

Mount St. Mary's Men's Lacrosse

2024 Game Notes

THE MATCHUP



MOUNT ST. MARY'S Mountaineers | 1-11 Overall, 1-5 MAAC
Head Coach: Chris Ryan - First Season



CANISIUS Golden Griffins | 3-9 Overall, 1-5 MAAC
Head Coach: Mark Miyashita - Seventh Season

GAME INFORMATION

MOUNT ST. MARY'S VS. CANISIUS

Date Wednesday, April 10
Time 3 PM
Location Buffalo, N.Y.
Venue Demske Sports Complex
Mount's Series Record 16-5
Last Meeting 4/12/23 (Mount 15, Canisius 13)
Stream ESPN+

QUICK HITTERS

- Two teams looking to punctuate their 2024 campaigns with strong finishes meet as Mount St. Mary's travels to face Canisius.
- The Mountaineers were minutes away from their second win of the year before Marist was able to comeback to take an 11-10 game. The contest was the fourth decided by one goal this year, and the Mount is 1-3 in such scenarios.
- Brody Atkinson continues his strong freshman season, posting hat tricks in the past four games. Atkinson is the leader in goals (26) and points (20). Graduate student teammate Cormac Giblin crossed the 20-goal mark for the season against the Red Foxes.
- The duo of Mitchell Dunham and Jackson Phillips remain mainstays on the defensive unit. Dunham leads in both ground balls (57) and caused turnovers (26). Phillips earned his 20th caused turnovers during last Saturday's game. Dunham is third in the MAAC for CT's while Phillips is eighth.

STAT COMPARISON



96	GOALS	112
62	ASSISTS	61
406	FACEOFF %	.487
384	SHOTS	450
.250	SHOT %	.249
.542	SHOT ON GOAL %	.522
.361	MAN-UP SCORING %	.229
378	GROUND BALLS	364
108	CAUSED TURNOVERS	67
203	TURNOVERS	197
146	SAVES	145
.479	SAVE %	.479



2024 SCHEDULE

Overall: 1-11 | Metro Atlantic Athletic Conf.: 1-5
Home: 1-5 | Away: 0-6 | Neutral: 0-0

2/3	at Navy	L, 19-6
2/10	at Towson	L, 15-5
2/18	NJIT	L, 11-7
2/24	UMBC	L, 18-6
3/2	at Monmouth	L, 13-12 (20T)
3/5	BINGHAMTON	L, 13-12 (OT)
3/10	at Manhattan*	L, 12-6
3/16	at LIU*	L, 13-6
3/23	WAGNER*	W, 8-7
3/27	VMI*	L, 12-8
3/30	at #20 Quinnipiac*	L, 15-10
4/6	MARIST*	L, 11-10
4/10	at Canisius*	3 PM
4/13	SACRED HEART*	12 PM
4/20	SIENA*	4 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

MEN'S LACROSSE STAFF

Head Coach: Chris Ryan (Randolph-Macon '98), First season
Assistant Coach: Ryan O'Hagan (Canisius '12), First season
Assistant Coach: Matthew Dugan (Marist '13), First season
Volunteer Assistant: Kevin Murphy, First season

2023 RECORD

Record 8-8
Home Games 3-4
Road Games 5-3
Neutral Games 0-1
Postseason MAAC Semifinals

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HOME GAMES IN BOLD CAPS

* MAAC Game

MOUNT ST. MARY'S NEWS AND NOTES

INSIDE THE SERIES

>>> Wednesday marks the 22nd meeting between the Mountaineers and the Golden Griffins. Mount St. Mary's leads the overall series 16 games to five.

>>> The Mount took last year's contest by a 15-13 final. Jared McMahon and Kelly Gouin led the scoring as each player recorded a hat trick.

>>> Canisius' best run came with three straight wins from 2007-2009. In the ultimate of those three games the Golden Griffins limited the Mount to three goals.

MAAC PRESEASON POLL

>>> Mount St. Mary's was picked fourth in the 2024 poll, as voted on by the league's coaches. Mitchell Dunham won a spot on the Defensive Preseason Team in addition to being named Co-Preseason Player of the Year. Dunham shares the defensive team honor with two Siena Saints and the PPOY honor with Kyle Gucwa of Manhattan.

ALL-MAAC HONOREES

>>> In 2023, the co-championship came with six All-MAAC team members, a Rookie Team honoree and four of the five major awards handed out.

>>> Mitchell Dunham was named Defensive Player of the Year, Connor Beals earned Face-off Specialist of the Year, Steven Schmitt was Long Stick Midfielder of the Year and TJ Gravante was Rookie of the Year.

>>> Three of the four were First Team All-MAAC while Gravante took the top spot on the Rookie Team. Jared McMahon and Jake Krieger were also First Team players, and defender Jackson Phillips was named to the Second Team.

>>> Together, the selections are the most since 2019, with the highest number of First Team honorees since 2003.

HIGH MARKS

>>> The Mountaineers rank in the top 25 nationally per game for caused turnovers per game (19th, 8.92) and clearing percentage (25th, .877).

>>> Individually, Mitchell Duhnham stands seventh in caused turnovers per game (2.17), Cormac Giblin is sixth in man-up scoring (5) while Wil McKay is 24th (4), and Brody Atkinson is 15th in shot percentage (.464).

SEEKING NEW OFFENSES

>>> The Mount's top three point scorers from the 2023 season exited the program at the conclusion of the year. Cormac Giblin - who finished third in goals scored - returns for his graduate season. After that is Kyle Cullen with 13 points and Kevin Whitty, who had 12 in his rookie year.

>>> Of the 172 goals scored last season, 53 were recorded by members of the team who return this year.

FACE-TO-FACE

>>> Another challenge facing the 2024 Mountaineers will be replacing a face-off core who finished third nationwide for face-off percentage, winning 61.4 percent of engagements.

>>> Connor Beals was the primary face-off specialist, taking 65.1 of chances (205-for-315) en route to winning top MAAC honors.

>>> Of the group who participated in face-offs last year, only Ethan Holobinko is still on the team. Three newcomers (Jaden Saysanam, Winston Chodnicki, Klaus Anger) will all fight for the job.

>>> With Saysanam injured, the duties have fallen to Holobinko and Chodnicki, who are looking to improve on ranking 66th of 73 teams with a .406 percentage. Holobinko went 10-for-19 in faceoffs in the win over Wagner.

2024 MAAC STANDINGS

Sacred Heart	6-0	8-4	4/10
LIU	5-1	8-2	Sacred Heart at Quinnipiac, 3
Manhattan	5-1	5-6	Wagner at VMI, 3
Quinnipiac	4-2	8-2	Mount at Canisius, 4
Siena	3-3	5-6	Manhattan at LIU, 4
VMI	2-4	6-6	Siena at Marist, 8
Marist	2-4	5-6	4/13
Canisius	1-5	3-9	Canisius at Wagner, 12
Mount St. Mary's	1-5	1-11	Sacred Heart at Mount, 12
Wagner	1-5	1-11	VMI at Quinnipiac, 12
			Manhattan at Siena, 3
			LIU at Marist, 7

HEAD COACH CHRIS RYAN

TOTAL: 269-80 | at THE MOUNT: 1-11

CONFERENCE: 91-18 | MAAC: 1-5

CHAMPIONSHIPS

- NCAA Division II Champions (2011)
- NCAA Division II Runner-Up (2007, 2013, 2023)
- NCAA Semifinalist (2003, 2004, 2006, 2012, 2021)
- ECAC Semifinalist (2015)
- NCAA Quarterfinalist (2014)
- NCAA Tournament (2016, 2019, 2022)
- GMAC Champions (2019, 2021)

Chris Ryan was named the sixth coach in men's lacrosse history in July 2023.

Ryan comes to Emmitsburg after a storied career with Mercyhurst University. At the helm of the Lakers' program since 2000, Ryan has led Mercyhurst to an impressive run over the past two decades. His teams went 268-69 and took home the Division II national championship in 2011, defeating Adelphi to take home the hardware. This past season, he helped lead the Lakers to the D-II national title game, using an upset of #1 Le Moyne in the semifinals to achieve the feat. Mercyhurst finished the year with a mark of 16-3, won its third Great Midwest Athletic Conference Championship (GMAC) in four seasons, and advanced to its fourth straight NCAA Tournament.

Mercyhurst won nine conference championships in his tenure, winning titles in the NYAC, East Coast Conference, Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference and GMAC during Ryan's tenure. This helped the team punch their ticket to the NCAA Tournament 12 times, making at least the semifinals on nine occasions.

In addition to his time on Mercyhurst's campus, he works on the staff of the Waterdogs, a Premier Lacrosse League squad.

A member of various committees during his coaching career, he serves at present on the USILA Division II All-American committee, holding the post since 2019. Further administrative accomplishments include representation for Division II to the USILA from 2006-11, and the NCAA Division II Regional Advisory Committee from 2006-08.

Originally from Rochester, New York, Ryan earned recruitment out of Irondequoit High School to Monroe Community College in the same city. After two seasons there, he competed for the Randolph-Macon Yellow Jackets out of Ashland, Virginia, graduating from the school in 1998.

2024 MOUNT ST. MARY'S ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Cl.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School (Last School)
1	Cormac Giblin	A	Gr.	6-2	180	Rockville, Md. / Bishop O'Connell
2	Wil Vandegrift	M	Sr.	6-0	180	Jenkintown, Pa. / La Salle College HS (Saint Joseph's)
3	Connor Barrett	M	Jr.	6-2	185	Victoria, B.C., Canada / Royal Bay Secondary
4	Noah Fox	M	Fr.	5-11	185	Atlanta, Ga. / Williston Northampton [Mass.]
5	John Miller IV	A	Jr.	6-1	195	Eldersburg, Md. / Marriotts Ridge
6	Ben Schuster	M	Fr.	5-9	180	Victoria, Minn. / Minnetonka
7	Will Kleine	A	Fr.	6-0	175	Madison, Conn. / Daniel Hand
8	Gavin Schaffer	M	So.	6-1	185	Denver, Colo. / Denver South
9	Caden Cote	M	Gr.	6-0	190	Crownsville, Md. / Old Mill
10	Chase Cavalier	M	So.	6-0	185	Port Tobacco, Md. / St. John's College High School
11	Brian Bradley	M	Jr.	6-0	185	Garnet Valley, Pa. / Garnet Valley
12	Will McKay	A	So.	6-2	185	Calgary, Alb., Canada / Central Memorial
13	Jack Pilla	A	So.	6-2	180	Ashburn, Va. / St. John's College High School
14	Brody Atkinson	A	Fr.	6-1	175	Manchester, Md. / St. Paul's
16	Jaden Mullins	A	So.	6-0	185	Aldie, Va. / Paul VI
17	Mitchell Dunham	D	Jr.	6-5	220	Hamilton, Ont., Canada / Everest Academy
18	Nicholas Belardo	D	Fr.	6-1	190	Ashburn, Va. / St. Stephen's & St. Agnes
19	Jackson Phillips	D	Sr.	6-3	210	Dover, Del. / Caesar Rodney
20	Hank Leonard	G	Fr.	5-11	205	Denver, Colo. / Denver South
22	Kyle Cullen	M	Sr.	6-0	190	Souderton, Pa. / La Salle College High School
23	Griffin McGinley	G	Sr.	5-11	200	Philadelphia, Pa. / Academy of the New Church
24	Jaden Saysanam	FO	Fr.	5-8	175	Fort Worth, Texas / Boswell
25	Tommy Niehaus	M	Jr.	6-5	205	Bel Air, Md. / Loyola Blakefield
26	Sean Connelly	D	So.	6-0	190	Stevensville, Md. / St. Mary's
27	Kevin Doyle, Sr.	D	Jr.	6-0	205	Lutherville, Md. / Loyola Blakefield
28	Jacob Coldwell	LSM	So.	6-2	195	Wilmette, Ill. / Loyola Academy
29	Armond Beausoleil	M	Sr.	5-9	175	Garden City, N.J. / Garden City
30	Ben Ward	D	Gr.	6-0	205	Marriottsville, Md. / Marriotts Ridge
31	Dan Bradley	M	Gr.	5-9	180	Garnet Valley, Pa. / Garnet Valley
32	Jesse Resnick	A	So.	6-1	205	Islip, N.Y. / Islip (Limestone)
33	Brandon Riggione	D	Fr.	6-0	190	Doylestown, Pa. / Academy of the New Church
34	William Pippen	D	Sr.	6-1	185	Carmel, Ind. / Carmel
36	Nathan Merchant	M	Jr.	5-11	180	Roselle, Ill. / Lake Park
37	Winston Chodnicki	FO	Gr.	5-9	185	Monkton, Md. / Boys Latin (Colorado College)
39	Casey Domanski	M	Sr.	6-1	180	Annapolis, Md. / Broadneck
40	Kevin Whitty	A	So.	6-0	190	Kensington, Md. / St. John's College High School
41	Mekai Nelson	LSM	Jr.	6-3	205	Meridian, Idaho / Blue Ridge
42	Klaus Anger	FO	So.	6-2	195	Lake Forest, Ill. / Loyola Academy
43	Grant Catello	D	So.	6-0	180	South Riding, Va. / Paul VI
44	Bennett Wright	G	Fr.	5-11	215	Lutherville, Md. / Loyola Blakefield
45	Isaac Prantera	D	Fr.	6-0	190	St. Catherines, Ont., Canada / The Hill Academy
47	Ian Plott	A	So.	5-10	155	Morris Plains, N.J. / Morristown
49	Noah Persing	A	Gr.	6-2	210	Forest Hill, Md. / Bel Air
50	Moses Moran	D	Gr.	6-5	205	Butler, Pa. / Blue Ridge
51	Ethan Holobinko	M	Sr.	5-9	190	Hagerstown, Md. / Boonsboro
52	JB Lewandowski	LSM	Fr.	6-1	165	Towson, Md. / Loyola Blakefield
53	Kyle Baxter	D	So.	6-4	195	Cape Coral, Fla. / Canterbury School
55	Owen Peters	G	So.	6-2	190	Bethel Park, Pa. / Bethel Park

Pronunciation Guide

#7 Will Kleine	CLINE
#9 Caden Cote	CO-tay
#18 Nicholas Belardo	buh-LAR-doh
#24 Jaden Saysanam	SAY-suh-numb
#25 Tommy Niehaus	KNEE-haus
#33 Brandon Riggione	RIG-ee-OWN-e
#39 Casey Domanski	doe-MAN-ski
#41 Mekai Nelson	muh-KY
#43 Grant Catello	cuh-TELL-oh
#46 Jack Pilla	PILL-uh
#51 Ethan Holobinko	HALL-oh-BINK-oh



2024 SEASON STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	WL	Score	Att.
2/03/24	at Navy	L	6-19	762
2/10/24	at Towson	L	5-15	875
2/18/24	NJIT	L	7-11	327
2/24/24	UMBC	L	6-18	398
3/02/24	at Monmouth	L	12-13	373
3/04/24	BINGHAMTON	L	12-13	213
3/10/24	at Manhattan	L	6-12	402
3/16/24	at LIU	L	6-13	234
3/23/24	WAGNER	W	8-7	307
3/27/24	VMI	L	8-12	244
3/30/24	at Quinnipiac	L	10-15	328
4/06/24	MARIST	L	10-11	393

Team Statistics

MOUNT-M OPP

SHOT STATISTICS

Goals-Shot Att.	96-384	159-531
Goals Per Game	8.00	13.25
Shot Pct.	.250	.299
Shots on Goal-Att.	208-384	305-531
SOG Pct.	.542	.574
Shots/Game	32.0	44.3
Assists	62	79

MAN-UP OPPORTUNITIES

Goals-Opportunities	13-36	14-32
Conversion Pct.	.361	.438

GOAL BREAKDOWN

Total Goals	96	159
Man-up	13	14
Man-down	2	0
Unassisted	34	80
Overtime	0	2
Goals Scored Avg	8.00	13.25

GROUND BALLS

378	422
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TURNOVERS

203	196
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CAUSED TURNOVERS

107	106
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FACEOFFS (W-L)

121-177	177-121
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Faceoff W-L Pct.

.406	.594
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CLEARs

235-268	239-265
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Clear Pct.

.877	.902
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PENALTIES

32	36
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Minutes

25:30	26:00
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SHOT CLOCK VIOLATIONS

20	15
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ATTENDANCE

1,882	2,974
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Dates-Avg Per Date

6/314	6/496
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Neutral Site #-Avg

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#	Player	GP	G	A	PTS	SH	GW	GB	UP	DN	CT
14	Atkinson, Brody	12	26	11	37	55	0	15	1	2	1
1	Giblin, Cormac	12	20	3	23	92	0	12	5	0	2
40	Whitty, Kevin	12	8	12	20	33	0	15	2	0	0
12	McKay, Will	12	12	2	14	21	0	7	4	0	4
49	Persing, Noah	11	5	7	12	25	0	2	0	0	1
22	Cullen, Kyle	12	3	7	10	26	0	15	0	0	1
6	Schuster, Ben	12	7	1	8	38	0	8	0	0	1
31	Bradley, Dan	10	4	2	6	11	0	17	0	0	12
47	Plott, Ian	9	4	2	6	16	0	4	0	0	0
25	Niehaus, Tommy	8	3	3	6	16	0	5	1	0	0
3	Barrett, Connor	5	1	2	3	13	1	2	0	0	0
36	Merchant, Nathanael	12	1	2	3	4	0	13	0	0	0
51	Holobinko, Ethan	12	1	1	2	2	0	42	0	0	0
8	Schaffer, Gavin	10	1	1	2	6	0	3	0	0	0
29	Beausoleil, Armond	5	0	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0
11	Bradley, Brian	11	0	1	1	3	0	11	0	0	4
9	Cote, Caden	12	0	1	1	7	0	27	0	0	9
17	Dunham, Mitchell	12	0	1	1	3	0	57	0	0	26
4	Fox, Noah	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
30	Ward, Ben	12	0	1	1	3	0	15	0	0	11
42	Anger, Klaus	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
53	Baxter, Kyle	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
43	Catello, Grant	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1
37	Chodnicki, Winston	11	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	1
28	Coldwell, Jacob	12	0	0	0	1	0	6	0	0	1
26	Connolly, Sean	4	0	0	0	1	0	6	0	0	1
39	Domanski, Casey	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	McGinley, Griffin	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Miller IV, John	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
50	Moran, Moses	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	Mullins, Jaden	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
41	Nelson, Mekai	12	0	0	0	3	0	12	0	0	6
55	Peters, Owen	12	0	0	0	0	0	37	0	0	0
19	Phillips, Jackson	12	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	19
13	Pilla, Jack	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	Pippen, William	8	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
45	Prantera, Isaac	10	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	6
2	Vandegrift, William	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
44	Wright, Bennett	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
TM	Team	10	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Totals		12	96	62	158	384	1	378	13	2	107
Opponents		12	159	79	238	531	11	422	14	0	106

#	Goalie	GP	MIN	GA	GAA	SAVE	PCT
44	Wright, Bennett	1	40:24	7	10.40	9	.563
55	Peters, Owen	12	682:53	151	13.27	135	.472
23	McGinley, Griffin	1	03:54	1	15.38	2	.667
Totals		14	727:11	159	13.12	146	.479
Opponents		14	727:11	96	7.92	112	.538

Goals by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	OT	Total
Mount St. Mary's	25	28	19	24	0	0	96
Opponents	30	42	39	46	1	1	159

Saves by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	OT	Total
Mount St. Mary's	37	42	37	28	1	1	146
Opponents	28	27	31	25	1	0	112

Shots by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	OT	Total
Mount St. Mary's	93	92	109	88	2	0	384
Opponents	135	139	131	122	2	2	531

Shot on Goal	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	OT	Total
Mount St. Mary's	50	53	45	45	1	0	194
Opponents	59	73	72	73	2	2	281