

Mount St. Mary's Women's Lacrosse

2024 Game Notes

THE MATCHUP



MOUNT ST. MARY'S Mountaineers | 2-6 Overall, 0-1 MAAC
Head Coach: Lauren "Lo" Skelchuck - 10th Season



NIAGARA Purple Eagles | 7-2 Overall, 0-1 MAAC
Head Coach: Wendy Stone - 11th Season

GAME INFORMATION

MOUNT ST. MARY'S VS. NIAGARA

Date Wednesday, March 27
Time 4 p.m.
Location Emmitsburg, Md.
Venue Waldron Family Stadium
Mount's Series Record 4-3
Last Meeting 4/30/23 - Niagara 14, Mount 10
Stream ESPN+ (Christian Taylor)

QUICK HITTERS

- Mount St. Mary's looks to move to 1-1 in Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) and defeat Niagara at home for the second straight year. The two sides met in the MAAC Championship last season in Lewiston, a 14-10 Purple Eagles victory.
- Christina Haspert recorded the first hat trick in her senior year during the Iona game. Battling injuries last season, the Sykesville, Md. native recorded her first three-goal game since the 2022 season.
- Ashlyn Watkins registered a new career high for saves, stopping 15 shots from the Gaels. She ranks in the top five for save percentage (third, .457), saves per game (3rd, 8.29), and goals against average (5th, 11.50).
- Niagara has started 7-2 on the season but dropped their MAAC opener to Fairfield, 14-7. Riley Latray leads the conference in assists per game.

STAT COMPARISON



81	GOALS	133
21	ASSISTS	66
.511	FREE POSITION %	.440
212	SHOTS	270
.382	SHOT %	.493
.769	SHOT ON GOAL %	.778
85	DRAW CONTROLS	123
160	GROUND BALLS	153
62	CAUSED TURNOVERS	96
109	TURNOVERS	141
70	SAVES	73
.427	SAVE %	.412

2024 SCHEDULE

Overall: 2-6 | Metro Atlantic Athletic Conf.: 0-1
Home: 1-2 | Away: 1-3 | Neutral: 0-1

2/10	at Towson	L, 14-10
2/17	at Delaware	L, 13-9
2/21	#17 NAVY	L, 18-9
2/28	UMBC	L, 15-11
3/3	at Bucknell	W, 14-8
3/8	vs. High Point (Sparks, Md.)	L, 8-6
3/12	ROBERT MORRIS	W, 15-6
3/23	at Iona*	L, 12-7
3/27	NIAGARA*	4 PM
3/30	at Quinnipiac*	12 PM
4/3	at Canisius*	4 PM
4/6	FAIRFIELD*	12 PM
4/10	at Rider*	4 PM
4/13	at Siena*	12 PM
4/17	MANHATTAN*	4 PM
4/20	MARIST*	12 PM

MOUNT ST. MARY'S QUICK FACTS

MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY

Location Emmitsburg, Md.
Founded 1808
Enrollment 2,166
Nickname Mountaineers, the Mount
Colors Blue and White
National Affiliation NCAA Division I
Conference Metro Atlantic (MAAC)
Athletic Website mountathletics.com
University Website msmary.edu
President Dr. Timothy Trainor
Athletics Director Brad Davis

WOMEN'S LACROSSE STAFF

Head Coach: Lauren "Lo" Skelchuck (Johns Hopkins '08), 10th season
Associate Head Coach: Sam Pratt (UMBC '16), 6th season

2023 RECORD

Record 4-13
MAAC Games 3-5
Home Games 3-5
Road Games 1-8
Postseason MAAC Quarterfinals

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HOME GAMES IN BOLD CAPS

* MAAC Game

MOUNT ST. MARY'S NEWS AND NOTES

INDIVIDUAL STAT LEADERS

- >>> Goals: Mackenzi Furlong (18)
- >>> Assists: Mackenzi Furlong (8)
- >>> Ground Balls: Addison Malone (26)
- >>> Caused Turnovers: Madison Harmening (11)
- >>> Draw Controls: Hailey Chester (29)
- >>> Saves: Ashlyn Watkins (58)

INSIDE THE SERIES

>>> Aside from Mount's resurgent victory over the Gaels last season, the two teams met once before. That contest came back in 2012 as Iona won a 17-5 game in March of that year.

MAAC PRESEASON POLL

>>> In the coaches' vote released on February 7, the Mount was slated for a fifth place prediction before the start of the season. The Mountaineers received a total of 57 points in the poll. Fairfield, the defending champion, was picked as the preseason favorites.

BE ON GUARD!

- >>> The departure of Madison Bradley from the team has opened up a competition for starting goalkeeper entering the season. There are four members of the team vying for a spot, with Kaitlin Price and Delaney LaRose returning from last year's squad, along with transfer Ashlyn Watkins from Bryant and incoming freshman Camille Thomas.
- >>> So far, Watkins has started both contests, recording nine saves in each one. Camille Thomas has filled in as a backup for the Delaware and Navy games, as did Kaitlin Price against UMBC.

ALL-AROUND OFFENSIVE EFFORT

>>> Needing to find new ways to generate offense entering the 2024 season, the Mount is spoiled for choice as a healthy numbers of teammates have pitched in on the offense side. 11 Mountaineers scored at least one goal so far this year, with four of them also contributing assists. Leading goal scorer Mackenzi Furlong adds two assists to lead the team in points scored with seven.

SYMPHONY AND HARMENING

>>> Junior Madison Harmening can be found all over the field for the team. The Westminster, Md. native ranks near the top of the team for several categories including points (third), goals (third), and ground balls (second), while leading in caused turnovers with 11.

DRAW!

>>> Steadily working to improve on draw controls, the Mount has found a trio of worthy candidates to work and obtain possession. Hailey Chester holds the team lead with 29. Shannon McTavish (15), Molly Molchanoff (14), and Logan Cook (10) all have reached double figures.

HOME VS. ROAD

- >>> The 2024 schedule tilts slightly towards being away from Emmitsburg, with the Mount playing eight on the road and seven at home. There is also a neutral match March 8 versus High Point at the US Lacrosse Headquarters in Sparks, Maryland.
- >>> In 2023, Mount St. Mary's won three of its four games at home, finishing with a 3-5 record. Away from home, they were 1-8 with their lone road victory coming against Marist on April 15.
- >>> So far, the Mount has earned one win in Emmitsburg and one on the road in Lewisburg.

MAAC STANDINGS

SCHOOL	MAAC	OVERALL	3/27
Canisius	1-0	8-1	Quinnipiac at Marist, 3
Fairfield	1-0	7-1	Iona at Fairfield, 3
Iona	1-0	6-2	Manhattan at Rider, 4
Siena	1-0	6-3	Niagara at Mount, 4
Marist	1-0	2-6	Siena at Canisius, 5
Niagara	0-1	7-2	3/30
Rider	0-1	6-3	Canisius at Fairfield, 12
Manhattan	0-1	3-6	Mount at Quinnipiac, 12
Mount St. Mary's	0-1	2-6	Siena at Iona, 12
Quinnipiac	0-1	1-6	Marist at Rider, 1
			Manhattan at Niagara, 1

HEAD COACH LAUREN SKELLCHOCK



TOTAL: 82-72
CONFERENCE: 44-19
NEC: 41-13
MAAC: 3-6

CHAMPIONSHIPS
 - 2021 (NEC)
 - 2022 (NEC)

Former U.S. National Team player Lauren Skellchock (née Schwarzmann) was named the ninth head coach in Mount St. Mary's women's lacrosse program history on July 8, 2014.

Guiding the Mountaineers to back-to-back NCAA Tournament appearances, Skellchock has raised the bar for defining success within the program. Going 15-5 in her eighth season at the helm, including 7-1 in the NEC, the Mount once again took the conference tournament crown with wins over Wagner and Bryant. Offense and defense continued to provide a mutual force with a goal differential of +86 (257-171).

Skellchock was the Northeast Conference (NEC) Coach for the third year in a row in 2021, as she led the team to their first NEC title since 2005, defeating Wagner 9-8 in overtime. She led the Mountaineers to another historic season, which included a fourteen game winning streak breaking 2019's win streak. The Mountaineers posted their fifth perfect NEC record in program history as they earned an NCAA Tournament bid. The Mount ranked fifth in the country in scoring defense allowing only 8.41 goals per game, while scoring 15.06 goals a game to rank tied for 14th in the country. The Mountaineers ranked 10th in the country in save percentage with a 49.3 percentage.

On May 19, 2017, Skellchock was honored with induction into the Carroll County Sports Hall of Fame. Skellchock was a member of Century High School's first graduating class in 2004 after transferring to the school as a sophomore in 2002. She led her squad to a state finals appearance in their first year as a varsity program, before following up by winning the state title the following season.

In late May of 2016, Skellchock was named an assistant coach for the Baltimore Ride of the United Women's Lacrosse League (UWLX), the first-ever professional women's lacrosse league in the world. Skellchock joined her younger sister, Katie, who was selected as the first overall pick by the Ride in the inaugural UWLX draft.

During her first season at the helm of the Mount in 2015, Skellchock guided the Mountaineers back to the Northeast Conference Semifinals and doubled the team's win total from the previous season. Finishing 6-11 overall, the Mount posted a 5-2 NEC mark to tie for second place in the regular season standings.

Prior to taking over the Mount St. Mary's program, Skellchock gained experience through assistant coaching positions at Cincinnati, San Diego State and Stanford. The Sykesville, Md. native joined the coaching ranks following a standout career as a midfielder on the Johns Hopkins women's lacrosse team.

Skellchock graduated from Johns Hopkins in 2008 with a degree in public health studies and has completed coursework toward her master's degree in public health from the University of Cincinnati.

2024 MOUNT ST. MARY'S ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Cl.	Ht.	Hometown/High School (Last School)
1	Katelyn Heffner	M	Jr.	5-2	New Windsor, Md. / Winters Mill
2	Kaitlin Price	G	So.	5-10	Woolwich, N.J. / Kingsway Regional
3	Taylor Sykes	A	Fr.	5-6	Austin, Texas / Westlake
5	Peyton Sims	A	So.	5-10	Ellicott City, Md. / Mt. Hebron
6	Kate Schroer	M	Fr.	5-6	Frisco, Texas / Frisco Memorial
7	Anna Salerno	M	Jr.	5-5	Bel Air, Md. / Patterson Mill
8	Keeley Ballard	M	Fr.	5-6	New Windsor, Md. / Gerstell Academy
9	Abby Yesko	A	Sr.	5-5	Berlin, Md. / Stephen Decatur (Youngstown State)
10	Olivia Nelson	M	Fr.	5-3	Bel Air, Md. / C. Milton Wright
11	Sydney Barnett	A	Sr.	5-5	Annapolis, Md. / St. Mary's
12	Lindsey Tolliver	A	Jr.	5-7	Bel Air, Md. / Patterson Mill
13	Ella Curci	D	So.	5-3	Fort Washington, Pa. / William Penn Charter
14	Danielle Macek	D	Fr.	5-4	Reisterstown, Md. / Notre Dame Prep
15	Molly Molchanoff	M	Jr.	5-2	Cicero, N.Y. / Cicero-North Syracuse
16	MK Allingham	M	So.	5-9	Rumson, N.J. / Trinity Hall
17	Madison Harmening	M	Jr.	5-9	Westminster, Md. / Winters Mill
18	Logan Cook	M	So.	5-6	Forest Hill, Md. / Bel Air
20	Anna McQuay *	A	Sr.	5-5	Bel Air, Md. / Bel Air
21	Christina Haspert	A	Sr.	5-4	Sykesville, Md. / Century
22	Hailey Chester	M	So.	5-7	Greensboro, Md. / North Caroline
23	Camille Thomas	G	Fr.	5-4	Clarksburg, Md. / Quince Orchard
25	Lizzie Stevenson *	A	Sr.	5-5	Flemington, N.J. / Hunterdon Central
26	Addison Malone *	M	Sr.	5-7	East Prospect, Pa. / Eastern York
29	Delaney LaRose	G	Jr.	5-2	Litchfield, N.H. / St. Paul's
30	Kara Maurantonio	D	Sr.	6-0	Sykesville, Md. / Century
32	Shannon McTavish	M	Fr.	5-9	Mount Airy, Md. / South Carroll
33	Mackenzi Furlong *	A	Sr.	5-4	Denville, N.J. / Morris Knolls
43	Mackey Fick	D	So.	5-9	Lutherville, Md. / Maryvale Preparatory
99	Ashlyn Watkins	G	So.	5-9	Taneytown, Md. / Francis Scott Key (Bryant)

* - Captains

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Pronunciation Guide

#3	Taylor Sykes	SIKES
#6	Kate Schroer	SHROW-er
#7	Anna Salerno	sole-LAIR-no
#12	Lindsay Tolliver	TALL-liv-ver
#15	Molly Molchanoff	MOLE-chin-off
#17	Madison Harmening	HAR-min-ing
#20	Anna McQuay	mick-QAY
#30	Kara Maurantonio	mur-ANTONIO



2024 SEASON STATISTICS

Record:	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
All Games	2-6	1-2	1-3	0-1
Conference	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-0
Non-Conference	2-5	1-2	1-2	0-1

Date	Opponent	WL	Score	Att.
2/10/24	at TUWLAX	L	10-14	575
2/17/24	at Delaware	L	9-13	319
2/21/24	NAVY	L	9-18	268
2/28/24	UMBC	L	11-15	187
3/03/24	at Bucknell	W	14-8	190
3/08/24	vs High Point	L	6-8	285
3/12/24	ROBERT MORRIS	W	15-6	230
3/23/24	at Iona	L	7-12	78

Team Statistics

	MOUNT-W	OPP
SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot Att.	81-212	94-233
Goals Per Game	10.13	11.75
Shot Pct.	.382	.403
Shots on Goal-Att.	163-212	164-233
SOG Pct.	.769	.704
Shots/Game	26.5	29.1
Assists	21	31
FREE POSITION OPPORTUNITIES		
Free Position Made-Att.	23-45	14-26
Free Position pct.	.511	.538
GOAL BREAKDOWN		
Total Goals	81	94
Free Position	23	14
Unassisted	60	63
Overtime	0	0
Goals Scored Avg	10.13	11.75
GROUND BALLS		
DRAW CONTROLS	85	115
TURNOVERS	109	111
CAUSED TURNOVERS	62	61
CLEARs		
Clear Pct.	.829	.886
SHOT CLOCK VIOLATIONS		
	5	5
ATTENDANCE		
Total	685	1,162
Dates-Avg Per Date	3/228	4/291
Neutral Site #-Avg	1/285	

#	Player	GP	G	A	PTS	SH	GW	GB	DC	TO
33	Furlong, Mackenzi	8	18	8	26	31	1	11	1	10
7	Salerno, Anna	8	17	1	18	46	1	6	2	10
17	Harmening, Madison	8	12	2	14	32	0	19	3	10
9	Yesko, Abby	8	5	4	9	16	0	7	0	11
20	McQuay, Anna	8	6	2	8	21	0	10	2	9
21	Haspert, Christina	7	5	3	8	12	0	4	0	12
18	Cook, Logan	8	6	1	7	13	0	11	10	4
22	Chester, Hailey	8	6	0	6	14	0	12	29	10
12	Tolliver, Lindsey	5	4	0	4	12	0	3	0	5
32	McTavish, Shannon	6	1	0	1	4	0	1	15	2
5	Sims, Peyton	7	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	1
16	Allingham, MK	8	0	0	0	6	0	1	0	1
11	Barnett, Sydney	1	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0
13	Curci, Ella	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
43	Fick, Mackey	8	0	0	0	0	0	13	3	4
29	LaRose, Delaney	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	Malone, Addison	8	0	0	0	0	0	26	4	1
30	Maurantonio, Kara	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
15	Molchanoff, Molly	8	0	0	0	0	0	8	14	1
10	Nelson, Olivia	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Price, Kaitlin	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
25	Stevenson, Lizzie	8	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	5
23	Thomas, Camille	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1
99	Watkins, Ashlyn	7	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	3
TM	Team	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	9

Totals	8	81	21	102	212	2	160	85	109
Opponents	8	94	31	125	233	6	131	115	111

#	Goalie	GP	MIN	GA	GAA	SAVE	PCT
99	Watkins, Ashlyn	7	360:00	69	11.50	58	.457
2	Price, Kaitlin	1	30:00	6	12.00	3	.333
23	Thomas, Camille	3	90:00	19	12.67	9	.321
Totals		11	480:00	94	11.75	70	.427
Opponents		12	480:00	81	10.13	82	.503

Goals by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Mount St. Mary's	16	19	23	23	81
Opponents	28	26	20	20	94

Saves by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Mount St. Mary's	22	22	9	17	70
Opponents	22	20	21	19	82

Shots by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Mount St. Mary's	56	48	57	51	212
Opponents	69	66	46	52	233

Shot on Goal	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Mount St. Mary's	38	39	44	42	163
Opponents	50	48	29	37	164