points allowed in a half	16, Holy Cross (Ind.) -- second half (Nov. 7, 2024)

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2025-26 NIU BASKETBALL STATISTICAL BREAKDOWN

TEAM	GAMES	FG-FGA	PCT.	3F-3PA	PCT.	FT-FTA	PCT.	O-D	TOT	AVG.	FOUL	DQ	AST	AVG	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
OVERALL (7-13)	20	496-1167	.425	172-535	.321	307-454	.676	275-458	733	36.7	387	12	262	13.1	304	31	130	1471	73.6
HOME (6-3)	9	258-562	.459	86-258	.333	150-215	.698	150-224	374	41.6	152	3	151	16.8	135	18	67	752	83.6
AWAY (1-10)	11	238-605	.393	86-277	.310	157-239	.657	125-234	359	32.6	235	9	111	10.1	169	13	63	719	65.4
NEUTRAL																			
NON-CONF (4-7)	11	291-672	.433	98-295	.332	172-260	.662	165-248	413	37.5	216	6	156	14.2	166	18	72	852	77.5
CONFERENCE (3-6)	9	205-495	.414	74-240	.308	135-194	.696	110-210	320	35.6	171	6	106	11.8	138	13	58	619	68.8

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RECORD BY VENUE	2025-26	2025-26	Burno	Burno
	Overall	MAC	Overall	MAC
Overall	7-13	3-6	46-98	25-58
Home (NIU Convocation Center)	6-3	3-2	24-37	12-30
Away	1-10	0-4	20-57	13-28
Neutral			2-4	

RECORD BY HALFTIME	2025-26	2025-26	Burno	Burno
	Overall	MAC	Overall	MAC
When NIU leads at halftime	6-1	2-0	35-16	15-11
When NIU trails at halftime	1-12	1-6	10-79	9-44
When NIU is tied at halftime			1-3	1-3

RECORD BY SCORING OFFENSE	2025-26	2025-26	Burno	Burno
	Overall	MAC	Overall	MAC
When NIU scores 100+ points	3-0		6-0	
When NIU scores 90-99 points			5-1	0-1
When NIU scores 80-89 points	1-0	1-0	12-5	9-4
When NIU scores 70-79 points	3-4	2-2	16-29	11-21
When NIU scores 60-69 points	0-3	0-2	5-36	4-22
When NIU scores 50-59 points	0-6	0-2	2-20	1-9
When NIU scores 40-49 points			0-6	0-1
When NIU scores less than 40 points			0-1	

RECORD BY SCORING DEFENSE	2025-26	2025-26	Burno	Burno
	Overall	MAC	Overall	MAC
When opponent scores 100+ points			0-4	0-2
When opponent scores 90-99 points	0-2		1-9	0-3
When opponent scores 80-89 points	1-5	0-2	2-39	2-24
When opponent scores 70-79 points	1-5	1-3	11-34	7-23
When opponent scores 60-69 points	4-0	2-0	16-10	10-5
When opponent scores 50-59 points	1-1	0-1	12-2	7-1
When opponent scores 40-49 points			2-0	
When opponent scores less than 40 points			1-0	

MARGIN OF VICTORY	2025-26	2025-26	Burno	Burno
	Overall	MAC	Overall	MAC
Game decided by 1-5 points	2-3	2-3	12-18	11-13
Game decided by 6-10 points	0-1		12-27	7-22
Game decided by 11-20 points	3-5	1-3	12-26	5-14
Game decided by 21+ points	2-4		10-27	2-9

OVERTIME RECORD	2025-26	2025-26	Burno	Burno
	Overall	MAC	Overall	MAC
Overtime			0-3	0-3
Double Overtime			1-1	1-1

RECORD BY MONTH	2025-26	2025-26	Burno	Burno
	Overall	MAC	Overall	MAC
November	3-4		14-22	
December	2-4	1-1	8-16	1-1
January	2-5	2-5	10-30	10-30
February			10-24	10-22
March			4-6	4-5

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FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	2025-26	Burno
When NIU leads in FG%, NIU is	4-1	39-17
When opponent leads in FG%, NIU is	3-12	7-81
When game ends tied in FG%, NIU is		

3-POINT FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	2025-26	Burno
When NIU leads in 3FG%, NIU is	5-6	37-31
When opponent leads in 3FG%, NIU is	2-7	9-66
When game ends tied in 3FG%, NIU is		0-1

FREE THROW SHOOTING	2025-26	Burno
When NIU attempts more FT, NIU is	5-5	22-26
When opponent attempts more FT, NIU is	1-8	22-69
When game ends tied in FT attempts, NIU is	1-0	2-3

FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	2025-26	Burno
When NIU leads in FT%, NIU is	5-6	29-39
When opponent leads in FT%, NIU is	1-7	15-58
When game ends tied in FT%, NIU is	1-0	2-1

REBOUNDING	2025-26	Burno
When NIU leads in rebounds, NIU is	7-5	33-16
When opponent leads in rebounds, NIU is	0-8	10-82
When game ends tied in rebounds, NIU is		3-0

ASSISTS	2025-26	Burno
When NIU leads in assists, NIU is	6-2	31-16
When opponent leads in assists, NIU is	1-11	13-78
When game ends tied in assists, NIU is		2-4

BLOCKS	2025-26	Burno
When NIU leads in blocks, NIU is		19-31
When opponent leads in blocks, NIU is	6-11	22-49
When game ends tied in blocks, NIU is	1-2	5-18

STEALS	2025-26	Burno
When NIU leads in steals, NIU is	5-0	22-24
When opponent leads in steals, NIU is	2-12	20-63
When game ends tied in steals, NIU is	0-1	4-11

TURNOVERS	2025-26	Burno
When NIU has more turnovers, NIU is	2-11	18-59
When opponent has more turnovers, NIU is	5-0	25-35
When game ends tied in turnovers, NIU is	0-2	3-4

FOULS	2025-26	Burno
When NIU has more fouls, NIU is	3-10	24-70
When opponent has more fouls, NIU is	4-1	18-19
When game ends tied in fouls, NIU is	0-2	4-9

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TIME ON THE COURT

PLAYER	CAREER GAMES	CAREER STARTS	CONSEC GAMES	CONSEC STARTS
Jao Ituka	85	18	0	0
Daemar Kelly	80	49	20	0
Gianni Cobb	43	10	20	5
Makhai Valentine	32	20	20	20
JJ Taylor	31	2	0	0
Gustav Winther	20	19	20	0
Hassan 'Tre' Washington	19	6	9	1
Taj Walters	19	13	15	8
Dylan Ducommun	16	16	16	16
Carlos Coronado	13	0	0	0
Ladji Kante	13	0	1	0
Jaylen Wharton	13	0	3	0
Isaiah Washington	10	0	2	0
Isaiah Stewart	7	0	1	0
Max Laskey	4	0	0	0
Lataevyon Taylor	0	0	0	0

LED NIU IN ... SCORING

	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Dylan Ducommun	-	-	-	8	8
Makhai Valentine	-	-	-	5	5
Daemar Kelly	-	-	-	2	2
Jao Ituka	-	-	-	2	2
Gianni Cobb	-	-	-	2	2
JJ Taylor	-	-	-	1	1

LED NIU IN ... REBOUNDING

	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Taj Walters	-	-	-	7	7
Gustav Winther	-	-	-	6	6
Makhai Valentine	-	-	-	5	5
Jao Ituka	-	-	-	2	2
Gianni Cobb	-	-	-	2	2
Hassan 'Tre' Washington	-	-	-	2	2
Jaylen Wharton	-	-	-	1	1
Daemar Kelly	-	-	-	1	1
Ladji Kante	-	-	-	1	1

LED NIU IN ... ASSISTS

	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Gianni Cobb	-	-	-	12	12
Dylan Ducommun	-	-	-	6	6
Daemar Kelly	-	-	-	4	4
Jao Ituka	-	-	-	1	1
Hassan 'Tre' Washington	-	-	-	1	1

LED NIU IN ... BLOCKS

	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Gustav Winther	-	-	-	6	6
Taj Walters	-	-	-	5	5
Hassan 'Tre' Washington	-	-	-	4	4
Jaylen Wharton	-	-	-	2	2
Dylan Ducommun	-	-	-	2	2
Daemar Kelly	-	-	-	2	2
Makhai Valentine	-	-	-	2	2
JJ Taylor	-	-	-	1	1

LED NIU IN ... STEALS

	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Gianni Cobb	-	-	-	10	10
Makhai Valentine	-	-	-	7	7
Dylan Ducommun	-	-	-	4	4
Taj Walters	-	-	-	4	4
Jao Ituka	-	-	-	3	3
Gustav Winther	-	-	-	3	3
Daemar Kelly	-	-	-	3	3
Ladji Kante	-	-	-	1	1

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DOUBLE-DIGIT SCORING

	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Jao Ituka	(19)	(1)	-	(16)	6	6 (42)
Makhai Valentine	-	-	-	(1)	16	16 (17)
Daemar Kelly	-	-	(0)	(11)	5	5 (16)
Dylan Ducommun	-	-	-	-	11	11
Gianni Cobb	-	-	-	(2)	8	8 (10)
Taj Walters	-	-	-	-	7	7
Gustav Winther	-	-	-	-	5	5
JJ Taylor	-	-	(0)	(4)	1	1 (5)
Hassan 'Tre' Washington	-	-	-	-	3	3
Ladji Kante	-	-	-	-	1	1

20+ POINT GAMES

	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Jao Ituka	(8)	(0)	-	(3)	-	(11)
Makhai Valentine	-	-	-	-	3	3
Dylan Ducommun	-	-	-	-	3	3

30+ POINT GAMES

	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Jao Ituka	(1)	(0)	-	(0)	-	(1)

7+ REBOUND GAMES

	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Taj Walters	-	-	-	-	8	8
Gustav Winther	-	-	-	-	5	5
Makhai Valentine	-	-	-	-	4	4
Daemar Kelly	-	-	(0)	(2)	2	2 (4)
Jao Ituka	(3)	(0)	-	(0)	1	1 (4)
JJ Taylor	-	-	(0)	(2)	-	(2)
Ladji Kante	-	-	-	-	1	1
Hassan 'Tre' Washington	-	-	-	-	1	1

10+ REBOUND GAMES

	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Taj Walters	-	-	-	-	4	4
Gustav Winther	-	-	-	-	2	2
Makhai Valentine	-	-	-	-	1	1

15+ REBOUND GAMES

	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
none	-	-	-	-	-	-

5+ ASSIST GAMES

	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Gianni Cobb	-	-	-	-	7	7
Dylan Ducommun	-	-	-	-	3	3
Daemar Kelly	-	-	-	-	1	1
Jao Ituka	(1)	(0)	-	(0)	-	(1)

10+ ASSIST GAMES

	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Gianni Cobb	-	-	-	-	2	2

3+ STEAL GAMES

	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Gianni Cobb	-	-	-	(6)	4	4 (10)
Makhai Valentine	-	-	-	-	4	4
Daemar Kelly	-	-	(1)	(2)	-	(3)
Jao Ituka	(1)	(0)	-	(0)	1	1 (2)
Dylan Ducommun	-	-	-	-	1	1
Taj Walters	-	-	-	-	1	1

5+ STEAL GAMES

	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Gianni Cobb	-	-	-	-	2	2

3+ BLOCK GAMES

	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
Daemar Kelly	-	-	(0)	(1)	-	(1)

5+ BLOCK GAMES

	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	CAREER
none	-	-	-	-	-	-

Numbers in parentheses denote accomplishments at other schools and overall career totals.

TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES IN 2025-26

TEAM SUPERLATIVES

NIU	HIGHS	LOWS
Points	117, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)	53, at Ball State (Jan. 24, 2026)
Field Goals	44, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	17, at Grand Canyon (Nov. 10, 2025)
Field Goal Attempts	96, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	46, Central Michigan (Dec. 20, 2025)
Field Goal Percentage	.587, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)	.292, at Bradley (Dec. 6, 2025)
Three-Point Field Goals	15, Western Michigan (Jan. 27, 2026)	2, at Austin Peay (Nov. 25, 2025)
Three-Point Attempts	43, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	19, at Grand Canyon (Nov. 10, 2025) 19, Central Michigan (Dec. 20, 2025)
Three-Point Percentage	.500, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025) .500, Western Michigan (Jan. 27, 2026)	.091, at Austin Peay (Nov. 25, 2025)
Free Throws	29, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)	6, Western Michigan (Jan. 27, 2026)
Free Throw Attempts	39, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)	10, at Loyola Chicago (Nov. 21, 2025) 10, Western Michigan (Jan. 27, 2026)
Free Throw Percentage	.875, Buffalo (Dec. 31, 2025)	.412, at Austin Peay (Nov. 25, 2025)
Rebounds	71, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	19, at Grand Canyon (Nov. 10, 2025)
Offensive Rebounds	39, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	4, at Wisconsin (Nov. 7, 2025)
Defensive Rebounds	35, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)	12, at Grand Canyon (Nov. 10, 2025)
Personal Fouls	29, at Wisconsin (Nov. 7, 2025)	8, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)
Assists	25, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	5, at Austin Peay (Nov. 25, 2025)
Turnovers	22, at Kent State (Jan. 3, 2026)	8, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)
Blocked Shots	4, Toledo (Jan. 6, 2026)	0, three times, last: at Ball State (Jan. 24, 2026)
Steals	13, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025) 13, UMass (Jan. 17, 2026)	2, Lindenwood (Dec. 2, 2025)

OPPONENTS	HIGHS	LOWS
Points	99, Lindenwood (Dec. 2, 2025)	58, at Ball State (Jan. 24, 2026)
Field Goals	36, Lindenwood (Dec. 2, 2025)	18, Western Michigan (Jan. 27, 2026)
Field Goal Attempts	71, Lindenwood (Dec. 2, 2025)	44, at Northern Iowa (Nov. 18, 2025)
Field Goal Percentage	.545, at Northern Iowa (Nov. 18, 2025)	.346, Western Michigan (Jan. 27, 2026)
Three-Point Field Goals	11, Buffalo (Dec. 31, 2025)	4, at Kent State (Jan. 3, 2026)
Three-Point Attempts	37, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)	12, Toledo (Jan. 6, 2026)
Three-Point Percentage	.435, at Austin Peay (Nov. 25, 2025)	.158, at Elon (Dec. 13, 2025)
Free Throws	31, at Kent State (Jan. 3, 2026)	4, at Loyola Chicago (Nov. 21, 2025)
Free Throw Attempts	40, at Kent State (Jan. 3, 2026)	7, at Loyola Chicago (Nov. 21, 2025)
Free Throw Percentage	.947, at Grand Canyon (Nov. 10, 2025)	.500, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)
Rebounds	50, Lindenwood (Dec. 2, 2025)	18, ULM (Nov. 3, 2025)
Offensive Rebounds	20, Lindenwood (Dec. 2, 2025)	5, three times, last: at Ball State (Jan. 24, 2026)
Defensive Rebounds	34, at Eastern Michigan (Jan. 13, 2026)	12, ULM (Nov. 3, 2025)
Personal Fouls	25, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)	9, at Loyola Chicago (Nov. 21, 2025)
Assists	20, Central Michigan (Dec. 20, 2025)	5, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)
Turnovers	19, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	8, at Ball State (Jan. 24, 2026)
Blocked Shots	8, four times, last: UMass (Jan. 17, 2026)	2, six times, last: at Ball State (Jan. 24, 2026)
Steals	12, Toledo (Jan. 6, 2026)	2, at Loyola Chicago (Nov. 21, 2025)

INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES

INDIVIDUALS	NIU	OPPONENTS
Points	27, Makhai Valentine, at Kent State (Jan. 3, 2026) 27, Makhai Valentine, UMass (Jan. 17, 2026)	33, Daniel Freitag, Buffalo (Dec. 31, 2025)
Field Goals	9, three times, last: Valentine, UMass (Jan. 17, 2026)	11, Daniel Freitag, Buffalo (Dec. 31, 2025)
Field Goal Attempts	19, Dylan Ducommun, Buffalo (Dec. 31, 2025)	19, Collin Parker, at Austin Peay (Nov. 25, 2025)
Field Goal Percentage (Min. 5 Made)	.833, Tre Washington, UMass (Jan. 17, 2026)	.857, Wilhelm Breidenbach, at Grand Canyon (Nov. 10, 2025)
Three-Point Field Goals	7, Dylan Ducommun, Western Michigan (Jan. 27, 2026)	4, five times, last: Armoni Zeigler, at Ball State (Jan. 24, 2026)
Three-Point Attempts	14, Jao Ituka, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	10, Marcus Banks, UMass (Jan. 17, 2026)
Three-Point Percentage (Min. 3 Made)	.750, Jao Ituka, at Wisconsin (Nov. 7, 2025)	.750, Aidan Werth, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)
Free Throws	9, JJ Taylor, at Wisconsin (Nov. 7, 2025)	12, Delrecco Gillespie, at Kent State (Jan. 3, 2026)
Free Throw Attempts	12, JJ Taylor, at Wisconsin (Nov. 7, 2025)	14, Delrecco Gillespie, at Kent State (Jan. 3, 2026) 14, Leonardo Bettioli, UMass (Jan. 17, 2026)
Free Throw Percentage (Min. 7 Made)	.875, Makhai Valentine, at Eastern Mich. (Jan. 13, 2026)	.900, Sharod Barnes, Western Michigan (Jan. 27, 2026)
Rebounds	13, Taj Walters, Toledo (Jan. 6, 2026)	12, Jadis Jones, Lindenwood (Dec. 2, 2025)
Assists	10, Gianni Cobb, ULM (Nov. 3, 2025) 10, Gianni Cobb, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	7, Nana Owusu-Anane, at Grand Canyon (Nov. 10, 2025) 7, Phat Phat Brooks, Central Michigan (Dec. 20, 2025)
Turnovers	6, JJ Taylor, at Wisconsin (Nov. 7, 2025) 6, Dylan Ducommun, at Northern Iowa (Nov. 18, 2025)	4, eight times, last: Jackson Paveletzke, at Ohio (Jan. 20, 2026)
Blocked Shots	2, four times, last: Winther, at EMU (Jan. 13, 2026)	5, Ahmet Jonovic, at Bradley (Dec. 6, 2025)
Steals	6, Gianni Cobb, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025) 6, Gianni Cobb, UMass (Jan. 17, 2026)	6, Trey Campbell, at Northern Iowa (Nov. 18, 2025)

TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES IN THE RASHON BURNO ERA

TEAM SUPERLATIVES

NIU	HIGHS	LOWS
Points	117, East-West (Dec. 30, 2024) 117, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)	37, at Missouri (Nov. 18, 2021)
Field Goals	45, East-West (Dec. 30, 2024)	13, at Missouri (Nov. 18, 2021)
Field Goal Attempts	96, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	46, four times, last: Central Michigan (Dec. 20, 2025)
Field Goal Percentage	.667, Holy Cross (Ind.) (Nov. 7, 2024)	.241, at Missouri (Nov. 18, 2021)
Three-Point Field Goals	15, Eastern Michigan, (Feb. 22, 2025) 15, Western Michigan (Jan. 27, 2026)	1, at Ohio (Feb. 21, 2023)
Three-Point Attempts	43, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	9, at UIC (Dec. 19, 2021)
Three-Point Percentage	.611, at Iowa (Dec. 29, 2023)	.053, at Ohio (Feb. 21, 2023)
Free Throws	33, vs. Little Rock (Nov. 18, 2023)	3, Elon (Nov. 20, 2024)
Free Throw Attempts	44, vs. Little Rock (Nov. 18, 2023)	6, Benedictine (Dec. 3, 2024)
Free Throw Percentage	1.000, Buffalo (Feb. 11, 2025)	.300, Elon (Nov. 20, 2024)
Rebounds	71, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	17, at Kent State (Feb. 17, 2024)
Offensive Rebounds	39, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	3, three times, last: at Miami (Feb. 25, 2025)
Defensive Rebounds	42, East-West (Dec. 30, 2024)	12, at Grand Canyon (Nov. 10, 2025)
Personal Fouls	32, at Western Michigan (Jan. 9, 2024) 32, at Valparaiso (Nov. 27, 2024)	8, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)
Assists	25, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)	3, at Indiana (Nov. 12, 2021)
Turnovers	23, at Indiana (Nov. 12, 2021)	5, Toledo (Feb. 12, 2022) 5, at Toledo (Feb. 1, 2025)
Blocked Shots	14, at Washington (Nov. 9, 2021)	0, 10 times, last: Central Michigan (Dec. 20, 2025)
Steals	17, Illinois Tech (Nov. 13, 2023)	1, at Bowling Green (Feb. 4, 2023) 1, vs. Little Rock (Nov. 18, 2023)

OPPONENTS	HIGHS	LOWS
Points	108, at Ohio (Jan. 11, 2025)	37, Holy Cross (Ind.) (Nov. 7, 2024)
Field Goals	42, at Iowa (Dec. 29, 2023)	11, Holy Cross (Ind.) (Nov. 7, 2024)
Field Goal Attempts	84, at Iowa (Dec. 29, 2023)	40, Akron (Feb. 8, 2022)
Field Goal Percentage	.618, at Northern Iowa (Dec. 7, 2024)	.221, Calumet College (Dec. 18, 2023)
Three-Point Field Goals	17, at Ohio (Jan. 11, 2025)	2, three times, last: at Western Michigan (Jan. 31, 2023)
Three-Point Attempts	37, Benedictine (Nov. 13, 2025)	11, vs. Long Island (Nov. 23, 2022)
Three-Point Percentage	.563, Eastern Michigan (Jan. 15, 2022)	.091, at Western Michigan (Jan. 31, 2023)
Free Throws	35, at Valparaiso (Nov. 27, 2024)	4, at Loyola Chicago (Nov. 21, 2025)
Free Throw Attempts	50, at Ball State (Feb. 15, 2025)	7, at Loyola Chicago (Nov. 21, 2025)
Free Throw Percentage	1.000, vs. Boston University (Nov. 21, 2021) 1.000, Indiana State (Dec. 5, 2023)	.391, at Eastern Illinois (Nov. 30, 2022)
Rebounds	55, at DePaul (Nov. 23, 2024)	18, ULM (Nov. 3, 2025)
Offensive Rebounds	27, at Washington (Nov. 9, 2021)	4, five times, last: at Bradley (Nov. 16, 2024)
Defensive Rebounds	45, at DePaul (Nov. 23, 2024)	12, ULM (Nov. 3, 2025)
Personal Fouls	30, at Central Michigan (Feb. 25, 2023)	9, at Loyola Chicago (Nov. 21, 2025)
Assists	25, at Ohio (Jan. 11, 2025) 25, at Miami (Feb. 25, 2025)	5, four times, last: East-West (Dec. 16, 2025)
Turnovers	29, Illinois Tech (Nov. 13, 2023)	4, three times, last: Ball State (Jan. 25, 2025)
Blocked Shots	10, at Georgia Tech (Nov. 17, 2022)	0, seven times, last: at Illinois State (Dec. 18, 2024)
Steals	15, at Iowa (Dec. 29, 2023)	1, Illinois Springfield (Nov. 7, 2022)

INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES

INDIVIDUALS	NIU	OPPONENTS
Points	37, David Coit, at Buffalo (March 8, 2024)	40, Reggie Bass, at Central Michigan (Feb. 25, 2023)
Field Goals	13, Keshawn Williams, at Indiana State (Dec. 22, 2022)	12, 3x, last: Da'Sean Nelson, at Eastern Michigan (Jan. 4, 2025)
Field Goal Attempts	29, David Coit, Illinois Springfield (Nov. 7, 2022)	28, VonCameron Davis, Kent State (Jan. 7, 2025)
Field Goal Percentage (Min. 5 Made)	1.000, Harvin Ibarguen, Eastern Mich. (March 3, 2023) 1.000, Konan Niederhauser, Illinois Tech (Nov. 13, 2023)	1.000, four times, last: Aidan Hadaway, Ohio (Feb. 24, 2024)
Three-Point Field Goals	8, David Coit, at DePaul (Nov. 25, 2023)	9, AJ Clayton, at Ohio (Jan. 11, 2025)
Three-Point Attempts	20, David Coit, Illinois Springfield (Nov. 7, 2022)	12, Jalen Terry, Eastern Michigan (Feb. 22, 2025)
Three-Point Percentage (Min. 3 Made)	1.000, 4x, last: Muhammad, at Ohio (Jan. 11, 2025)	1.000, three times, last: Ben Schwieger, at UNI (Dec. 7, 2024)
Free Throws	12, Keshawn Williams, at Bowling Green (Feb. 5, 2022)	21, Reggie Bass, at Central Michigan (Feb. 25, 2023)
Free Throw Attempts	15, Nasir Muhammad, Ball State (Jan. 25, 2025)	24, Reggie Bass, at Central Michigan (Feb. 25, 2023)
Free Throw Percentage (Min. 7 Made)	1.000, 8x, last: James Dent Jr., at Ball St. (Feb. 15, 2025)	1.000, five times, last: Paul McMillian IV, at CMU (Jan. 30, 2024)
Rebounds	15, Zarique Nutter, at Georgia Tech (Nov. 17, 2022)	19, Nate Roberts, at Washington (Nov. 9, 2021) 19, Markeese Hastings, at Western Michigan (Jan. 31, 2023)
Assists	11, 5x, last: Quentin Jones, East-West (Dec. 30, 2024)	10, Chico Carter Jr., at DePaul (Nov. 25, 2023) 10, Anthony Pritchard, Central Michigan (March 5, 2024)
Turnovers	10, Kaleb Thornton, Eastern Illinois (Dec. 1, 2021)	7, three times, last: Tavori Johnson, Akron (Jan. 28, 2025)
Blocked Shots	5, Xavier Amos, at Georgia State (Nov. 17, 2023) 5, Yanic Konan Niederhauser, at USA (Feb. 10, 2024)	7, Trayce Jackson-Davis, at Indiana (Nov. 12, 2021)
Steals	6, Gianni Cobb, East-West (Dec. 16, 2025) 6, Gianni Cobb, UMass (Jan. 17, 2026)	6, Trey Campbell, at Northern Iowa (Nov. 18, 2025)

THE LAST TIME...

IN THE FINAL SECONDS

NIU won in the final seconds: Dec. 20, 2025, Central Michigan: Taj Walters, tip-in, 0.0 seconds
NIU lost in the final seconds: Feb. 22, 2025, Eastern Michigan: Jalen Terry, 35-foot pullup three, 0.0 seconds
NIU played in overtime: March 7, 2025, at Central Michigan: NIU won 83-81 (2ot)
NIU played in double overtime: March 7, 2025, at Central Michigan: NIU won 83-81
NIU won an overtime game: March 7, 2025, at Central Michigan: NIU won 83-81 (2ot)
NIU lost an overtime game: Feb. 15, 2025, at Ball State: NIU lost 89-83

TEAM SCORING

NIU scored 80 or more points: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan: NIU won 85-65
NIU scored 90 or more points: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West: NIU won 112-64
NIU scored 100 or more points: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West: NIU won 112-64
NIU scored fewer than 50 points: Nov. 20, 2024, Elon: Elon won 75-48
An opponent scored 100 or more points: Jan. 11, 2025, at Ohio: Ohio won 108-70
An opponent scored fewer than 50 points: Nov. 7, 2024, Holy Cross (Ind.): NIU won 105-37

INDIVIDUAL SCORING

A player had 20 or more points: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan: Dylan Ducommun (21)
A player had 30 or more points: March 7, 2025, at Central Michigan: James Dent Jr. (36)
A player had 40 or more points: Dec. 14, 2010, Illinois-Chicago: Xavier Silas (40)
A player had 50 or more points: Feb. 15, 1958, at Eastern Michigan: Larry Wilke (52)
NIU had two players with 20 or more points: Feb. 15, 2025, at Ball State: Quentin Jones (21), James Dent Jr. (20)
An opponent had 20 or more points: Jan. 20, 2026, at Ohio: Jackson Paveletzke (23)
An opponent had 30 or more points: Dec. 31, 2025, Buffalo: Daniel Freitag (33)
An opponent had 40 or more points: Feb. 25, 2023, at Central Michigan: Reggie Bass (40)

MULTIPLE DOUBLE-DIGIT SCORING

NIU had three double-digit scorers: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan: Dylan Ducommun (21), Makhai Valentine (16), Taj Walters (16), Gianni Cobb (10)
NIU had four double-digit scorers: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan: Dylan Ducommun (21), Makhai Valentine (16), Taj Walters (16), Gianni Cobb (10)
NIU had five double-digit scorers: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West: Jao Ituka (18), Gustav Winther (16), Makhai Valentine (14), Ladji Kante (12), Dylan Ducommun (11), Gianni Cobb (10), Daemar Kelly (10), Taj Walters (10)
NIU had six double-digit scorers: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West: Jao Ituka (18), Gustav Winther (16), Makhai Valentine (14), Ladji Kante (12), Dylan Ducommun (11), Gianni Cobb (10), Daemar Kelly (10), Taj Walters (10)
NIU had seven double-digit scorers: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West: Jao Ituka (18), Gustav Winther (16), Makhai Valentine (14), Ladji Kante (12), Dylan Ducommun (11), Gianni Cobb (10), Daemar Kelly (10), Taj Walters (10)
NIU had eight double-digit scorers: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West: Jao Ituka (18), Gustav Winther (16), Makhai Valentine (14), Ladji Kante (12), Dylan Ducommun (11), Gianni Cobb (10), Daemar Kelly (10), Taj Walters (10)

REBOUNDING

A player had 10 or more rebounds: Jan. 13, 2026 at Eastern Michigan: Taj Walters (10)
A player had 15 or more rebounds: Nov. 17, 2022, at Georgia Tech: Zarique Nutter (15)
A player had 20 or more rebounds: Nov. 27, 2002, Loyola-Chicago: Marcus Smallwood (21)
NIU had two players with 10 or more rebounds: Jan. 25, 2025, Ball State: James Dent Jr. (10), Quaran McPherson (10)
NIU had three players with 10 or more rebounds: Feb. 20, 2014, Eastern Michigan: Jordan Threlloff (18), Darrell Bowie (12), Aaric Armstead (10)
NIU had more than 30 rebounds: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan (38)
NIU had more than 40 rebounds: Jan. 17, 2026, UMass (41)
NIU had more than 50 rebounds: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West (71)
NIU had more than 60 rebounds: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West (71)
NIU had more than 70 rebounds: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West (71)
NIU had fewer than 25 rebounds: Nov. 10, 2025, at Grand Canyon (19)

DOUBLE-DOUBLES/TRIPLE-DOUBLES

A player had a double-double (points-rebounds): Jan. 13, 2026 at Eastern Michigan: Taj Walters (13 points, 10 rebounds)
A player had a double-double (points-assists): Dec. 16, 2025, East-West: Gianni Cobb (10 points, 10 assists)
A player had a triple-double: Nov. 30, 1991, Aurora: Mike Hidden (18 points, 13 rebounds, 10 assists)
An opponent had a double-double: Jan. 13, 2026 at Eastern Michigan: Mohammad Habhab (15 points, 10 rebounds)
An opponent had a triple-double: Feb. 27, 2018, Toledo: Tre'Shaun Fletcher (20 points, 11 rebounds, 11 assists)
A player had consecutive double-doubles: Zarique Nutter (two straight): Feb. 10, 2024 at South Alabama (15 points, 10 rebounds), Feb. 13, 2024, Buffalo (17 points, 12 rebounds)
NIU had two players with double-doubles: Nov. 3, 2025, ULM: Gustav Winther (18 points, 10 rebounds), Gianni Cobb (14 points, 10 assists)
NIU had three players with double-doubles: Dec. 30, 2024, East-West: Quentin Jones (25 points, 11 assists), Quaran McPherson (25 points, 11 rebounds), Jayden Mott (15 points, 11 rebounds)

ASSISTS

A player had five or more assists: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan: Gianni Cobb (8)
A player had 10 or more assists: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West: Gianni Cobb (10)
NIU had two players with five or more assists: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West: Gianni Cobb (10), Dylan Ducommun (6)
NIU had more than 10 assists: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan (19)
NIU had more than 20 assists: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West (25)
NIU had more than 30 assists: Nov. 21, 2015, Eureka (32)
NIU had less than 10 assists: Jan. 24, 2026, at Ball State (7)

BLOCKS

A player had five or more blocks: Feb. 10, 2024, at South Alabama: Yanic Konan Niederhauser (5)
A player had 10 or more blocks: yet to happen
NIU had more than five blocks: March 4, 2025, Bowling Green (6)
NIU had 10 or more blocks: Nov. 17, 2023, at Georgia State (12)
NIU had less than five blocks: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan (1)

STEALS

A player had five or more steals: Jan. 17, 2026, UMass: Gianni Cobb (6)
A player had 10 or more steals: yet to happen
NIU had more than five steals: Jan. 17, 2026, UMass (13)
NIU had more than 10 steals: Jan. 17, 2026, UMass (13)
NIU had more than 15 steals: Dec. 30, 2024, East-West (16)
NIU had fewer than five steals: Jan. 24, 2026, at Ball State (4)

FIELD GOALS

NIU had more than 20 field goals made: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan (32)
NIU had more than 30 field goals made: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan (32)
NIU had more than 40 field goals made: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West (44)
NIU had fewer than 20 field goals made: Jan. 24, 2026, at Ball State (18)

FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS

NIU had more than 50 field goal attempts: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan (64)
NIU had more than 60 field goal attempts: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan (64)
NIU had more than 70 field goal attempts: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West (96)
NIU had more than 80 field goal attempts: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West (96)
NIU had more than 90 field goal attempts: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West (96)
NIU had fewer than 40 field goal attempts: Feb. 21, 2015, Eastern Michigan (39)

FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

NIU shot over 50 percent from the field: Nov. 13, 2025, Benedictine, 58.7 percent (37-of-63)
NIU shot over 60 percent from the field: Nov. 7, 2024, Holy Cross (Ind.), 66.7 percent (42-of-63)
NIU shot less than 40 percent from the field: Jan. 24, 2026, at Ball State, 34.6 percent (18-of-52)
NIU shot over 70 percent from the field in a half: Dec. 18, 2023, vs. Calumet College 71.4 percent -- first half (20-of-28)

3-POINT FIELD GOALS

A player had five or more three-point field goals: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan: Dylan Ducommun (7)
Two Players had five or more three-point field goals: Feb. 22, 2025, Eastern Michigan: James Dent Jr. (5), Tsvet Sotirov (5)
NIU had more than 5 three-point field goals: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan (15)
NIU had more than 10 three-point field goals: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan (15)
NIU had more than 15 three-point field goals: yet to happen
NIU had fewer than 5 three-point field goals: Jan. 24, 2026, at Ball State (4)
NIU did not make a three-point field goal: March 2, 2011, Eastern Michigan (0)

3-POINT FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS

NIU had more than 20 3-point field goal attempts: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan (30)
NIU had more than 30 3-point field goal attempts: Dec. 31, 2025, Buffalo (32)
NIU had more than 40 3-point field goal attempts: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West (43)
NIU had fewer than 10 3-point field goal attempts: Dec. 19, 2021, at UIC (9)

3-POINT PERCENTAGE

NIU shot over 40 percent on 3-pointers: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan, 50 percent (15-of-30)
NIU shot over 50 percent on 3-pointers: Feb. 22, 2025, Eastern Michigan, 55.6 percent (15-of-27)
NIU shot over 60 percent on 3-pointers: Dec. 29, 2023, at Iowa, 61.1 percent (11-of-18)
NIU shot less than 30 percent on 3-pointers: Jan. 24, 2026, at Ball State, 14.3 percent (4-of-28)

FREE THROWS

NIU had more than 20 free throws made: Jan. 17, 2026, UMass (21)
NIU had more than 30 free throws made: Nov. 18, 2023, vs. Little Rock (33)
NIU had less than 10 free throws made: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan (6)

FREE THROW ATTEMPTS

NIU had more than 20 free throw attempts: Jan. 20, 2026, at Ohio (27)
NIU had more than 30 free throw attempts: Dec. 20, 2025, Central Michigan (34)
NIU had more than 40 free throw attempts: Nov. 18, 2023, vs. Little Rock (44)
NIU had fewer than 10 free throw attempts: Dec. 3, 2024, Benedictine (6)

FREE THROW PERCENTAGE

NIU shot over 70 percent on free throws: Jan. 24, 2026, at Ball State, 76.5 percent (13-of-17)
NIU shot over 80 percent on free throws: Dec. 31, 2025, Buffalo, 87.5 percent (14-of-16)
NIU shot over 90 percent on free throws: Feb. 11, 2025, Buffalo, 100 percent (11-of-11)
NIU shot less than 50 percent on free throws: Dec. 6, 2025, at Bradley, 45.8 percent (11-of-24)

FOULS

NIU had more than 10 fouls: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan (17)
NIU had more than 20 fouls: Jan. 20, 2026, at Ohio (23)
NIU had more than 30 fouls: Feb. 15, 2025, at Ball State (31)
NIU had fewer than 10 fouls: Dec. 16, 2025, East-West (8)

TURNOVERS

NIU had more than 10 turnovers: Jan. 24, 2026, at Ball State (11)
NIU had more than 20 turnovers: Jan. 6, 2026, Toledo (21)
NIU had fewer than 10 turnovers: Jan. 27, 2026, Western Michigan (9)
NIU had fewer than 5 turnovers: Feb. 18, 2017, Toledo (2)

IN THE RANKINGS

NIU was ranked: Jan. 25, 1972 poll: NIU No. 19
NIU defeated a ranked opponent: Jan. 22, 2019, No. 14 Buffalo: NIU won 77-75
NIU lost to a ranked opponent: Nov. 7, 2025, at No. 24 Wisconsin: Wisconsin won 97-72
NIU defeated a ranked opponent at home: Jan. 22, 2019, No. 14 Buffalo: NIU won 77-72
NIU defeated a ranked opponent on the road: yet to happen
NIU faced a No. 1 ranked team: Dec. 8, 1980, at No. 1 DePaul: DePaul won 93-56
NIU defeated a No. 1 ranked team: yet to happen



Rashon BURNNO

Head Coach Fifth Season

Rashon Burno enters his fifth season as head coach at Northern Illinois University in 2025-26. Burno came to DeKalb following six seasons at Arizona State, including five as associate head coach, and is the 29th head coach in Huskie men's basketball history.

In 2023-24, Burno guided NIU to its best start since 2015-16 as the Huskies opened 5-1 with victories over Sun Belt regular season champion Appalachian State and NIU's first win over DePaul since 2005. The Huskies recorded the fourth-most three-points field goals in school history (227) while playing the toughest schedule in the Mid-American Conference.

David Coit became just the fourth player in program history to reach 1,000 career points in just two seasons (joining Jim Bradley, Kenny Battle and Xavier Silas) as he was named to the All-MAC Third Team and the NABC All-District Second Team. Will Lovings-Watts was named to the MAC All-Freshman Team while NIU had two Academic All-MAC honorees, Oluwasegun Durosinmi and Harvin Ibarguen, marking the first time the program has had multiple Academic All-MAC recipients since the 1999-2000 season.

During the 2022-23 season, Burno led the Huskies to their first appearance in the MAC Tournament in three seasons. NIU recorded its longest road winning streak since the 2002-03 season and also claimed a victory over MAC champion Kent State, snapping the nation's third-longest win streak.

Burno's Huskies finished league play second in the MAC in field goal percentage, third in three-point percentage, third in field goal defense, third in three-point defense and third in assists. The Huskies scored the sixth-most points in a single-season in program history (2,304) and had the second-most three-point field goals in school history (236).

NIU had a pair of All-MAC honorees for the first time since 2003-04 as David Coit was named to the All-MAC Third Team and Kaleb Thornton claimed All-MAC Honorable Mention recognition. Coit was also named to the NABC All-District Second Team.

In his first season with the Huskies, Burno made an immediate impact in signaling a new era for Huskie hoops as he guided NIU to a 71-64 victory at Washington in his head coaching debut. The win marked NIU's first over a "high-major" opponent since 2005 and the first in program history against a Pac-12 foe. Burno became the first Huskie head coach to win his debut since Tom Jorgensen in 1966.

The road victory in Seattle was a sign of things to come for Burno's first Huskie team as NIU won six true road games during the 2021-22 season, including four in conference play, the most for NIU since the 2005-06 campaign.

Under Burno's guidance, Keshawn Williams earned all-conference honors as he averaged a team-best 16.3 points per game while Kaleb Thornton became NIU's first Academic All-MAC selection since 2017.

Prior to his arrival in DeKalb, Burno was named one of The Athletic's 25 Next Head Coaches in November 2020 and was also ranked as the third-best assistant coach in the Pac-12 by Stadium's Jeff Goodman in July 2020.

He was also on Silver Waves Media's 50 Impactful High Major Assistant Coaches list in April 2020.

In six seasons at Arizona State, Burno has helped the Sun Devils to a pair of NCAA Tournament appearances as ASU played in the First Four in 2018 and the First Round in 2019. Arizona State had 20 wins and was on track for its third-straight tournament appearance in 2020 before the COVID-19 pandemic ended the season. Three-straight NCAA Tournament appearances would have been a first for the Sun Devils in 60 seasons.

During Burno's time in Tempe, the Sun Devils matched the highest ranking in program history as they ascended to number three in the AP Poll for two consecutive weeks in December 2017. Arizona State won 20 games in 2017-18, 23 games in 2018-19 and 20 games in 2019-20, marking just the third time in program history that the Sun Devils posted three-straight 20-win seasons.

Burno has helped mentor eight all-conference honorees over his six seasons at Arizona State, including first team recipients Tra Holder (2018), Zylan Cheatham (2019) and Remy Martin (2020). Luguentz Dort was named the 2019 Pac-12 Freshman of the Year while Martin and Alonzo Verge Jr. earned Pac-12 Sixth Man of the Year honors in 2018 and 2020, respectively.

Prior to his time at Arizona State, Burno was an assistant coach for three seasons at the University of Florida under current Chicago Bulls head coach Billy Donovan, helping the Gators reach the Final Four in 2014 and the Elite Eight in 2013. Burno and the Gators won SEC regular season titles in both 2012-13 and 2013-14, posting a perfect 18-0 conference mark in 2013-14 while also winning the conference tournament that season. Burno helped develop All-SEC guards Kenny Boynton, Mike Rosario and Scottie Wilbekin, who became the first Gator guard to win SEC Player of the Year honors in 2014.

Burno was an assistant coach at Manhattan College in 2011-12, working under head coach Steve Masiello as the Jaspers won 21 games, a 15-win turnaround from the prior year. Burno began his collegiate coaching career at Towson in 2010-11, where he reunited with his college head coach, Pat Kennedy.

Before joining the collegiate coaching ranks, Burno was the head coach at Marmion Academy in Aurora, Illinois, from 2007-10.

As a player, Burno earned 58 starts in four seasons at DePaul (1998-2002), helping the Blue Demons to the NCAA Tournament in 2000 and the NIT in 1999. He was named to the 2000 Conference USA All-Tournament Team and still ranks third in DePaul history in steals (201) and sixth in assists (439).

Burno attended St. Anthony's High School in Jersey City, N.J., and played for Basketball Hall of Fame head coach Bob Hurley Sr., winning high school national championships in 1996 and 1997. He was an executive producer for the 2010 documentary, "The Street Stops Here," which chronicled Hurley and his St. Anthony's program.



Gianni COBB

6-0 | 150 | Sophomore | Guard
Chicago, Ill. | Columbia

THE COBB FILE

- Ranked 11th in the MAC with 4.1 assists per game, third with 1.9 steals per game and 15th with a 1.80 assist/turnover ratio.
- Tied for the league lead in conference games with 2.33 steals per game.
- Had 14 points and 10 rebounds, with no turnovers, in the season opener against ULM (Nov. 3). Had another double-double with 10 points and 10 rebounds against East-West (Dec. 16).
- Comes to NIU from Columbia, where he appeared in 23 games in 2024-25, averaging 4.3 points, 1.0 rebounds and 1.7 assists per game.
- Attended Homewood-Flossmoor High School in 2023-24, helping lead the Vikings to the 2024 Illinois Class 4A state championship
- Averaged 16.5 points, 4.3 rebounds and 3.7 assists per game as a senior, earning Southwest Suburban Blue Player of the Year honors. 2024 Illinois AP and Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Class 4A All-State First Team honoree.
- 2023 Illinois AP Class 2A All-State First Team honoree while attending Chicago Perspectives-Leadership.
- Scored over 1,200 in his high school career.
- Majoring in sport management.

CAREER STATISTICS

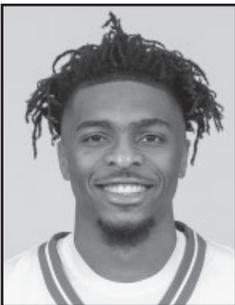
Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2024-25	23	1	294	12.8	36	95	.379	5	30	.167	22	34	.647	3	21	24	1.0	31	0	39	1.7	23	1.0	2	0.1	26	1.1	99	4.3
2025-26	20	9	533	26.7	60	137	.438	8	37	.216	36	66	.545	16	31	47	2.4	45	0	81	4.1	45	2.3	0	0.0	38	1.9	164	8.2
Career	43	10	827	19.2	96	232	.414	13	67	.194	58	100	.580	19	52	71	1.7	76	0	120	2.8	68	1.6	2	0.0	64	1.5	263	6.1

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS

Points	14	ULM (11/3/25)
Field Goals	6	ULM (11/3/25)
Field Goal Attempts	10	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
3-Point Field Goals	1	eight times, last: at Ball State (1/24/26)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	5	UMass (1/17/26)
Free Throws	6	twice, last: at Ohio (1/20/26)
Free Throw Attempts	8	UMass (1/17/26)
Rebounds	6	at Ohio (1/20/26)
Offensive Rebounds	4	at Bradley (12/6/25)
Defensive Rebounds	6	at Ohio (1/20/26)
Assists	10	twice, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Turnovers	4	five times, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Blocks		
Steals	6	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Minutes	36	twice, last: at Ball State (1/24/26)

CAREER HIGHS

Points	16	twice, last: at Brown (2/21/25)
Field Goals	6	twice, last: ULM (11/3/25)
Field Goal Attempts	11	twice, last: at Brown (2/21/25)
3-Point Field Goals	2	Merchane Marine (12/7/24)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	5	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Free Throws	7	at Brown (2/21/25)
Free Throw Attempts	12	at Brown (2/21/25)
Rebounds	6	at Ohio (1/20/26)
Offensive Rebounds	4	at Bradley (12/6/25)
Defensive Rebounds	6	at Ohio (1/20/26)
Assists	10	twice, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Turnovers	4	six times, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Blocks	1	twice, last: Brown (2/8/25)
Steals	6	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Minutes	36	twice, last: at Ball State (1/24/26)



Makhai VALENTINE

6-3 | 190 | Sophomore | Guard
Munhall, Pa. | Missouri State

THE VALENTINE FILE

- Tied for 16th in the MAC in scoring (14.0 ppg), 18th in rebounding (5.4 rpg), sixth in free throw percentage (85.2 percent) and sixth in triples per game (2.35)
- Only NIU players to start all 20 games this season.
- Recorded his first career double-double with a then career-high tying 17 points and a career-best 10 rebounds at Elon (Dec. 13).
- Appeared in 12 games as a freshman at Missouri State last season.
- Averaged 3.9 points and 1.0 rebounds per game and shot 47.4 percent (9-of-19) from three-point range and 51.7 percent (15-of-29) from the field.
- Spent 2023-24 at Link Year Prep in Branson, Mo.
- Attended Steel Valley High School in Pennsylvania where he averaged 33.7 points, 10.1 rebounds and 6.2 assists per game as a senior in 2022-23.
- Named state 3A Player of the Year by the Pennsylvania Sports Writers and the Pittsburgh Union Progress Player of the Year.
- Three-time all-state honoree. Finished high school career with 1,780 career points.
- Named the Pittsburgh Union Progress Player of the Year in 2021-22 after averaging 29.4 points per game, leading his team to the state semifinals.
- Majoring in sport management.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS

Points	27	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Field Goals	9	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Field Goal Attempts	17	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
3-Point Field Goals	5	at Kent State (1/3/26)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	12	at Kent State (1/3/26)
Free Throws	7	at Eastern Michigan (1/13/26)
Free Throw Attempts	8	twice, last: at Eastern Michigan (1/13/26)
Rebounds	10	at Elon (12/13/25)
Offensive Rebounds	5	at Elon (12/13/25)
Defensive Rebounds	5	six times, last: Toledo (1/6/26)
Assists	3	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Turnovers	4	ULM (11/3/25)
Blocks	1	twice, last: at Ohio (1/20/26)
Steals	4	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Minutes	38	at Kent State (1/3/26)

CAREER HIGHS

Points	27	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Field Goals	9	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Field Goal Attempts	17	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
3-Point Field Goals	5	at Kent State (1/3/26)
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Defensive Rebounds	5	six times, last: Toledo (1/6/26)
Assists	3	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Turnovers	4	ULM (11/3/25)
Blocks	1	twice, last: at Ohio (1/20/26)
Steals	4	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Minutes	38	at Kent State (1/3/26)

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2024-25	12	0	73	6.1	15	29	.517	9	19	.474	8	12	.667	5	7	12	1.0	6	0	1	0.1	4	0.3	1	0.1	5	0.4	47	3.9
2025-26	20	20	600	30.0	90	223	.404	47	141	.333	52	61	.852	38	70	108	5.4	35	1	20	1.0	26	1.3	2	0.1	24	1.2	279	14.0
Career	32	20	673	21.0	105	252	.417	56	160	.350	60	73	.822	43	77	120	3.8	41	1	21	0.7	30	0.9	3	0.1	29	0.9	326	10.2



Carlos CORONADO

6-3 | 160 | Freshman | Guard
Coolidge, Ariz. | Supreme Academy

THE CORONADO FILE

- Came off the bench to score eight points in his collegiate debut against ULM (Nov. 3).
- Played 13 minutes off the bench in NIU's exhibition game against Quincy (Oct. 28), had four points on 2-of-2 shooting with one assist.
- Attended Supreme Academy in 2024-25.
- Started high school at Coolidge High School before going to PHH Prep in 2023-24.
- Averaged 10.5 points, 5.0 assists, 2.7 steals and 2.6 rebounds per game as a sophomore at Coolidge in 2022-23.
- Majoring in business administration.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS		
Points	8	ULM (11/3/25)
Field Goals	3	East-West (12/16/25)
Field Goal Attempts	7	East-West (12/16/25)
3-Point Field Goals	2	ULM (11/3/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	3	twice, last: Toledo (1/6/26)
Free Throws	4	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Free Throw Attempts	7	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Rebounds	4	East-West (12/16/25)
Offensive Rebounds	3	East-West (12/16/25)
Defensive Rebounds	2	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Assists	4	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Turnovers	2	twice, last: at Grand Canyon (11/10/25)
Blocks		
Steals	2	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Minutes	18	ULM (11/3/25)

CAREER HIGHS		
Points	8	ULM (11/3/25)
Field Goals	3	East-West (12/16/25)
Field Goal Attempts	7	East-West (12/16/25)
3-Point Field Goals	2	ULM (11/3/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	3	twice, last: Toledo (1/6/26)
Free Throws	4	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Free Throw Attempts	7	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Rebounds	4	East-West (12/16/25)
Offensive Rebounds	3	East-West (12/16/25)
Defensive Rebounds	2	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Assists	4	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Turnovers	2	twice, last: at Grand Canyon (11/10/25)
Blocks		
Steals	2	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Minutes	18	ULM (11/3/25)

CAREER STATISTICS																													
Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2025-26	13	0	103	7.9	12	30	.400	4	13	.308	16	24	.667	3	8	11	0.8	10	0	7	0.5	11	0.8	0	0.0	2	0.2	44	3.4
Career	13	0	103	7.9	12	30	.400	4	13	.308	16	24	.667	3	8	11	0.8	10	0	7	0.5	11	0.8	0	0.0	2	0.2	44	3.4



Daemar KELLY

6-5 | 195 | Junior | Guard
Pittsburgh, Pa. | St. Francis (Pa.)

THE KELLY FILE

- Recorded a new career-high 18 points against Benedictine (Nov. 13), going 6-of-8 from the field.
- Scored in double figures for the first time as a Huskie with 12 points at Grand Canyon (Nov. 10).
- Made 33 starts for St. Francis (Pa.) in 2024-25, averaging 8.3 points, 3.3 rebounds and 1.8 assists per game. Helped the Red Flash win the NEC Tournament Title.
- Started his collegiate career at Quinnipiac in 2023-24, where he appeared in 26 games.
- Scored 40 points with 26 rebounds, eight steals and five assists for the Bobcats. Helped Quinnipiac win the MAAC regular season title.
- Four-year letterwinner at Penn Hills High School where he scored 1,000 career points.
- Three-time all-section honoree.
- Helped Penn Hills to the 2023 Class 5A WPIAL championship.
- Majoring in general studies.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS		
Points	18	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goals	6	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goal Attempts	12	East-West (12/16/25)
3-Point Field Goals	3	Lindenwood (12/2/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	6	twice, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Free Throws	6	at Northern Iowa (11/18/25)
Free Throw Attempts	6	at Northern Iowa (11/18/25)
Rebounds	8	East-West (12/16/25)
Offensive Rebounds	5	East-West (12/16/25)
Defensive Rebounds	7	at Eastern Michigan (1/13/26)
Assists	5	at Elon (12/13/25)
Turnovers	4	at Kent State (1/3/26)
Blocks	1	three times, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Steals	2	four times, last: at Ball State (1/24/26)
Minutes	35	at Grand Canyon (11/10/25)

CAREER HIGHS		
Points	18	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goals	6	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goal Attempts	12	East-West (12/16/25)
3-Point Field Goals	3	five times, last: Lindenwood (12/2/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	7	twice, last: at Central Connecticut St. (3/11/25)
Free Throws	6	twice, last: at Northern Iowa (11/18/25)
Free Throw Attempts	12	twice, last: at Central Connecticut St. (3/11/25)
Rebounds	8	twice, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Offensive Rebounds	5	East-West (12/16/25)
Defensive Rebounds	7	twice, last: at Eastern Michigan (1/13/26)
Assists	5	at Elon (12/13/25)
Turnovers	6	at Penn State (11/12/24)
Blocks	3	at Fairleigh Dickinson (1/12/25)
Steals	3	three times, last: PSU-Schuylkill (11/20/24)
Minutes	43	at Wagner (1/20/25)

CAREER STATISTICS																													
Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2023-24	26	0	212	8.2	15	34	.441	7	19	.368	3	3	1.000	7	19	26	1.0	20	0	5	0.2	3	0.1	6	0.2	8	0.3	40	1.5
2024-25	34	34	1018	29.9	105	246	.427	37	120	.308	30	38	.789	15	95	110	3.2	65	2	58	1.7	59	1.7	20	0.6	26	0.8	277	8.1
2025-26	20	15	451	22.6	42	135	.311	20	69	.290	35	47	.745	19	47	66	3.3	41	2	27	1.4	26	1.3	3	0.2	13	0.7	139	7.0
Career	80	49	1681	21.0	162	415	.390	64	208	.308	68	88	.773	41	161	202	2.5	126	4	90	1.1	88	1.1	29	0.4	47	0.6	456	5.7



JJ TAYLOR

6-8 | 196 | Junior | Forward
Chicago, Ill. | UCF

THE TAYLOR FILE

- Will miss the remainder of the season with an ACL tear suffered at Grand Canyon (Nov. 10).
- Netted a career-high 17 points at Wisconsin (Nov. 7), including 9-of-12 from the free-throw line. His previous career-best was 14 points against Arizona State (Jan. 14, 2025) last year while at UCF.
- Appeared in 25 games a season ago at Central Florida, averaged 4.4 points and 2.2 rebounds per game.
- Shot 40.7 percent (33-of-81) from the field, 32.5 percent (13-of-40) from three and 65.2 percent (30-of-46) from the free-throw line.
- Began his collegiate career at Memphis in 2023-24. Appeared in three games for the Tigers, playing six total minutes.
- Four-star recruit out of San Ysidro High School in San Diego. Averaged 25.5 points, 7.3 rebounds and 1.8 blocks per game as a senior at San Ysidro
- Attended Kenwood Academy in Chicago as a sophomore and Morgan Park High School as a freshman.
- Majoring in general studies.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS		
Points	17	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Field Goals	4	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Field Goal Attempts	10	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
3-Point Field Goals	1	at Grand Canyon (11/10/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	5	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Free Throws	9	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Free Throw Attempts	12	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Rebounds	4	twice, last: at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Offensive Rebounds	2	ULM (11/3/25)
Defensive Rebounds	4	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Assists	1	ULM (11/3/25)
Turnovers	6	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Blocks	1	at Grand Canyon (11/10/25)
Steals		
Minutes	28	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)

CAREER HIGHS		
Points	17	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Field Goals	5	Texas A&M (11/4/24)
Field Goal Attempts	10	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
3-Point Field Goals	2	three times, last: at Arizona State (1/14/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	5	twice, last: at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Free Throws	9	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Free Throw Attempts	12	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Rebounds	9	twice, last: at Arizona State (1/14/25)
Offensive Rebounds	3	at Wisconsin (11/22/24)
Defensive Rebounds	8	at Arizona State (1/14/25)
Assists	3	twice, last: TCU (1/25/25)
Turnovers	6	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Blocks	2	twice, last: Oklahoma State (2/19/25)
Steals	2	Texas A&M (11/4/24)
Minutes	28	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)

CAREER STATISTICS																													
Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2023-24	3	0	5	1.7	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	2	2	0.7	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2024-25	25	0	345	13.8	33	81	.407	13	40	.325	30	46	.652	14	42	56	2.2	35	0	21	0.8	28	1.1	7	0.3	9	0.4	109	4.4
2025-26	3	2	63	21.0	7	18	.389	1	9	.111	11	16	.688	2	6	8	2.7	4	0	1	0.3	9	3.0	1	0.3	0	0.0	26	8.7
Career	31	2	413	13.3	40	99	.404	14	49	.286	41	62	.661	16	50	66	2.1	39	0	22	0.7	37	1.2	8	0.3	9	0.3	135	4.4



Taj WALTERS

6-5 | 220 | Freshman | Guard
Bronx, N.Y. | Moravian Prep

THE WALTERS FILE

- Ranked 16th in the MAC in rebounding at 5.8 boards per game and 11th in offensive rebounds at 2.11 per game.
- Ranked sixth in the MAC in rebounding in league play at 7.7 boards per game, also fifth in free throw percentage (90.5 percent) and tied for 13th in three-point percentage (41.4 percent).
- Netted a new career-high 16 points in a victory over Western Michigan (Jan. 27).
- Had the game-winning tip-in at the buzzer in the conference opener against Central Michigan (Dec. 20). Tied his career-high with 13 points against the Chippewas.
- Scored in double figures for the first time in his collegiate career with 13 points against Benedictine (Nov. 13).
- Spent 2024-25 at Moravian Prep in North Carolina, where he competed in the Overtime Elite League
- Averaged 5.5 points, 4.8 rebounds per game during the Overtime Elite regular season and 6.1 points and 3.9 rebounds per game in the playoffs for the YNG Dreamerz. Won the Overtime Elite Championship.
- Earned All-NEPSAC Class B honors in 2023-24 at Greenwich County Day School.
- Majoring in sport management.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS		
Points	16	Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Field Goals	7	Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Field Goal Attempts	13	at Eastern Michigan (1/13/26)
3-Point Field Goals	3	twice, last: at Kent State (1/3/26)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	5	three times, last: Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Free Throws	6	Buffalo (12/31/25)
Free Throw Attempts	6	Buffalo (12/31/25)
Rebounds	13	Toledo (1/6/26)
Offensive Rebounds	5	at Loyola Chicago (11/21/25)
Defensive Rebounds	10	Toledo (1/6/26)
Assists	2	three times, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Turnovers	3	three times, last: at Ohio (1/20/26)
Blocks	2	Toledo (1/6/26)
Steals	3	at Kent State (1/3/26)
Minutes	38	UMass (1/17/26)

CAREER HIGHS		
Points	16	Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Field Goals	7	Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Field Goal Attempts	13	at Eastern Michigan (1/13/26)
3-Point Field Goals	3	twice, last: at Kent State (1/3/26)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	5	three times, last: Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Free Throws	6	Buffalo (12/31/25)
Free Throw Attempts	6	Buffalo (12/31/25)
Rebounds	13	Toledo (1/6/26)
Offensive Rebounds	5	at Loyola Chicago (11/21/25)
Defensive Rebounds	10	Toledo (1/6/26)
Assists	2	three times, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Turnovers	3	three times, last: at Ohio (1/20/26)
Blocks	2	Toledo (1/6/26)
Steals	3	at Kent State (1/3/26)
Minutes	38	UMass (1/17/26)

CAREER STATISTICS																													
Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2025-26	19	13	467	24.6	48	102	.471	17	45	.378	29	37	.784	40	70	110	5.8	37	1	10	0.5	23	1.2	6	0.3	13	0.7	142	7.5
Career	19	13	467	24.6	48	102	.471	17	45	.378	29	37	.784	40	70	110	5.8	37	1	10	0.5	23	1.2	6	0.3	13	0.7	142	7.5



Hassan 'Tre' WASHINGTON

6-6 | 240 | Junior | Forward
Providence, R.I. | Monroe University

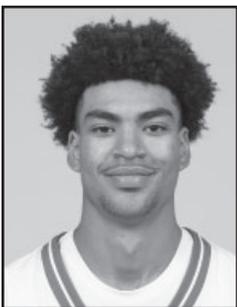
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- Made his first start since Dec. 20 against Western Michigan (Jan. 27), grabbing a career-best eight rebounds against the Broncos.
- Made his first Division I start at Northern Iowa (Nov. 18), playing a then season-high 21 minutes.
- Scored a career-high 13 points against Benedictine (Nov. 13), going 5-of-8 from the field.
- Went 3-for-3 from the field in his Division I debut against ULM (Nov. 3), scoring six points with two rebounds and two assists.
- Starting 33 games for Monroe in 2024-25, averaging 11.0 points, 5.6 rebounds and 1.1 assists per game. Shot 63 percent (148-of-235) from the field
- Appeared in 30 games for Monroe in 2023-24, making 12 starts, averaging 9.9 points and 4.7 rebounds per contest while shooting 60.7 percent (119-of-196) from the field.
- Majoring in sport management.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS		
Points	13	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goals	5	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
Field Goal Attempts	8	Benedictine (11/13/25)
3-Point Field Goals	2	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	3	twice, last: at Northern Iowa (11/18/25)
Free Throws	3	at Ball State (1/24/26)
Free Throw Attempts	5	at Ball State (1/24/26)
Rebounds	8	Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Offensive Rebounds	3	twice, last: Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Defensive Rebounds	5	twice, last: Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Assists	3	Toledo (1/6/26)
Turnovers	4	twice, last: at Elon (12/13/25)
Blocks	1	five times, last: Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Steals	2	at Kent State (1/3/26)
Minutes	27	UMass (1/17/26)

CAREER HIGHS		
Points	13	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goals	5	twice, last: UMass (1/17/26)
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Free Throws	3	at Ball State (1/24/26)
Free Throw Attempts	5	at Ball State (1/24/26)
Rebounds	8	Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Offensive Rebounds	3	twice, last: Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Defensive Rebounds	5	twice, last: Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Assists	3	Toledo (1/6/26)
Turnovers	4	twice, last: at Elon (12/13/25)
Blocks	1	five times, last: Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Steals	2	at Kent State (1/3/26)
Minutes	27	UMass (1/17/26)

DIVISION I CAREER STATISTICS																													
Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2025-26	19	6	288	15.2	34	62	.548	7	15	.467	13	27	.481	17	36	53	2.8	69	5	11	0.6	33	1.7	5	0.3	6	0.3	88	4.6
Career	19	6	288	15.2	34	62	.548	7	15	.467	13	27	.481	17	36	53	2.8	69	5	11	0.6	33	1.7	5	0.3	6	0.3	88	4.6



Ladji KANTE

6-7 | 190 | Freshman | Forward
Marseille, France

THE KANTE FILE

- Scored a career-high 12 points and grabbed a career-best eight rebounds against East-West (Dec. 16).
- Played eight minutes in his collegiate debut against ULM (Nov. 3), scoring four points.
- Played primarily for the Élan Chalon U21 team in 2024-25, where he averaged 11.4 points, 4.0 rebounds and 4.2 assists per game in 28 contests.
- Also appeared in a pair of games for Élan Chalon in the French LNB Elite League in 2024-25.
- Averaged 12 points, 3.9 rebounds and 3.8 assists per game for the Élan Chalon U21 team in 2023-24.
- Majoring in sport management.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS		
Points	12	East-West (12/16/25)
Field Goals	6	East-West (12/16/25)
Field Goal Attempts	10	East-West (12/16/25)
3-Point Field Goals	1	three times, last: at Northern Iowa (11/18/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	2	four times, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Free Throws	4	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Free Throw Attempts	6	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Rebounds	8	East-West (12/16/25)
Offensive Rebounds	6	East-West (12/16/25)
Defensive Rebounds	2	twice, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Assists	2	twice, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Turnovers	3	East-West (12/16/25)
Blocks		
Steals	2	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
Minutes	22	East-West (12/16/25)

CAREER HIGHS		
Points	12	East-West (12/16/25)
Field Goals	6	East-West (12/16/25)
Field Goal Attempts	10	East-West (12/16/25)
3-Point Field Goals	1	three times, last: at Northern Iowa (11/18/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	2	four times, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Free Throws	4	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Free Throw Attempts	6	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Rebounds	8	East-West (12/16/25)
Offensive Rebounds	6	East-West (12/16/25)
Defensive Rebounds	2	twice, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Assists	2	twice, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Turnovers	3	East-West (12/16/25)
Blocks		
Steals	2	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
Minutes	22	East-West (12/16/25)

CAREER STATISTICS																													
Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2025-26	13	0	134	10.3	15	35	.429	3	13	.231	11	16	.688	12	8	20	1.5	9	0	7	0.5	9	0.7	0	0.0	4	0.3	44	3.4
Career	13	0	134	10.3	15	35	.429	3	13	.231	11	16	.688	12	8	20	1.5	9	0	7	0.5	9	0.7	0	0.0	4	0.3	44	3.4



Jao ITUKA

6-1 | 196 | Junior | Guard
Gaithersburg, Md. | Jacksonville St.

THE ITUKA FILE

- Appeared in 36 games for Jacksonville State in 2024-25, making a pair of starts and helped the Gamecocks to a 23-win season and the second round of the NIT. Averaged 8.7 points and 1.5 rebounds per game.
- Spent two seasons at Wake Forest. Appeared in six games for the Demon Deacons in 2022-23 before receiving a medical redshirt and did not see action in 2023-24.
- Led Marist in scoring in 2021-22 with 15.3 points and 3.1 rebounds per game, shooting 52.6 percent from the field, 41 percent from three and 76.8 percent from the free-throw line
- Named MAAC Freshman of the Year and earned Rookie of the Week nine times while at Marist.
- Three-year varsity starter at Gaithersburg (Md.) High School, helping his team to 56 wins, three division titles and a 2018 regional championship. Scored 1,640 career points.
- Majoring in general studies.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS		
Points	19	ULM (11/3/25)
Field Goals	6	ULM (11/3/25)
Field Goal Attempts	14	East-West (12/16/25)
3-Point Field Goals	5	East-West (12/16/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	14	East-West (12/16/25)
Free Throws	6	at Elon (12/13/25)
Free Throw Attempts	6	at Elon (12/13/25)
Rebounds	7	East-West (12/16/25)
Offensive Rebounds	2	East-West (12/16/25)
Defensive Rebounds	5	three times, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Assists	3	at Grand Canyon (11/10/25)
Turnovers	1	five times, last: Toledo (1/6/26)
Blocks	1	East-West (12/16/25)
Steals	3	at Northern Iowa (11/18/25)
Minutes	28	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)

CAREER HIGHS		
Points	34	at Boston University (12/18/21)
Field Goals	11	at Boston University (12/18/21)
Field Goal Attempts	19	at Siena (2/18/22)
3-Point Field Goals	6	Columbia International (12/2/24)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	14	twice, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Free Throws	13	at Florida International (3/1/25)
Free Throw Attempts	15	Monmouth (1/16/22)
Rebounds	8	at Siena (2/18/22)
Offensive Rebounds	4	at Siena (2/18/22)
Defensive Rebounds	7	Monmouth (1/16/22)
Assists	6	Quinnipiac (2/20/22)
Turnovers	8	at Manhattan (1/30/22)
Blocks	2	at Saint Peter's (2/6/22)
Steals	3	twice, last: at Northern Iowa (11/18/25)
Minutes	34	at Florida International (3/1/25)

CAREER STATISTICS																													
Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2021-22	28	16	616	22.0	151	287	.526	16	39	.410	109	142	.768	19	69	88	3.1	54	0	45	1.6	66	2.4	7	0.3	19	0.7	427	15.3
2022-23	6	0	50	8.3	5	15	.333	1	3	.333	7	8	.875	2	5	7	1.2	4	0	5	0.8	10	1.7	1	0.2	0	0.0	18	3.0
2024-25	36	2	673	18.7	95	245	.388	53	151	.351	69	86	.802	5	49	54	1.5	38	0	29	0.8	30	0.8	3	0.1	11	0.3	312	8.7
2025-26	15	0	210	14.0	33	89	.371	21	61	.344	17	21	.810	4	34	38	2.5	23	0	14	0.9	5	0.3	1	0.1	8	0.5	104	6.9
Career	85	18	1549	18.2	284	636	.447	91	254	.358	202	257	.786	30	157	187	2.2	119	0	93	1.1	111	1.3	12	0.1	38	0.4	861	10.1



Isaiah WASHINGTON

6-5 | 185 | RS Freshman | Guard
Fayetteville, N.C. | UNC Greensboro

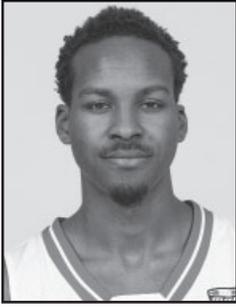
THE WASHINGTON FILE

- Scored a career-high nine points with four assists against Benedictine (Nov. 13).
- Played a pair of minutes in his collegiate debut against ULM (Nov. 3).
- Did not see action at UNC Greensboro in 2024-25.
- Played in the Overtime Elite League while attending Winston-Salem Christian. Averaged 17.3 points, six rebounds and two assists per game in his final season at Winston-Salem Christian.
- Majoring in organizational and corporate communications.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS		
Points	9	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goals	3	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goal Attempts	5	at Bradley (12/6/25)
3-Point Field Goals	1	Benedictine (11/13/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	1	six times, last: at Ball State (1/24/26)
Free Throws	2	four times, last: at Ball State (1/24/26)
Free Throw Attempts	4	twice, last: at Ball State (1/24/26)
Rebounds	3	twice, last: at Bradley (12/6/25)
Offensive Rebounds	2	twice, last: at Bradley (12/6/25)
Defensive Rebounds	1	four times, last: at Bradley (12/6/25)
Assists	4	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Turnovers	1	twice, last: at Ball State (1/24/26)
Blocks		
Steals		
Minutes	15	at Ball State (1/24/26)

CAREER HIGHS		
Points	9	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goals	3	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goal Attempts	5	at Bradley (12/6/25)
3-Point Field Goals	1	Benedictine (11/13/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	1	six times, last: at Ball State (1/24/26)
Free Throws	2	four times, last: at Ball State (1/24/26)
Free Throw Attempts	4	twice, last: at Ball State (1/24/26)
Rebounds	3	twice, last: at Bradley (12/6/25)
Offensive Rebounds	2	twice, last: at Bradley (12/6/25)
Defensive Rebounds	1	four times, last: at Bradley (12/6/25)
Assists	4	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Turnovers	1	twice, last: at Ball State (1/24/26)
Blocks		
Steals		
Minutes	15	at Ball State (1/24/26)

CAREER STATISTICS																													
Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2025-26	10	0	68	6.8	8	20	.400	1	6	.167	9	14	.643	5	5	10	1.0	4	0	6	0.6	2	0.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	26	2.6
Career	10	0	68	6.8	8	20	.400	1	6	.167	9	14	.643	5	5	10	1.0	4	0	6	0.6	2	0.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	26	2.6



Lataevyon TAYLOR

6-0 | 160 | Sophomore | Guard
Chicago, Ill. | Western Oklahoma St.

THE TAYLOR FILE

- Attended Western Oklahoma State College in 2024-25, where he appeared in 16 games where he averaged 4.2 points, 1.9 assists and 0.8 rebounds per game for the Pioneers.
- Began his collegiate career at Alcorn State in 2023-24, but did not see action.
- Attended Simeon High School in Chicago.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS

Points	
Field Goals	
Field Goal Attempts	
3-Point Field Goals	
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	
Free Throws	
Free Throw Attempts	
Rebounds	
Offensive Rebounds	
Defensive Rebounds	
Assists	
Turnovers	
Blocks	
Steals	
Minutes	

CAREER HIGHS

Points	
Field Goals	
Field Goal Attempts	
3-Point Field Goals	
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	
Free Throws	
Free Throw Attempts	
Rebounds	
Offensive Rebounds	
Defensive Rebounds	
Assists	
Turnovers	
Blocks	
Steals	
Minutes	

DIVISION I CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg	
2025-26																														
Career																														



Isaiah STEWART

6-6 | 190 | Freshman | Guard/Forward
Rockwall, Texas | Big Tyme Prep

THE STEWART FILE

- Netted a career-high five points, with a career-best six rebounds, against East-West (Dec. 16).
- Scored the first points of his collegiate career against Benedictine (Nov. 13).
- Played a pair of minutes in his collegiate debut against ULM (Nov. 3).
- Appeared in 33 games for Big Tyme Prep in 2024-25 where he averaged 11.1 points, 4.7 rebounds and 4.0 assists per game.
- Finished he prep career with 2,004 career points.
- Majoring in sport management.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS

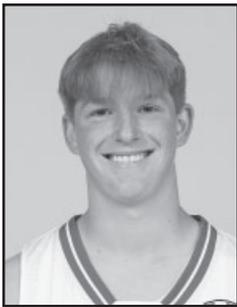
Points	5	East-West (12/16/25)
Field Goals	1	three times, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Field Goal Attempts	5	East-West (12/16/25)
3-Point Field Goals	1	Lindenwood (12/2/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	2	twice, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Free Throws	3	East-West (12/16/25)
Free Throw Attempts	4	East-West (12/16/25)
Rebounds	6	East-West (12/16/25)
Offensive Rebounds	4	East-West (12/16/25)
Defensive Rebounds	2	twice, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Assists	2	East-West (12/16/25)
Turnovers	2	East-West (12/16/25)
Blocks		
Steals	1	at Grand Canyon (11/10/25)
Minutes	21	East-West (12/16/25)

CAREER HIGHS

Points	5	East-West (12/16/25)
Field Goals	1	three times, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Field Goal Attempts	5	East-West (12/16/25)
3-Point Field Goals	1	Lindenwood (12/2/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	2	twice, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Free Throws	3	East-West (12/16/25)
Free Throw Attempts	4	East-West (12/16/25)
Rebounds	6	East-West (12/16/25)
Offensive Rebounds	4	East-West (12/16/25)
Defensive Rebounds	2	twice, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Assists	2	East-West (12/16/25)
Turnovers	2	East-West (12/16/25)
Blocks		
Steals	1	at Grand Canyon (11/10/25)
Minutes	21	East-West (12/16/25)

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2025-26	7	0	41	5.9	3	8	.375	1	4	.250	4	6	.667	5	6	11	1.6	1	0	3	0.4	2	0.3	0	0.0	1	0.1	11	1.6
Career	7	0	41	5.9	3	8	.375	1	4	.250	4	6	.667	5	6	11	1.6	1	0	3	0.4	2	0.3	0	0.0	1	0.1	11	1.6



Max LASKEY

6-5 | 195 | Freshman | Guard
Birmingham, Mich. | IMG Academy

THE LASKEY FILE

- Played one minute at Wisconsin (Nov. 7), making a three-point field goal in his collegiate debut.
- Spent a postgrad year at IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla., in 2024-25.
- Prepped at Seaholm High School in Birmingham, Mich., where he averaged 12 points, six rebounds and five assists as a senior in 2023-24.
- Earned 2024 Hometown Life All-Area Special Mention recognition.
- Grew up in Neenah, Wis., before moving to Michigan in 2020.
- Majoring in marketing.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS		
Points	3	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Field Goals	1	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Field Goal Attempts	1	three times, last: East-West (12/16/25)
3-Point Field Goals	1	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	1	three times, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Free Throws		
Free Throw Attempts		
Rebounds	1	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Offensive Rebounds		
Defensive Rebounds	1	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Assists	1	East-West (12/16/25)
Turnovers	1	East-West (12/16/25)
Blocks		
Steals		
Minutes	5	East-West (12/16/25)

CAREER HIGHS		
Points	3	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Field Goals	1	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
Field Goal Attempts	1	three times, last: East-West (12/16/25)
3-Point Field Goals	1	at Wisconsin (11/7/25)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	1	three times, last: East-West (12/16/25)
Free Throws		
Free Throw Attempts		
Rebounds	1	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Offensive Rebounds		
Defensive Rebounds	1	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Assists	1	East-West (12/16/25)
Turnovers	1	East-West (12/16/25)
Blocks		
Steals		
Minutes	5	East-West (12/16/25)

CAREER STATISTICS																													
Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2025-26	4	0	12	3.0	1	3	.333	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	1	0.3	1	0.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0.8
Career	4	0	12	3.0	1	3	.333	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	1	0.3	1	0.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0.8



Jaylen WHARTON

6-9 | 200 | RS Junior | Forward
Plant City, Fla. | USF

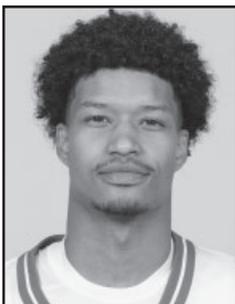
THE WHARTON FILE

- Played three minutes in his Division I debut against ULM (Nov. 3).
- Did not see game action in 2024-25 at South Florida.
- Played in 30 games, including 21 starts, at Walters State in 2023-24. Averaged 5.8 points and 4.0 rebounds per game, shot 57.1 percent (72-of-126) from the field.
- Saw action in 28 contests at Walters State in 2022-23, including nine starts, and averaged 5.0 points and 3.4 rebounds per contest.
- Spent one season at Massanutten Military Academy, where he averaged 10.2 points and 5.5 rebounds per game, while helping Massanutten to a No. 8 national ranking and a semifinal appearance in the National Prep Championship
- Played three seasons at Durant High School in Plant City, Fla. Averaged 14.4 points, 6.8 rebounds and 1.2 blocks per game as a senior, helping Durant to a 20-6 overall record. Named to the All-Tampa Area Third Team and the All-Western Division Second Team.
- Majoring in general studies.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS		
Points	6	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goals	2	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goal Attempts	6	Benedictine (11/13/25)
3-Point Field Goals		
3-Point Field Goal Attempts		
Free Throws	2	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
Free Throw Attempts	4	Lindenwood (12/2/25)
Rebounds	5	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Offensive Rebounds	2	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Defensive Rebounds	3	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
Assists	1	twice, last: at Kent State (1/3/26)
Turnovers	1	three times, last: at Ohio (1/20/26)
Blocks	1	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
Steals	1	at Grand Canyon (11/10/25)
Minutes	15	at Grand Canyon (11/10/25)

CAREER HIGHS		
Points	6	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goals	2	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
Field Goal Attempts	6	Benedictine (11/13/25)
3-Point Field Goals		
3-Point Field Goal Attempts		
Free Throws	2	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
Free Throw Attempts	4	Lindenwood (12/2/25)
Rebounds	5	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Offensive Rebounds	2	Benedictine (11/13/25)
Defensive Rebounds	3	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
Assists	1	twice, last: at Kent State (1/3/26)
Turnovers	1	three times, last: at Ohio (1/20/26)
Blocks	1	twice, last: Benedictine (11/13/25)
Steals	1	at Grand Canyon (11/10/25)
Minutes	15	at Grand Canyon (11/10/25)

DIVISION I CAREER STATISTICS																													
Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2025-26	13	0	83	6.4	11	21	.524	0	0	.000	6	12	.500	6	14	20	1.5	17	0	2	0.2	3	0.2	2	0.2	1	0.1	28	2.2
Career	13	0	83	6.4	11	21	.524	0	0	.000	6	12	.500	6	14	20	1.5	17	0	2	0.2	3	0.2	2	0.2	1	0.1	28	2.2



Dylan DUCOMMUN

6-4 | 190 | Freshman | Guard
Geneva, Switzerland

THE DUCOMMUN FILE

- Ranked fifth in the MAC making 2.38 triples per game.
- Scored a career-high 24 points at Loyola Chicago (Nov. 21), making six triples, including each of his first five attempts.
- Made his collegiate debut against Northern Iowa (Nov. 18), scoring 12 points with seven assists in 34 minutes of action.
- Missed time at the beginning of the season due to an injury suffered in late October.
- Averaged 13.9 points and 4.4 rebounds per game for Union Neuchâtel in the Swiss SBL in 2024-25.
- Also averaged 10.8 points and 2.4 rebounds per contest for the Swiss National Team in 2024-25 during World Cup Qualifiers, helping Switzerland win Group A of the first round pre-qualifiers.
- Scored 12.7 points with 4.2 rebounds and 3.2 assists per game at the 2024 FIBA U20 Eurobasket Division B Tournament.
- Majoring in business administration.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS		
Points	24	at Loyola Chicago (11/21/25)
Field Goals	9	at Loyola Chicago (11/21/25)
Field Goal Attempts	19	Buffalo (12/31/25)
3-Point Field Goals	7	Western Michigan (1/27/26)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	12	twice, last: Western Michigan (1/27/26)
Free Throws	8	Central Michigan (12/20/25)
Free Throw Attempts	10	Central Michigan (12/20/25)
Rebounds	6	at Bradley (12/6/25)
Offensive Rebounds	4	East-West (12/16/25)
Defensive Rebounds	4	at Bradley (12/6/25)
Assists	7	at Northern Iowa (11/18/25)
Turnovers	6	twice, last: at Bradley (12/6/25)
Blocks	1	twice, last: Buffalo (12/31/25)
Steals	3	East-West (12/16/25)
Minutes	38	at Elon (12/13/25)

CAREER HIGHS		
Points	24	at Loyola Chicago (11/21/25)
Field Goals	9	at Loyola Chicago (11/21/25)
Field Goal Attempts	19	Buffalo (12/31/25)
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Offensive Rebounds	4	East-West (12/16/25)
Defensive Rebounds	4	at Bradley (12/6/25)
Assists	7	at Northern Iowa (11/18/25)
Turnovers	6	twice, last: at Bradley (12/6/25)
Blocks	1	twice, last: Buffalo (12/31/25)
Steals	3	East-West (12/16/25)
Minutes	38	at Elon (12/13/25)

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2025-26	16	16	495	30.9	69	182	.379	38	113	.336	31	44	.705	12	32	44	2.8	35	1	51	3.2	49	3.1	2	0.1	13	0.8	207	12.9
Career	16	16	495	30.9	69	182	.379	38	113	.336	31	44	.705	12	32	44	2.8	35	1	51	3.2	49	3.1	2	0.1	13	0.8	207	12.9



Gustav WINTHER

6-10 | 200 | Freshman | Forward
Roskilde, Denmark

THE WINTHER FILE

- Ranked third in the MAC in field goal percentage at 61.8 percent and seventh in offensive rebounds (2.25 pg).
- Had a double-double in his collegiate debut against ULM (Nov. 3), scoring 18 points with 10 rebounds.
- Had second double-double with 14 points and 11 rebounds against Central Michigan (Dec. 20).
- Played with Basketball Club Copenhagen in the Danish BasketLigen in 2024-25, averaging 12.3 points and 5.7 rebounds per game in 27 games. Shot 57 percent from the field and 72 percent from the free-throw line.
- Played with Holbaek-Stenus in Denmark in 2023-24, where he averaged 9.1 points and 6.5 rebounds, shooting 47 percent from the field.
- Averaged 12.3 points and 5.8 rebounds per game for Holbaek-Stenus in 2022-23.
- Represented Denmark at the FIBA U18 European Championship Division B in 2022, earning a silver medal.
- Majoring in economics.

2025-26 SEASON HIGHS		
Points	18	ULM (11/3/25)
Field Goals	8	ULM (11/3/25)
Field Goal Attempts	11	Lindenwood (12/2/25)
3-Point Field Goals	1	three times, last: Toledo (1/6/26)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	1	six times, last: Toledo (1/6/26)
Free Throws	8	Central Michigan (12/20/25)
Free Throw Attempts	11	at Elon (12/13/25)
Rebounds	11	Central Michigan (12/20/25)
Offensive Rebounds	6	ULM (11/3/25)
Defensive Rebounds	6	twice, last: Central Michigan (12/20/25)
Assists	3	twice, last: at Loyola Chicago (11/21/25)
Turnovers	5	twice, last: Lindenwood (12/2/25)
Blocks	2	three times, last: at Eastern Mich. (1/13/26)
Steals	2	twice, last: at Elon (12/13/25)
Minutes	37	at Elon (12/13/25)

CAREER HIGHS		
Points	18	ULM (11/3/25)
Field Goals	8	ULM (11/3/25)
Field Goal Attempts	11	Lindenwood (12/2/25)
3-Point Field Goals	1	three times, last: Toledo (1/6/26)
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Free Throws	8	Central Michigan (12/20/25)
Free Throw Attempts	11	at Elon (12/13/25)
Rebounds	11	Central Michigan (12/20/25)
Offensive Rebounds	6	ULM (11/3/25)
Defensive Rebounds	6	twice, last: Central Michigan (12/20/25)
Assists	3	twice, last: at Loyola Chicago (11/21/25)
Turnovers	5	twice, last: Lindenwood (12/2/25)
Blocks	2	three times, last: at Eastern Mich. (1/13/26)
Steals	2	twice, last: at Elon (12/13/25)
Minutes	37	at Elon (12/13/25)

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	S	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	Off	Def	Reb	Avg	Foul	DQ	Ast	Avg	TO	Avg	Blk	Avg	Stl	Avg	Pts	Avg
2025-26	20	19	452	22.6	63	102	.618	3	6	.500	37	63	.587	45	54	99	5.0	57	2	21	1.1	33	1.7	9	0.5	7	0.4	166	8.3
Career	20	19	452	22.6	63	102	.618	3	6	.500	37	63	.587	45	54	99	5.0	57	2	21	1.1	33	1.7	9	0.5	7	0.4	166	8.3

PLAYER GAME-BY-GAME STATS

#0 GIANNI COBB

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg	
ULM	Nov. 3	*	24	6	9	.667	1	2	.500	1	2	.500	1	1	2	2.0	2	0	10	0	0	2	14	14.0	
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7	*	30	3	4	.750	0	0	.000	2	6	.333	0	0	0	1.0	3	0	3	1	0	1	8	11.0	
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10	*	21	0	5	.000	0	1	.000	0	2	.000	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	2	3	0	2	0	7.3	
Benedictine	Nov. 13	*	25	4	6	.667	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	0	4	4	1.8	1	0	5	2	0	2	9	7.8	
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18		13	1	5	.200	0	2	.000	1	2	.500	1	1	2	1.8	4	0	1	0	0	1	3	6.8	
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21		19	1	6	.167	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	3	0	3	2.0	2	0	5	1	0	2	2	6.0	
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25		20	5	8	.625	1	3	.333	1	5	.200	1	0	1	1.9	0	0	2	2	0	0	12	6.9	
Lindenwood	Dec. 2		24	2	5	.400	0	1	.000	2	7	.286	0	5	5	2.3	1	0	3	4	0	0	6	6.8	
at Bradley	Dec. 6		33	3	10	.300	1	4	.250	4	6	.667	4	1	5	2.6	3	0	3	3	0	1	11	7.2	
at Elon	Dec. 13		24	2	3	.667	1	1	1.000	2	2	1.000	0	1	1	2.4	3	0	1	1	0	0	7	7.2	
East-West	Dec. 16		27	5	6	.833	0	1	.000	0	1	.000	2	1	3	2.5	1	0	10	4	0	6	10	7.5	
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20		27	3	8	.375	0	2	.000	1	2	.500	1	2	3	2.5	4	0	4	4	0	2	7	7.4	
Buffalo*	Dec. 31		25	2	5	.400	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	2	2	2.5	2	0	2	1	0	1	4	7.2	
at Kent State*	Jan. 3		25	5	8	.625	1	2	.500	2	5	.400	1	0	1	2.4	4	0	3	4	0	2	13	7.6	
Toledo*	Jan. 6		23	2	8	.250	0	2	.000	3	4	.750	0	1	1	2.3	1	0	3	3	0	4	7	7.5	
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13	*	36	4	9	.444	0	1	.000	1	2	.500	0	3	3	2.3	3	0	7	2	0	3	9	7.6	
UMass*	Jan. 17	*	35	1	10	.100	0	5	.000	6	8	.750	0	0	0	2.2	2	0	6	4	0	6	8	7.6	
at Ohio*	Jan. 20	*	31	3	7	.429	1	2	.500	6	6	1.000	0	6	6	2.4	4	0	1	3	0	1	13	7.9	
at Ball State*	Jan. 24	*	36	4	8	.500	1	3	.333	2	2	1.000	1	2	3	2.4	3	0	2	2	0	1	11	8.1	
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27	*	35	4	7	.571	0	1	.000	2	4	.500	1	0	1	2.4	1	0	8	1	0	1	10	8.2	
Totals			9	533	60	137	.438	8	37	.216	36	66	.545	16	31	47	2.4	45	0	81	45	0	38	164	8.2

#1 MAKHAI VALENTINE

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg	
ULM	Nov. 3	*	28	4	9	.444	2	6	.333	6	8	.750	4	4	8	8.0	1	0	2	4	0	0	16	16.0	
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7	*	20	2	5	.400	1	4	.250	0	0	.000	0	3	3	5.5	5	1	0	0	0	0	5	10.5	
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10	*	26	2	10	.200	2	7	.286	2	2	1.000	2	2	4	5.0	0	0	1	2	0	0	8	9.7	
Benedictine	Nov. 13	*	23	5	11	.455	1	5	.200	6	7	.857	2	5	7	5.5	0	0	1	0	0	3	17	11.5	
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18	*	31	2	2	1.000	2	2	1.000	2	2	1.000	0	5	5	5.4	2	0	0	1	1	1	8	10.8	
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21	*	32	5	11	.455	3	9	.333	4	5	.800	4	5	9	6.0	2	0	1	2	0	4	17	11.8	
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25	*	28	4	13	.308	1	7	.143	1	1	1.000	0	3	3	5.6	2	0	1	1	0	3	10	11.6	
Lindenwood	Dec. 2	*	28	5	8	.625	3	5	.600	4	4	1.000	1	3	4	5.4	2	0	0	1	0	2	17	12.3	
at Bradley	Dec. 6	*	21	4	11	.364	2	6	.333	0	0	.000	2	4	6	5.4	3	0	1	2	0	1	10	12.0	
at Elon	Dec. 13	*	34	7	16	.438	3	10	.300	0	0	.000	5	5	10	5.9	3	0	1	0	0	2	17	12.5	
East-West	Dec. 16	*	13	5	13	.385	2	7	.286	2	2	1.000	3	3	6	5.9	2	0	1	2	0	1	14	12.6	
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20	*	36	3	8	.375	1	6	.167	3	5	.600	0	5	5	5.8	1	0	0	0	0	0	10	12.4	
Buffalo*	Dec. 31	*	33	4	12	.333	2	8	.250	1	1	1.000	3	3	6	5.8	2	0	3	2	0	1	11	12.3	
at Kent State*	Jan. 3	*	38	9	17	.529	5	12	.417	4	4	1.000	1	2	3	5.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	13.4	
Toledo*	Jan. 6	*	33	3	10	.300	3	7	.429	0	0	.000	1	5	6	5.7	1	0	2	2	0	1	9	13.1	
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13	*	31	5	11	.455	3	7	.429	7	8	.875	2	4	6	5.7	2	0	1	1	0	0	20	13.5	
UMass*	Jan. 17	*	37	9	17	.529	4	9	.444	5	6	.833	4	0	4	5.6	1	0	3	1	0	4	27	14.3	
at Ohio*	Jan. 20	*	37	3	12	.250	2	5	.400	2	3	.667	3	1	4	5.5	3	0	1	1	1	0	10	14.1	
at Ball State*	Jan. 24	*	34	3	16	.188	1	11	.091	3	3	1.000	0	4	4	5.4	3	0	1	2	0	1	10	13.8	
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27	*	37	6	11	.545	4	8	.500	0	0	.000	1	4	5	5.4	0	0	0	2	0	0	16	14.0	
Totals			20	600	90	223	.404	47	141	.333	52	61	.852	38	70	108	5.4	35	1	20	26	2	24	279	14.0

#2 CARLOS CORONADO

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg	
ULM	Nov. 3		18	2	5	.400	2	3	.667	2	2	1.000	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	2	1	0	0	8	8.0	
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7		9	1	4	.250	0	1	.000	3	5	.600	0	1	1	1.0	2	0	0	2	0	0	5	6.5	
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10		6	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	0	0	0	0.7	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	5.0	
Benedictine	Nov. 13		15	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	4	7	.571	0	2	2	1.0	0	0	4	2	0	2	6	5.3	
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18		Did not play																						
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21		Did not play																						
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25		6	1	2	.500	0	1	.000	0	1	.000	0	0	0	0.8	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	4.6	
Lindenwood	Dec. 2		6	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	1	1	1.000	0	0	0	0.7	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	4.3	
at Bradley	Dec. 6		2	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.7	
at Elon	Dec. 13		Did not play																						
East-West	Dec. 16		16	3	7	.429	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	3	1	4	1.0	2	0	1	1	0	0	6	4.0	
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20		Did not play																						
Buffalo*	Dec. 31		Did not play																						
at Kent State*	Jan. 3		7	0	2	.000	0	2	.000	2	2	1.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	3.8	
Toledo*	Jan. 6		9	2	4	.500	1	3	.333	2	2	1.000	0	1	1	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	0	7	4.1	
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13		2	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.9	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3.7	
UMass*	Jan. 17		3	1	1	1.000	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0.9	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3.7	
at Ohio*	Jan. 20		4	0	1	.000	0	1	.000	0	2	.000	0	0	0	0.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.4	
at Ball State*	Jan. 24		Did not play																						
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27		Did not play																						
Totals			0																						

PLAYER GAME-BY-GAME STATS

#3 DAEMAR KELLY

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg	
ULM	Nov. 3	*	29	2	7	.286	2	4	.500	2	3	.667	0	5	5	5.0	2	0	2	2	0	0	8	8.0	
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7	*	28	3	8	.375	2	5	.400	0	0	.000	1	3	4	4.5	5	1	3	1	0	0	8	8.0	
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10	*	35	3	11	.273	1	3	.333	5	5	1.000	0	1	1	3.3	2	0	3	3	0	2	12	9.3	
Benedictine	Nov. 13	*	23	6	8	.750	2	4	.500	4	5	.800	0	3	3	3.3	2	0	2	0	0	1	18	11.5	
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18	*	30	2	7	.286	0	1	.000	6	6	1.000	1	1	2	3.0	2	0	0	3	0	0	10	11.2	
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21	*	24	1	7	.143	0	3	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	2.5	1	0	1	0	0	2	2	9.7	
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25	*	20	3	10	.300	0	3	.000	2	2	1.000	1	3	4	2.7	3	0	1	0	0	1	8	9.4	
Lindenwood	Dec. 2	*	20	3	9	.333	3	6	.500	4	4	1.000	1	1	2	2.6	3	0	0	1	1	0	13	9.9	
at Bradley	Dec. 6	*	27	1	6	.167	1	4	.250	1	3	.333	1	2	3	2.7	1	0	2	1	0	0	4	9.2	
at Elon	Dec. 13	*	27	2	8	.250	1	5	.200	3	4	.750	2	2	4	2.8	4	0	5	3	0	0	8	9.1	
East-West	Dec. 16	*	16	4	12	.333	2	6	.333	0	0	.000	5	3	8	3.3	0	0	0	1	0	1	10	9.2	
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20	*	22	1	4	.250	1	3	.333	3	5	.600	1	1	2	3.2	1	0	1	1	0	2	6	8.9	
Buffalo*	Dec. 31	*	14	1	3	.333	0	2	.000	1	3	.333	1	1	2	3.1	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	8.5	
at Kent State*	Jan. 3	*	17	0	3	.000	0	2	.000	0	1	.000	0	4	4	3.1	5	1	0	4	0	1	0	7.9	
Toledo*	Jan. 6	*	16	1	3	.333	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	3.0	1	0	0	2	1	1	2	7.5	
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13		27	3	10	.300	1	5	.200	1	2	.500	0	7	7	3.3	1	0	1	2	0	0	8	7.5	
UMass*	Jan. 17		16	1	5	.200	1	4	.250	0	0	.000	0	3	3	3.2	1	0	0	0	1	0	3	7.2	
at Ohio*	Jan. 20		22	2	5	.400	1	3	.333	3	4	.750	1	2	3	3.2	3	0	3	1	0	0	8	7.3	
at Ball State*	Jan. 24		24	1	4	.250	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	3	4	3.3	2	0	1	0	0	2	2	7.0	
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27		14	2	5	.400	2	3	.667	0	0	.000	3	1	4	3.3	0	0	2	0	0	0	6	7.0	
Totals			15	451	42	135	.311	20	69	.290	35	47	.745	19	47	66	3.3	41	2	27	26	3	13	139	7.0

#4 JJ TAYLOR

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg	
ULM	Nov. 3		21	2	6	.333	0	2	.000	1	2	.500	2	2	4	4.0	3	0	1	1	0	0	5	5.0	
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7	*	28	4	10	.400	0	5	.000	9	12	.750	0	4	4	4.0	0	0	0	6	0	0	17	11.0	
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10	*	14	1	2	.500	1	2	.500	1	2	.500	0	0	0	2.7	1	0	0	2	1	0	4	8.7	
Benedictine	Nov. 13		Did not play																						
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18		Did not play																						
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21		Did not play																						
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25		Did not play																						
Lindenwood	Dec. 2		Did not play																						
at Bradley	Dec. 6		Did not play																						
at Elon	Dec. 13		Did not play																						
East-West	Dec. 16		Did not play																						
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20		Did not play																						
Buffalo*	Dec. 31		Did not play																						
at Kent State*	Jan. 3		Did not play																						
Toledo*	Jan. 6		Did not play																						
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13		Did not play																						
UMass*	Jan. 17		Did not play																						
at Ohio*	Jan. 20		Did not play																						
at Ball State*	Jan. 24		Did not play																						
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27		Did not play																						
Totals			2	63	7	18	.389	1	9	.111	11	16	.688	2	6	8	2.7	4	0	1	9	1	0	26	8.7

#6 TAJ WALTERS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
ULM	Nov. 3	*	9	1	2	.500	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	1	2	2.0	4	0	0	1	0	0	2	2.0
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7		8	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10		8	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	0	1	1.0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0.7
Benedictine	Nov. 13	*	18	3	5	.600	3	5	.600	4	4	1.000	1	4	5	2.0	0	0	2	1	0	0	13	3.8
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18		Did not play																					
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21		23	2	8	.250	1	4	.250	4	4	1.000	5	5	10	3.6	0	0	0	1	0	1	9	4.8
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25		21	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	3	0	3	3.5	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	4.3
Lindenwood	Dec. 2	*	17	0	3	.000	0	2	.000	0	2	.000	0	3	3	3.4	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	3.7
at Bradley	Dec. 6	*	20	1	4	.250	0	1	.000	0	4	.000	4	2	6	3.8	2	0	0	1	0	1	2	3.5
at Elon	Dec. 13		22	2	3	.667	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	0	4	4	3.8	5	1	2	0	0	0	5	3.7
East-West	Dec. 16	*	18	4	7	.571	0	1	.000	2	2	1.000	3	4	7	4.1	1	0	0	1	0	1	10	4.3
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20		29	5	8	.625	1	2	.500	2	2	1.000	3	2	5	4.2	2	0	1	1	0	0	13	5.1
Buffalo*	Dec. 31	*	30	3	5	.600	1	2	.500	6	6	1.000	1	2	3	4.1	2	0	0	0	1	0	13	5.8
at Kent State*	Jan. 3	*	35	4	9	.444	3	4	.750	2	2	1.000	4	7	11	4.6	2	0	0	3	1	3	13	6.3
Toledo*	Jan. 6	*	36	3	4	.750	1	2	.500	1	1	1.000	3	10	13	5.2	1	0	0	2	2	0	8	6.4
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13	*	36	5	13	.385	2	5	.400	1	2	.500	3	7	10	5.5	2	0	0	1	0	1	13	6.9
UMass*	Jan. 17	*	38	1	6	.167	0	3	.000	3	4	.750	3	5	8	5.7	3	0	2	3	1	2	5	6.8
at Ohio*	Jan. 20	*	33	2	4	.500	1	2	.500	4	4	1.000	0	4	4	5.6	3	0	1	3	0	1	9	6.9
at Ball State*	Jan. 24	*	35	4	7	.571	1	4	.250	0	0	.000	2	5	7	5.7	2	0	1	0	0	0	9	7.0
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27	*	31	7	12	.583	2	5	.400	0	0	.000	3	5										

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#7 HASSAN 'TRE' WASHINGTON

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
ULM	Nov. 3		8	3	3	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	2	0	2	2.0	4	0	2	1	0	1	6	6.0
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7		12	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	0	1	1	1.5	5	1	0	2	0	0	2	4.0
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10		8	3	3	1.000	2	2	1.000	2	2	1.000	0	0	0	1.0	3	0	0	1	0	0	10	6.0
Benedictine	Nov. 13		16	5	8	.625	2	3	.667	1	2	.500	1	4	5	2.0	2	0	0	0	0	0	13	7.8
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18	*	21	1	4	.250	1	3	.333	1	2	.500	0	2	2	2.0	4	0	0	1	1	0	4	7.0
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21	*	20	3	5	.600	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	0	1	1	1.8	3	0	0	4	1	1	7	7.0
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25	*	15	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	0	2	.000	0	1	1	1.7	5	1	0	1	0	1	2	6.3
Lindenwood	Dec. 2		7	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	1.6	5	1	0	1	1	0	0	5.5
at Bradley	Dec. 6		17	1	4	.250	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	2	2	1.7	4	0	0	1	0	0	2	5.1
at Elon	Dec. 13	*	8	1	2	.500	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	1	0	1	1.6	4	0	1	4	0	0	3	4.9
East-West	Dec. 16		Did not play																					
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20	*	10	2	2	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	2	2	1.6	3	0	1	3	0	1	4	4.8
Buffalo*	Dec. 31		10	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	2	2	1.7	3	0	1	0	0	0	2	4.6
at Kent State*	Jan. 3		13	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	2	2	4	1.8	5	1	0	1	0	2	1	4.3
Toledo*	Jan. 6		21	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	3	1	4	2.0	3	0	3	2	1	0	2	4.1
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13		10	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	2	.000	1	1	2	2.0	4	0	0	3	0	0	0	3.9
UMass*	Jan. 17		27	5	6	.833	0	0	.000	1	4	.250	0	5	5	2.2	5	1	0	2	0	0	11	4.3
at Ohio*	Jan. 20		23	4	5	.800	0	1	.000	1	2	.500	2	4	6	2.4	3	0	0	3	0	0	9	4.6
at Ball State*	Jan. 24		20	2	3	.667	0	0	.000	3	5	.600	2	2	4	2.5	1	0	1	2	0	0	7	4.7
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27	*	22	1	7	.143	0	1	.000	1	2	.500	3	5	8	2.8	3	0	2	1	1	0	3	4.6
Totals		6	288	34	62	.548	7	15	.467	13	27	.481	17	36	53	2.8	69	5	11	33	5	6	88	4.6

#8 LADJI KANTE

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
ULM	Nov. 3		9	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	1	1	0	0	4	4.0
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7		11	0	1	.000	0	1	.000	2	2	1.000	0	2	2	1.5	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	3.0
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10		18	1	2	.500	1	1	1.000	1	2	.500	0	1	1	1.3	2	0	0	1	0	2	4	3.3
Benedictine	Nov. 13		18	2	5	.400	1	2	.500	4	6	.667	3	0	3	1.8	3	0	2	1	0	2	9	4.8
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18		16	1	4	.250	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1.4	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	4.4
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21		Did not play																					
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25		10	1	3	.333	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	1.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4.0
Lindenwood	Dec. 2		9	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	0	1	1.3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.4
at Bradley	Dec. 6		2	0	1	.000	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1.1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3.0
at Elon	Dec. 13		Did not play																					
East-West	Dec. 16		22	6	10	.600	0	2	.000	0	2	.000	6	2	8	1.9	0	0	2	3	0	0	12	4.0
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20		6	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1.7	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	3.8
Buffalo*	Dec. 31		8	1	2	.500	0	1	.000	2	2	1.000	1	0	1	1.6	1	0	0	1	0	0	4	3.8
at Kent State*	Jan. 3		Did not play																					
Toledo*	Jan. 6		Did not play																					
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13		Did not play																					
UMass*	Jan. 17		3	0	2	.000	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	1	2	1.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.5
at Ohio*	Jan. 20		Did not play																					
at Ball State*	Jan. 24		Did not play																					
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27		2	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1.5	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	3.4
Totals		0	134	15	35	.429	3	13	.231	11	16	.688	12	8	20	1.5	9	0	7	9	0	4	44	3.4

#10 JAO ITUKA

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
ULM	Nov. 3		18	6	11	.545	4	8	.500	3	4	.750	0	1	1	1.0	4	0	1	0	0	0	19	19.0
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7		28	5	10	.500	3	4	.750	0	0	.000	0	5	5	3.0	2	0	2	1	0	2	13	16.0
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10		18	1	3	.333	0	1	.000	4	4	1.000	0	3	3	3.0	0	0	3	1	0	0	6	12.7
Benedictine	Nov. 13		14	3	6	.500	3	6	.500	1	2	.500	0	3	3	3.0	3	0	1	0	0	0	10	12.0
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18		24	3	9	.333	1	4	.250	0	1	.000	0	4	4	3.2	3	0	0	1	0	3	7	11.0
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21		15	4	8	.500	2	4	.500	0	1	.000	0	5	5	3.5	2	0	1	0	0	0	10	10.8
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25		12	3	6	.500	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	1	3	4	3.6	0	0	1	0	0	0	6	10.1
Lindenwood	Dec. 2		6	0	2	.000	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	3.1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	8.9
at Bradley	Dec. 6		14	0	4	.000	0	4	.000	0	0	.000	0	3	3	3.1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	7.9
at Elon	Dec. 13		10	2	7	.286	2	5	.400	6	6	1.000	0	0	0	2.8	3	0	1	1	0	1	12	8.3
East-West	Dec. 16		21	5	14	.357	5	14	.357	3	3	1.000	2	5	7	3.2	1	0	1	0	1	1	18	9.2
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20		4	0	1	.000	0	1	.000 </															

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#11 ISAIAH WASHINGTON

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
ULM	Nov. 3		2	0	1	.000	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7		Did not play																					
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10		12	1	4	.250	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1.0
Benedictine	Nov. 13		13	3	4	.750	1	1	1.000	2	2	1.000	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	4	0	0	0	9	3.7
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18		Did not play																					
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21		Did not play																					
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25		7	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	0	1	1	0.5	1	0	0	0	0	2	3.3	
Lindenwood	Dec. 2		10	0	2	.000	0	1	.000	2	4	.500	2	1	3	1.0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	3.0
at Bradley	Dec. 6		7	2	5	.400	0	1	.000	0	1	.000	2	1	3	1.3	1	0	0	1	0	4	3.2	
at Elon	Dec. 13		Did not play																					
East-West	Dec. 16		Did not play																					
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20		Did not play																					
Buffalo*	Dec. 31		0+	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.7	
at Kent State*	Jan. 3		0+	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.4	
Toledo*	Jan. 6		Did not play																					
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13		Did not play																					
UMass*	Jan. 17		Did not play																					
at Ohio*	Jan. 20		Did not play																					
at Ball State*	Jan. 24		15	1	2	.500	0	1	.000	2	4	.500	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	1	0	4	2.6	
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27		2	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	1	1	1.000	1	0	1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2.6	
Totals			0	68	8	20	.400	1	6	.167	9	14	.643	5	5	10	1.0	4	0	6	2	0	26	2.6

#15 LATAEVYON TAYLOR

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
ULM	Nov. 3		Did not play																					
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7		Did not play																					
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10		Did not play																					
Benedictine	Nov. 13		Did not play																					
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18		Did not play																					
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21		Did not play																					
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25		Did not play																					
Lindenwood	Dec. 2		Did not play																					
at Bradley	Dec. 6		Did not play																					
at Elon	Dec. 13		Did not play																					
East-West	Dec. 16		Did not play																					
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20		Did not play																					
Buffalo*	Dec. 31		Did not play																					
at Kent State*	Jan. 3		Did not play																					
Toledo*	Jan. 6		Did not play																					
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13		Did not play																					
UMass*	Jan. 17		Did not play																					
at Ohio*	Jan. 20		Did not play																					
at Ball State*	Jan. 24		Did not play																					
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27		Did not play																					

Total

#16 ISAIAH STEWART

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
ULM	Nov. 3		2	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	0	1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7		Did not play																					
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10		2	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	
Benedictine	Nov. 13		5	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0.7
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18		Did not play																					
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21		Did not play																					
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25		3	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	0	2	2	1.3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.8	
Lindenwood	Dec. 2		6	1	2	.500	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1.2
at Bradley	Dec. 6		Did not play																					
at Elon	Dec. 13		Did not play																					
East-West	Dec. 16		21	1	5	.200	0	2	.000	3	4	.750	4	2	6	1.8	1	0	2	2	0	5	1.8	
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20		Did not play																					
Buffalo*	Dec. 31		Did not play																					
at Kent State*	Jan. 3		Did not play																					
Toledo*	Jan. 6		Did not play																					
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13		Did not play																					
UMass*	Jan. 17		Did not play																					
at Ohio*	Jan. 20		Did not play																					
at Ball State*	Jan. 24		Did not play																					
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27		2	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.6	
Totals			0	41	3	8	.375	1	4	.250	4	6	.667	5	6	11	1.6	1	0	3	2	1	11	1.6

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#21 MAX LASKEY

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
ULM	Nov. 3			Did not play																				
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7		1	1	1	1.000	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3.0
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10			Did not play																				
Benedictine	Nov. 13		3	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0.5	0	1.5						
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18			Did not play																				
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21			Did not play																				
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25			Did not play																				
Lindenwood	Dec. 2		3	0	1	.000	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.3	0	1.0						
at Bradley	Dec. 6			Did not play																				
at Elon	Dec. 13			Did not play																				
East-West	Dec. 16		5	0	1	.000	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.8
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20			Did not play																				
Buffalo*	Dec. 31			Did not play																				
at Kent State*	Jan. 3			Did not play																				
Toledo*	Jan. 6			Did not play																				
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13			Did not play																				
UMass*	Jan. 17			Did not play																				
at Ohio*	Jan. 20			Did not play																				
at Ball State*	Jan. 24			Did not play																				
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27			Did not play																				
Totals		0	12	1	3	.333	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	1	1	0	0	3	0.8

#23 JAYLEN WHARTON

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
ULM	Nov. 3		3	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2.0
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7		12	2	3	.667	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	1	1	2	1.5	4	0	0	0	0	0	6	4.0
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10		15	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	3	4	2.3	3	0	0	0	1	1	2	3.3
Benedictine	Nov. 13		14	2	6	.333	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	2	3	5	3.0	1	0	1	1	1	0	6	4.0
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18		5	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	2.6	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	3.6
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21		1	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	2.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.0
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25		2	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	2.1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.6
Lindenwood	Dec. 2		10	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	1	4	.250	1	0	1	2.0	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	2.6
at Bradley	Dec. 6			Did not play																				
at Elon	Dec. 13			Did not play																				
East-West	Dec. 16			Did not play																				
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20		0+	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.3
Buffalo*	Dec. 31			Did not play																				
at Kent State*	Jan. 3		7	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	0	2	.000	1	2	3	1.9	1	0	1	0	0	2	2.3	
Toledo*	Jan. 6			Did not play																				
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13			Did not play																				
UMass*	Jan. 17			Did not play																				
at Ohio*	Jan. 20		5	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	0	0	0	1.7	1	0	0	1	0	1	2.2	
at Ball State*	Jan. 24		8	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	1.7	1	0	0	0	0	2	2.2	
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27		1	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1.5	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2.2
Totals		0	83	11	21	.524	0	0	.000	6	12	.500	6	14	20	1.5	17	0	2	3	2	1	28	2.2

#25 DYLAN DUCOMMUN

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
ULM	Nov. 3			Did not play																				
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7			Did not play																				
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10			Did not play																				
Benedictine	Nov. 13			Did not play																				
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18	*	34	4	11	.364	3	6	.500	1	3	.333	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	7	6	0	0	12	12.0
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21	*	36	9	14	.643	6	11	.545	0	0	.000	1	1	2	1.5	1	0	6	0	0	1	24	18.0
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25	*	26	2	8	.250	0	4	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	1.3	2	0	0	5	0	0	4	13.3
Lindenwood	Dec. 2	*	29	1	7	.143	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	3	3	1.8	2	0	4	3	0	0	2	10.5
at Bradley	Dec. 6	*	31	6	15	.400	2	6	.333	3	4	.750	2	4	6	2.6	3	0	0	6	0	1	17	11.8
at Elon	Dec. 13	*	38	3	10	.300	2	6	.333	4	4	1.000	0	3	3	2.7	2	0	4	2	1	0	12	11.8
East-West	Dec. 16	*	24	5	13	.385	1	8	.125	0	0	.000	4	1	5	3.0	0	0	6	1	0	3	11	11.7
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20	*	32	4	7	.571	2	4	.500	8	10	.800	1	1	2	2.9	3	0	4	4	0	2	18	12.5
Buffalo*	Dec. 31	*	37	7	19	.368	3	12	.250	2	2	1.000	0	3	3	2.9	1	0	4	5	1	1	19	13.2
at Kent State*	Jan. 3	*	37	3	7	.429	2	5	.400	5	8	.625	2	2	4	3.0	5	1	4	5	0	1	13	13.2
Toledo*	Jan. 6	*	34	6	15	.400	4	10	.400	1	4	.250	0	2	2	2.9	1	0	2	5	0	0	17	13.5
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13	*	29	1	9	.111	0	7	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	2.8	1	0	2	2	0	1	2	12.6
UMass*	Jan. 17	*	28	1	8	.125	1	6	.167	3	4	.750	0	3	3	2.8	3	0	2	3	0	1	6	12.1
at Ohio*	Jan. 20	*	31	8	14	.571	4	6	.667	3	4	.750	1	2	3	2.8	2	0	2	1	0	0	23	12.9
at Ball State*	Jan. 24	*	14	2	10	.200	1	8	.125	1	1	1.000	1	3	4	2.9	4	0	0	0	0	0	6	12.4
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27	*	35	7	15	.467	7	12	.583	0	0	.000	0	1	1	2.8	4	0	4	1	0	2	21	12.9
Totals		16	495	69	182	.379	38	113	.336	31	44	.705	12	32	44	2.8	35	1	51	49	2	13	207	12.9

PLAYER GAME-BY-GAME STATS

#96 GUSTAV WINTHER

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg	
ULM	Nov. 3	*	29	8	10	.800	0	0	.000	2	3	.667	6	4	10	10.0	0	0	1	5	2	0	18	18.0	
at Wisconsin	Nov. 7	*	13	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	0	1	1	5.5	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	10.5	
at Grand Canyon	Nov. 10	*	17	4	4	1.000	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	3	0	3	4.7	3	0	0	3	1	0	9	10.0	
Benedictine	Nov. 13	*	13	2	2	1.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	0	3	3	4.3	2	0	1	1	0	2	5	8.8	
at Northern Iowa	Nov. 18	*	26	4	4	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	3	2	5	4.4	4	0	3	1	0	0	8	8.6	
at Loyola Chicago	Nov. 21	*	30	2	5	.400	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	2	2	4	4.3	2	0	3	1	0	0	5	8.0	
at Austin Peay	Nov. 25	*	30	4	5	.800	0	0	.000	0	2	.000	2	2	4	4.3	3	0	0	0	1	0	8	8.0	
Lindenwood	Dec. 2	*	25	7	11	.636	0	0	.000	1	4	.250	2	2	4	4.3	1	0	2	5	0	0	15	8.9	
at Bradley	Dec. 6	*	26	1	5	.200	0	1	.000	3	6	.500	3	5	8	4.7	3	0	0	1	1	0	5	8.4	
at Elon	Dec. 13	*	37	5	9	.556	0	0	.000	5	11	.455	3	6	9	5.1	3	0	1	1	0	2	15	9.1	
East-West	Dec. 16	*	17	6	8	.750	0	0	.000	4	5	.800	3	5	8	5.4	0	0	1	1	2	0	16	9.7	
Central Michigan*	Dec. 20	*	34	3	7	.429	0	1	.000	8	10	.800	5	6	11	5.8	3	0	0	1	0	0	14	10.1	
Buffalo*	Dec. 31	*	26	3	4	.750	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	2	3	5	5.8	4	0	1	4	0	1	8	9.9	
at Kent State*	Jan. 3	*	21	0	3	.000	0	1	.000	2	4	.500	1	2	3	5.6	5	1	1	1	0	0	2	9.4	
Toledo*	Jan. 6	*	22	4	7	.571	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	3	2	5	5.5	4	0	1	1	0	1	9	9.3	
at Eastern Michigan*	Jan. 13	*	29	3	6	.500	0	0	.000	1	3	.333	0	4	4	5.4	4	0	2	0	2	0	7	9.2	
UMass*	Jan. 17	*	13	2	3	.667	0	0	.000	3	4	.750	1	2	3	5.3	5	1	0	1	0	0	7	9.1	
at Ohio*	Jan. 20	*	11	2	4	.500	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	0	1	5.1	3	0	0	3	0	1	4	8.8	
at Ball State*	Jan. 24	*	14	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	2	1	3	4.9	3	0	1	1	0	0	2	8.4	
Western Michigan*	Jan. 27		19	2	3	.667	0	0	.000	2	3	.667	3	2	5	5.0	3	0	2	2	0	0	6	8.3	
Totals			19	452	63	102	.618	3	6	.500	37	63	.587	45	54	99	5.0	57	2	21	33	9	7	166	8.3

2025-26: RESULTS

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
All Games	7-13	6-3	1-10	
Conference Games	3-6	3-2	0-4	
Non-Conference Games	4-7	3-1	1-6	

Date	Opponent	Result	Attendance	Top Scorer	Rebounds	Assists	Steals	Blocks
Oct. 28	Quincy	W, 82-68	691	Taylor (14)	Valentine (5) Winther (5)	Cobb (9)	Kelly (4)	Kelly (1) Winther (1)
Nov. 3	ULM	W, 102-82	1,071	Ituka (19)	Winther (10)	Cobb (10)	Cobb (2)	Winther (2)
Nov. 7	at #24 Wisconsin	L, 97-72	15,222	Taylor (17)	Ituka (5)	Cobb (3) Kelly (3)	Ituka (2)	none
Nov. 10	at Grand Canyon	L, 88-59	7,008	Kelly (12)	Valentine (4) Wharton (4)	Ituka (3) Kelly (3)	three tied at (2)	three tied at (1)
Nov. 13	Benedictine	W, 117-62	876	Kelly (18)	Valentine (7)	Cobb (5)	Valentine (3)	Wharton (1)
Nov. 18	at Northern Iowa	L, 70-57	3,283	Ducommun (12)	Valentine (5) Winther (5)	Ducommun (7)	Ituka (3)	Valentine (1)
Nov. 21	at Loyola Chicago	W, 76-59	2,862	Ducommun (24)	Walters (10)	Ducommun (6)	Valentine (4)	H. Washington (1)
Nov. 25	at Austin Peay	L, 77-59	1,833	Cobb (12)	Kelly (4) Winther (4)	Cobb (2)	Valentine (3)	Winther (1)
Nov. 29	Bellarmino	canceled						
Dec. 2	Lindenwood	L, 99-64	824	Valentine (17)	Cobb (5)	Ducommun (4)	Valentine (2)	three tied at (1)
Dec. 6	at Bradley	L, 84-55	5,750	Ducommun (17)	Winther (8)	Cobb (3)	four tied at (1)	Winther (1)
Dec. 13	at Elon	L, 85-79	1,092	Valentine (17)	Valentine (10)	Kelly (5)	Valentine (2) Winther (2)	Ducommun (1)
Dec. 16	East-West	W, 112-64	761	Ituka (18)	three tied at (8)	Cobb (10)	Cobb (6)	Winther (2)
Dec. 20	Central Michigan*	W, 74-73	1,311	Ducommun (18)	Winther (11)	Cobb (4)	three tied at (2)	none
						Ducommun (4)		
Dec. 31	Buffalo*	L, 81-67	1,006	Ducommun (19)	Valentine (6)	Ducommun (4)	five tied at (1)	Ducommun (1)
Jan. 3	at Kent State*	L, 77-73	2,081	Valentine (27)	Walters (11)	Ducommun (4)	Walters (3)	Walters (1)
Jan. 6	Toledo*	L, 75-61	864	Ducommun (17)	Walters (13)	Cobb (3)	Cobb (4)	Walters (2)
						H. Washington (3)		
Jan. 13	at Eastern Michigan*	L, 66-59	1,749	Valentine (20)	Walters (10)	Cobb (7)	Cobb (3)	Winther (2)
Jan. 17	UMass*	W, 70-68	1,535	Valentine (27)	Walters (8)	Cobb (6)	Cobb (6)	Kelly (1)
								Walters (1)
Jan. 20	at Ohio*	L, 80-77	2,867	Ducommun (23)	Cobb (6)	Kelly (3)	three tied at (1)	Valentine (1)
					H. Washington (6)			
Jan. 24	at Ball State*	L, 58-53	4,105	Cobb (11)	Walters (7)	Cobb (2)	Kelly (2)	none
Jan. 27	Western Michigan*	W, 85-65	1,003	Ducommun (21)	Walters (8)	Cobb (8)	Ducommun (2)	H. Washington (1)
					H. Washington (8)		Walters (2)	
Jan. 31	at #24 Miami*							
Feb. 7	at Georgia State							
Feb. 11	Bowling Green*							
Feb. 14	at Central Michigan*							
Feb. 17	at Buffalo*							
Feb. 21	Ohio*							
Feb. 24	at Toledo*							
Feb. 28	Ball State*							
March 3	Kent State*							
March 6	at Akron*							

* denotes Mid-American Conference games

2025-26: BOX SCORES



EXHIBITION
NIU: 82
Quincy: 68
October 28, 2025 • NIU Convocation Center
DeKalb, Ill.



GAME 1
NIU: 102
ULM: 82
November 3, 2025 • NIU Convocation Center
DeKalb, Ill.



GAME 1
NIU: 72
Wisconsin: 97
November 7, 2025 • Kohl Center
Madison, Wis.



DEKALB, Ill. – JJ Taylor led four played in double figures with 14 points as the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team topped Quincy, 82-68, on Tuesday evening (Oct. 28) in an exhibition game at the NIU Convocation Center.

Makhai Valentine scored 12 points while Gianni Cobb and Daemar Kelly each chipped in 11, Cobb also recorded a team-high nine assists.

NIU shot 54.7 percent (29-of-53) from the field in the contest, including 46.2 percent (12-of-26) from three-point range.

A 10-2 run helped the Huskies take a 15-6 lead with 13:54 to play in the opening half. Four different Huskies scored during the burst, including a pair of buckets from Hassan 'Tre' Washington.

Jao Ituka knocked in a triple, NIU's third of the half, to give the Huskies a 20-9 advantage with just under 13 minutes left in the opening stanza.

Another 10-2 Huskie burst pushed the NIU lead to 33-14. Isaiah Washington, Valentine and Taylor all made triples during the run that put the Huskies in front by 19 with 7:51 to play in the half.

NIU led by as much as 22 in the opening half before taking a 43-31 lead into the break. Taylor and Tre Washington each had seven points to pace the Huskies in the opening 20 minutes while Cobb dished out five assists. NIU shot 53.6 percent (15-of-28) from the field in the first half, including 50 percent (7-of-14) from three-point range.

Quincy scored six of the first eight to start the second half, trimming the NIU lead to 45-37. Back-to-back Hawk triples then cut the Huskie advantage to just a pair, 45-43, with 17:18 remaining, forcing a NIU timeout. Out of the timeout, Kelly knocked in a triple as the Huskie lead grew to five.

NIU used an 11-0 run to go in front, 59-45, with 13:40 to play. Kelly opened the run with a trifecta, Gustav Winther added an old-fashioned three-point play and Valentin knocked in a triple during the burst.

Quincy pulled back within seven with a little under 11 minutes left and still trailed by seven, 75-68, when Cobb knocked in a triple to push the Huskie lead to double figures with four-and-a-half minutes left.

The Huskies held the Hawks scoreless over the final 5:24 of the contest as NIU closed out an exhibition victory.

Eleven of the 12 Huskies that played scored as the NIU reserves outscored the Quincy bench, 25-12.

DEKALB, Ill. – Jao Ituka scored 19 points off the bench, leading four Huskies in double figures, as the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team topped ULM, 102-82, on Monday night (Nov. 3) in the MAC/Sun Belt Challenge at the NIU Convocation Center.

Gustav Winther had 18 points and 10 rebounds while Gianni Cobb scored 14 points with 10 assists and zero turnovers, marking the first time two Huskies have posted double-doubles in the same game since Feb. 11, 2023, against Western Michigan.

Makhai Valentine added 16 points and eight rebounds. NIU's 102 points are its most against a Division I opponent since defeating Chicago State, 106-64, on December 23, 1996.

The Warhawks jumped out to a 15-4 lead in the opening four-and-a-half minutes of the contest.

Valentine ignited a 9-0 Huskie run with a bucket as the Huskies pulled within a pair. JJ Taylor added a basket and Ituka scored the next five as NIU cut the ULM advantage to 15-13 with 13:40 to play before the intermission.

A triple from Ituka gave NIU its first lead of the night, 18-17, before the Warhawks answered with a pair to go back in front.

Carlos Coronado canned a corner triple to jump start a 12-0 Huskie burst. Winther added a half-dozen during the run and Ituka made his second triple of the contest as the NIU advantage grew to 30-19 with 9:14 to play in the half.

The Warhawks trimmed the NIU lead back to a half-dozen, 38-32, before a four-point play from Valentine pushed the Huskie advantage back to double figures with 3:05 left in the opening stanza.

NIU took a seven-point lead, 45-38, into halftime. Winther had a dozen points at the break on 5-of-5 from the field with six rebounds. Ituka had 11 first half points while Krystian Lewis paced ULM with 11.

The Huskie lead was five in the early stages of the second half before Daemar Kelly's second triple of the half and a layup from Winther pushed the NIU lead to 58-48.

Kelly's trifecta started a 12-2 Huskie run as the NIU lead ballooned to 65-50 just six minutes into the second half as the Huskies coasted home to the victory.

NIU shot 65.6 percent (21-of-32) from the field in the second half, including 50 percent (7-of-14) from three. The Huskies outscored ULM, 44-18, including 19-6 on the offensive end, which led to a 31-10 advantage in second chance points.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN		
4	Taylor, JJ	4-10	1-5	5-8	2-2	4	1	14	2	2	0	1	27		
96	Winther, G.	3-3	0-0	3-6	1-4	5	3	9	1	1	1	2	19		
0	Cobb, G.	3-5	2-3	3-8	1-0	1	2	11	9	0	0	0	27		
1	Valentine, M.	4-7	4-7	0-2	1-4	5	1	12	0	1	0	2	25		
3	Kelly, D.	4-9	3-6	0-0	0-2	2	0	11	4	3	1	4	29		
2	Coronado, C.	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	1	4	1	1	0	0	13		
6	Walters, T.	1-2	0-0	0-0	1-2	3	2	2	1	2	0	0	13		
7	Washington, H.	4-6	0-1	1-4	1-2	3	2	9	0	3	0	1	14		
8	Kante, L.	2-4	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	2	4	1	1	0	0	12		
10	Ituka, J.	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	5		
11	Washington, I.	1-2	1-1	0-0	0-2	2	1	3	1	1	0	0	9		
23	Wharton, J.	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	7		
TEAM				5-3		8									
TOTALS		29-53		12-26		12-24		36		15		82		20	
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 15-28 .536		2nd: 14-25 .560		Game: 29-53 .547									
3-PT FG%:		1st: 7-14 .500		2nd: 5-12 .417		Game: 12-26 .462									
FT%:		1st: 6-18 .333		2nd: 6-10 .600		Game: 12-28 .429									

No.	Quincy	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN		
44	Bolton, E.	4-4	0-0	2-2	2-1	3	3	10	1	6	0	0	25		
22	Wallingford, J.	2-7	0-0	2-2	2-1	3	2	6	2	0	2	0	25		
0	Kincaid, C.	5-9	0-1	3-4	0-4	4	2	13	2	1	0	0	30		
1	Brown, E.	5-10	4-6	4-6	1-1	2	3	18	7	6	0	2	35		
42	Stynes, T.	3-11	3-8	0-0	0-4	4	3	9	1	3	0	3	32		
4	Johnson Jr., N.	0-3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	2	2	0	1	10		
23	McMillion Jr., L.	2-3	1-2	0-0	0-3	3	1	5	2	0	0	0	16		
30	Duff, O.	2-5	1-3	0-0	0-1	1	2	5	0	1	0	0	23		
33	Brewer, P.	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	3	2	0	0	0	1	4		
TEAM				2-5		7									
TOTALS		23-52		9-20		13-16		7-20		27		20		7	
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 11-25 .440		2nd: 12-27 .444		Game: 23-52 .442									
3-PT FG%:		1st: 2-6 .333		2nd: 7-14 .500		Game: 9-20 .450									
FT%:		1st: 7-10 .700		2nd: 6-6 1.000		Game: 13-16 .813									

Technical Fouls: none
Officials: Jeff Spedoske, Ross Winter, Kyle Bowen
Attendance: 691
Score by Half
 Quincy31-37 68
 NIU43-39 82

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN		
96	Winther, G.	8-10	0-0	2-3	6-4	10	0	18	1	5	2	0	29		
0	Cobb, G.	6-9	1-2	1-2	1-1	2	2	14	10	0	0	2	24		
1	Valentine, M.	4-9	2-6	6-8	4-4	8	1	16	2	4	0	0	28		
3	Kelly, D.	2-7	2-4	2-3	0-5	5	2	8	2	2	0	0	29		
6	Walters, T.	1-2	0-1	0-0	1-1	2	4	2	0	1	0	0	9		
2	Coronado, C.	2-5	2-3	2-2	0-1	1	1	8	2	1	0	0	18		
4	Taylor, JJ	2-6	0-2	1-2	2-2	4	3	5	1	1	0	0	21		
7	Washington, H.	3-3	0-0	0-0	2-0	2	4	6	2	1	0	1	8		
8	Kante, L.	1-1	0-0	2-2	0-1	1	0	4	1	1	0	0	9		
10	Ituka, J.	6-11	4-8	3-4	0-1	1	4	19	1	0	0	0	18		
11	Washington, I.	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2		
16	Stewart, I.	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2		
23	Wharton, J.	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	3		
TEAM				2-4		6									
TOTALS		36-65		11-27		19-26		44		22		102		23	
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 15-33 .455		2nd: 21-32 .656		Game: 36-65 .554									
3-PT FG%:		1st: 4-13 .308		2nd: 7-14 .500		Game: 11-27 .407									
FT%:		1st: 11-15 .733		2nd: 8-11 .727		Game: 19-26 .731									

No.	ULM	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN		
22	Sondors, R.	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	5	2	1	1	0	0	9		
1	Diaz, D.	4-6	3-5	2-2	0-3	3	4	13	1	0	0	1	24		
3	Lewis, K.	6-16	2-5	8-10	1-0	1	1	22	5	3	0	1	39		
13	Molofeev, A.	3-6	1-2	2-4	1-2	3	1	9	3	0	1	2	29		
21	Russell, MJ	4-9	1-3	0-0	1-2	3	2	9	1	2	0	2	26		
4	Tew, A.	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4		
11	Ball, W.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7		
14	Hartman, P.	7-12	0-3	2-3	3-2	5	4	16	3	2	2	0	31		
15	Caster, M.	2-3	0-1	2-3	0-0	0	3	6	1	1	0	1	19		
20	Campbell, C.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
23	Huguet Carrasco	2-2	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	11		
TEAM				0-3		3									
TOTALS		29-56		8-20		16-22		6-12		18		20		82	
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 14-28 .500		2nd: 15-28 .536		Game: 29-56 .518									
3-PT FG%:		1st: 4-10 .400		2nd: 4-10 .400		Game: 8-20 .400									
FT%:		1st: 6-8 .750		2nd: 10-14 .714		Game: 16-22 .727									

Technical Fouls: none
Officials: Kenneth Moreland, Jermaine Rogers, Justin Hayes
Attendance: 1,071
Score by Half
 ULM38-44 82
 NIU45-57 102

MADISON, Wis. – The 24th-ranked Wisconsin Badgers jumped out to a quick start and never looked back as they topped the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team, 97-72, on Friday night (Nov. 7) at the Kohl Center. JJ Taylor scored a career-high 17 points to pace the Huskies.

Jao Ituka added 13 points for NIU, going 3-of-4 from beyond the arc.

Wisconsin raced out to a 12-2 lead in the opening three minutes of the contest as the Badgers made five of their first six shots to start the game.

After an old-fashioned three-point play from Taylor, Wisconsin used an 8-0 run to push its lead to 20-5 with 14:34 to play in the half.

Wisconsin took a 52-33 lead into halftime. The Badgers made just one field goal over the final eight minutes of the half, but Wisconsin was 16-of-21 (76.2 percent) from the free-throw line in the opening 20 minutes. The 24th-ranked Badgers shot 51.7 percent (15-of-29) from the field in the first half, including 42.9 percent (6-of-14) from three.

Nick Boyd led all scorers with 20 points. Ituka paced the Huskies with 11, including 3-of-4 from three-point range. Taylor added 10 points for NIU in the opening stanza.

After the intermission, NIU (1-1) settled in and was outscored by just six points, 45-39, in the second half.

The Huskies held Wisconsin to just 3-of-17 (17.6 percent) from three-point range in the second 20 minutes while NIU earned 21 trips to the free-throw line after the break, converting at 76.2 percent (16-of-21).

Boyd finished with 25 points to lead the way for Wisconsin, Pre-season All-Big Ten selection John Blackwell added 15 points and Nolan Winter added 12.

Wisconsin outscored NIU in the contest, 36-25, including 15-4 on the offensive end, resulting in a 21-2 advantage in second chance points for the Badgers.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
4	Taylor, JJ	4-10	0-5	9-12	0-4	4	0	17	0	6	0	0	28
96	Winther, G.	1-1	0-0	1-2	0-1	1	2	3	1	0	0	0	13
0	Cobb, G.	3-4											

2025-26: BOX SCORES



GAME 3
NIU: 59



Grand Canyon: 88
November 10, 2025 • Global Credit Union Arena
Phoenix, Ariz.

PHOENIX, Ariz. – Grand Canyon forced 21 turnovers as the Lopes topped the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team, 88-59, on Monday night (Nov. 10) at Global Credit Union Arena. Daemar Kelly led NIU with 12 points, Hassan 'Tre' Washington added a career-best 10 points.

The Lopes finished with a 33-12 edge in points off turnovers. Kelly, JJ Taylor and Gustav Winther each knocked in a triple in the opening four minutes as the Huskies led 9-8 in the early going.

Winther finished with nine points on 4-of-4 from the field, 1-of-1 from the free-throw line.

The Lopes answered with the next seven to take a 16-9 lead and force a Huskie timeout. Grand Canyon added two more after the timeout before Washington connected on NIU's fourth triple to bring the Huskies back within a half-dozen, 18-12, with 14:05 left in the half.

A putback from Winther cut the Grand Canyon lead to seven, 23-16, but the Lopes scored five of the next six to lead 28-17 with a little under eight minutes remaining in the opening stanza.

Grand Canyon's lead grew to 20 late in the half before Makhai Valentine knocked in a pair of triples, including one at the buzzer, to trim the Lopes advantage to 43-29 at the intermission.

Caleb Shaw and Makaih Williams each had 10 points to lead Grand Canyon in the opening 20 minutes, Jao Ituka and Valentine each had six for NIU. The Lopes had a 23-3 advantage in points off turnovers in the first half as the Huskies had 14 turnovers to seven for Grand Canyon.

Grand Canyon scored eight of the first 10 to open the second half as the Lopes lead ballooned to 51-31 three minutes into the second stanza.

The run grew to 17-2 to open the second half for Grand Canyon as the lead grew to 60-31 with a little over 15 minutes to play.

Five players finished in double figures for the Lopes, led by 16 points from Wilhelm Breidenbach. Williams added 15, Jaden Henley scored 14, Shaw finished with 12 points and Nana Owusu-Anane had 10 points and 11 rebounds.

Grand Canyon shot 49.2 percent (30-of-61) from the field and 94.7 percent (18-of-19) from the free-throw line, while holding NIU to just 34.7 percent (17-of-49). The Huskies did shoot 81 percent (17-of-21) from the free-throw line.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
4	Taylor, JJ	1-2	1-2	1-2	0-0	0	1	4	0	2	1	0	14
96	Winther, G.	4-4	1-1	0-0	3-0	3	3	9	0	3	1	0	17
0	Cobb, G.	0-5	0-1	0-2	0-1	1	1	0	2	3	0	2	21
1	Valentine, M.	2-10	2-7	2-2	2-2	4	0	8	1	2	0	0	26
3	Kelly, D.	3-11	1-3	5-5	0-1	2	12	3	3	0	2	0	35
2	Coronado, C.	0-1	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	6
6	Walters, T.	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	8
7	Washington, H.	3-3	2-2	2-2	0-0	3	10	0	1	0	0	8	8
8	Kante, L.	1-2	1-1	1-2	0-1	1	2	4	0	1	0	2	18
10	Ituka, J.	1-3	0-1	4-4	0-3	3	0	6	3	1	0	0	18
11	Washington, I.	1-4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	12
16	Stewart, I.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	15
23	Wharton, J.	1-3	0-0	0-0	1-3	4	3	2	0	0	1	1	25
TEAM		0-0 0 1											
TOTALS		17-49	9-27	17-21	7-12	19	18	59	9	21	3	8	200
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 8-22	.364	2nd: 9-27	.333	Game: 17-49	.347						
3-PT FG%:		1st: 6-9	.667	2nd: 2-10	.200	Game: 8-19	.421						
FT%:		1st: 7-10	.700	2nd: 10-11	.909	Game: 17-21	.810						

No.	Grand Canyon	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
31	Owusu-Anane, N.	3-7	2-3	2-2	4-7	11	2	10	7	1	0	2	28
17	Demirel, E.	1-2	0-0	0-0	1-3	4	2	2	0	2	0	0	18
2	Williams, M.	5-10	3-6	2-2	0-1	1	15	2	0	3	0	3	24
8	Stromer, D.	2-8	2-6	2-2	2-2	4	1	8	1	2	0	0	33
10	Henley, J.	4-9	0-3	6-6	2-3	5	14	4	2	0	1	2	28
9	Boisdur, E.	1-4	0-2	1-2	0-2	2	0	3	3	1	0	2	16
11	Shaw, C.	4-6	2-4	2-2	1-2	3	3	12	0	2	0	1	18
14	Evans, D.	3-4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	3	6	0	2	0	0	7
22	Smith, K.	1-4	0-0	0-0	2-2	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	16
23	Pepe, C.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
32	Breidenbach, W.	6-7	1-2	3-3	3-1	4	3	16	1	0	1	2	11
TEAM		1-0 1											
TOTALS		30-61	10-26	18-19	14-24	38	19	88	18	15	3	11	200
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 15-33	.455	2nd: 15-28	.536	Game: 30-61	.492						
3-PT FG%:		1st: 6-16	.375	2nd: 4-10	.400	Game: 10-26	.385						
FT%:		1st: 7-7	1.00	2nd: 11-12	.917	Game: 18-19	.947						

Technical Fouls: none
Officials: Michael Irving, Ron Brokenbrough, Steve McJunkins
Attendance: 7,008
Score by Half
NIU.....29-30 59
Grand Canyon.....43-45 88



GAME 4
NIU: 117



Benedictine: 62
November 13, 2025 • NIU Convocation Center
DeKalb, Ill.

DEKALB, Ill. – Daemar Kelly led the way with a career-high 18 points as the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team downed Benedictine, 117-62, on Thursday night (Nov. 13) at NIU Convocation Center. Makhai Valentine added a career-best 17 points while Taj Walters and Hassan 'Tre' Washington each added a career-high 13 points.

The 117 points by the Huskies is tied for the sixth-most in school history. NIU also scored 117 last year in a 117-50 win over East-West University (Dec. 30, 2024).

NIU raced out of the gates to a 17-4 lead in the opening six minutes of the contest. Valentine scored the first six to open the game. Benedictine sandwiched a pair of baskets around a bucket from Kelly before a triple from Gianni Cobb, two free throws from Walters and baskets by Kelly and Washington put the Huskies in front by 13 early.

The Huskies led 33-16 with 7:11 to play in the half before an eight-point burst put NIU in front by 25. Jaylen Wharton scored to open the run, Kelly then knocked in a triple, Valentine added a free throw and Ladj Kanté scored to give the Huskies a 41-16 lead.

After a basket by the Eagles, NIU used a 12-0 run to take a 53-18. Washington opened the run with a bucket, Gustav Winther had a basket during the run, Valentine scored four points and Washington knocked in a corner triple as the Huskie lead grew to 53-18 with a little under two minutes to play in the opening half.

Kelly had 14 to lead all scorers at the intermission as the Huskies held a 60-20 lead. After halftime, the Huskie offense continued to fire on all cylinders as NIU shot 65.4 percent (17-of-26) from the field in the second 20 minutes, including 54.5 percent (6-of-11) from three to finish the game shooting 58.7 percent (37-of-63) and 50 percent (14-of-28) from long range.

Along with the five players in double figures, Cobb, Kanté and Isaiah Washington each scored nine points, Cobb added a team-high five assists.

Aidan Werth scored 13 points to lead the way for Benedictine, who shot 53.3 percent (16-of-30) from the field in the second half.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
96	Winther, G.	2-2	0-0	1-2	0-3	3	2	5	1	1	0	2	13
0	Cobb, G.	4-6	1-2	0-0	0-4	4	1	9	5	2	0	2	25
1	Valentine, M.	5-11	1-5	6-7	2-5	7	0	17	1	0	0	3	23
3	Kelly, D.	6-8	2-4	4-5	0-3	3	2	18	2	0	0	1	23
6	Walters, T.	3-5	3-5	4-4	1-4	5	0	13	2	1	0	0	18
2	Coronado, C.	1-1	0-0	4-7	0-2	2	0	6	4	2	0	2	15
7	Washington, H.	5-8	2-3	1-2	1-4	5	3	13	0	0	0	0	16
8	Kanté, L.	2-5	1-2	4-6	3-0	3	3	9	2	1	0	2	18
10	Ituka, J.	3-6	3-6	1-2	0-3	3	3	10	0	0	0	0	14
11	Washington, I.	3-4	1-1	2-2	0-1	1	0	9	4	0	0	0	13
16	Stewart, I.	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	5
21	Laskey, M.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
23	Wharton, J.	2-6	0-0	2-2	2-3	5	1	6	1	1	1	0	14
TEAM		1-1 2											
TOTALS		37-63	14-28	29-39	10-35	45	14	117	24	8	1	12	200
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 20-37	.541	2nd: 17-26	.654	Game: 37-63	.587						
3-PT FG%:		1st: 8-17	.471	2nd: 6-11	.545	Game: 14-28	.500						
FT%:		1st: 12-19	.632	2nd: 17-20	.850	Game: 29-39	.744						

No.	Benedictine	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
10	Tucker, R.	2-7	1-5	0-0	1-3	4	2	5	1	1	0	1	17
11	Mason, N.	1-4	0-1	1-2	1-2	3	4	3	3	0	0	0	15
32	Werth, A.	5-10	3-4	0-0	1-2	3	2	13	1	1	0	0	21
2	Cole, J.	1-3	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	0	2	1	3	0	0	17
12	Sammons, R.	1-3	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	2	3	1	0	0	0	12
1	McCoy, B.	1-5	0-3	0-0	0-3	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	15
3	Parker, H.	2-4	0-1	1-1	2-0	2	4	5	2	2	0	1	14
4	Elagha, I.	2-4	2-4	0-0	1-1	2	2	6	0	2	0	0	13
5	Louthan, C.	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	5
15	Tierney, C.	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	6
20	Peacock, B.	0-3	0-2	1-2	0-1	3	2	1	6	1	0	0	13
23	LaPlant, N.	2-8	1-6	1-2	0-1	1	2	6	2	0	0	1	14
25	Kosi, A.	3-4	1-2	0-0	0-1	1	0	7	0	1	0	1	10
30	Freeman, J.	1-3	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	2	2	1	0	0	1	8
31	Ortiz, D.	0-3	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
32	Glasgow, C.	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-4	4	1	2	2	2	1	0	13
TEAM		0-2 2 1											
TOTALS		23-64	10-37	6-9	8-23	31	25	62	19	17	2	5	200
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 7-34	.206	2nd: 16-30	.533	Game: 23-64	.359						
3-PT FG%:		1st: 2-18	.111	2nd: 8-19	.421	Game: 10-37	.270						
FT%:		1st: 4-6	.667	2nd: 2-3	.667	Game: 6-9	.667						

Technical Fouls: none
Officials: Kenneth Moreland, Mike O'Neill, John Washo
Attendance: 876
Score by Half
Benedictine.....20-42 62
NIU.....60-57 117



GAME 5
NIU: 57



Northern Iowa: 70
November 18, 2025 • McLeod Center
Cedar Falls, Iowa

CEDAR FALLS, Iowa – The Northern Illinois University men's basketball team trailed Northern Iowa by just one with 6:32 left, but the Panthers held the Huskies to just one field goal the rest of the contest as Northern Iowa outlasted NIU, 70-57, on Tuesday night (Nov. 18) at the McLeod Center.

Dylan Ducommun, making his collegiate debut, scored 12 points and dished out seven assists to lead the way for NIU. Daemar Kelly added 10 points, including 6-of-6 from the free-throw line.

A triple from Ducommun, the third of the night for the Huskies, gave NIU a 9-5 lead in the early going before Northern Iowa used a quick 5-0 burst to take a 10-9 lead with 14:15 to play in the opening half. Kelly then made five free throws to help give the Huskies an 18-16 lead.

Jao Ituka finished in the lane to even the game at 24 with three minutes to play. After a free throw put Northern Iowa back in front, Makhai Valentine knocked in NIU's fourth triple of the half to put the Huskies in front, 27-25, with 2:10 remaining in the half.

Northern Iowa hit a triple at the buzzer to end the half as the Panthers took a 32-29 lead into the intermission. The Panthers opened the second 20 minutes with a 6-0 run as the hosts took a 38-29 advantage in the first two minutes after the break. A triple helped the Northern Iowa lead grow to a dozen before Gustav Winther ended the run with a finish at the rim to cut the Panther lead to 41-31.

A triple from Ladj Kanté brought NIU back within eight, 45-37, before Ducommun and Winther each added baskets to cut the Northern Iowa lead to just four with a little over 12 minutes to play.

Kelly converted a three-point play out of a timeout to extend the NIU run to 10-0 and cut the Northern Iowa lead to just one, 45-44.

The Panthers finally ended their scoring drought of more than five minutes with a triple to lead by four. Northern Iowa then made a free throw as they led 49-44 at the midway point of the half. A spinning layup from Ituka and a corner triple from Valentine evened the game at 49.

Northern Iowa answered with the next six points as the Panthers took a 55-49 lead. Valentine then converted on a pair from the line as NIU trimmed the Northern Iowa advantage back to just four. After a defensive stop for the Huskies, Ducommun knocked in a trifecta from the wing to pull NIU within one, 55-54, with 6:20 to play.

Once again

2025-26: BOX SCORES



GAME 6
NIU: 76



Loyola Chicago: 59
November 21, 2025 • Gentile Arena
Chicago, Ill.

CHICAGO, Ill. – Dylan Ducommun scored 24 points with six triples while Makahi Valentine added 17 points and nine rebounds as the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team cruised past Loyola Chicago, 76-59, on Friday night (Nov. 21) at Gentile Arena.

Jao Ituka added 10 points while Taj Walters had nine points and a game-high 10 rebounds in the victory. Ducommun finished with six assists and no turnovers while Gianni Cobb had five assists and just one turnover.

NIU made 14 three-pointers, one off the school record, while shooting 41.2 percent (14-of-34) from beyond the arc.

Loyola led 13-8 before Hassan 'Tre' Washington knocked in a triple and Ducommun added two from beyond the long line to put the Huskies in front, 17-13.

Ducommun added another trifecta, opening the contest 5-of-5 from beyond the arc, as the Huskies led 20-16 with 11:13 to play in the opening half. Following Ducommun's fifth triple, Ituka added the next four as the Huskie lead grew to eight.

A triple from Ituka and a pair of free throws from Valentine gave NIU a 29-18 advantage with 8:32 to play in the half and, after Loyola answered with a three, Walters knocked in a triple try as the Huskies opened the contest 8-of-10 from deep.

The Ramblers responded with a 7-0 burst to cut the Huskie lead to just four, 34-30, with a little over five minutes to play before the break.

NIU took a 42-37 lead into the half. Ducommun had 15 first half points as NIU shot 15-of-31 (48.4 percent) from the field in the opening 20 minutes, including 10-of-19 (52.6 percent) from three.

Loyola scored the first four out of the intermission to trim the NIU lead to one, but Washington finished at the rim and Valentine knocked in a triple to push the lead back to a half-dozen, 47-41, with 17:32 left.

After a Ducommun bucket and a Gustav Winther three, the Huskie lead had grown to 52-43 with a little under 16 minutes to play.

NIU then scored nine of the next 11 as the Huskie lead grew to 61-45 on Ducommun's sixth triple of the night with 12:18 to go.

The Huskie lead was still 16 before a pair of free throws from Valentine and a bucket from Daemar Kelly pushed the NIU advantage to 70-50 with a little over seven minutes to play.

Loyola trimmed the NIU lead back to 13 with just under three minutes left before Ducommun ended the Rambler run with a basket and Walters made a pair of free throws, ending any hopes of a late Rambler comeback.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
7	Washington, H.	3-5	1-2	0-0	0-1	1	3	7	0	4	1	1	20
96	Winther, G.	2-5	1-1	0-0	2-2	4	2	5	3	1	0	0	30
1	Valentine, M.	5-11	3-9	4-5	4-5	9	2	17	1	2	0	4	32
3	Kelly, D.	1-7	0-3	0-0	0-0	0	1	2	1	0	0	2	24
24	Ducommun, D.	9-14	6-11	0-0	1-1	2	1	24	6	0	0	1	36
0	Cobb, G.	1-6	0-0	0-0	3-0	3	2	2	5	1	0	2	19
6	Walters, T.	2-8	1-4	4-4	5-5	10	0	9	0	1	0	1	23
10	Ituka, J.	4-8	2-4	0-1	0-5	5	2	10	1	0	0	0	15
23	Wharton, J.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TEAM		2-2 4 1											
TOTALS		27-64	14-34	8-10	17-22	39	13	76	17	10	1	11	200
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 15-31	48.4	2nd: 12-33	36.4	Game: 27-64		.422					
3-PT FG%:		1st: 10-19	.526	2nd: 4-15	.267	Game: 14-34		.412					
FT%:		1st: 2-4	.500	2nd: 6-6	1.00	Game: 8-10		.800					

No.	Loyola	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
24	Rubin, M.	7-11	0-0	2-2	3-4	7	1	16	4	2	2	0	29
0	Tavarez, D.	5-10	3-7	2-2	1-2	3	2	15	1	3	0	0	29
1	Moore, J.	3-7	2-4	0-0	0-2	2	1	8	5	4	0	1	32
10	Love II, C.	2-6	1-5	0-0	1-1	2	1	5	2	1	0	0	30
28	Houinsou, K.	0-2	0-0	0-0	3-3	1	0	2	0	2	1	1	21
2	Ola-Joseph, J.	1-3	1-2	0-2	1-0	1	0	3	0	1	0	0	13
4	Dotson, K.	3-6	1-4	0-1	1-3	4	0	7	0	0	0	0	17
5	Glazkov, D.	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
7	Harris, D.	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
8	Anderson, N.	2-3	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	5	1	1	0	0	0	5
9	Richardson, A.	0-3	0-1	0-0	0-2	2	1	0	1	0	2	0	9
14	Reese, C.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
30	Young, B.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2
TEAM		0-0 0											
TOTALS		23-52	9-25	4-7	7-20	27	9	59	16	13	6	2	200
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 15-33	.455	2nd: 8-19	.421	Game: 23-52		.442					
3-PT FG%:		1st: 7-17	.412	2nd: 2-8	.250	Game: 9-25		.360					
FT%:		1st: 0-3	.000	2nd: 4-4	1.00	Game: 4-7		.571					

Technical Fouls: none
Officials: Roger Ayers, Clarence Armstrong, Connor Mooney
Attendance: 2,862
Score by Half
NIU.....42-34 76
Loyola Chicago.....37-22 59



GAME 7
NIU: 59



Austin Peay: 77
November 25, 2025 • F&M Bank Arena
Clarksville, Tenn.

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. – Austin Peay held the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team to just 28.6 percent (8-of-28) shooting in the second half as the Governors claimed a 77-59 victory over the Huskies on Tuesday night (Nov. 25) at F&M Bank Arena.

Gianni Cobb led the way for NIU with 12 points while Makhai Valentine added 10.

Austin Peay shot 10-of-23 (43.5 percent) from beyond the arc in the contest while holding NIU to just 2-of-22 (9.1 percent).

The hosts scored the opening seven points of the contest before Valentine knocked in a triple and converted the four-point play to get the Huskies started offensively.

Trailing by six, 12-6, NIU used a 7-1 run to pull even at 13 with 12:26 to play in the opening half. Cobb scored the first three of the burst for the Huskies before Daemar Kelly and Jao Ituka finished at the rim to bring NIU back tied.

Back-to-back triples gave the Governors a 26-22 lead with a little over eight minutes to play in the half before Gustav Winther had a put-back dunk to cut the Austin Peay lead to just two. Winther's put-back ignited an 8-0 NIU run as Dylan Ducommun scored the next four and Winther added a hook to put the Huskies in front, 30-26.

Austin Peay ended the NIU run at eight with a basket to cut the Huskie advantage to a pair with five minutes to play in the half.

The Governors used a 13-4 run to take a 41-36 lead in the final minute of the opening half, but Winther scored just before the buzzer to trim the Austin Peay advantage to just three, 41-38, at the break.

NIU scored the first four to start the second half to go in front by one, but Austin Peay netted the next seven as the Governors took a 48-42 lead. Valentine ended the Austin Peay run with a layup with 15:52 to play, bringing NIU back within four.

The lead for Austin Peay was still four, 52-48, when back-to-back triples for the Governors pushed their lead to 58-48 with 11:15 left.

Austin Peay's run grew to 17-0 as the Governors took a 69-48 lead with a little under five minutes to play. Austin Peay held NIU scoreless for over eight minutes during the run. Austin Peay outscored NIU, 36-21, in the second half.

Parker finished with 30 points and eight rebounds for the Governors. Tate McCubbin added 13 points and Rashaud Marshall chipped in 12 points and nine rebounds for the hosts who finished the contest 27-of-51 (52.9 percent) from the field.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
7	Washington, H.	1-3	0-0	0-2	0-1	1	5	2	0	1	0	1	15
96	Winther, G.	4-5	0-0	0-2	2-2	4	3	8	0	1	0	30	
1	Valentine, M.	4-13	1-7	1-1	0-3	3	2	10	1	1	0	3	28
3	Kelly, D.	3-10	0-3	2-2	1-3	4	3	8	1	0	0	1	20
25	Ducommun, D.	2-8	0-4	0-0	0-1	1	2	4	0	5	0	0	26
0	Cobb, G.	5-8	1-3	1-5	1-0	1	0	12	2	2	0	0	20
2	Coronado, C.	1-2	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	6
6	Walters, T.	1-1	0-0	0-0	3-0	3	0	2	0	1	0	1	21
8	Kante, L.	1-3	0-2	0-0	0-1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	10
10	Ituka, J.	3-6	0-2	0-0	1-3	4	0	6	1	0	0	0	12
11	Washington, I.	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	7
16	Stewart, I.	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
23	Wharton, J.	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
TEAM		4-0 4 1											
TOTALS		25-60	2-22	7-17	12-18	30	18	59	5	11	6	200	
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 17-32	.531	2nd: 8-28	.286	Game: 25-60		.417					
3-PT FG%:		1st: 2-9	.222	2nd: 0-13	.000	Game: 2-22		.091					
FT%:		1st: 2-6	.333	2nd: 5-11	.455	Game: 7-17		.412					

No.	Austin Peay	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
0	McCubbin, T.	4-9	3-7	2-3	0-6	6	2	13	4	0	1	0	38
5	Marshall, R.	5-6	0-0	2-7	2-7	9	3	12	1	2	0	3	34
32	Parker, C.	10-19	3-5	7-8	5-3	8	2	30	2	2	0	1	32
1	Collins, Z.	1-1	0-0	1-2	1-0	1	2	3	4	1	0	0	10
12	Brookshire, A.	1-3	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	1	2	1	0	0	1	11
2	Wagner, T.	3-6	3-6	0-0	1-4	5	2	9	0	0	0	0	22
3	Enright, T.	1-1	1-1	1-2	0-2	2	2	4	1	2	0	1	15
7	Morisch, C.	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	3
20	Lax, Q.	1-2	0-1	0-0	0-2	2	1	2	1	1	0	1	19
23	Robinson, J.	1-3	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	1	2	2	2	0	1	14
24	Enmanuel, H.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
TEAM		0-4 4											
TOTALS		27-51	10-23	13-22	9-29	38	17	77	17	10	2	8	200
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 17-27	.630	2nd: 10-24	.417	Game: 27-51		.529					
3-PT FG%:		1st: 6-13	.462	2nd: 4-10	.400	Game: 10-23		.435					
FT%:		1st: 1-4	.250	2nd: 12-18	.667	Game: 13-22		.591					

Technical Fouls: none
Officials: Jason Creek, Chuck McCoy, Michael Smith Jr.
Attendance: 1,833
Score by Half
NIU.....38-21 59
Austin Peay.....41-36 77



GAME 8
NIU: 64



Lindenwood: 99
December 2, 2025 • NIU Convocation Center
DeKalb, Ill.

DEKALB, Ill. – Six players scored in double figures for Lindenwood as the Lions topped the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team, 99-64, on Tuesday night (Dec. 2) at the NIU Convocation Center.

Makhai Valentine led the Huskies with 17 points, Gustav Winther added 15 and Daemar Kelly topped in 13 points.

Lindenwood jumped out to a 10-4 lead in the opening four minutes of the contest as the Lions used an 8-0 run to help take the early six-point advantage.

Following a basket by Winther, Lindenwood went on a 9-0 spurt to push its lead to 19-6 with 13:35 left in the opening half.

The Lions used a 12-0 run to extend their advantage to 37-14 with 6:45 to play before the break. Lindenwood held NIU scoreless for over four minutes during the burst. Lindenwood's lead grew to 46-21 before a Kelly triple ignited a 9-2 NIU burst as Valentine knocked in a triple and Kelly added a second from beyond the long line.

Lindenwood took a 52-32 lead into halftime. Clayton Jackson had 13 points to lead the way for the Lions in the opening 20 minutes while Kelly had 10 to pace NIU. Lindenwood outrebounded NIU, 26-15, in the first half and used a 15-2 advantage in second chance points to build a 20-point halftime advantage.

NIU and Lindenwood traded baskets early in the second half until a 13-2 burst gave the Lions a 73-42 lead with 11:44 remaining.

Jackson finished with a game-high 21 points to pace the visitors. Dontrez Williams added 20 points, Anias Futrell scored 15, Milos Nenadic chipped in 13 while Robert Lewis (11 points, 10 rebounds) and Jadis Jones (10 points, 12 rebounds) both recorded double-doubles.

Lindenwood outscored NIU off turnovers 25-5 in the contest and also held a 54-26 advantage in points in the paint. The Lions, who shot 55.6 percent (20-of-36) from the field in the second half, finished the game with a 33-4 advantage in second chance points.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
96	Winther, G.	7-11	0-0	1-4	2-2	4	1	15	2	5	0	0	25
1	Valentine, M.	5-8	3-5	4-4	1-3	4	2	17	1	0	2	0	28
3	Kelly, D.	3-9	3-6	4-4	1-1	2							

2025-26: BOX SCORES



GAME 9
NIU: 55



Bradley: 84
December 6, 2025 • Carver Arena
Peoria, Ill.

PEORIA, Ill. – Bradley held the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team to just 29.2 percent (19-of-65) shooting, including 20 percent (6-of-30) from three-point range, as the Braves topped the Huskies, 84-55, on Saturday night (Dec. 6) at Carver Arena.

Dylan Ducommun led NIU with 17 points, Gianni Cobb added 11 and Makhai Valentine chipped in 10 points.

Bradley scored the first five, but Daemar Kelly and Valentine knocked in triples to give NIU its first lead of the contest, 6-5. NIU opened 3-of-5 from beyond the arc as the Huskies held an 11-9 lead with 14:40 to play in the opening half.

The Braves scored the next seven as they reclaimed the lead, 16-11, with 11:52 to play. The run increased to 17-2 as Bradley led 26-13 with 8:33 left before the intermission. Gustav Winther then made a free throw and Cobb added a bucket as the Huskies pulled the Bradley advantage back to just 10.

Winther finished with five points and tied for the game-high with eight rebounds.

A dunk from Winther brought NIU back within six, 28-22, before Bradley finished the half on an 11-4 burst to close the opening stanza.

The hosts took a 39-26 lead into the intermission. Bradley shot 48.3 percent (14-of-29) from the field in the opening 20 minutes but held NIU to just 26.5 percent (9-of-34) shooting, including 18.8 percent (3-of-16) from three. Alex Huibregtse led the way with 10 points, Cobb scored six to pace the Huskies in the first half.

Both teams were slow out of the gates in the second half as Bradley scored the only three points in the first four minutes of the second period.

A triple from Valentine with 14:19 to play trimmed the Bradley advantage to 46-33, but the Braves responded with back-to-back threes of their own as the lead climbed to 19.

With the home team's lead still 19, 54-35, Bradley went on a seven-point burst to push its advantage to 61-35 with 8:42 to play.

Jaquan Johnson finished with a game-high 21 points to lead the way for Bradley, Huibregtse added 16 points and AJ Smith finished with 10.

Bradley shot 53.3 percent (16-of-30) from the floor in the second half and went 10-of-13 (76.9 percent) from the free-throw line in the second 20 minutes.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
96	Winther, G.	1-5	0-1	3-6	3-5	8	3	5	0	1	1	0	26
1	Valentine, M.	4-11	2-6	0-0	2-4	6	3	10	1	3	0	1	21
3	Kelly, D.	1-6	1-4	1-3	1-2	3	1	4	2	1	0	0	27
6	Walters, T.	1-4	0-1	0-4	0-2	6	2	2	0	1	0	1	20
25	Ducommun, D.	6-15	2-6	3-4	2-4	6	3	17	0	6	0	1	31
0	Gianni, C.	3-10	1-4	4-6	4-1	5	3	11	3	3	0	1	33
2	Coronado, C.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
7	Washington, H.	1-4	0-2	0-0	0-2	2	4	2	0	1	0	0	17
8	Kante, L.	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
10	Ituka, J.	0-4	0-4	0-0	0-3	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	14
11	Washington, I.	2-5	0-1	0-1	2-1	3	1	4	0	1	0	0	7
TEAM				3-0	3					1			
TOTALS		19-65	6-30	11-24	21-24	45	22	55	6	18	1	4	200
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 9-34	.265	2nd: 10-31	.323	Game: 19-65	.292						
3-PT FG%:		1st: 3-16	.188	2nd: 3-14	.214	Game: 6-30	.200						
FT%:		1st: 5-12	.417	2nd: 6-12	.500	Game: 11-24	.458						

No.	Bradley	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
14	Jonovic, A.	3-4	0-0	0-0	1-3	4	4	6	0	1	5	1	5
0	Burch, D.	1-9	0-5	0-0	1-2	3	2	2	3	1	1	1	28
3	Huibregtse, A.	6-9	4-7	0-0	0-8	8	2	16	2	2	0	1	29
21	Smith, AJ	4-7	1-3	1-2	1-5	6	1	10	1	3	0	2	26
22	Johnson, J.	6-8	2-3	7-8	0-2	2	1	21	2	1	0	2	27
1	Richardson, D.	2-4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	4	2	1	0	1	5
4	Thomas, C.	1-5	0-3	4-5	1-3	4	3	6	1	0	2	0	15
5	Zobrist, M.	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
7	Wheeler, M.	2-4	2-2	3-4	0-3	3	4	9	3	1	0	1	19
10	van der Knaap, T.	4-5	0-0	0-0	2-3	5	1	8	0	0	0	0	19
12	Yu, K.	1-3	0-0	0-2	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	4
13	Toussaint III, H.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
23	Rugaard, G.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
TEAM				0-0									
TOTALS		30-59	9-24	15-19	6-31	37	22	84	14	10	8	9	200
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 14-29	.483	2nd: 16-50	.320	Game: 30-59	.508						
3-PT FG%:		1st: 6-16	.375	2nd: 3-8	.375	Game: 9-24	.375						
FT%:		1st: 5-6	.833	2nd: 10-13	.769	Game: 15-19	.789						

Technical Fouls: none

Officials: Roland Simmons, Gene Grimshaw, Brad Ferrie

Attendance: 5,750

Score by Half

NIU.....26-29 55

Bradley.....39-45 84



GAME 10
NIU: 79



Elon: 85
December 13, 2025 • Schar Center
Elon, N.C.

ELON, N.C. – Elon scored the final nine points of the contest as the Phoenix topped the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team, 85-79, on Saturday afternoon (Dec. 13) at the Schar Center. The Phoenix erased an 11-point second half deficit as they shot 55.2 percent (16-of-29) from the field in the second 20 minutes.

Makhai Valentine led the way for NIU with his first double-double with 17 points and 10 rebounds. Gustav Winther just missed a double-double with 15 points and nine rebounds while Dylan Ducommun and Jao Ituka each added 12 points.

NIU knocked in its first three triple tries of the contest as the Huskies led 11-4 in the early going. Hassan 'Tre' Washington, Valentine and Daemar Kelly all connected from beyond the arc in the opening three minutes.

Elon answered with the next eight as the Phoenix moved in front by one, 12-11, with 16:22 to play in the first half.

A 12-2 run helped NIU open up a 28-21 lead with 11:28 left in the half. Ducommun opened the burst with a triple, Ituka added three free throws before Winther scored the next three and Ituka knocked in a triple to give the Huskies the seven-point lead.

Elon responded with seven of the next nine as the Phoenix trimmed the NIU lead back to just a pair, 30-28, with a little over eight minutes left in the half.

Winther scored eight consecutive points for the Huskies led 42-37 with 4:02 remaining before the intermission.

The Huskies scored the final six points of the half to take a 48-41 lead into the break. Valentine scored 10 points in the opening five minutes of the second half as the Huskies built a 62-51 lead with 15:10 to play.

When Ituka knocked in NIU's 11th triple of the contest, the Huskie lead was 70-59 with 9:49 remaining.

A 9-1 Elon burst brought the Phoenix within three, 74-71, with 6:17 left.

The Phoenix cut the NIU advantage to just one, 77-76, with a pair of free throws with 2:53 to go. Ducommun then answered with a pair at the charity stripe as the Huskie lead went back to three.

Elon pulled even at 79 with a free throw with 1:59 remaining and the Phoenix took their first lead of the second half, 81-79, out of a timeout with a dunk with 1:16 left. After the Phoenix got a defensive stop, Elon converted an old-fashioned three-point play with 31 seconds left to push their lead to 84-79.

One more free throw gave Elon the six-point win as the Phoenix held NIU to just one of its last 13 from the field, holding the Huskies scoreless over the final 2:38 of the contest.

Kacper Klaczek finished with 23 points to lead the way for Elon, Chandler Cuthrell added 21 points for the Phoenix.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
7	Washington, H.	1-2	1-1	0-0	1-0	1	4	3	1	4	0	0	8
96	Winther, G.	5-9	0-0	5-11	3-6	9	3	15	1	1	0	2	37
1	Valentine, M.	7-16	3-10	0-0	5-5	10	3	17	1	0	0	2	34
3	Kelly, D.	2-8	1-5	3-4	2-2	4	4	8	5	3	0	0	27
25	Ducommun, D.	3-10	2-6	4-4	0-3	3	2	12	4	2	1	0	38
0	Cobb, G.	2-3	1-1	2-2	0-1	1	3	7	1	1	0	0	24
6	Walters, T.	2-3	1-2	0-0	0-4	4	5	2	0	0	0	0	22
10	Ituka, J.	2-7	2-5	6-6	0-0	0	3	12	1	1	0	1	10
TEAM				1-0	1					1			
TOTALS		24-58	11-30	20-27	12-21	33	27	79	16	13	1	5	200
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 16-34	.471	2nd: 8-24	.333	Game: 24-58	.414						
3-PT FG%:		1st: 7-16	.438	2nd: 4-14	.286	Game: 11-30	.367						
FT%:		1st: 9-12	.750	2nd: 11-15	.733	Game: 20-27	.741						

No.	Elon	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
9	Klaczek, K.	9-11	1-2	4-8	2-4	6	3	23	3	1	0	2	27
7	Cuthrell, C.	7-12	0-1	7-11	3-3	6	2	21	1	4	0	1	29
12	Harrell, I.	1-6	0-4	1-1	1-4	5	2	3	0	1	0	1	20
3	Carr, J.	1-3	0-0	2-2	0-1	1	0	4	2	1	0	0	26
11	Pettus II, R.	4-6	2-3	3-3	0-3	3	3	13	2	0	1	1	29
0	Cokley, B.	2-6	0-4	0-0	1-1	2	4	4	2	0	0	1	22
4	Gambardina, I.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
5	Middleton, C.	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	3
8	Johnson, D.	2-3	0-0	3-4	1-3	4	3	7	1	0	0	1	18
22	Hull, N.	1-4	0-3	4-4	1-1	2	1	6	1	1	0	0	18
33	Spell, B.	1-4	0-2	0-0	1-1	2	1	2	0	1	0	0	6
TEAM				1-0	1								
TOTALS		29-56	3-19	24-33	11-23	34	19	85	12	9	2	7	200
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 13-27	.481	2nd: 16-29	.552	Game: 29-56	.518						
3-PT FG%:		1st: 2-12	.167	2nd: 1-7	.143	Game: 3-19	.158						
FT%:		1st: 13-18	.722	2nd: 11-15	.733	Game: 24-33	.727						

Technical Fouls: none

Officials: JW Lucas, Jeremy Mosier, Greg Gerritsen

Attendance: 1,092

Score by Half

NIU.....48-31 79

Elon.....41-44 85



GAME 11
NIU: 112



East-West: 64
December 16, 2025 • NIU Convocation Center
DeKalb, Ill.

DEKALB, Ill. – Eight players scored in double figures, led by 18 points from Jao Ituka, as the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team topped East-West University, 112-64, in the final non-conference game of the calendar year on Tuesday night (Dec. 16) at the NIU Convocation Center.

Gustav Winther had 16 points, Makhai Valentine scored 14 points, Ladji Kante added 12 points, Dylan Ducommun chipped in 11 points while Gianni Cobb, Daemar Kelly and Taj Walters each had 10 points.

Cobb finished with a double-double with 10 assists to go along with his 10 points. Kelly, Kante and Winther each tied for the game-high with eight rebounds. NIU outrebounded East-West, 71-22, in the contest.

A 12-0 run gave NIU an 18-7 lead with 14:42 to play in the opening half. Winther opened the run with a layup, Kelly then added a triple before Ducommun finished at the rim. Ituka knocked in a three to make it a 10-0 Huskie burst and Cobb finished ahead of the play to close the run and give NIU an 11-point lead.

East-West scored the next four to trim the NIU advantage back to seven with a little under 14 minutes left in the half.

With NIU in front 31-18, Winther scored six-straight to push the Huskie lead to 19 with 7:34 remaining in the opening stanza. The six-point burst from Winther ignited an 18-0 run from the Huskies as NIU led 49-18 with just over three minutes to play before the break.

NIU took a 59-25 lead into the intermission. Winther had 16 points to lead all scorers at the half, David Hood had nine points to pace the Phantoms.

Walters scored all 10 of his points in the second half to lead NIU after the break while Ituka scored nine points after halftime.

Devine Conley finished with 19 points for East-West, Hood added 14 points and Amari Phillips chipped in 12.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
96	Winther, G.	6-8	0-0	4-5	3-5	8	0	16	1	1	2	0	17
1	Valentine, M.	5-13	2-7	2-2	3-3	6							

2025-26: BOX SCORES



GAME 12 NIU: 74



Central Michigan: 73

December 20, 2025 • NIU Convocation Center
DeKalb, Ill.

DEKALB, Ill. – Taj Walters tip-in at the buzzer lifted the Northern Illinois University men's basketball to a 74-73 victory over Central Michigan on Saturday afternoon (Dec. 20) in the Mid-American Conference opener at the NIU Convocation Center. The Huskies rallied from down 20 with 14:30 left to claim the win.

Dylan Ducommun netted a team-high 18 points, Gustav Winther finished with a double-double with 14 points and 11 rebounds, Walters scored 13 points and Makhai Valentine chipped in 10 points.

NIU's 20-point comeback is its largest since Nov. 30, 2014, when the Huskies overcame a 21-point deficit to defeat Maine, 61-56.

Tailing 62-45 with 9:40 left, five-straight points from Ducommun started a 9-2 spurt for NIU as the Huskies cut the Central Michigan lead down to just 10. Winther and Walters added baskets off offensive rebounds during the burst as the Huskies trimmed the Chippewas lead to 64-54 with 7:42 to go.

Following a free throw for Central Michigan, the Huskies scored the five, capped by a Walters layup off a turnover, as NIU pulled within a half-dozen, 65-59, with 5:49 remaining.

Still trailing by six, Ducommun found Valentine for a dunk with 2:24 left, bringing NIU within four, 70-66.

Central Michigan went back up by seven, 73-66, with a triple with 1:54 left, but NIU scored the next six on free throws from Winther and Ducommun, sandwiched around a Ducommun bucket, as NIU cut the Chippewa lead to one, 73-72, with 12 seconds remaining.

NIU fouled with 6.8 seconds remaining and Central Michigan missed the front end of the one-and-one. With no timeouts, the Huskies raced the length of the floor and Ducommun missed the initial shot, but Walters tipped the ball in just before the horn to complete the comeback.

Central Michigan led 12-11 in the early going before the Chippewas used a 12-2 burst to push its advantage to 24-13 with 9:15 to play in the opening half, forcing a NIU timeout. The visitors added a triple out of the timeout as the Central Michigan advantage grew to 27-13.

A pair of free throws from Walters sparked a 6-2 burst for the Huskies as NIU trimmed the Central Michigan lead to 31-20.

The Chippewas hit a triple as time expired to end the half as they took a 44-27 lead into the intermission.

With the visitors in front, 48-34, Central Michigan used a 6-0 burst to increase its lead to 54-34 with 14:32 to play in the second half.

A corner triple from Walters ended the CMU run and ignited a 9-2 burst for the Huskies, trimming the CMU lead to 56-43 with 11:09 left, but the Chippewas scored next four as the lead for the visitors ballooned back to 17, 60-43.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
7	Washington, H.	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	3	4	1	3	0	1	10
96	Winther, G.	3-7	0-1	8-10	5-6	11	3	14	0	1	0	0	34
1	Valentine, M.	3-8	1-6	3-5	0-5	5	1	10	0	0	0	0	36
3	Kelly, D.	1-4	1-3	3-5	1-1	2	1	6	1	1	0	2	22
24	Ducommun, D.	4-7	2-4	8-10	1-1	2	3	18	4	4	0	2	32
0	Cobb, G.	3-8	0-2	1-2	1-2	3	4	7	4	4	0	2	27
6	Walters, T.	5-8	1-2	2-2	3-2	5	2	13	1	1	0	0	29
8	Kante, L.	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	6
10	Ituka, J.	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
23	Wharton, J.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0+
TEAM					1-0	1				2			
TOTALS		22-46	5-19	25-34	12-19	31	17	74	12	16	0	7	200
TOTAL FG%:	1st:	8-19	.421	2nd:	14-27	.519							Game: 22-46 .478
3-PT FG%:	1st:	1-6	.167	2nd:	4-13	.308							Game: 5-19 .263
FT%:	1st:	10-15	.667	2nd:	15-19	.789							Game: 25-34 .735

No.	Central Mich.	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
21	Mullen, N.	7-12	2-6	2-2	3-4	7	2	18	3	0	1	1	28
32	Claerbaut, N.	8-14	0-0	2-3	0-7	7	0	18	0	4	1	1	32
3	Whitaker, J.	0-4	0-4	0-1	0-0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	22
5	Adley, T.	3-6	0-2	0-0	2-0	2	5	6	2	2	0	0	22
10	Brooks, P.	3-6	0-0	3-4	0-1	1	3	9	7	2	1	0	29
2	Kampen, J.	0-3	0-1	0-0	1-1	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	15
13	Garner, K.	4-5	0-1	0-3	5-2	7	3	8	1	2	0	0	19
22	Ashford, W.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	6
33	McIntire, L.	5-10	4-7	0-0	1-1	2	4	14	3	0	1	2	27
TEAM					1-0	1				2			
TOTALS		30-60	6-21	7-13	13-17	30	23	73	20	13	4	8	200
TOTAL FG%:	1st:	17-32	.531	2nd:	13-28	.464							Game: 30-60 .500
3-PT FG%:	1st:	4-12	.333	2nd:	2-9	.222							Game: 6-21 .286
FT%:	1st:	6-7	.857	2nd:	1-6	.167							Game: 7-13 .538

Technical Fouls: none
Officials: Kevin Raheer, Mike O'Neill, Chris Fuller
Attendance: 1,311
Score by Half
 Central Michigan44-29 73
 NIU27-47 74



GAME 13 NIU: 67



Buffalo: 81

December 31, 2025 • NIU Convocation Center
DeKalb, Ill.

DEKALB, Ill. – Buffalo held the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team to just 21.9 percent (7-of-32) shooting from three-point range as the Bulls topped the Huskies, 81-67, on Wednesday afternoon (Dec. 31) at the NIU Convocation Center. The Bulls built a 14-point halftime lead before NIU rallied to within five in the second half but was unable to get any closer.

Dylan Ducommun had a game-high 19 points for the Huskies, Taj Walters added 13 while Makhai Valentine finished with 11 points.

Both teams made a quick start offensively as NIU made five of its first eight from the floor and Buffalo made four of its first five as the Huskies held a narrow, 10-9 lead inside the opening five minutes of the contest.

NIU led 12-9 until Buffalo used an 11-2 burst to move in front, 20-14, with 11:13 to play in the half. Ezra McKenna made three triples during the run for the Bulls.

Following a timeout, the Bulls scored five more, extending the run to 16-2 as they led 25-14 just past the midway point of the opening 20 minutes. A basket by Gustav Winther and a free throw from Daemar Kelly stopped the Buffalo run and brought NIU back within eight, 25-17.

After the Buffalo lead grew to a dozen, six-straight points from NIU brought the Huskies back within just six, 29-23. Hassan 'Tre' Washington opened the burst with a layup, Walters then added a pair of free throws before Gianni Cobb finished with a basket with 6:28 to play in the half.

Buffalo responded with the next five as the lead grew back to 11 for the visitors.

The Bulls took a 43-29 lead into the half. Daniel Frietag scored 17 points to lead the way for Buffalo, who shot 48.4 percent (15-of-31) from the field in the opening half, including 7-of-14 from three.

NIU scored the first eight out of the intermission to force an early Buffalo timeout. After Winther made a pair of free throws, Ducommun knocked in back-to-back triples as the Huskies cut the Buffalo advantage to 43-37 just 80 seconds into the second stanza.

The Buffalo lead was still six until back-to-back baskets for the Bulls gave the visitors a 52-42 lead with 15:22 left. A triple from Walters and a tip-in by Ladji Kante cut the Buffalo lead in half but the Bulls scored the next four to lead, 56-47, with just over 12 minutes remaining.

NIU climbed back within five, 58-53, on a pair of free throws from Walters just past the midway point of the half.

Leading by seven with just under seven minutes to play, Buffalo used a 7-2 spurt to push its lead to 71-59 with 4:43 left. A Valentine four-point play brought NIU back within eight, but the Bulls answered with the next five to put the game out of reach.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
96	Winther, G.	3-4	0-0	2-2	2-3	5	4	8	1	4	0	1	26
1	Valentine, M.	4-12	2-8	1-1	3-3	6	2	11	3	2	0	1	33
3	Kelly, D.	1-3	0-2	1-1	1-1	2	2	3	0	1	0	0	14
6	Walters, T.	3-5	1-2	6-6	1-2	3	2	13	0	1	0	30	
25	Ducommun, D.	7-19	3-12	2-2	0-3	3	1	19	4	5	1	1	37
0	Cobb, G.	2-5	0-2	0-0	0-2	2	2	4	2	1	0	1	25
7	Washington, H.	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	3	2	1	0	0	0	10
8	Kante, L.	1-2	0-1	2-2	1-0	1	1	4	0	1	0	0	8
10	Ituka, J.	1-5	1-5	0-0	0-2	2	1	3	1	0	0	1	17
11	Washington, I.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0+
TEAM					2-3	5							
TOTALS		23-56	7-32	14-16	10-21	31	18	67	12	14	2	5	200
TOTAL FG%:	1st:	12-27	.444	2nd:	11-29	.379							Game: 23-56 .411
3-PT FG%:	1st:	2-14	.143	2nd:	5-18	.278							Game: 7-32 .219
FT%:	1st:	3-5	.600	2nd:	11-11	1.000							Game: 14-16 .875

No.	Buffalo	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
33	Oboh, T.	0-2	0-0	3-4	2-2	4	2	3	1	3	1	0	19
1	Batchelor, N.	1-4	1-4	0-0	1-3	4	3	3	0	4	0	2	29
2	Sabol, R.	4-13	2-8	4-4	1-3	4	1	14	4	2	0	2	37
5	Freitag, D.	11-17	4-8	7-10	1-4	5	1	33	3	0	1	2	38
14	Brizzi, A.	4-6	1-1	1-2	0-1	1	4	10	2	2	0	1	18
3	Pocknett, M.	1-2	0-0	1-1	1-1	2	3	3	0	0	1	1	14
10	Talton Jr., D.	2-5	0-1	0-2	2-2	4	2	4	2	0	2	2	25
13	McKenna, E.	4-6	3-4	0-0	2-3	5	0	11	3	3	0	0	20
TEAM					1-4	5							
TOTALS		27-55	11-26	16-23	11-23	34	16	81	15	14	3	10	200
TOTAL FG%:	1st:	15-31	.484	2nd:	12-24	.500							Game: 27-55 .491
3-PT FG%:	1st:	7-14	.500	2nd:	4-12	.333							Game: 11-26 .423
FT%:	1st:	6-9	.667	2nd:	10-14	.714							Game: 16-23 .696

Technical Fouls: NIU - team
Officials: Tim Stewart, Alfred Smith, Tariq Lucas
Attendance: 1,006
Score by Half
 Buffalo43-38 81
 NIU29-38 67



GAME 14 NIU: 73



Kent State: 77

January 3, 2026 • M.A.C. Center
Kent, Ohio

KENT, Ohio – Makhai Valentine scored a career-high 27 points and Taj Walters recorded a double-double with 13 points and 11 rebounds but the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team's second half comeback attempt came up just short, as the Huskies fell, 77-73, to Kent State at the M.A.C. Center on Saturday afternoon (Jan. 3).

NIU trailed by as much as 21 points but rallied to within a pair late. Dylan Ducommun and Gianni Cobb each scored 13 points.

Kent State scored the first seven points of the contest before Valentine made a bucket to get the Huskies on the board with 17:24 to play in the opening half.

The Golden Flashes led by eight, 12-4, before scoring four-straight to push their advantage to 16-4 with 12:15 remaining in the half. Cobb then knocked in a triple to bring the Huskies back within nine.

NIU trailed 22-9 when Valentine knocked in a triple and was fouled, converting the four-point play to cut the Kent State lead to 22-13. Walters then scored off an offensive rebound to bring the Huskies within seven, 22-15, with seven minutes to play before the intermission.

The hosts answered with an 11-2 run as Kent State pushed its lead to 33-17 with a little over four minutes to play in the half.

Kent State scored the final eight points to close the half as the Golden Flashes took a 47-26 lead into the intermission. NIU committed 15 first half turnovers that Kent State converted into 21 points.

NIU opened the second half on a 13-0 run to climb back within eight, 47-39, with 16:23 to play. Walters opened the half with a corner triple; Valentine scored nine in the first four minutes of the second half and Ducommun had a free throw during the Huskie run.

Valentine's fifth triple of the contest brought NIU within five, 53-48, with a little over 13 minutes to play.

The Huskies still led by five when Kent State used a 5-1 burst to push its lead back to nine. Walters answered with another corner three to pull NIU back within a half-dozen, 60-54, with 8:26 left.

Down 10, NIU used a 7-0 burst to pull within three, 64-61. After a bucket by Kent State, Walters knocked in another three to get the Huskies within a pair, 66-64, with 3:34 remaining.

The Kent State lead was four, 72-68, when the Golden Flashes made a pair of free throws to extend their advantage to 74-68 with 17 seconds left. Ducommun cut the lead in half with a triple seven seconds later, bringing the Huskies within a possession.

NIU was forced to foul, and Kent State made its free throws in the final seconds as the Golden Flashes escaped with the victory.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
96	Winther, G.	0-3	0-1	2-4	1-2	3	5	2	1	1	0	0	21
1	Valentine, M.	9-17	5-12	4-4	1-2	3	0	27	0	0	0	0	38
3	Kelly, D.	0-3	0-2	0-1	0-4	4	5	0	0	4	0	1	17
6	Walters, T.	4-9	3-4	2-2									

2025-26: BOX SCORES



GAME 15
NIU: 61
Toledo: 75
January 6, 2025 • NIU Convocation Center
DeKalb, Ill.



DEKALB, Ill. – Toledo shot 50 percent (29-of-58) from the field, including 41.7 percent (5-of-12) from three-point range, as the Rockets upended the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team, 75-61, on Tuesday night (Jan. 6) at the NIU Convocation Center.

The Rockets forced 21 Huskie turnovers, which they converted into 26 points, while NIU's 13 forced turnovers resulted in just six Huskie points.

Dylan Ducommun led the Huskies with 17 points, Taj Walters had eight points and a career-high 13 rebounds.

Tied at five in the early going, Toledo used an 11-0 run to go in front, 16-5, with 14:35 to play in the opening half, forcing a Huskie timeout.

NIU responded with an 8-2 burst as Makhai Valentine ended the run for the Huskies and Walters scored the next five for the hosts, who trimmed the Toledo advantage to 18-13 with 12:19 left in the first half.

Toledo scored the next five to go back in front by 10 before Valentine connected on a trifecta to cut the Rockets lead to 23-16 just before the midway point of the opening stanza.

Valentine finished with nine points in the contest. The visitors scored the next six as the lead ballooned back to 13, 29-16, with seven minutes to play before halftime.

Toledo took a 37-25 lead into halftime. Sean Craig, Austin Parks and Kyler VanderJagt all had eight points for the Rockets, Valentine had six points to pace NIU. The Huskies had 12 first half turnovers compared to just four for the Rockets as Toledo held a 15-3 edge in points off turnovers at the half.

The Toledo lead was 13 when the Rockets used a 7-0 burst to push their advantage to 57-37 with 11:44 remaining.

A pair of triples from Ducommun ignited a 9-2 run for NIU as the Huskies closed the gap to 59-46 with just under nine minutes to play.

The Huskies continued to chip away and pulled within 10 on a layup by Ducommun with 5:24 left, cutting the Toledo lead to 64-54, but that was as close as NIU would get as the Rockets responded with the next five as the advantage grew back to 15 for the visitors.

VanderJagt finished with 18 points to lead Toledo, Sonny Wilson scored 17, Parks finished with 13 while Craig and Leroy Blyden Jr. each netted 10 points.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
96	Winther, G.	4-7	1-1	0-0	3-2	5	4	9	1	1	0	1	22
1	Valentine, M.	3-10	3-7	0-0	1-5	6	1	9	2	2	0	1	33
3	Kelly, D.	1-3	0-2	0-0	0-1	1	1	2	0	2	1	1	16
6	Walters, T.	3-4	1-2	1-1	3-10	13	1	8	0	2	2	0	36
25	Ducommun, D.	6-15	4-10	1-4	0-2	2	1	17	2	5	0	0	34
0	Gianni, C.	2-8	0-2	3-4	0-1	1	1	7	3	3	0	4	23
2	Coronado, C.	2-4	1-3	2-2	0-1	1	2	7	0	0	0	0	9
7	Washington, H.	1-3	0-0	0-0	3-1	4	3	2	3	2	1	0	21
10	Ituka, J.	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	6
TEAM				2-2		4				3			
TOTALS		22-56		10-29		7-11		12-25		37		15 61 13 21 4 7 200	
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 9-26		.346		2nd: 13-30		.433		Game: 22-56		.393	
3-PT FG%:		1st: 4-13		.308		2nd: 6-16		.375		Game: 10-29		.345	
FT%:		1st: 3-6		.500		2nd: 4-5		.800		Game: 7-11		.636	

No.	Toledo	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
9	Craig, S.	5-9	0-2	0-2	3-2	5	1	10	2	1	0	1	37
25	Parks, A.	6-10	0-0	1-4	1-4	5	3	13	2	1	1	0	29
2	Blyden Jr., L.	3-10	0-3	4-4	0-5	5	3	10	5	3	1	4	35
3	Wilson, S.	7-16	2-2	1-2	1-3	4	1	17	5	1	0	5	37
4	VanderJagt, K.	5-6	2-2	6-7	0-4	4	3	18	1	4	0	2	30
5	Strong, M.	2-3	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	3	5	0	0	0	0	15
11	James Jr., W.	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
32	Ouwinga, J.	1-3	0-1	0-0	1-2	3	0	2	0	0	0	2	12
TEAM		2-2		4		3							
TOTALS		29-58		5-12		8-23		31		14 75 15 13 4 12 200			
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 16-34		.471		2nd: 13-24		.542		Game: 29-58		.500	
3-PT FG%:		1st: 3-7		.429		2nd: 2-5		.400		Game: 5-12		.417	
FT%:		1st: 2-6		.333		2nd: 10-13		.769		Game: 12-19		.632	

Technical Fouls: none
Officials: Kevin Brill, Tim Comer, Anthony Burris
Attendance: 864
Score by Half
Toledo.....37-38 75
NIU.....25-36 61



GAME 16
NIU: 59
Eastern Michigan: 77
January 13, 2026 • GameAbove Center
Ypsilanti, Mich.



YPSILANTI, Mich. – Eastern Michigan shot 60 percent (18-of-30) from the field in the second half and used a 15-3 run to pull away from the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team for a 77-59 victory on Tuesday night (Jan. 13) at the George Gervin GameAbove Center.

Makhai Valentine led the way for the Huskies with 20 points, Taj Walters had a double-double with 13 points and 10 rebounds while Gianni Cobb had nine points and a game-high seven assists.

Trailing by one, Walters scored five-straight points to give NIU a 12-8 lead with 12:48 to play in the opening half.

Tied at 19, Daemar Kelly converted on a layup and Valentine knocked in a triple in transition as the Huskies took a 24-19 lead with 6:11 left in the opening half.

Kelly finished with eight points and seven rebounds. The NIU lead grew to five, the largest of the half for either team, 26-21, on a free throw by Walters with 3:09 to play before the break. Eastern Michigan closed the half on a 7-0 run however as the Eagles took a 28-26 lead into the intermission.

Valentine had 11 first half points to lead NIU, Walters added eight points and five rebounds. Mohammad Habhab and Addison Patterson each had six points to pace Eastern Michigan. The two teams combined for just seven first half turnovers, with NIU committing five and Eastern Michigan committing just two.

NIU opened the second half with five-straight points, including a triple from Valentine, as the Huskies took a 31-28 lead. Eastern Michigan answered with an 11-3 run as the Eagles went back in front, 39-34, with 15:21 remaining.

The Eastern Michigan run reached 15-3 before Kelly scored five-straight points, pulling the Huskies back within four, 43-39, with 12:12 left to play.

Walters finished at the rim to extend the run to 7-0 and pull the Huskies within a pair, but Eastern Michigan scored eight of the next 10 as the Eagles took a 51-43 lead with 8:15 to go.

Eastern Michigan's lead grew to a dozen, 56-44, with 6:52 left. NIU would cut the lead down to nine, but that is as close as the Huskies would get as the hosts closed out an 18-point victory.

Patterson finished with 20 points to lead the way for the Eagles, Habhab added 15 points, 10 rebounds and six assists, while Gregory Lawson chipped in 13 points off the bench.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
96	Winther, G.	3-6	0-0	1-3	0-4	4	4	7	2	0	2	0	29
0	Cobb, G.	4-9	0-1	1-2	0-3	3	3	9	7	2	0	3	36
1	Valentine, M.	5-11	3-7	7-8	2-4	6	2	20	1	1	0	0	31
6	Walters, T.	5-13	2-5	1-2	3-7	10	2	13	0	1	0	1	36
25	Ducommun, D.	1-9	0-7	0-0	0-1	1	1	2	2	2	0	1	29
2	Coronado, C.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
3	Kelly, D.	3-10	1-5	1-2	0-7	7	1	8	1	2	0	0	27
7	Washington, H.	0-1	0-0	0-2	1-1	2	4	0	0	3	0	0	10
TEAM		4-1		5		2							
TOTALS		21-59		6-25		11-19		10-28		38		17 59 13 14 2 5 200	
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 9-29		.310		2nd: 12-30		.400		Game: 21-59		.356	
3-PT FG%:		1st: 3-13		.231		2nd: 3-12		.250		Game: 6-25		.240	
FT%:		1st: 5-8		.625		2nd: 6-11		.545		Game: 11-19		.579	

No.	Eastern Mich.	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
4	Habhab, M.	7-15	0-1	1-1	1-9	10	3	15	6	2	2	0	36
13	Nwabude, G.	4-5	0-0	0-2	1-6	7	3	8	0	0	3	0	20
2	Hart, C.	2-6	0-3	5-5	1-3	4	3	9	1	3	1	2	34
5	Green B.	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	2	0	3	0	0	1	24
9	Patterson, A.	7-13	0-3	6-7	0-5	5	3	20	2	0	0	0	26
0	Lawson, G.	5-8	3-4	0-0	1-1	2	1	13	1	0	0	0	14
1	Manciel, M.	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	7
3	Ellison, M.	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	1	4	0	1	0	1	6
7	Rubio, A.	3-7	2-4	0-0	1-2	3	1	8	1	0	2	0	13
10	Sanders, J.	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-2	2	0	0	1	1	0	1	17
35	Alderink, M.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
TEAM		0-2		2		1							
TOTALS		30-61		5-18		12-15		5-34		39		17 77 16 10 8 6 200	
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 12-31		.387		2nd: 18-30		.600		Game: 30-61		.492	
3-PT FG%:		1st: 2-10		.200		2nd: 3-8		.375		Game: 5-18		.278	
FT%:		1st: 2-2		1.00		2nd: 10-13		.769		Game: 12-15		.800	

Technical Fouls: NIU - team
Officials: John Floyd, King Whetstone, Chris Fuller
Attendance: 1,749
Score by Half
NIU.....26-33 59
Eastern Michigan.....28-49 77



GAME 17
NIU: 70
Massachusetts: 68
January 17, 2026 • NIU Convocation Center
DeKalb, Ill.



DEKALB, Ill. – Makhai Valentine tied his career-high with 27 points as the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team held on to top UMass, 70-68, on Saturday afternoon (Jan. 17) at the NIU Convocation Center. Hassan 'Tre' Washington added 11 points while Gianni Cobb had eight points, six assists and six steals.

NIU led for more than 30 minutes but found itself trailing by two, 66-64, inside the final four minutes of the contest. Two free throws from both Gustav Winther and Dylan Ducommun put the Huskies back in front, 68-66, with 3:16 left.

The visitors then went to the free-throw line on back-to-back possessions but made just 1-of-4 free throws as NIU led by one with two minutes to play. After both teams had empty trips, Taj Walters split a pair at the line, giving NIU a 69-67 lead with 30 seconds to play.

UMass came up empty again and Cobb went to the line with 18 seconds left. He split a pair as the Huskie lead grew to 70-67. On the next possession, UMass turned down a look at a three and Jayden Ndjigwe was fouled at the rim with 5.5 seconds to play.

Ndjigwe made his first free throw, missed the second and the rebound was tapped around by other teams until the horn sounded as NIU survived for the victory.

Leading by a pair, 23-21, Washington had back-to-back layups to push the NIU advantage to a half-dozen, 27-21, with 5:40 left before the intermission.

Valentine extended the NIU run to 7-0 with three free throws, giving the Huskies a 30-21 lead with 4:48 remaining in the opening stanza.

A Valentine triple started a 5-0 burst for the Huskies as NIU went in front by a dozen, 38-26, on a pair of free throws from Walters with 1:43 to play in the half.

UMass answered with the next five however and the visitors trimmed the gap to seven, 40-33, at the break.

NIU's lead was eight, 45-37, after a triple from Valentine, but UMass then went on a 7-0 run to cut the Huskie advantage to just one, 45-44, with 14:59 to play. The Huskies led by three before a UMass triple evened the game at 50 with 12:17 remaining.

The visitors took their first lead of the second half, 54-52, with 9:29 to play, but NIU responded with the next six. Winther opened the run with a dunk, Cobb made a pair of free throws and Valentine had an explosive tip-dunk to give NIU a 58-54 lead with just over eight minutes left.

Out of a timeout, the NIU run extended to 8-0 as Valentine got a steal and a layup, giving the Huskies a 60-54 advantage. UMass answered with the next six to even the contest at 60 with 5:30 left.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
96	Winther, G.	2-3	0-0	3-4	1-2	3	5	7	0	1	0	0	13
0	Cobb, G.	1-10	0-5	6-8	0-0	0	2	8	6	4	0	6	35
1	Valentine, M.	9-17	4-9	5-6	4-0	4	1	27	3	1	0	4	37
6	Walters, T.	1-6	0-3	3-4	3-5	8	3	5	2	3	1	2	38
25	Ducommun, D.	1-8	1-6	3-4	0-3	3	3	6	2	3	0	1	28
2	Coronado, C.	1-1	1-1	0-0	1-1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
3	Kelly, D.	1-5	1-4	0-0	0-3	3	1	3	0	0	1	0	16
7	Washington, H.	5-6	0-0	1-4	0-5	5	5	11	0	2	0	0	27
8	Kante, L.	0-2	0-1	0-0	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
TEAM		6-6		12									
TOTALS		21-58		7-29		21-30		15-26		41		20 70 13 14 2 13 200	
TOTAL FG%:		1st: 13-28		.									

2025-26: BOX SCORES



GAME 18
NIU: 77
Ohio: 80
January 20, 2026 • Ohio Convocation Center
Athens, Ohio



ATHENS, Ohio – The Northern Illinois University men's basketball team rallied from down by 16 in the second half to have a chance to tie at the buzzer, but the final shot came up empty as Ohio escaped with an 80-77 victory on Tuesday night (Jan. 20) at the Ohio Convocation Center.

Dylan Ducommun led the Huskies with 23 points, Gianni Cobb added 13 points and Makhai Valentine chipped in 10 for NIU.

The Huskies led by a pair until a 5-0 burst gave Ohio a 10-8 lead with a little over 13 minutes to play in the opening half. Ducommun ended the run for the Bobcats with a triple as NIU regained the lead, 11-10.

Ohio answered with the next eight as the Bobcats took an 18-11 lead just before the midway point of the half, forcing a NIU timeout.

NIU was back within three after buckets from Valentine and Cobb, but Ohio responded with an 8-0 run as the Bobcats led 28-17 with six minutes left in the opening stanza.

A pair of buckets from Ducommun ignited an 11-2 run for NIU to close the half. Valentine knocked in a triple, Taj Walters added a pair of free throws and Daemar Kelly scored off an offensive rebound just before the buzzer as the Huskies trimmed the Bobcat lead to just a pair, 32-30, at the half.

Tied at 41, Ohio scored seven-straight to lead 48-41. NIU was back within three, 50-47, after a triple from the wing by Cobb with 12:46 to play.

The Bobcat lead was still three when the hosts converted an old-fashioned three-point play and a triple from the corner to push their lead to 61-52 just past the midway point of the half.

A jumper from the elbow extended the Ohio run to 8-0 before a free throw from Washington ended the Bobcat run and cut the lead to 63-53 with 9:11 left. Following the free throw, Ohio netted the next six to push their lead to 69-53 with 7:38 remaining.

Back-to-back triples from Kelly and Valentine pulled NIU back within 10, 69-59, with 6:17 to play.

A trio of free throws from Ducommun cut the Ohio lead to 71-64 with a little under five minutes to play.

Cobb knocked down a pair of free throws with 1:53 to go as the Huskies pulled within five, 75-70.

With just 23 seconds left, Ducommun knocked in a three to bring the Huskies within a pair, 77-75. A pair of free throws from Ohio made it a four-point game before Walters scored to bring NIU back within two, 79-77, with 6.6 seconds left.

After Ohio split a pair of free throws, NIU had a look at a three to tie but the shot was off the mark as the hosts held on for an 80-77 victory.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN	
96	Winther, G.	2-4	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	3	4	0	3	0	1	11	
0	Cobb, G.	3-7	1-2	6-6	0-6	6	4	13	1	3	0	1	31	
1	Valentine, M.	3-12	2-5	2-3	3-1	4	3	10	1	1	1	0	37	
6	Walters, T.	2-4	1-2	4-4	0-4	4	3	9	1	3	0	1	33	
24	Ducommun, D.	8-14	4-6	3-4	1-2	3	2	23	2	1	0	0	31	
2	Coronado, C.	0-1	0-1	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
3	Kelly, D.	2-5	1-3	3-4	1-2	3	3	8	3	1	0	0	22	
7	Washington, H.	4-5	0-1	1-2	2-4	6	3	9	0	3	0	0	23	
10	Ituka, J.	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	
23	Wharton, J.	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	5	
TEAM					1-3	4								
TOTALS					24-53	9-20	20-27	10-22	32	22	77	8	17	1 3 200
TOTAL FG%:					1st: 11-25	.440	2nd: 13-28	.464	Game: 24-53	.453				
3-PT FG%:					1st: 2-7	.286	2nd: 7-13	.538	Game: 9-20	.450				
FT%:					1st: 6-10	.600	2nd: 14-17	.824	Game: 20-27	.741				

No.	Ohio	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN	
10	Hadaway, A.	6-15	2-6	4-5	1-4	5	4	18	6	1	2	1	36	
22	Breath, J.	1-2	0-0	1-4	1-4	5	5	3	0	3	1	0	27	
0	Sheldon, A.	1-3	1-2	2-2	1-1	2	3	5	0	3	0	1	32	
4	Kelly, JJ	8-15	1-3	0-0	2-7	9	1	17	0	0	0	3	32	
13	Paveletzke, J.	7-12	0-1	9-12	1-2	3	3	23	4	4	0	1	38	
3	Connors, D.	3-6	3-6	2-2	1-0	1	2	11	2	0	0	0	12	
5	Evans, A.	1-1	1-1	0-0	1-1	3	3	0	1	1	1	1	11	
17	Kuany, K.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	
21	Burris, J.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	7	
TEAM					0-2	2								
TOTALS					27-54	8-19	18-25	7-21	28	22	80	12	14	7 4 200
TOTAL FG%:					1st: 13-29	.448	2nd: 14-25	.560	Game: 27-54	.500				
3-PT FG%:					1st: 4-11	.364	2nd: 4-8	.500	Game: 8-19	.421				
FT%:					1st: 2-3	.667	2nd: 16-22	.727	Game: 18-25	.720				

Technical Fouls: NIU - Kelly, team; Ohio - Hadaway, Sheldon
Officials: Steve McClunkins, Blanca Burns, Tim Stewart
Attendance: 2,867
Score by Half
NIU.....30-47 77
Ohio.....32-48 80



GAME 19
NIU: 53
Ball State: 58
January 24, 2026 • Worthen Arena
Muncie, Ind.



MUNCIE, Ind. – The Northern Illinois University men's basketball team cut a double-digit second half deficit to just three in the final seconds but Ball State was able to hang on for a 58-53 victory over the Huskies on Saturday afternoon (Jan. 24) at Worthen Arena. Gianni Cobb led the Huskies with 11 points, Makhai Valentine added 10 points.

The Cardinals led by eight with under two minutes to play until a pair of free throws from Hassan 'Tre' Washington started a 7-2 run for the Huskies. Daemar Kelly added a bucket and Dylan Ducommun knocked in a three to cut the Ball State lead to three, 56-53, with 6.3 seconds left to play.

Ball State through the ball the length of the floor when Davion Hill was fouled with 5.7 seconds on the clock. Hill made both of his free throws to put the contest out of reach.

The Cardinals shot 44.7 percent (21-of-47) from the field in the contest while holding NIU to just 34.6 percent (18-of-52) shooting, including 14.3 percent (4-of-28) from three.

Seven-straight points gave Ball State an early 13-4 lead before Taj Walters ended the run with a bucket with 13:43 to play in the opening half, bringing the Huskies back within seven.

Walters finished with nine points and a team-high seven rebounds.

Ball State's lead was 10 before a layup by Cobb, followed by a steal and coast-to-coast layup from Cobb, cut the Cardinal advantage back to a half-dozen, 21-15, with 6:33 to play in the half, forcing a Ball State timeout.

A free throw from Tre Washington brought the Huskies within five, 21-16. Ball State's lead grew back to nine before a pair of free throws from Valentine and a layup by Isaiah Washington (Fayetteville, N.C./Winston-Salem Christian) pulled the Huskies back within five with 1:46 to play in the half.

The Ball State lead grew back to nine before a pair of free throws from Gustav Winther cut the gap to seven, 29-22, at the intermission.

Ball State led by a dozen before five-straight points from Valentine brought NIU back within seven, 36-29, with 15:35 to play. NIU pulled within five, 40-35, on a wing triple from Walters with a little over 13 minutes remaining.

A pair of free throws from Isaiah Washington and a layup in transition from Cobb helped the Huskies cut the Ball State lead to just four, 43-39, with 8:46 left.

Trailing by six, Valentine knocked in a trifecta from the corner to cut the Ball State lead in half to just 47-44 with just under six minutes remaining.

The hosts responded with a 7-2 burst as the Ball State lead ballooned to 54-46 with 1:54 left. 'Tre' Washington then made a pair of free throws to ignite the late rally that came up just short for the Huskies.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN	
96	Winther, G.	0-1	0-0	2-2	2-2	3	3	2	1	0	0	0	14	
0	Cobb, G.	4-8	1-3	2-2	1-2	3	3	11	2	2	0	1	36	
1	Valentine, M.	3-16	1-11	3-3	0-4	4	3	10	1	2	0	1	34	
6	Walters, T.	4-7	1-4	0-0	2-5	7	2	9	1	0	0	0	35	
25	Ducommun, D.	2-10	1-8	1-1	1-3	4	4	6	0	0	0	0	14	
3	Kelly, D.	1-4	0-1	0-0	1-3	4	2	2	1	0	0	0	24	
7	Washington, H.	2-3	0-0	3-5	2-2	4	1	7	1	2	0	0	20	
11	Washington, I.	1-2	0-1	2-4	0-1	1	0	4	0	1	0	0	15	
23	Wharton, J.	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	8	
TEAM					1-2	3								
TOTALS					18-52	4-28	13-17	10-24	34	19	53	7	11	0 4 200
TOTAL FG%:					1st: 7-23	.304	2nd: 11-29	.379	Game: 18-52	.346				
3-PT FG%:					1st: 0-10	.000	2nd: 4-18	.222	Game: 4-28	.143				
FT%:					1st: 8-10	.800	2nd: 5-7	.714	Game: 13-17	.765				

No.	Ball State	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN	
24	Jones, M.	0-4	0-2	0-0	1-3	4	2	0	1	1	2	28		
34	Copeland, P.	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	4	2	0	0	0	0	16	
1	James, E.	2-5	1-4	2-2	0-2	2	0	7	1	0	0	0	29	
5	Zeigler, A.	7-15	4-6	0-0	1-2	3	2	18	0	3	0	0	35	
13	Barnes, D.	2-3	0-1	1-2	1-2	3	4	5	2	0	0	1	24	
2	Hill, D.	7-13	0-3	4-6	1-7	8	0	18	3	1	1	30		
3	Maxeey, J.	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	
4	Fish, K.	2-5	0-1	2-4	0-2	2	2	6	1	1	0	1	24	
7	Denson, C.	0-0	0-0	2-4	0-1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	12	
TEAM					1-3	4								
TOTALS					21-47	5-18	11-18	5-24	29	16	58	9	8	2 5 200
TOTAL FG%:					1st: 11-25	.440	2nd: 10-22	.455	Game: 21-47	.447				
3-PT FG%:					1st: 3-11	.273	2nd: 2-7	.286	Game: 5-18	.278				
FT%:					1st: 4-6	.667	2nd: 7-12	.583	Game: 11-18	.611				

Technical Fouls: none
Officials: Steve Honacki, Tariq Lucas, Greg Langsdorf
Attendance: 4,105
Score by Half
NIU.....22-31 53
Ball State.....29-29 58



GAME 20
NIU: 85
Western Michigan: 65
January 27, 2026 • NIU Convocation Center
DeKalb, Ill.



DEKALB, Ill. – Four players scored in double figures as the Northern Illinois University men's basketball team downed Western Michigan, 85-65, on Tuesday night (Jan. 27) at the NIU Convocation Center. Dylan Ducommun led the way with 21 points, Makhai Valentine and Taj Walters each scored 16 points while Gianni Cobb added 10 points and eight assists.

NIU scored the first 10 points to open the contest as Valentine connected on a pair of triples in the opening four minutes.

Western Michigan netted the next six points before a triple from Ducommun pushed the Huskie lead back to seven, 13-6, with 13:40 to play in the half.

Ducommun made seven triples in the contest, the most in a game by a Huskie since David Coit made eight on Nov. 25, 2023, at DePaul.

The Huskies used an 8-0 burst to take a 21-8 lead just past the midway point of the opening stanza. Cobb opened the run with a floater before Daemar Kelly and Valentine added triples. Western Michigan responded with the next seven points, trimming the NIU lead to 21-15 with 7:48 left in the opening 20 minutes.

A triple from Walters started a 9-2 spurt for NIU as Isaiah Washington added an old-fashioned three-point play and Ducommun knocked in a corner triple, off a feed from Cobb, as the Huskies took a 30-17 lead with just over four minutes to play before the intermission.

NIU's lead was 11 before Western Michigan scored the final six points of the half, trimming the Huskie lead to 35-30 at the break. Valentine led all scorers with 12 points in the opening 20 minutes, Brady Swartz and Justice Williams each had seven to lead the Broncos.

The hosts opened the second half on an 11-3 run as Walters made three-straight buckets for the Huskies, Ducommun added a triple and Cobb scored off a turnover as NIU pushed its lead to 46-32 with 14:55 to play.

The Broncos were back within 10 after a pair of free throws, but Valentine made a long two to jumpstart a 10-0 run for NIU. Ducommun added a pair of triples, sandwiched around a basket from Cobb, as the Huskie lead grew to 60-40 midway through the second half.

Following a Western Michigan timeout, Gustav Winther added a bucket as the run grew to 12-0.

The Broncos used an 8-3 burst to trim the Huskie lead to 65-48 with a little over seven minutes to play, but that is as close as Western Michigan would get as the Huskies cruised to a 20-point victory.

No.	NIU	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	TOT	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
7	Washington, H.	1-7	0-1	1-2	3-5	8	3	3	2	1	1	0	22
0	Cobb, G.	4-7	0-1	2-4	1-0	1	1	10	8	1	0	1	35
1	Valentine, M.	6-11	4-8	0-0	1-4	5	0	16	2	0	0	0	37
6	Walters, T.	7-12	2-5	0-0	3-5	8	3	16	1	1	0	2	31
25	Ducommun, D.	7-15	7-12	0-0	0-1	1	4	21	4	1	0	2	35
3	Kelly, D.	2-5	2-3	0-0	3-1	4	0	6	2	0	0	0	14
8	Kante, L.	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	2
11	Washington, I.	1-2	0-0	1-1	1-0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	2
16	Stewart, I.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
23	Wharton, J.	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	1</



**2025-26 NIU Men's Basketball
Combined Team Statistics
In Conference games**

Game Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	3-6	3-2	0-4	0-0
CONFERENCE	3-6	3-2	0-4	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	OT	TOT
NIU	260	359	0	619
Opponents	323	331	0	654

Team Box Score

No.	Player	Total			3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds				PF DQ A TO BLK STL PTS AVG									
		GP-GS	MIN	AVG	FG-FGA	FG%	3FG-3FGA	3FG%	FT-FTA	FT%	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	DQ	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
1	VALENTINE, Makhai	9-9	315:05	35.0	45-114	.395	25-73	.342	25-30	.833	15	28	43	4.8	13	0	11	11	1	7	140	15.6
25	DUCOMMUN, Dylan	9-9	275:46	30.6	39-104	.375	24-70	.343	23-33	.697	5	18	23	2.6	24	1	24	26	1	8	125	13.9
6	WALTERS, Taj	9-8	304:01	33.8	34-68	.500	12-29	.414	19-21	.905	22	47	69	7.7	20	0	6	14	5	9	99	11.0
0	COBB, Gianni	9-5	273:32	30.4	28-70	.400	3-20	.150	23-33	.697	4	16	20	2.2	24	0	36	24	0	21	82	9.1
96	WINTHER, Gustav	9-8	189:33	21.1	19-38	.500	1-3	.333	20-28	.714	18	22	40	4.4	34	2	8	14	2	3	59	6.6
7	WASHINGTON, Hassan	9-2	155:24	17.3	16-28	.571	0-2	.000	7-17	.412	13	24	37	4.1	30	2	8	17	2	3	39	4.3
3	KELLY, Daemar	9-4	171:57	19.1	12-42	.286	6-25	.240	8-15	.533	7	23	30	3.3	16	1	8	11	2	6	38	4.2
2	CORONADO JR., Carlos	5-0	25:24	5.1	3-8	.375	2-7	.286	4-6	.667	0	3	3	0.6	2	0	0	2	0	0	12	2.4
8	KANTE, Ladjji	4-0	18:31	4.6	3-6	.500	0-2	.000	2-2	1.000	2	1	3	0.8	2	0	1	1	0	0	8	2.0
11	WASHINGTON, Isaiah	4-0	18:33	4.6	2-4	.500	0-1	.000	3-5	.600	1	1	2	0.5	0	0	0	1	0	0	7	1.8
23	WHARTON, Jaylen	5-0	20:58	4.2	3-4	.750	0-0	.000	1-4	.250	1	3	4	0.8	4	0	1	1	0	0	7	1.4
10	ITUKA, Jao	4-0	29:43	7.4	1-9	.111	1-8	.125	0-0	.000	1	2	3	0.8	2	0	3	1	0	1	3	0.8
16	STEWART, Isaiah	1-0	01:33	1.6	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team											21	22	43					15				
Total		9	1800		205-495	.414	74-240	.308	135-194	.696	110	210	320	35.6	171	6	106	138	13	58	619	68.8
Opponents		9	1800		223-492	.453	58-179	.324	150-210	.714	87	204	291	32.3	168	3	117	115	41	67	654	72.7

Team Statistics

	NIU	OPP
Scoring	619	654
Points per game	68.8	72.7
Scoring margin	-3.9	-
Field goals-att	205-495	223-492
Field goal pct	.414	.453
3 point fg-att	74-240	58-179
3-point FG pct	.308	.324
3-pt FG made per game	8.2	6.4
Free throws-att	135-194	150-210
Free throw pct	.696	.714
F-Throws made per game	15.0	16.7
Rebounds	320	291
Rebounds per game	35.6	32.3
Rebounding margin	+3.2	-
Assists	106	117
Assists per game	11.8	13.0
Turnovers	138	115
Turnovers per game	15.3	12.8
Turnover margin	-2.6	-
Assist/turnover ratio	0.8	1.0
Steals	58	67
Steals per game	6.4	7.4
Blocks	13	41
Blocks per game	1.4	4.6
Winning streak	1	-
Home win streak	2	-
Attendance	5719	10802
Home games-Avg/Game	5-1144	4-2701
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0

Team Results

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
12/20/2025	Central Mich.	W	74-73	1311
12/31/2025	Buffalo	L	67-81	1006
01/03/2026	at Kent St.	L	73-77	2081
01/06/2026	Toledo	L	61-75	864
01/13/2026	at Eastern Mich.	L	59-77	1749
01/17/2026	Massachusetts	W	70-68	1535
01/20/2026	at Ohio	L	77-80	2867
01/24/2026	at Ball St.	L	53-58	4105
01/27/2026	Western Mich.	W	85-65	1003