

HUSKIE WRESTLING

NIU QUICK FACTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location DeKalb, Ill.
 Founded..... 1895
 Enrollment25,254
 Nickname Huskies
 School Colors Cardinal and Black
 Conference..... Mid-American
 Facility..... Convocation Center/Victor E. Court
 Capacity9,100/800
 President..... Dr. John Peters
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 Assoc. V.P./Director of Athletics Jeff Compher
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THE PROGRAM

Inaugural Varsity Season..... 1931
 All-Time Varsity Record..... 476-414-31 (.533)
 NCAA Qualifiers..... 91
 2009 NCAA Qualifiers..... Two

THE STAFF

Head Coach Dave Grant
 Alma Mater Northern Iowa, 1985
 Career/NIU Record..... 113-90-6 (.555)
 Wrestling Office Phone..... (815) 753-2915
 Assistants..... Ryan Ludwig
 Dominic Moyer, Nate Patrick

THE TEAM

2008-09 Overall Record..... 5-8 (.385)
 2008-09 MAC Record..... 1-4 (.200), Fifth
 2009 MAC Championships..... Third
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost..... 10/1
 Starters Returning/Lost..... 10/0
 Newcomers..... 11

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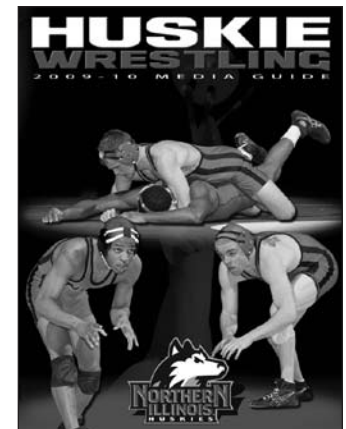
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On The Cover

Northern Illinois University's three NCAA qualifiers. Clockwise from bottom left: Tristen DeShazer (2009), Patrick McLemore (2008) and Bryan Deutsch (2008).

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NIU WRESTLING TRAINING COMPLEX



Completed in the fall of 2008, the new Northern Illinois Wrestling Training Complex features everything a student-athlete needs to reach the highest levels on and off the mat.

The heart of the training complex is the NIU Wrestling Room. Located within the east grandstands of historic Huskie Stadium, the new room measures over 6,000 square feet. The spacious area easily accommodates the entire team, with enough room for warm-ups, drills, and intrasquad competitions. Brand new floor and wall mats add to an already first-class space, which also includes a cardiovascular training area to help student-athletes stay sharp with their conditioning. The Huskie Wrestling locker and equipment rooms are also located within Huskie Stadium for convenient day-to-day access.

Just steps from the NIU Wrestling Room is the Jeffrey and Kimberly Yordon Center, which houses three key parts of the Wrestling Training Complex: the weight room, the training room, and the academic center.

Strength on the mat starts with hard work in the weight room. For the Huskies, lifting is no chore in the 12,500 square-foot Yordon Center Weight Room. One of the largest and best-equipped in the nation, it





Top to Bottom: The 12,500 square-foot strength and conditioning center in the Yordon Center features a 40-yard three-lane track and 28 free weight stations. The computer lab of the George and Frances Wilkins Academic Support Center gives Huskie wrestlers the tools necessary to succeed in the classroom.

features 28 free weight stations and numerous cardiovascular areas, as well as a 40-yard sprint track. NIU's professional strength and conditioning coaches avoid scheduling conflicts while allowing space for warm-ups, plyometric exercises and speed and agility activities. The spacious area features new equipment with a variety and multitude of machines.

Down the hall from the strength and conditioning center is the George and Frances Wilkins Academic Support Center, where Huskie wrestlers study in a 24-station computer lab, meet with academic coordinators, and plan for graduation. The heart of the 62,000-square foot facility features one-on-one tutorial rooms, a group study room and a fully-equipped computer lab, as well as offices for the counselors of the Student-Athlete Academic Support Services (SAASS). This area brings the staff of SAASS into more direct daily contact with NIU's student-athletes.

Also located in the Yordon Center is the Huskies' Athletic Training Center. With a multitude of training tables, a rehabilitation pool, x-ray machine and its own doctor's office, it is another in a long line of first-class facilities available to NIU wrestlers.

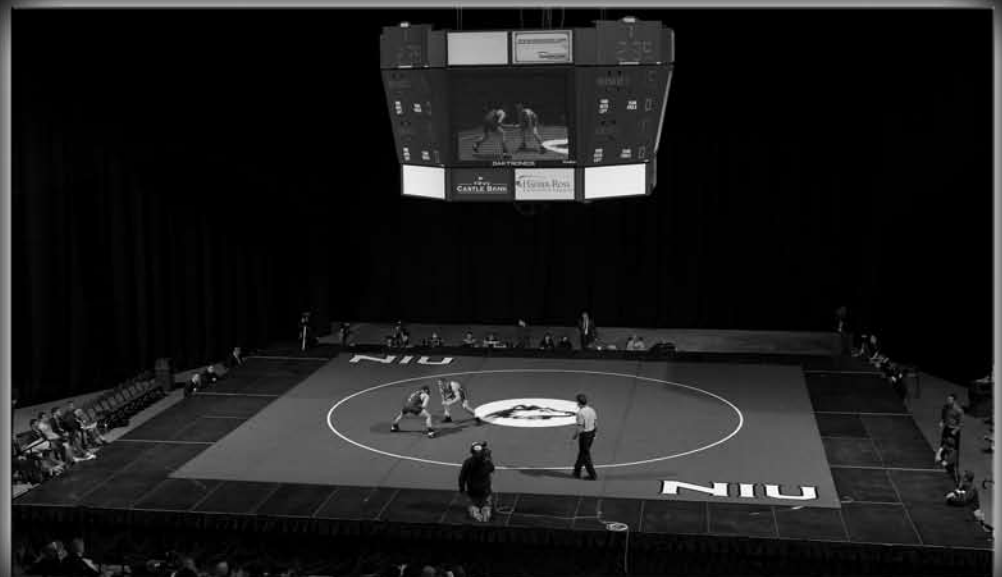
Long hours spent in the NIU Wrestling Room and Yordon Center drilling and lifting, studying and staying healthy, all lead to competition in one of the finest wrestling venues in the country. Huskie wrestling meets are held at the Northern Illinois Convocation Center, a \$40-million dollar arena completed in 2002.

Each year, the Huskies host the annual "Showcase Meet" in the 9,000-seat main bowl of the arena, with starting line-ups introduced on the Convocation Center's four video boards, and bouts held on a raised platform stage, similar to the finals of the NCAA Championships.

For smaller meets, the Huskies compete at Victor E. Court, also located in the Convocation Center. The gym has seating for nearly 1,000 spectators in an intimate setting that puts fans right on top of the action.

From the brand new NIU Wrestling Room, to the splendor of the Yordon Center, and adrenaline-pumping action at the Convocation Center, the home of Huskie Wrestling is first class all the way.

Right: The Huskies compete in the 9,000-seat arena of the NIU Convocation Center, one of the top collegiate arenas in the nation. Each year, the Huskies face a top team in the main bowl of the arena in the annual "Showcase Meet."



COACHING STAFF

14TH
SEASON

DAVE GRANT

Head Coach

Northern Iowa, 1985



"My goal is to bring in quality athletes with a strong work ethic. I want to help them develop and reach their full potential. The plan is to produce national champions and All-America wrestlers."

— Dave Grant

One of the longest tenured coaches at Northern Illinois University, Dave Grant is also one of its most successful. During his 14 years at NIU, Grant has built Huskie Wrestling into a program that consistently competes for the Mid-American Conference title as well as on the national stage. Since his arrival, he has mentored 31 wrestlers to 38 NCAA Championships appearances and amassed a 113-90-6 (.555) record.

Grant became the first Huskie wrestling coach to have more than one wrestler earn multi All-American honors as Jeremy Goeden (1997 & 1998), Scott Owen (2002 & 2003) and Ben Heizer (2003 & 2004) each repeated as All-Americans during their careers and account for more than half of NIU's 11 All-Americans. In 2004, he guided Heizer to the school's first NCAA runner-up finish since 1973. Owen's and Heizer's All-American selections in 2003 marked the first time in school history two wrestlers were awarded the honor in the same year.

Last season's squad saw a young group of Huskies make their mark on the program and continue its winning tradition. Sophomores Bryan Deutsch and Tristen DeShazer each advanced to the 2009 NCAA Championships. Deutsch took home the MAC title at 157 pounds, defeating the No. 1, No. 3 and No. 2 seeded wrestlers to win the championship. Izzy Montemayor became the first freshman in more than a decade to win 20 matches in a season, while Steve Zimmerman opened his first season of intercollegiate competition with 13 straight victories.

In addition to the individual success Northern Illinois has enjoyed under Grant, the Huskies have been just as successful as a team winning 10 meets or more in six of the last nine years. The Huskies are two years removed from posting an 11-7-0 season and scoring a 22-19 win over No. 5 Northwestern. To cap the season, Pat Castillo earned his 100th career victory at the NCAA Championships. Castillo was also named the MAC Tournament Most Outstanding Wrestler for the second time in his career. Castillo and redshirt freshman Pat McLemore both won MAC titles, and were two of the three Huskies to compete at nationals.

Grant also sent four grapplers to the 2007 NCAA Tournament, with Castillo making his second and Johnny Galloway his third trip to nationals. As a team, the Huskies finished 6-4-1, and had four wrestlers ranked in the Intermat/NWCA/NWMA Top 20 in their respective weight classes.

Grant's 2005-06 team earned a national ranking as high as No. 23 on its way to a 10-5-2 dual meet record, marking the fifth consecutive season with 10 or more victories. In addition, the Huskies had two league champions and sent three to nationals after hosting the MAC Championships in DeKalb.

The 2004-05 season continued NIU's presence on the national stage as Northern Illinois sent four wrestlers to the NCAA Championships. That year, Northern Illinois picked up wins over Purdue University and several MAC rivals. The Huskies prospered individually as well with eight placewinners at the 2005 MAC Championships.

To say the Huskies made a splash in 2004 would be vastly understated. In

COACHING STAFF

ABOUT GRANT

YEAR-BY-YEAR

Year	School	W	L	T	PCT.
1996-97	NIU	4	9	0	.308
1997-98	NIU	4	11	0	.267
1998-99	NIU	6	7	1	.463
1999-00	NIU	3	12	0	.200
2000-01	NIU	9	8	2	.526
2001-02	NIU	14	4	0	.778
2002-03	NIU	15	6	0	.714
2003-04	NIU	12	5	0	.706
2004-05	NIU	14	4	0	.777
2005-06	NIU	10	5	2	.667
2006-07	NIU	6	4	1	.591
2007-08	NIU	11	7	0	.611
2008-09	NIU	5	8	0	.385
Totals	13 years	113	90	6	.555

WRESTLING EXPERIENCE

1982-83 University of Kentucky
1984-85 University of Northern Iowa

AWARDS AND HONORS

2001-02 MAC Coach of the Year
1983-84 NCAA All-American (158)

EDUCATION

1985 Bachelor of Arts, Northern Iowa
1997 Master of Education, Minnesota



Dave Grant has built Huskie wrestling into one of the most successful programs at NIU.

national ranking reach as high as 15 during the regular season. In addition to sharing the MAC regular season championship with Central Michigan, NIU boasted dual match wins over the 13th-ranked Chippewas, No. 5 Ohio State and No. 8 Missouri.

In 2001-02, the Huskies earned the third-best record in school history with a 14-4 mark, and finished second in the MAC. After the school's best showing at the Mid-American Conference Championships since 1985, Grant was recognized as the MAC Coach of the Year.

On the strength of three individual MAC champions, Northern Illinois sent four wrestlers to the NCAA Tournament that year. At the championships, Owen picked up the school's first All-America accolades in three years with his fifth-place showing.

Northern Illinois' successful run in this decade began in 2000-01 as the Huskies posted their first winning season since 1988-89 by compiling a 9-8-2 record. Combined with 2001-02, the Huskies had their first back-to-back winning campaigns since the 1981-82 and 1982-83 teams recorded 8-6 and 8-5 seasons, respectively. The program had come quite a long way from the 3-10 squad that Grant inherited in 1995.

As the top assistant for the University of Minnesota for 10 seasons, Grant played an integral role in luring what was tabbed as the nation's top recruiting classes for 1987 and 1995, as rated by Amateur Wrestling News (AWN). The latter Golden Gopher recruiting class included six AWN High School All-Americans, bringing his total of All-America signees to 23.

A native of Lexington, Ky., Grant helped guide the Golden Gophers to a regular spot in the nation's top 20 during his 10 years (1986-96) at the school, with four finishes in the top 10 between 1989 and 1993. In Grant's 10 seasons,

Minnesota produced 14 wrestlers who earned a total of 23 All-America honors, along with five NCAA finalists and one national champion.

Grant carried that success into his first season at NIU. Although his team managed only a 4-9 dual-meet record, the Huskies sprinted to the finish line at crunch time. Northern Illinois placed fifth in the MAC Tournament, with mid-year transfer Jeremy Goeden winning the school's first league title since 1985.

Under Grant's tutelage, Goeden eventually placed eighth at the NCAA Championships, becoming the first Huskie All-America wrestler in almost a quarter of a century. In 1998, he added a second All-America honor with a seventh-place finish, becoming NIU's first two-time All-America grappler in more than three decades.

While at NIU, Grant has landed a series of heralded recruiting classes. The first group paid immediate dividends as Goeden won his first of two All-America accolades, while the 2001 class was named the 18th-best group in the country according to InterMat.com's ratings. Grant's efforts have brought 27 state high school champions into the NIU program.

"My goal is to bring in quality athletes with a strong work ethic," Grant said. "I want to help them develop and reach their full potential. The plan is to produce national champions and All-America wrestlers."

Grant's grapplers have also excelled in the classroom as the Huskies have been named to the National Wrestling Coaches Association (NWCA) Top 30 All-Academic Wrestling Teams the last four years. With a 3.07 team grade point average, the 2008-09 Huskies ranked 11th in the country and were the top Mid-American Conference school.

In 2007-08, NIU finished 10th in the NWCA rankings, while Northern Illinois finished 16th in each of the two prior years. The criteria for the award was the cumulative GPA of the 10 wrestlers that competed in the Mid-American Conference Tournament, as well as two alternates that wrestled in at least one varsity match.

As a collegiate student-athlete, Grant transferred to the University of Northern Iowa from the University of Kentucky after the Wildcats dropped their wrestling program. He gained All-America status for the Panthers in 1984 with an impressive 32-11-1 record and an eighth-place showing at the NCAA Championships at 158 pounds. He followed that successful campaign with a 20-4-1 mark at 167 pounds as a senior and completed his collegiate career with an 86-37-4 (.693) ledger.

Grant received his bachelor of arts degree in physical education and coaching from the University of Northern Iowa in 1985 and gained his master of education degree in kinesiology from Minnesota in 1997.

The 47-year-old Grant is married to the former Kris Langsdorf of Minneapolis, Minn.

COACHING STAFF

**5TH
SEASON**

RYAN LUDWIG

*Associate Head Coach
Findlay, 2000*



Ryan Ludwig is entering his fifth year as Northern Illinois' top assistant coach. In addition to assisting head coach Dave Grant with the daily operations of the program, Ludwig also leads Northern Illinois' recruiting. Grant recognized Ludwig's efforts and his impact on the program by promoting him to the position of associate head coach last spring.

At NIU, Ludwig has played a key role in training 13 NCAA qualifiers, six Mid-American Conference champions and one Midlands champion. Ludwig has also been a driving force in bringing top talent to NIU.

Year in and year out, the NIU recruiting classes have been ranked among the best in the nation. The 2007 recruiting class was rated as high as 20th nationally, while the 2008 class boasted an outstanding blend of in-state and national talent and featured six high school All-Americans, 10 state champions and one Dave Schultz High School Excellence Award winner.

His initial recruiting effort brought athletes with outstanding credentials to DeKalb as well. The 2006 recruiting class included four high school All-Americans. In 2007, the newcomers recruited by the coaching staff combined for six state titles, and included four all-Americans.

"Ryan has a relentless work ethic and an outstanding knowledge of the sport of wrestling. He has excellent leadership qualities and is a role model to our student-athletes. His recruiting efforts have advanced the program to a new level," Grant said.

Ludwig came to Northern Illinois after spending two seasons as an assistant at Minnesota State University-Mankato. While coaching the Mavericks, Ludwig guided the team to a third-place finish in the NCAA Division II Championships. He also helped produce and train eight All-Americans.

Prior to his work with the Mavericks, Ludwig served as an assistant wrestling coach for his alma mater, the University of Findlay, where he coached seven All-Americans and a national champion.

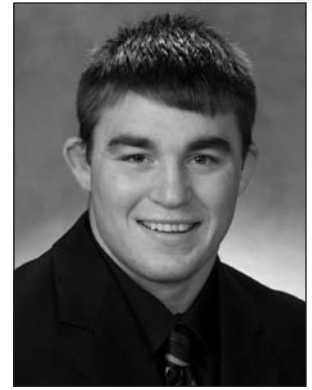
As a wrestler, Ludwig was a three-time NAIA All-American and a national finalist. Elected a captain by his teammates, he was also voted Most Valuable Wrestler when the Roughnecks were NAIA national runners-up in 1999. Ludwig ranks third on Findlay's all-time win list with over 100 career victories. In high school, Ludwig also captured a Michigan state title at 142 pounds in 1995.

Ludwig, a native of Chelsea, Mich., earned a bachelor of arts degree in 2000 from Findlay as a double major in psychology and criminal justice. He is completing work on a master's degree in sports administration from MSU-Mankato.

**2ND
SEASON**

DOMINICK MOYER

*Assistant Coach
Nebraska, 2007*



Northern Illinois head wrestling coach Dave Grant knows talent when he sees it, which is why he didn't hesitate in adding three-time NCAA qualifier Dominick Moyer to his coaching staff.

"Dominick is a motivated coach that is very interested in taking this program to the next level," Grant said.

Moyer, who enters his second season on Grant's staff, assists in NIU's recruiting efforts and serves as the team's liaison with Student-Athlete Academic Support Services.

He wrestled for the Cornhuskers from 2002-07 and qualified for the NCAA Championships three times from 2005-07.

In 2007-08, Moyer was at Nebraska as a volunteer assistant coach with the wrestling team, where he assisted in practice planning and academic development. Moyer also took charge of administrative duties and team travel to open tournaments.

"He's had a lot of success on the national level," Grant said. "He has been involved with one of the top programs in the country as both a coach and a competitor."

During his senior season at Nebraska, Moyer compiled a 28-9 record at 141 pounds that included a second-place finish at the Big 12 Championships. Moyer also placed at the tournament as a junior, when he took third, and as a sophomore, finishing as the runner-up at 133 pounds.

"He brings a lot of expertise to our wrestling program, and we're very excited to have him on our coaching staff," Grant said.

Moyer is a 2007 graduate of Nebraska with a degree in health sciences.



The Northern Illinois coaching staff, from left to right, head coach Dave Grant, associate head coach Ryan Ludwig and assistant Dominick Moyer.

SUPPORT STAFF

**1ST
SEASON**

NATE PATRICK

*Volunteer Assistant
Illinois, 2001*



A former Big Ten Champion at 184 pounds and an Illinois native, Nate Patrick brings a wealth of knowledge and passion to Dave Grant's coaching staff in 2009-10. Patrick joins the Huskie coaching staff as a volunteer assistant after spending last year at Iowa State in the same capacity.

Patrick entered the coaching profession after a successful career as a collegiate and competitive wrestler. A three-year letterwinner at Illinois, Patrick posted a 96-22 record for the Illini for a winning percentage of .814, placing him ninth on Illinois' career winning percentage list. His 96 wins ranks him 20th on Illinois' career wins list while his 35 victories in 1999-2000 ties him for 15th on the Illini's single season wins list. His 33 victories the following year is tied for 20th.

A three-time NCAA qualifier, he earned the Big Ten title at 184 in 2001. His single season record for pins is nine, set in 1999-2000 and in 2000-01, and lists seventh on Illinois' single season pins list, while his 21 career pins ranks fifth.

Following his stellar career at Illinois, Patrick went on to compete for the U.S. Olympic Team. He placed sixth at the 2004 Olympic Team Trials and continued training at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. in preparation for the 2008 Olympic Games.

Patrick, who is from Wheaton, has also coached at the high school level with stints at Champaign Central and Neuqua Valley. He graduated from the University of Illinois in 2001 with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology.

**5TH
SEASON**

GLEN KRUPICA

*Deputy Athletics Director
Northern Illinois, 1982*



The career of Glen Krupica has come full circle, as the 1982 Northern Illinois graduate enters his fifth year as a member of the Huskie senior staff. He joined the program as an Associate Athletics Director in July of 2005 and was promoted to Senior Associate Athletics Director for External Affairs in 2006, before becoming Deputy Athletics Director in 2008.

Prior to his return to DeKalb, Krupica spent 11 years (1994-2005) as the Executive Director of the Independence Bowl Foundation in Shreveport, Louisiana. While there, Krupica secured two title sponsors,

negotiated two contract extensions with ESPN and brokered deals and renewals with both the SEC and Big 12 Conferences. For his efforts, Krupica earned the 2000 Bud Dudley Bowl Executive Award from the All-America Football Foundation.

Krupica made the move to the bowl circuit after serving as Northwestern State University's Assistant Athletics Director for Fundraising and Marketing from 1992-94. During his time in Natchitoches, La., Krupica helped increase annual fund raising by 40 percent, secured the program's first major gifts, headed the Scholarship Auction and originated the Greater Demon Purple Pigskin Pitchfork Party.

Before going to Louisiana, Krupica lived in Mission, Kansas for a little over five years, working as the director of development for the Kansas Special Olympics from 1987-1992. He was the key cog in establishing the six-figure fund-raiser "Celebrity Sports Carnival" and regional efforts. Krupica's efforts helped turn the organization around financially.

Upon earning his master's degree from The Ohio State University in 1984, Krupica returned to DeKalb in 1985 as the executive director of the Huskie Club. He helped coordinate the first "team concept" fund drives and started both the Chicago and Rockford chapters of the Huskie Club.

Krupica, a member of NACDA (National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics) and a native of Franklin Park, Ill., is married to Suzanne and they have two daughters, Katie (15) and Lauren (12).



**CHRISTINE
ZEH**
Manager



**ALISON
CURTIS**
Manager



**ERIN
HOUGHTALING**
*Student-Athlete
Academic Support
Services*



**SHEA
THOMPSON**
Sports Performance

SEASON OUTLOOK

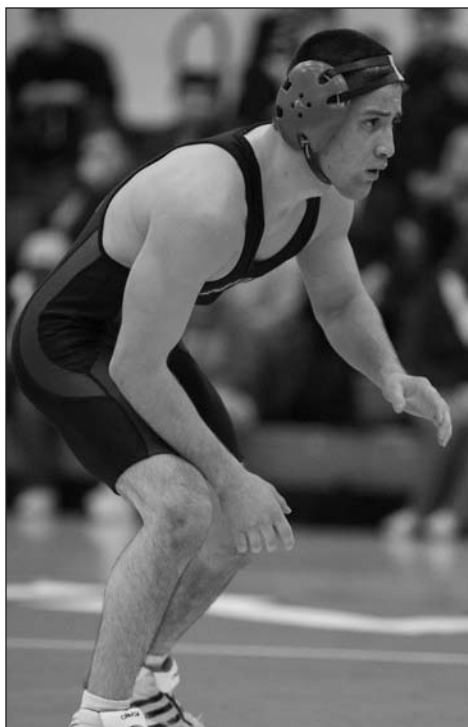
The Northern Illinois University wrestling team looks to end this season the same way it has wrapped up every campaign for the last 38 years — at the NCAA Championships. Since 1972, NIU has sent a wrestler to NAAs every year. In order to extend that streak, the Huskies will have to navigate through a challenging schedule.

“Having a solid season, when you get ranked, and beat nationally-ranked guys, that’s what we want to do right away,” said NIU head coach Dave Grant, who enters his 14th season as the Huskies head man in 2009-10. “Our schedule this year provides that opportunity for our wrestlers.

“We wrestle three Big Ten teams right out of the gate. We’re wrestling teams from coast-to-coast. Our thing this year, as a team, is to get some exposure and allow our guys the opportunity to wrestle some highly-ranked individuals.”

This year’s squad is an experienced group with 10 returning letterwinners, led by 2009 NCAA qualifiers Bryan Deutsch, who was the Mid-American Conference champion at the 157-pound weight class, and Tristen DeShazer (133), and 2008 NCAA participant Pat McLemore. Grant is encouraged by the experience his team gained last year.

“Last year, we had two guys with



Izzy Montemayor made a strong impression in his first season of intercollegiate wrestling, winning a school-record 20 matches last year.

starting experience going into conference action,” Grant said. “Heading into the MAC Championships this year, almost the whole team will have experience. It’s good. We can start building on that. Guys know what to expect. Now we need to take the next step forward.”

Returning starter Izzy Montemayor, who became the first true freshman to record 20 wins in a season since 1997-98, leads the charge at 125. Providing depth at the weight class is redshirt freshman Andrew Ruettiger.

DeShazer will start for the Huskies at 133. He earned his first trip to the NCAA Tournament by placing third at the 2009 MAC Championships and set NIU’s single-season and career record for pins with 17, including two at the 2009 NCAA Championships. Sophomore Zach Taylor and redshirt freshman Chris Smith will provide depth.

At 141, junior Pat McLemore, who placed third at the conference championships in 2009, aims to return to his 2008 form when he was the MAC Champion and qualified for the NCAA Championships. Challenging McLemore for the starting spot will be fellow junior Vince Castillo, who has seen considerable time in the starting role.

Sophomore Steve Zimmerman will again look to claim the lineup spot at 149. Zimmerman had an impressive start to the season last year, capturing championships at the Pointer Open and the Kaufman-Brand Open along with several dual meet victories. A fourth-place finish at the MAC Championships wrapped up the 2008-09 season for Zimmerman.

Senior Dan Ruettiger is moving up to the 149 slot after a solid season at 141 last year. Ruettiger, an accomplished wrestler, has seen plenty of varsity action at 141, placing third in the MAC two years ago.

Returning MAC Champion and NCAA qualifier Deutsch will man the 157-pound weight class. A junior, Deutsch secured his first berth to the NCAA Championships last spring by taking the 157 crown at the 2009 MAC Championships. Deutsch will look to defend his conference title and make an impact at the national level.

John Odeen secured his starting role at 165-pounds as a redshirt freshman last year. Odeen wrestled to a third-place finish at the MAC Championships last season and is looking to improve upon that solid

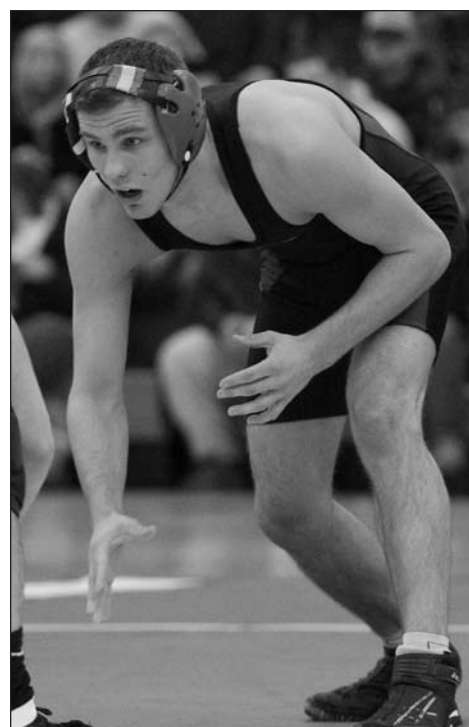
performance. Derrick Yant will start at 174 pounds as a sophomore. Yant finished last season with a fourth-place showing at the conference tournament last season.

Junior Brad Dieckhaus can be expected to compete at 184 for the Huskies. Placing fourth last year at the MAC Championships left him just short of an NCAA Tournament berth. Scott Penny will return to his role as the starter at 197 pounds.

Junior Dakota Greenhaw, who fought some early injuries last season, looks to rebound this year at 285 pounds. Zack Saevre started most of the year as a true freshman last season and will challenge Greenhaw for the starting position again. Sophomore Jordan Walsh adds some depth at 285 as well.

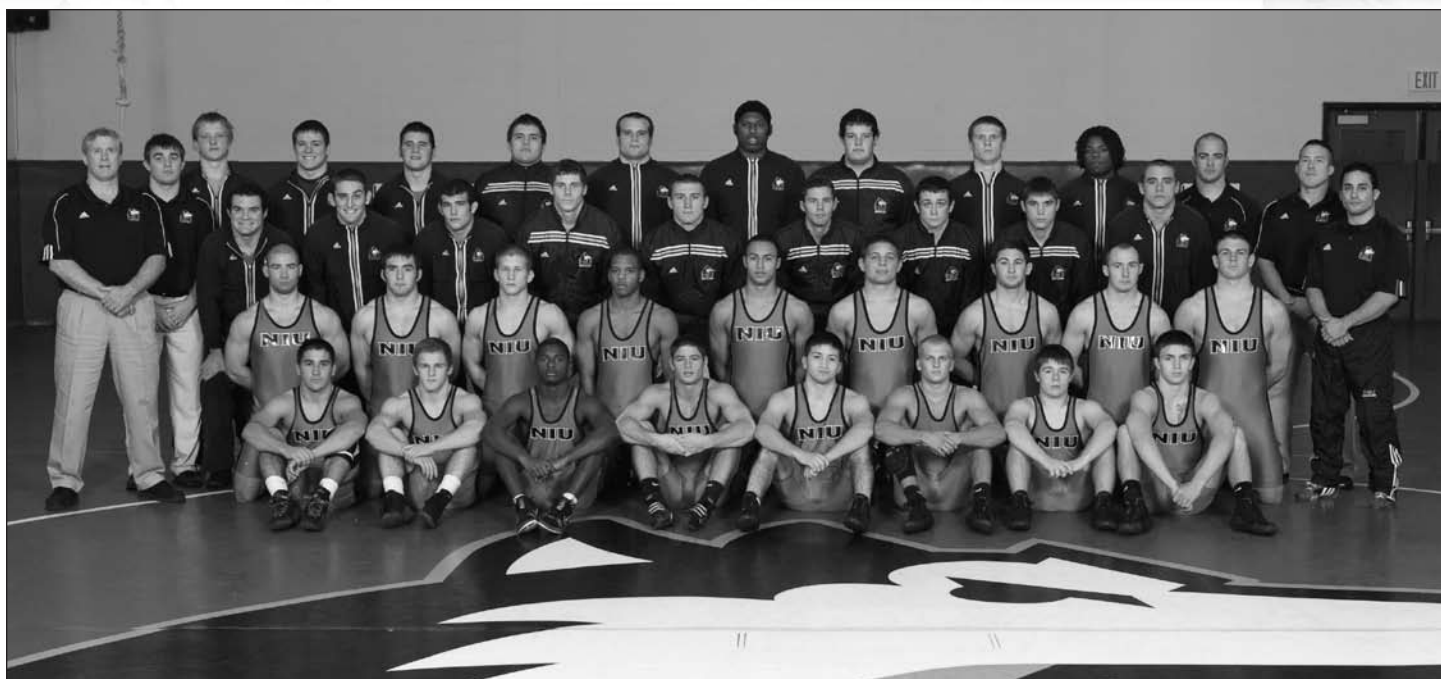
The Huskies have a strong group of young wrestlers entering the program this year. Tabbed 20th by Wrestling International Newsmagazine (W.I.N. Magazine) and 28th by InterMatWrestle.com, the 2008-09 recruiting class is highlighted by freshman Zach Neibert (133) from Dayton, Ohio. Neibert enters NIU as the No. 13 recruit overall in any weight class by InterMatWrestle.com.

With a year of experience under their belt and infusion of young talent, the NIU wrestling team is well equipped to achieve its goals for 2009-10.



One of three NCAA qualifiers on the squad, junior Pat McLemore adds experience to the Huskie line up.

2009-10 HUSKIE ROSTER



Name	Weight	Class	Hometown	High School/Last College
Zach Benzio	184	Fr.	Connellsville, Pa.	Connellsville Area
Curtis Blaydes	285	Fr.	Chicago, Ill.	De La Salle
Dionate Brown	125	Fr.	Chicago, Ill.	Marist
Dan Burk	165	Fr.	Naperville, Ill.	Neuqua Valley
Vince Castillo	141	RS-Jr.	Western Springs, Ill.	Lyons Township
Joe Clothier	149	RS-Jr.	Clinton, Wis.	Clinton High
Tristen DeShazer	133	RS-Jr.	Wichita, Kan.	Wichita West
Bryan Deutsch	157	RS-Jr.	Columbia City, Ind.	Columbia City
Brad Dieckhaus	184	Jr.	St. Charles, Mo.	Francis Howell Central
Vincent Fairbairn	165	Fr.	Midwest City, Okla.	Carl Albert
Kevin Fanta	133	Fr.	Lake Zurich, Ill.	Lake Zurich
Chris Gonzalez	141	Fr.	Chicago, Ill.	Bloom Trail
Dakota Greenhaw	285	RS-Jr.	Monett, Mo.	Monett
Chris Heading	125	Fr.	Bloomington, Ill.	Driscoll Catholic
Jon McGookey	149	Fr.	Sandusky, Ohio	Perkins
Patrick McLemore	141	RS-Jr.	Hinckley, Ohio	Padua Franciscan
Izzy Montemayor	125	So.	Barrington, Ill.	Grant Community
Matt Mougín	149	Fr.	Columbus Junction, Iowa	Columbus
Zach Neibert	133	Fr.	Dayton, Ohio	St. Paris Graham Local
John Odeen	157	RS-So.	Coal City, Ill.	Coal City
Trevor Parlberg	197	Fr.	Woodstock, Ill.	Crystal Lake
Scott Penny	197	RS-So.	Granite City, Ill.	Granite City
Shane Rosenberry	184	Fr.	Lancaster, Pa.	Elizabethtown Area
Andrew Ruettiger	125	RS-Fr.	Manhattan, Ill.	Lincoln Way
Dan Ruettiger	141	RS-Sr.	Joliet, Ill.	Providence
Zak Saevre	285	So.	Green Bay, Wis.	Ashwaubenon
Jonathan Schiewe	141	Jr.	Chicago, Ill.	St. Patrick
Chris Smith	133	RS-Fr.	Portland, Maine	Deering
Michael Smith	149	RS-Jr.	Plainfield, Ill.	Plainfield Central
Zach Taylor	133	RS-So.	Machesney Park, Ill.	Harlem
Jared Torrence	285	Fr.	Norwalk, Ohio	Norwalk
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VINCE CASTILLO
 RS-Junior
 Western Springs, Ill.
 Lyons Township

2008-09: Opened the season by winning seven of his first eight matches ... finished first at the Pointer Open, earning three decisions and a fall ... placed fifth in the Kaufman/Brand Open where he won five matches ... placed fifth at the Duhawk Open ... finished the season 14-6 with two major decisions and four pins.

2007-08: Placed second at the Duhawk Open, losing in the final to Iowa's Alex Tsirtis ... won two matches by fall and one by major decision at that tournament ... finished fifth at the Cyclone Open, with losses only to teammates Pat McLemore and Dan Ruettinger ... totaled a 10-6 record with three major decisions and two pins.

2006-07 (Redshirt): Finished the season with a 15-10 record and four pins while wrestling at 141 pounds as a redshirt ... earned a second-place finish at the Moco Mercer Open ... placed third at 141 pounds in the "Flash" Flanagan Open ... first collegiate victory came against Nicolas Tadeo of UW-Milwaukee with a 12-3 decision ... recipient of NIU's Freshman Academic Award.

High School: Helped lead Lyons Township to a West Suburban Conference Championship and posted a 34-3 record as a senior ... was a four-year varsity letterwinner and a state qualifier as a junior ... earned the team MVP award during his junior year ... garnered all-conference recognition all four seasons ... led the team in takedowns during his junior and senior years ... finished second on the team in career pins (62), fourth in career takedowns (438), and fifth in career wins (145) at Lyons Township.

Personal: Son of Sandy and Mike Castillo ... born September 21, 1987 ... brother of former Huskie Pat Castillo ... majoring in kinesiology.

Castillo's Career Record

Season	W	L	P
2006-07 ^{RS}	15	10	4
2007-08	10	6	2
2008-09	14	6	4
Career	24	12	6



149
JOE CLOTHIER
 RS-Junior
 Clinton, Wis.
 Clinton

2008-09: Won first two matches of the season at the Pointer Open ... posted victories at the Nebraska-Omaha Open and "Flash" Flanagan Open ... finished the season 4-6 earning two decisions and pins.

2007-08: Won two matches, one by fall and one by major decision, at the "Flash" Flanagan Open ... earned a major decision win over Blake Hilner of Northern Iowa at the Duhawk Open ... also picked up a win at the Cyclone Open.

2006-07 (Redshirt): Did not compete.

High School: Won the Wisconsin state tournament during his sophomore and senior years ... won the Badger State Tournament as a senior ... earned the *Beloit Daily News* Wrestler of the Year awards in his sophomore and senior seasons ... posted a Clinton High School record 30-0 mark during his senior year ... won the Watertown Tournament as a junior ... named Rock Valley Conference MVP during his sophomore and junior years ... led his team in takedowns and pins as a junior ... three-time team MVP ... named to *Beloit Daily News* first team All-Area squad as a freshman and junior ... named to the *Wisconsin State Journal* first team All-Area squad his sophomore, junior, and senior years ... holds Clinton High School's best career record (126-18) ... is the first Clinton High two-time state champion and four-time state qualifier.

Personal: Son of Peggy and Bill Clothier ... born May 1, 1988 ... intends to major in physical education.

Clothier's Career Record

Season	W	L	P
2008	5	6	1
2008-09	4	6	2
Career	9	12	3



133
TRISTEN DESHAZER
 RS-Junior
 Wichita, Kan.
 Wichita West

2008-09: Set the Northern Illinois single-season and career record for pins with 17 ... earned a trip to the NCAA National Tournament after placing third in the MAC Championship ... went 2-2 at the NCAA Championships with two pins ... won five matches, four of which were falls at the Midlands Championships, including victories over ranked opponents Pittsburgh's Jimmy Conroy, Kyle Hutton of Old Dominion and Missouri's Todd Schravian ... pinned Kent State's Dan Mitcheff, who was ranked 14th in the nation at 133 pounds, at Kent State ... won his first four matches of the season placing second in the Pointer Open.

2007-08: Won his first two matches of the season, including one pin, at the Cyclone Open ... went 3-2 at Midlands with falls over Jake Kriegbaum of Air Force and Matt Redmond of Purdue and one major decision against Dalton Jensen of Iowa State ... picked up wins in dual meets against Cleveland State and Buffalo.

2006-07 (Redshirt): Compiled an 8-5 record while wrestling at 133 and 141 pounds ... garnered a fourth-place finish at Pointer Open ... placed fifth at 133 in the 20-under division at the Kaufman/Brand Open ... won his first collegiate match, 17-6, over Craig DeGreef of UW-Parkside.

High School: Won the Kansas state tournament all four years ... posted a career record of 147-3 ... named 2006 Kansas High School Senior Wrestler of the Year ... named to 2006 All-American honorable mention team ...

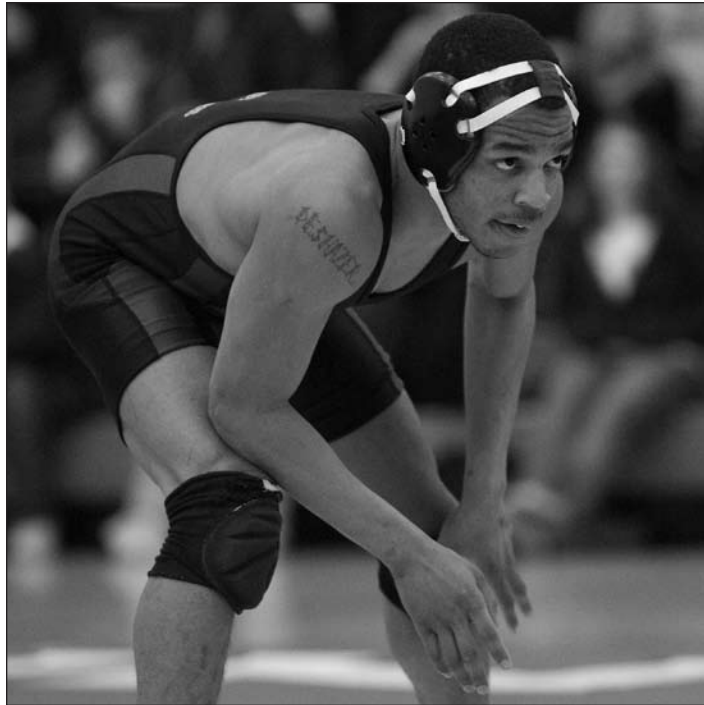
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placed fourth at NHSCA Senior Nationals ... holds Wichita West record for career pins (89) ... named team MVP all four years ... earned the Greco State Championship five times, and the freestyle title six times.

Personal: Son of Tanisha and Daniel DeShazer ... born December 22, 1987 ... majoring in general studies.

DeShazer's Career Record

	W	L	P
2006-07 ^{RS}	8	5	3
2007-08	7	9	3
2008-09	23	13	17
Career	30	22	20



Tristen DeShazer posted a 23-13 record and advanced to the 2009 NCAA Championships where he won two matches by pin.



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BRYAN DEUTSCH

RS-Junior
Columbia City, Ind.
Columbia City

2008-09: Won the MAC Championship at 157 pounds after pinning the No. 1 seed, beating the No. 3 seed, and defeating No. 2 seed Clay Tucker of Ohio to win the title ... went 1-2 at the NCAA Championships, with a pin of Andrew Jones of Michigan State ... finished first at the Pointer Open with three wins, two falls, and a major decision ... finished fourth at the Kaufman/Brand Open ... one of three 20-match winners for NIU... opened the season with nine wins in his first 10 matches.

2007-08: Finished third at the Mid-American Conference Championships at 165 pounds ... defeated wrestlers from Buffalo and Ohio to earn the placement ... won five matches at the "Flash" Flanagan Open after losing

his opening bout to place third ... earned two wins at the Cyclone Open ... finished with a 12-12 record with four pins.

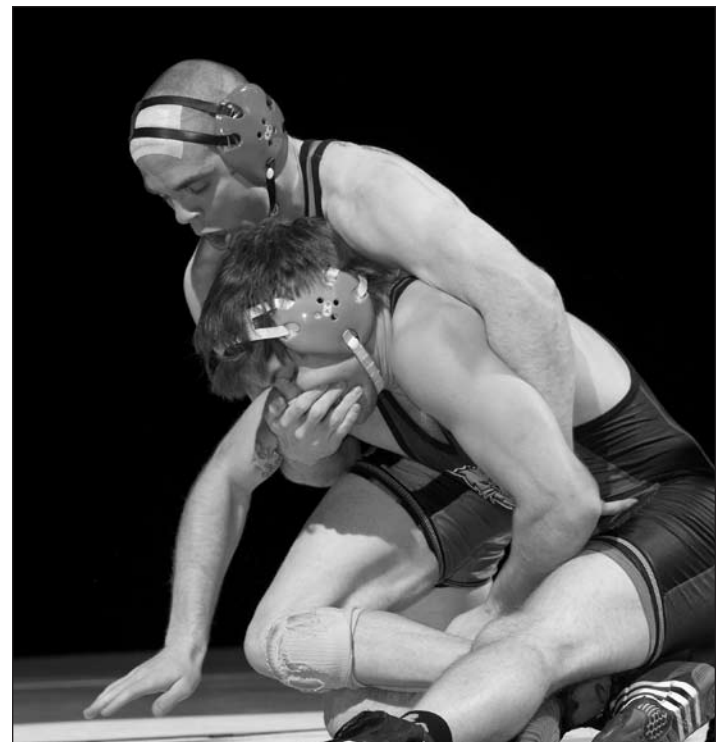
2006-07 (Redshirt): Compiled a 23-9 record with eight pins while wrestling at 165-pounds during his redshirt season ... won Moco Mercer Open by pinning each opponent in the tournament ... finished third at "Flash" Flanagan Open ... placed sixth at Pointer Open ... first collegiate win came by way of a 4-2 decision over Joshua Ison of UW-Stevens Point.

High School: Qualified for the Indiana state tournament all four years ... finished second in the state during his junior and senior years ... helped lead Columbia City to three straight third-place finishes at the Indiana state championships ... named team MVP after his junior and senior years ... selected to the all-conference first team three times ... posted a career record of 140-20 ... holds Columbia City records for most takedowns, winning percentage, most wins, and consecutive wins.

Personal: Son of Todd Deutsch ... born February 2, 1988 ... majoring in history.

Deutsch's Career Record

	W	L	P
2006-07 ^{RS}	23	9	8
2007-08	12	12	4
2008-09	21	12	6
Career	33	24	10



Bryan Deutsch earned a trip to NAAs after claiming the MAC Championship at 157 by defeating the top three seeds. He went 1-2 at the NCAA Tournament.

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184
BRAD DIECKHAUS
 Junior
 St. Charles, Mo.
 Francis Howell Central

2008-09: Earned three decisions and two pins on the season ... took fourth at the MAC Championships ... earned victories over Iowa's Grant Gambrall and Wisconsin's Eric Bugenhagen in the Midlands Championships ... won seven matches.

2007-08: Finished the season with 10 wins, including six pins and five major decisions ... took fourth place at the Jim Fox Open in his first tournament as a Huskie ... took three of his four wins by fall at that tournament ... pinned his first opponent, and won by major decision en route to placing second at the "Flash" Flanagan Open ... made his first start in dual competition at 185 pounds against Buffalo ... earned major decision wins in dual meets versus Liberty, Cleveland State and Gardner-Webb.

High School: Named second team all-state as a senior after earning second in the state championships at 160 pounds ... captained his team to an 18-0 dual meet record during his senior campaign ... earned first team All-Gateway Conference honors after his senior season ... posted a 3-2 record at Senior Nationals ... awarded the Silver Shield of Excellence Award for academic achievement ... finished high school career with a 114-21 record.

Personal: Son of Sam and Cindy Dieckhaus ... born February 28, 1989 ... majoring in communications.

Dieckhaus' Career Record

	W	L	P
2007-08	10	13	5
2008-09	7	10	2
Career	17	23	7



285
DAKOTA GREENHAW
 RS-Junior
 Monett, Mo.
 Monett

2008-09: Won first three matches of the season ... earned two major decisions and one pin on the year ... pinned Brett Correll in the final match of the regular season to give NIU a 16-15 win ... took second place at the Pointer Open with three wins ... missed much of the year due to injury.

2007-08: Defeated Tony Stegamen of Air Force by fall at Midlands ... earned a victory over Adam Lattella of UW-Whitewater by pin.

2006-07: Compiled an 11-5 record with three pins while wrestling at 197 ... redshirted the season.

High School: Placed seventh at NHSCA Senior Nationals ... won the Missouri state championship ... named to first team all-conference squad after his junior and senior seasons ... named first team all-state as a senior ... led his team in pins as a senior.

Personal: Son of Deborah Lamb and Michael Greenhaw ... born January 2, 1988 ... majoring in operation management information systems.

Greenhaw's Career Record

	W	L	P
2006-07 ^{RS}	11	5	3
2007-08	3	6	2
2008-09	4	4	1
Career	7	10	3



141
PATRICK McLEMORE
 RS-Junior
 Hinckley, Ohio
 Padua Franciscan

2008-09: Posted a 12-8 record with six pins and two major decisions ... opened the season winning four of his first five matches ... three of his six pins on the year came in MAC action where he turned in a 5-3 record ... pinned Matt Salzer of Missouri Baptist in 36 seconds, the fastest victory of his career at NIU.

2007-08: Won the MAC Championship at 141 pounds after entering the tournament unseeded ... stunned the MAC tournament crowd by defeating top-seeded Eric Kruger of Central Michigan by pin just 1:56 into the first round ... bested defending champion Drew Lashaway of Kent State 8-6 to win the 141 title ... earned two victories at the NCAA Championships, a 3-1 decision over Northern Iowa's C.J. Ettelson and a first period fall over Boise State's Levi Jones ... went 5-0 with three wins by fall at the Cyclone Open, including a first-period pin over Iowa State's 14th-ranked Nick Gallick, who had beaten him 8-2 two days prior ... won eight consecutive matches from Nov. 24-March 8, but was injured and did not compete for much of that time ... swept his matches at the Eastern Michigan Quad, taking dual wins over wrestlers from Eastern Michigan, Clarion and Gardner-Webb.

2006-07: Went 23-6 with 10 pins while wrestling at 141 and 149 pounds while redshirting the season ... garnered first-place finishes at the Pointer, "Flash" Flanagan, and Moco Mercer Opens ... earned a fourth-place finish in the 20-under division at the Kaufman/Brand Open ... placed fifth at UNI Open at 141 pounds ... won first collegiate match by pinning Mike Ryan of Harper College at the 2:37 mark.

High School: Won the Ohio state tournament in his freshman and senior years ... helped lead team to AA Ohio State Tournament Championship during his freshman and senior years ... named conference MVP as a senior, when he also finished third at NHSCA Senior Nationals ... led his team in pins all four seasons ... posted a career 149-10 record ... holds Padua Franciscan records for career pins, wins, and state championships.

Personal: Son of Claudia and James McLemore ... born April 21, 1987 ... intends to major in elementary education.

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McLemore's Career Record

	W	L	P
2006-07 ^{RS}	23	6	10
2007-08	15	5	8
2008-09	12	8	6
Career	27	13	14



125
IZZY
MONTEMAYOR
Sophomore
Barrington, Ill.
Grant Community

2008-09: Became first true freshman to record 20 wins since 1997-1998 season ... finished fifth in the Pointer Open ... took third in the Kaufman/Brand Open by winning five matches ... finished in first-place at the "Flash" Flanagan Open, with three wins ... longest winning streak of the season was six ... finished the season with 21 wins and 11 decisions as a freshman.

High School: Three-time conference champion, four-time regional champion, and two-time sectional champion placed second in the state tournament as a senior ... named captain and most valuable wrestler that year ... qualified for state as a junior ... was a member of a four-time conference championship team ... selected for Team Illinois All-Star Team versus Team Indiana and Team Iowa ... awarded Most Outstanding Wrestler as a sophomore and junior.

Personal: Son of Silvia and Joel Montemayor ... born April 3, 1990 ... majoring in business.

Montemayor's Career Record

	W	L	P
2008-09	21	13	4
Career	21	13	4



157
JOHN
ODEEN
RS-Sophomore
Coal City, Ill
Coal City

2008-09: Took first place at the Duhawk Open with four wins ... finished third in the MAC Championships after winning three matches ... defeated Northwestern's Kyle Bertin Dec. 4 at Northwestern ... earned seven decisions, two pins and two technical falls throughout the season ... longest win streak of the season was four... wrestled in both the 157 and 165 pound weight classes ... won 12 matches as a redshirt freshman.

2007-08 (Redshirt): Won all three matches at the "Flash" Flanagan Open to take first place.

High School: Two-time Illinois state champion ... won title at 130 pounds

as a junior and 145 pounds his senior year ... finished senior campaign with a perfect 35-0 record ... runner-up at the NHSCA Junior National Championships in Pittsburgh during the spring of 2006 ... claimed conference, regional, and sectional titles as a senior while serving as team captain ... earned the team award for most points ... placed second in Interstate 8 Conference and finished as runner-up at regional, sectional and state meets during his sophomore season at 119 pounds ... two-time Interstate 8 Academic All-Conference selection ... won conference, regional and sectional titles and finished the season by placing fifth at state.

Personal: Son of Jeffrie and Kerri Odeen ... born July, 20 1989 ... majoring in communications.

Odeen's Career Record

	W	L	P
2007-08 ^{RS}	3	0	0
2008-09	12	6	2
Career	12	6	2



197
SCOTT
PENNY
RS-Sophomore
Granite City, Ill.
Granite City

2008-09: Finished fourth in the Pointer Open by winning four matches ... longest win streak of the season was three on two separate occasions ... earned five decisions and pins on the year ... won 11 matches as a redshirt freshman in the 197 pound weight class.

2007-08: Redshirted the season and did not compete.

High School: Finished career with 169 career victories and 104 pins ... placed third at the IHSA Championships as a senior ... earned Junior Freestyle All-America status ... captained the Junior Dual Greco-Roman national championship team ... went 47-2 with 31 pins at 189 pounds as a junior and finished third at IHSA Championships ... named Wrestler of the Year by *Belleville News-Democrat* twice ... posted 42-8 record with 21 pins and was an IHSA qualifier as a sophomore ... recorded 31-14 varsity record with 15 pins at 171 during his freshman year ... four-time Illinois Greco Champion at 189 ... earned first-team all-conference accolades four times.

Personal: Son of Scott and Sheila Penny ... born Dec. 5, 1988 ... majoring in health education.

Penny's Career Record

	W	L	P
2008-09	11	15	5
Career	11	15	5

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141
DAN RUETTIGER
RS-Senior
Joliet, Ill.
Providence

2008-09: Finished second in the Pointer Open with three wins ... took first place at the "Flash" Flanagan Open where he earned two falls and two decisions for four victories ... totaled six decisions throughout the year as well as three pins ... won 10 matches as a redshirt junior at 141.

2007-08: Won four of his first five matches at the Cyclone Open ... recorded a 10-5 overall record, with two falls and two major decisions ... finished fourth at the Duhawk Open with one major decision and one fall in three victories ... earned a major decision over Zac Holland of Augustana ... won two matches at the "Flash" Flanagan Open, including one by fall.

2006-07: Went 12-12 with one pin at 141 pounds ... did not compete in any MAC dual matches, then made an improbable run at the MAC title, advancing to the championship match before finishing third ... placed fourth at Pointer Open at 141 pounds ... registered a fifth-place finish at the Dan Gable Open at 141.

2005-06 (Redshirt): Picked up his first collegiate victory in a match at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point's Pointer Open in the 141-pound class ... posted a 5-4 record in open competition on the season.

High School: A four-time IHSA State Championship qualifier and two-time All-America selection ... finished fifth at the Fila Cadet National in 2004 ... placed in regionals and sectionals four times ... earned NHSCA All-America honors with a sixth-place national finish.

Personal: Son of Kelly and Tim Ruettiger ... born March 20, 1987 ... cousin Andrew is a redshirt freshman on the team ... nephew of Daniel "Rudy" Ruettiger who was depicted in the 1993 motion picture "Rudy" ... majoring in chemistry.

Reuttiger's Career Record

	W	L	P
2005-06 ^{RS}	5	4	1
2006-07	12	12	1
2007-08	10	5	2
2008-09	10	6	3
Career	32	23	6



285
ZAK SAEVRE
Sophomore
Green Bay, Wis.
Ashwaubenon

2008-09: Won 11 matches in the 285 pound weight class ... earned eight decisions and one pin as a freshman ... took sixth in the Duhawk Open

with a pair of wins ... longest winning streak of the season was three ... earned a victory over Illinois' Martin Smith.

High School: Four-year varsity letterwinner ... went undefeated as a senior ... won WIAA state tournament ... 2008 Asics Folkstyle National Championships title winner ... completed his junior campaign with a 48-1 record at 285, and placed third in the state tournament ... set program's single season pin record and single season win record as a junior... four-time regional and sectional champion ... posted a 40-7 record as a 275-pound sophomore ... went 22-12 as a freshman at 275 ... finished fourth at the 2006 Brute adidas Nationals ... member of four-time conference championship team ... received Most Valuable award as sophomore and junior ... co-captain as a junior and senior ... four-year Freestyle State participant ... four-year member of Team Wisconsin ... lettered three years in football.

Personal: Son of Maryann and Dean Saevre ... born on November 16, 1989 ... intends to major in education.

Saevre's Career Record

	W	L	P
2008-09	11	17	1
Career	11	17	1



149
MICHAEL SMITH
RS-Junior
Plainfield, Ill.
Plainfield Central

2008-09: Took first place at the Duhawk Open with three wins ... wrestled in the 149 and 157 pound weight classes ... longest win streak of the season was three ... finished the season with three decisions, a pin and a major decision ... won five matches as a redshirt sophomore.

2007-08: Went 13-7 wrestling at 149 and 157 pounds ... won six of his last seven matches, including a first-place finish at the Duhawk Open, where he won three matches by major decision ... won four contests at the "Flash" Flanagan Open, including two falls ... earned dual meet victories over Northern Colorado and Augustana.

2006-07 (Redshirt): Posted a 7-6 record with two major decisions in the 141-pound weight class

High School: A first team all-conference selection his junior and senior years ... named team MVP as a junior and senior ... named to first team all-area squad as a senior ... second on the Plainfield Central career wins (159) list.

Personal: Son of Cathrine and Robert Smith ... born April 14, 1988 ... intends to major in psychology.

Smith's Career Record

	W	L	P
2006-07 ^{RS}	7	6	0
2007-08	13	7	2
2008-09	5	4	1
Career	18	11	3

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133

CHRIS SMITH

Sophomore
Portland, Maine
Deering

2008-09: Took sixth in the Duhawk Open where he won two matches ... Finished the season with three decisions and two pins ... longest win streak of the season was two ... won six matches as a freshman wrestling in the 133 pound weight class.

High School: Finished his freshman season 40-4 at 112 pounds ... won the Westbrook and Mt. Greylock tournaments ... went 34-6 as a 125-pound sophomore ... competed in the NHSCA All American States ... completed his junior campaign 39-2 at 119 pounds, winning the Berkshire and Essex tournaments ... was a four-time varsity letterwinner, a four-time state champion, and a two-time regional champion ... received All-America honors ... named Deering's most valuable wrestler as a freshman and a junior ... co-captained his team as a junior and senior ... made the honor roll six times.

Personal: Son of Joann and Kevin Smith... born May 7, 1989... intends to major in business management... hopes to be a chef.

Smith's Career Record

	W	L	P
2008-09 ^{RS}	6	8	2
Career	6	8	2



133

ZACH TAYLOR

RS-Sophomore
Machesney Park, Ill.
Harlem

2008-09: Took fourth place at the Duhawk Open by earning one pin and one decision, wrestling at the 125-pound weight class ... earned victories in bouts versus Loras and Cornell College ... won two matches as a sophomore.

2007-08 (Redshirt): Won the last seven matches of the year, picking up first-place finishes at the Dan Gable and Duhawk Opens ... recorded five wins by fall and one major decision ... totaled a 9-4 record on the year.

High School: Recorded a 41-2 record as a senior ... named most valuable wrestler in his sophomore and junior campaigns ... set the single season pin record with 29 in his junior year ... all-tourney MVP at the Hoffman Estates tournament ... first-team all-conference all four years of high school ... posted a 41-2 record his senior year ... was the regional champion his freshman through junior seasons ... earned second-team all-state honors as a sophomore ... posted a 197-12 career record in high school ... helped his team to a first-place finish in the conference as a freshman and second place finishes his sophomore

and junior years ... earned three top-five IHSA finishes, including a runner-up placement as a sophomore.

Personal: Son of Randy and Cathy Baxter and Brad Taylor ... born December 1, 1988 ... majoring in physical education.

Taylor's Career Record

	W	L	P
2007-08 ^{RS}	9	4	5
2008-09	2	2	1
Career	2	2	1



157

MASON TRUE

RS-Freshman
Arcadia, Ohio
Arcadia

2008-09 (Redshirt): Took third place at the "Flash" Flanagan Open by winning five matches ... runner-up in his weight class at the Duhawk Open with three wins ... longest winning streak of the season was seven ... wrestled in the 157 and 165 pound weight classes ... defeated Minnesota's Jared Rickert and Illinois' Dan Stelter Jan. 3 at the "Flash" Flanagan Open... won eight matches as a true freshman.

High School: Four-year letterwinner and first-team all-conference member won the Blanchard Valley Conference championship... finished his senior season at 152 pounds with a 51-3 record ... placed first at regionals and fourth in the state tournament... named co-captain and most valuable wrestler as a senior... placed second at the Disney Duals, Ralph Cubberly, Eastwood and Junior Olympic tournaments ... recorded a 39-9 mark at 152 pounds as a junior, placing second at regionals and seventh in the state tournament ... finished his sophomore season 40-5 at 135 pounds with a first-place finish at regionals ... went 35-7 during his freshman campaign at 119 and captured a second place regional title.

Personal: Son of Pat and Steve True... born August 2, 1989... intends to major in business.

True's Career Record

	W	L	P
2008-09 ^{RS}	8	4	2
Career	8	4	2



285

JORDAN WALSH

Sophomore
McHenry, Ill.
McHenry West

2008-09: Finished fourth at the Duhawk Open, where he won three matches including wins over Illinois' Harold White and Iowa's Jordan Johnson ... wrestled in the 285-pound weight class ... won three matches as a true freshman.

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High School: Won the Fox Valley Conference title as a senior... placed fifth in the state tournament that year ... is a two-time regional, sectional and state qualifier ... won AAU freshman/sophomore state championship in 2005-06 ... 2007 Argo Tournament qualifier... selected for Team Illinois All-Star Team to compete against Team Indiana and Team Iowa ... four-time varsity letterwinner... set program's quickest pin record ... elected team captain and Most Valuable as a senior.

Personal: Son of Dawn and Daryel Leigh ... born on May 11, 1990 ... intends to major in education ... would like to teach high school physical education.

Walsh's Career Record

	W	L	P
2008-09 ^{RS}	3	4	0
Career	3	4	0



149
STEVE ZIMMERMAN
Sophomore
Chicago, Ill.
St. Rita

2008-09: Opened his career with 13 straight wins ... didn't lose his first collegiate match until Midlands ... took first place in the Pointer Open by winning five matches ... finished first at the Kaufman/Brand Open with six wins ... wrestled in the 149-pound weight class ... took fourth in the MAC Championships ... defeated wrestlers from three Big Ten schools, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Northwestern during the year ... earned 11 decisions on the season.

High School: Won the state championship at 152 pounds as a senior ... four-time state qualifier who placed sixth as a freshman and sophomore ... was a two-time conference champion and three-time regional and sectional champion ... ranked 18th at 152 pounds in the nation by *IntermatWrestle.com* ... finished his junior season 41-2 at 135 pounds, and won his second Dvorak Tournament title ... placed sixth at the 2007 NHSCA Junior National Championships at 152 pounds ... went 47-2 as a 135-pound sophomore, and won the 2006 Dvorak Tournament championship ... completed his freshman campaign 36-11 at 125 pounds ... earned 2006 Cadet Freestyle All-America accolades ... member of three-time state medal team.

Personal: Son of Jean Sommer and Steve Zimmerman ... born February 26, 1990 ... majoring in history.

Zimmerman's Career Record

	W	L	P
2008-09	18	5	4
Career	18	5	4



174
DERRICK YANT
Sophomore
Delta, Ohio
Pike-Delta-York

2008-09: Earned seven decisions throughout the season with one pin, a technical fall, and a major decision ... wrestled in the 174-pound weight class ... won 10 matches during his freshman season ... scored first MAC victory of his career by defeating Thomas St. Louis of Eastern Michigan ... defeated Eastern Michigan's Donald Funk in the first round match of 2009 MAC Championships.

High School: Two-time conference champion, four-time regional and sectional qualifier and three-time state qualifier placed fourth in the state tournament as a junior and was second as a senior ... earned Fargo Cadet All-America honors... won the 2007 Fila Cadet Greco National title ... went 51-3 at 160 pounds as a senior ... set his program's records for most career wins, most wins in a season and most pins in a season ... finished 45-3 as a 160-pound junior ... completed his sophomore season 42-10 at 145 pounds and placed eighth in the state tournament ... went 28-14 as a 130-pound freshman.

Personal: Son of Lori and Richard Yant... born June 27, 1990... majoring in history ... enjoys archery.

Yant's Career Record

	W	L	P
2008-09	10	16	1
Career	10	16	1

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Joe Clothier	CLOTHE-ear
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Bryan Deutsch	DIE-ch
Brad Dieckhaus	DIK-house
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Zak Saevre	save-or-ee



Steve Zimmerman made an easy adjustment from high school to college, winning his first 13 matches en route to an 18-5 record in his first season of intercollegiate wrestling.

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184
ZACH BENZIO
Freshman
Connellsville, Pa.
Connellsville Area

High School: Three-time varsity letterwinner ... named team captain his senior year ... finished first in sectionals as a sophomore and second during his freshman and junior years ... placed fifth and seventh at the USA Wrestling Cadet Greco Roman Nationals ... took third in the USA Wrestling Cadet Freestyle Nationals ... placed seventh at the 2008 NHSCA Senior Nationals and recorded fourth-place finishes at NHSCA Junior and Sophomore Nationals ... a four-year participant in the Beast of the East Tournament, placing eighth as a freshman, seventh as a senior and sixth his junior year ... competed in the Powerade Christmas Tournament, placing eighth his senior year, third as a junior, sixth during his sophomore season and seventh as a freshman ... three-year varsity letterwinner in football.

Personal: Son of Benjamin and Donna Benzio ... born January 8, 1990 ... admires Chuck Norris and Kurt Angle ... majoring in political science.



285
CURTIS BLAYDES
Freshman
Chicago, Ill.
De La Salle

High School: Won state tournament in the heavyweight class ... went undefeated his senior season at De La Salle with a 44-0 record ... only wrestler in De La Salle history to finish undefeated and holds the school record for most takedowns in a season with 121 ... won the Glenbrook, CCC, and Conant Tournaments his senior season ... three-time varsity letterwinner ... named team MVP as a senior ... finished high school career with a 95-18 record ... team co-captain his junior and senior seasons.

Personal: Son of Curtis Blaydes and Montinee Anderson ... born February 18, 1991.



125
DIONATE BROWN
Freshman
Chicago, Ill.
Marist

High School: Four-year letterwinner ... named team captain his junior and senior years ... earned all-conference honors as a freshman,

sophomore and junior ... won East Suburban Catholic Conference titles at 103 as a freshman, at 112 his sophomore season and 119 his junior year ... finished fifth in the state at 119 as a senior ... competed at the Dvorak Tournament as a freshman, sophomore and senior, with his highest finish coming during his sophomore season when he placed fifth at 112.

Personal: Son of Sherethia Mack and Stanley Brown ... born January 31, 1991 ... aspires to become a journalist for a major newspaper company ... admires Olympian and former Huskie T.C. Dantzler and Michael Phelps.



165
DAN BURK
Freshman
Naperville, Ill.
Neuqua Valley

High School: Named first-team all-conference and honorable mention All-State as a senior after posting a 30-13 record at 171 pounds ... helped guide Neuqua Valley to two-straight Upstate 8 championships in 2007 and 2008 and a second-place finish at the state regional championships in 2008 ... named "hardest working" all four years in high school and was a two-time recipient of the Sportsmanship Award ... at 160 pounds, voted captain of the junior varsity squad in 2006 and 2007 and captain of the freshman team in 2005 ... a three-year member of Team Overtime and finished second at the 2009 US Army Midwest Nationals ... owned a 3.5 cumulative GPA in high school and was named to the Academic All-Conference team in 2008.

Personal: Son of Nancy and Jeff Burk ... born June 7, 1991 ... father, Jeff, was a varsity letterwinner in wrestling at Portland State University ... intends to major in kinesiology ... admires Dan Gable and Randy Couture.



165
VINCE FAIRBAIRN
Freshman
Midwest City, Okla.
Carl Albert

High School: Finished second in sectionals and third in the State Championships his junior year of high school ... won the Chickisaw Invitational his sophomore year, the Putnam City Invitational as a junior, and the Carl Albert Invitational his senior year ... awarded the most improved wrestler award as a junior and sophomore.

Personal: Son of Kevin and Terri Fairbairn ... born December 25, 1990 ... intends to major in mechanical engineering and minor in math.

MEET THE HUSKIES



133

KEVIN FANTA

Freshman
Lake Zurich, Ill.
Lake Zurich

High School: Three-year varsity letterwinner ... finished first in state at 135 pounds ... named Lake Zurich's Most Valuable Wrestler as a senior ... team captain his junior and senior years ... named first team All-North Suburban Conference his senior campaign ... earned first team all-area honors as a junior and senior ... named first team all-state his senior season ... Lake Zurich record-holder for most wins in a season (42) ... second on the school's all-time list for takedowns in a season (243) ... finished his prep career with a 97-13 record.

Personal: Son of Tom and Diane Fanta ... born August 17, 1991... admires Tom Brands.



141

CHRIS GONZALEZ

Freshman
Chicago, Ill.
Bloom Trail

High School: Posted a 53-5 record at Bloom Trail, going 18-3 as a senior and 35-2 as a junior ... went undefeated in the SICA South Conference going 32-0 ... took fourth in the Fargo Nationals as a sophomore and senior ... a three-year letterwinner, served as team captain all three seasons ... named his team's Most Valuable Wrestler as a junior.

Personal: Son of Gaspar Gonzalez and Annette Clanton ... born July 29, 1991 ... admires Derek Jeter.



125

CHRIS HEADING

Freshman
Bloomington, Ill.
Driscoll Catholic

High School: Four-year letterwinner ... served as team captain all four years of his high school ... earned second team all-conference honors four times ... named to the *Daily Herald* Honor Roll all four years ... holds the school record of fastest pin at six seconds, most career wins with 138 and was the school's first regional/sectional champion and state qualifier ... two-time winner of the Plano Invitation, taking the title at 112 as a junior and 119 as a senior.

Personal: Son of Amy and Mark Heading ... born August 27, 1991 ... Intended major is business management.



149

JON MCGOOKEY

Freshman
Sandusky, Ohio
Perkins

High School: Four-year letterwinner ... school's all-time winningest wrestler with 163 career victories ... earned first team all-area honors as a junior ... a three time state placer ... won the state title as a senior at 152 pounds, only the second wrestler in school history to accomplish the feat ... went 4-0 with two technical falls and two regular decisions en route to his first career state championship ... finished third in state at 145 and took fourth place at NHSCA Junior Nationals and sixth at NHSCA Senior Nationals ... 2009 Fandy.com Wrestler of the Year ... finished first in the Sandusky Bay Conference his freshman and sophomore seasons.

Personal: Son of Kevin and Laura McGookey ... born December 6, 1990 ... majoring in marketing.



149

MATT MOUGIN

Freshman
Columbus Junction, Iowa
Columbus

High School: Four-year letterwinner ... named team captain as a senior ... finished first in the state in the 145-pound weight class ... won the Southeast Iowa Super Conference his junior season ... finished first in regionals and won sectionals three times, as a freshman, junior, and senior ... three-time National Folkstyle All-American.

Personal: Son of Randall and Rebecca Mougín ... born July 17, 1990 ... admires Tom Brands ... intends to major in electrical engineering.



133

ZACH NEIBERT

Freshman
Dayton, Ohio
St. Paris Graham Local

High School: Four-year letterwinner ... earned all-area honors his freshman, sophomore, and junior seasons ... first freshman at Beavercreek High School to go to state and to place at state ... transferred to St. Paris Graham Local his sophomore year ... 2009 Ohio

MEET THE HUSKIES

High School Division II State Champion at 125 pounds ... NHSCA Junior National Champion at 119 ... won the Best Defense Award as a junior ... finished first in the state at 119 pounds junior season ... finished second in state at 112 pounds as a sophomore ... compiled an overall high school record of 132-12.

Personal: Son of Terry and Lisa Neibert ... born October 30, 1990 ... admires Jeff Jordan.



125
**ANDREW
RUETTIGER**
Freshman
Manhattan, Ill.
Lincoln Way

High School: Finished his senior season with a 35-11 record ... recorded 40 takedowns as a senior ... placed first in regionals and third in sectionals as a senior ... member of Lincoln Way squad that took third in the SICA.

Personal: Son of John and Lynn Ruettiger ... born August 14, 1989... cousin Dan is a redshirt senior on the team ... nephew of Daniel "Rudy" Ruettiger who was depicted in the 1993 motion picture "Rudy."



197
**TREVOR
PARLBERG**
Freshman
Woodstock, Ill.
Crystal Lake

High School: Named Crystal Lake's Most Valuable Wrestler as a senior ... earned first team all-conference honors following his sophomore, junior and senior seasons ... earned first team all-area honors as a senior ... tied Crystal Lake Central High School record history for most conference championships (3) ... four-time varsity letterwinner in wrestling and three-time varsity letterwinner in football ... earned all-conference honors for football his senior year.

Personal: Son of Michael and Maureen Parlberg ... born February 11, 1991 ... admires Dan Gable and Cael Sanderson.



141
**JONATHAN
SCHIEWE**
Freshman
Chicago, Ill.
St. Patrick

High School: Posted a 12-0 record his senior year at St. Patrick High School...earned All-East Suburban Catholic Conference honors during his senior season after taking the conference championship...took home regional championship honors before placing third at sectionals in his final season at St. Patrick ... named team captain all four seasons ... four-year letterwinner.

Personal: Son of Christine Schiewe ... born October 3, 1988 ... majoring in communications.



184
**SHANE
ROSENBERY**
Freshman
Lancaster, Pa.
Elizabethtown Area

High School: Two-time wrestling team captain ... earned Most Valuable Wrestler honors his senior season for Elizabethtown Area high school ... earned first team all-conference honors as a junior and senior ... placed fifth in state at 189 pounds as a senior ... owns high school record for most career wins (131), most career pins (83) and most dual meet wins in a season (18) ... earned a total of 10 varsity letters in high school in wrestling (4), football (3) and track and field (3) ... led high school football team in tackles his sophomore, junior and senior seasons, serving as team captain his senior year ... PIAA PWA first team All-State Academic All Star his junior year and PIAA PWA second team All-State Academic All Star as a senior ... named to the honor roll every semester ... National Honor Society as a junior and senior.

Personal: Son of Dennis and Linda Rosenberry... born March 18, 1991 ... admires Barry Sanders ... majoring in business administration.



285
**JARED
TORRENCE**
Freshman
Norwalk, Ohio
Norwalk

High School: Earned first team all-conference honors senior season ... finished his senior season with 45-3 record and a third place finish in state ... holds his high school record for most wins in a season (45)... four-time letterwinner in both wrestling and football ... named team captain his junior and senior seasons ... won the Coach's Award as a junior and the Leadership Award as a senior ... named to second team All Northwest District team as a sophomore ... named the most valuable offensive lineman for Norwalk High School.

Personal: Son of Cynthia Torrence ... born June 13, 1991 ... majoring in psychology.

2008-09 REVIEW

MAC DUAL RESULTS

NIU 22, Ohio 23

133 - Keyes def. DeShazer (NIU) DQ, 6:38
141 - McLemore (NIU) fall Lindsey, 4:36
149 - Zimmerman (NIU) def. Christensen, 5-0
157 - Deutsch (NIU) fall Tucker, 3:24
165 - Weinkam def. O'Connor (NIU), MD 0-8
174 - Purdue def. Yant (NIU), MD 0-8
184 - Schuth def. Dieckhaus (NIU), 3-4
197 - Penny (NIU) def. Iammarino, 4-2
285 - Hartshorn fall Saevre (NIU), 0:33
125 - Montemayor (NIU) def. Silvers, 12-3

NIU 10, Kent State 31

125 - Bedelyon fall Montemayor (NIU), 6:27
133 - DeShazer (NIU) fall Mitcheff, 4:51
141 - Lashaway fall McLemore (NIU), 3:42
149 - Zimmerman (NIU) def. Depoy, MD 6 - 14
157 - Tice def. Deutsch (NIU), 5-3
165 - Simpson def. Odeen (NIU), 5-3
174 - Estep (KSU) def. Yant (NIU), 4-1
184 - Kilgore def. Dieckhaus (NIU), dec. 10 - 7
197 - Chine def. Penny (NIU), dec. 13 - 9
285 - Porter def. Saevre (NIU), MD 17 - 6

EMU 18, NIU 16

165 - O'Connor (NIU) def. Hendrick, dec. 2-1
174 - Yant (NIU) def. St. Louis, dec. 6-3
184 - Dieckhaus (NIU) def. Foore, dec. 7-4
197 - McClure def. Penny (NIU), MD 14-5
285 - Wade def. Greenhaw (NIU), MD 14-4
125 - Jenkins def. Montemayor (NIU), MD 13-5
133 - Clair def. DeShazer (NIU), dec. 5-3
141 - McLemore (NIU) def. Pienaar, dec. 10-2
149 - Zimmerman (NIU) def. Johnson, dec. 7-3
157 - Moulton def. Deutsch (NIU), dec. 8-6

NIU 3, No. 9 CMU 36

125 - Sentes def. Montemayor (NIU), dec. 6-1
133 - Beebe def. DeShazer (NIU), dec. 8-2
141 - Shutich inj. def. McLemore (NIU), 5:00
149 - Brown def. Zimmerman (NIU), dec. 2-0
157 - Deutsch (NIU) def. Cubberly, dec. 4-3
165 - Stewart tech. fall Odeen (NIU), dec. 17-2 (7:00)

NIU 21, Buffalo 15

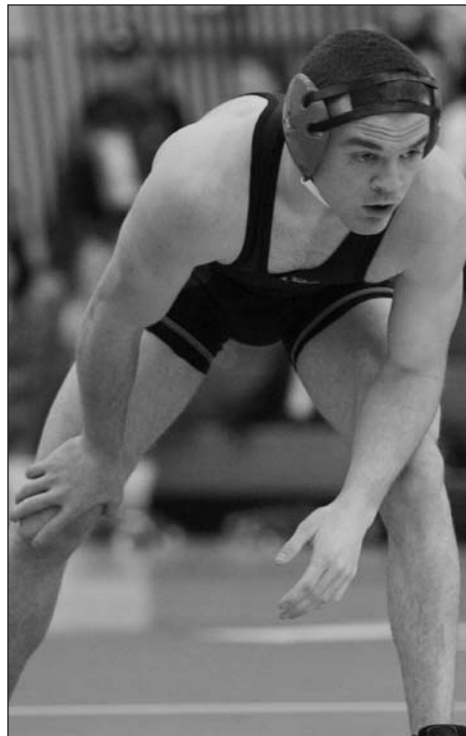
125 - Montemayor (NIU) def. Bishop, dec. 2-1
133 - Smith def. DeShazer (NIU), dec. 8-2
141 - McLemore (NIU) fall Lewandowski, 4:23
149 - Green def. Ruettiger (NIU), dec. 9-7
157 - Deutsch (NIU) def. Cannon, dec. 8-4
165 - Odeen (NIU) def. Majerus, dec. 3-1
174 - Rock def. Yant (NIU), dec. 4-2
184 - Moran def. Dieckhaus (NIU), dec. 6-3
197 - Hamel def. Penny (NIU), dec. 11-5
285 - Greenhaw (NIU) fall Correll, 4:58

The Northern Illinois University wrestling program fielded the youngest team in the Mid-American Conference last season, causing the Huskies to experience a few growing pains along the way. While the Huskies posted a 5-8 overall record and a 1-4 mark in MAC action in 2008-09, as the season progressed, several grapplers grew up in a hurry and distinguished themselves, giving the Huskies a solid foundation for the future while maintaining its success on the mat.

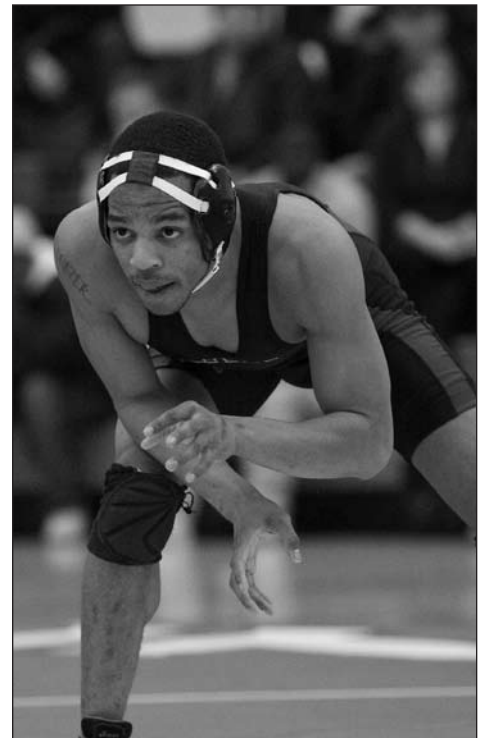
Izzy Montemayor became the first true freshman to record 20 victories since 1997-98. The 125-pounder from Barrington, Ill. opened the season winning six of his first eight matches. He went 3-0 en route to the "Flash" Flanagan Open title at 125 and 2-3 in MAC competition, recording a 21-13 overall record with four pins and four major decisions.

Fellow freshman Steve Zimmerman had an impressive start to his collegiate career with 13-straight wins, losing his first match of the year at the prestigious Midlands Championships. During his winning streak, he took tournament championships at the Pointer Open and Kaufman Brand Invitational at 149. He recorded a 3-1 record in conference action, posting a 14-6 major decision victory over Kent State's Jeremy Depoy. Zimmerman had a solid performance at the MAC Championships, going 2-2 and taking fourth place.

Zimmerman was one of six Huskies to place at the 2009 MAC Championships. Brad Dieckhaus took fourth at 184, while John Odeen, Pat



Bryan Deutsch (157) defeated Ohio Clay Tucker at the 2009 MAC Championships to become NIU's 13th straight MAC Champion.



Tristen DeShazer was one of six Huskies to place at the 2009 MAC Championships. He went 2-2 at NCAAs winning both matches by pin.

McLemore and Tristen DeShazer took third at 165, 141 and 133 respectively. Redshirt sophomore Bryan Deutsch highlights the group, taking home the title at 157.

Deutsch had an incredible run in the championships. Entering the tournament as the sixth seed, he pinned No. 1 seed Tyler Grayson of Central Michigan, then beat the No. 3 seed Ross Tice of Kent State, 9-2, and defeated Ohio's Clay Tucker, the No. 2 seed, 12-7, in the championship match. His win extended NIU's consecutive years with a conference champion to 13, or every year since rejoining the MAC in 1996-97.

Deutsch earned his way to the NCAA Championships with his run to the title. He would be joined in St. Louis by fellow redshirt sophomore DeShazer. The Wichita, Kan. native put the wrestling world on notice by taking sixth place at the acclaimed Midlands Championships in December, pinning four opponents along the way.

DeShazer continued to pin his way to the top all season, collecting a Northern Illinois' record 17 falls on the season. That total included two at the NCAA Championships, where he finished with a 2-2 record, just two matches away from becoming All-American. Deutsch finished 1-2 at the NCAA's but the experience the two gained on the national stage will prove invaluable as they continue their careers at Northern Illinois.

The 2008-09 campaign was a valuable learning experience for the Huskies. Lessons that head coach Dave Grant will pay dividends not only this year, but in years to come.

2008-09 STATISTICS

2008-09 TEAM RESULTS

Date	Result	Score	Opponent	Location
Nov. 8	--	NTS	Stevens Point Open	Stevens Point, Wis.
Nov. 15	W	35-4	Campbellsville	West Lafayette, Ind.
	L	28-12	Tennessee-Chattanooga	West Lafayette, Ind.
	L	32-9	Purdue	West Lafayette, Ind.
Nov. 22	--	NTS	Kaufman-Brand Open	Omaha, Neb.
Dec. 4	L	27-12	Northwestern	Evanston, Ill.
Dec. 13	W	43-6	Loras	Sycamore, Ill.
Dec. 29-30	20th	25.5 pts	Midlands Championships	Evanston, Ill.
Jan. 3	--	NTS	"Flash" Flanagan Open	Dubuque, Iowa
Jan. 10	W	48-6	SIU Edwardsville	Edwardsville, Ill.
	W	35-6	Missouri Baptist	Edwardsville, Ill.
Jan. 15	L	23-22	Ohio*	DeKalb, Ill.
Jan. 24	L	31-10	Kent State*	Kent, Ohio
Jan. 30	L	34-6	Northern Iowa	Cedar Falls, Iowa
Feb. 6	L	18-16	Eastern Michigan*	DeKalb, Ill.
Feb. 7	--	NTS	Duhawk Open	Dubuque, Iowa
Feb. 15	L	36-3	Central Michigan*	DeKalb, Ill.
Feb. 21	W	21-15	Buffalo*	Buffalo, N.Y.
Mar. 7-8	3rd	47.5 pts	MAC Championships	Ypsilanti, Mich.
Mar. 19-21	43rd	9.5 pts	NCAA Championships	St. Louis, Mo.

2008-09 INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Wrestler	Weight	Record	Dual	MAC	P	MD	TF	Career
Justin Carlson	174/184	0-9	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0-9
Vince Castillo	141	14-6	2-2	0-0	4	2	0	10-6
Joe Clothier	149/157	4-6	1-0	0-0	2	0	0	9-12
Tristen DeShazer	133	23-12	9-6	3-5	17	0	0	30-21
Bryan Deutsch	157	21-12	5-6	3-2	6	1	2	33-24
Brad Dieckhaus	184	7-10	1-6	1-3	2	0	1	17-23
Dakota Greenhaw	HWT	4-4	1-1	1-1	1	1	0	7-10
Tim Kirincic	149/157	7-8	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	7-8
Will McDermott	149	5-4	2-1	0-0	1	1	0	26-21
Pat McLemore	141	12-8	4-3	3-2	6	2	0	17-13
Izzy Montemayor	125	21-13	7-6	2-3	4	4	0	21-13
Bryan O'Connor	157	10-9	5-3	2-1	1	3	0	10-9
John Odeen	157	3-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	RS
Scott Penny	197	11-15	4-6	1-4	5	1	0	RS
Dan Ruettiger	141	10-5	1-0	0-0	2	2	0	22-17
Michael Ryan	149	8-9	1-2	0-0	2	3	1	8-9
Zak Saevre	HWT	11-17	5-5	0-3	1	0	0	11-17
Chris Smith	133	6-8	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	6-8
Jake Smith	197	7-15	6-10	1-4	2	0	0	7-15
Michael Smith	149/157	13-7	2-3	0-0	2	5	0	13-7
Will Stall	184	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1-3
Zach Taylor	133	9-4	0-0	0-0	5	1	0	RS
Anthony Victor	165	5-6	1-2	0-0	2	0	0	13-14
Bobby Wunnicke	125	15-5	0-0	0-0	8	0	0	15-5
TJ Wunnicke	125	16-13	11-7	3-2	10	1	1	16-13
Derrick Yant	174	10-16	5-7	1-5	1	1	1	10-16
Steve Zimmerman	149	18-5	5-1	3-1	4	3	0	18-5

MAC CHAMPIONSHIPS

Championship Match Results

133: Beebe (CMU) dec. DeShazer 8-2
 141: D'Alie (CMU) dec. McLemore 9-1
 149: Brown (CMU) dec. Zimmerman 7-2
 157: Deutsch dec. Tucker (OU) 12-7
 Deutsch wins MAC title as Freshman

Consolation Match Results

133: Beebe (CMU) dec. DeShazer 3-2 OT
 DeShazer earns third place.
 141: D'Alie (CMU) dec. McLemore 8-3
 McLemore earns third-place.
 149: Johnson (EMU) dec. Zimmerman 5-4
 Zimmerman earns fourth-place
 165: Simpson (KSU) dec. Odeen 5-3
 Odeen earns third-place
 184: Moran (UB) dec. Dieckhaus 7-3
 Dieckhaus earns fourth-place

NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Round One (Championship Bracket)

133: DeShazer fall Little (NC State) 2:32
 157: #4 Sanderson (Iowa State) dec. Deutsch 9-6

Round Two (Championship Bracket)

133: #4 Dennis (Iowa) dec. DeShazer 9-6

Round Two (Consolation Bracket)

157: Deutsch fall Jones (MSU) 1:11

Round Three (Consolation Bracket)

133: DeShazer fall Deubel (Edinboro) 2:06
 157: Scotton maj. dec. Deutsch 15-5

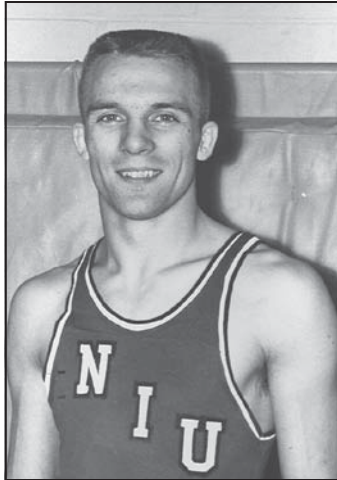
Round Four (Consolation Bracket)

133: #12 Bell (Maryland) dec. DeShazer 7-2

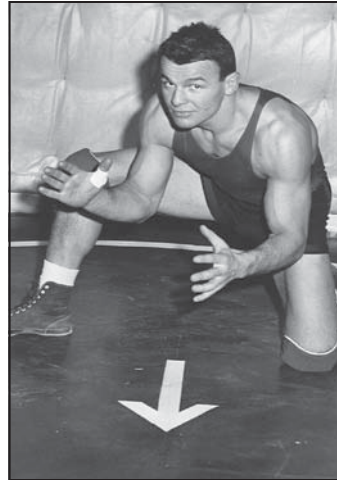
ALL-AMERICANS

In the 75-year history of Northern Illinois Huskie Wrestling, 11 student-athletes have earned the right to be called All-Americans. Of those 11, four won national championships, and four garnered All-America status twice while wearing the Cardinal and Black.

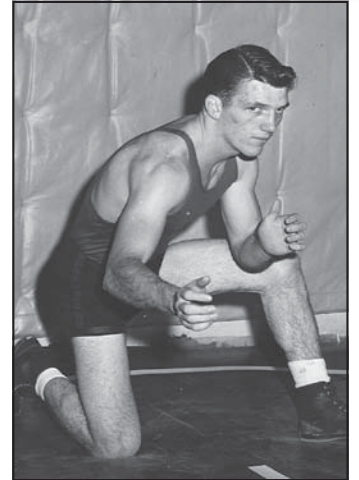
To garner All-America honors, a wrestler must finish in the top eight at the national championships in his class.



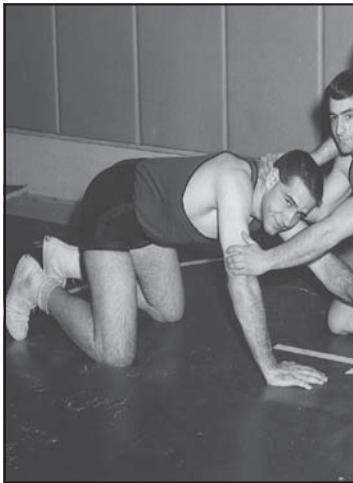
Dale Tessler
1958 NAIA National Champion



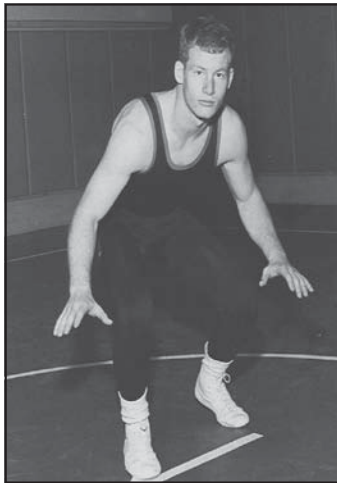
Roy Conrad
1960 NCAA National Champion
1961 NAIA National Champion



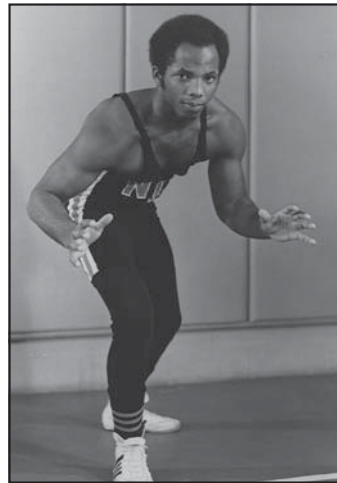
Ray Guzak
1961 NAIA National Champion



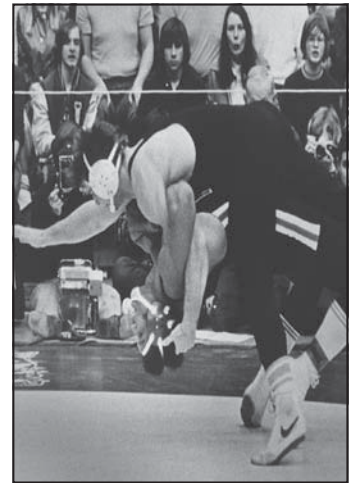
Neal MacDonald
1965 NCAA D-II
National Champion



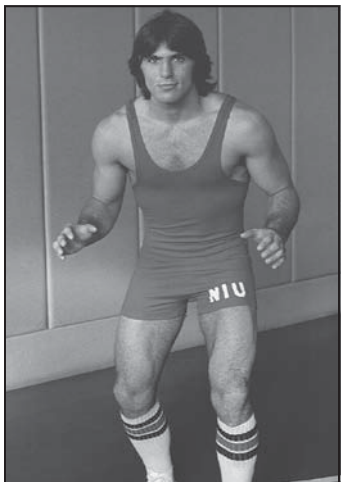
Wes Caine
1969 NCAA Sixth Place



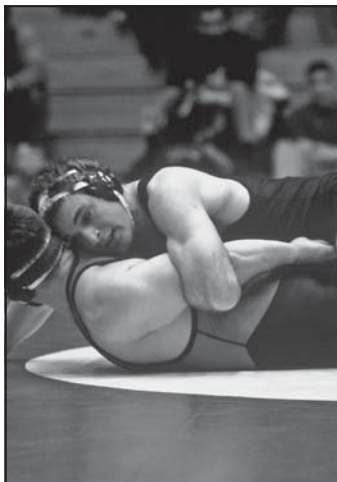
Larry Johnson
1972 NCAA Fifth Place



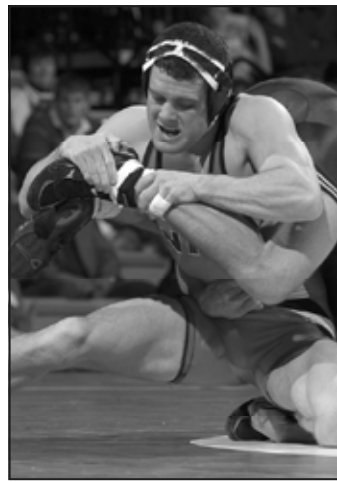
Johnny B. Johnson
1973 NCAA Runner-Up



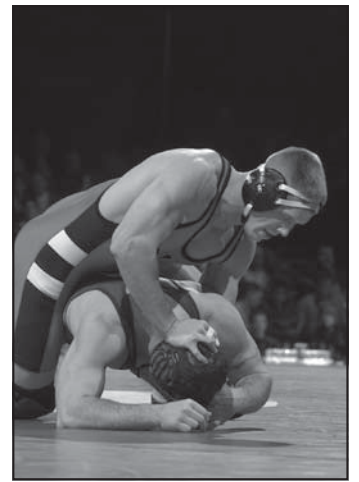
Mark Tiffany
1975 NCAA Sixth Place



Jeremy Goeden
1997 NCAA Eighth Place
1998 NCAA Seventh Place



Scott Owen
2002 NCAA Fifth Place
2003 NCAA Fifth Place



Ben Heizer
2003 NCAA Sixth Place
2004 NCAA Runner-Up

HONORS AND AWARDS

NCAA DIVISION I NATIONAL CHAMPION

1960 Roy Conrad (177)

NCAA DIVISION II NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

1965 Neal MacDonald (HWT)

NAIA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

1958 Dale Tessler (123)
1961 Ray Guzak (167)
Roy Conrad (177)

NCAA DIVISION I ALL-AMERICANS

1969 Wes Caine (123, 6th)
1972 Larry Johnson (158, 5th)
1973 Johnny B. Johnson (190, 2nd)
1975 Mark Tiffany (190, 6th)
1997 Jeremy Goeden (190, 8th)
1998 Jeremy Goeden (190, 7th)
2002 Scott Owen (157, 5th)
2003 Scott Owen (157, 5th)
2003 Ben Heizer (184, 6th)
2004 Ben Heizer (184, 2nd)

NCAA DIVISION II ALL-AMERICANS

1964 Mel Schmidt (177, 4th)
1965 Bob Furlan (147, 3rd)
Mel Schmidt (177, 2nd)
1966 Bob Furlan (147, 3rd)

NAIA NATIONAL ALL-AMERICANS

1958 Bill Young (167, 3rd)
Cliff Hudson (191, 4th)
1959 Ray Mueller (137, 3rd)
Bill Young (157, 4th)
Roy Conrad (177, 2nd)
Tom Seeman (191, 3rd)
1961 Bill Kontos (130, 4th)

NCAA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP PARTICIPANTS

1969 Wes Caine (123)
1972 Larry Johnson (158)
1973 Johnny B. Johnson (190)
1974 Larry Johnson (150)
1975 Lonnie Parker (126)
Mark Tiffany (190)
1976 Scott Soderholm (134)
Tony Filippo (142)
Dan Fiorini (167)
Mark Tiffany (190)
1977 Scott Soderholm (134)
Phil Gulsvig (177)
Mark Tiffany (190)
Dean Schultz (Hwt.)
1978 Lonnie Parker (126)
Ken Kraft (142)
1979 Dave Larimer (126)
Mike Pheanis (158)
1980 Dan Fiorini (167)
1981 Mark Verr (118)
Mike Pheanis (158)
1982 Gene Vatch (158)
1983 Gene Vatch (158)
Ernie Vatch (167)
Joe Morrow (177)
1984 Bruce Swierczewski (142)
Ernie Vatch (167)
1985 Nate Allison (126)
Phil Rembert (134)
Bruce Swierczewski (142)
Gene Vatch (158)
Ernie Vatch (167)
John Major (177)
1986 Nate Allison (134)
Mike Green (158)
John Major (177)
1987 Tino Gonzalez (126)
Nate Allison (142)
1988 Anton Kossakowski (177)

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1990 T.C. Dantzer (158)
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Jim Kossakowski (167)
1994 Shannon Gregory (118)
Jason Solomon (126)
James Spillman (150)
1995 Jason Solomon (126)
Ben Lehrfeld (177)
Demond Rodez (190)
1996 Jason Solomon (134)
Demond Rodez (190)
Jeremy Goeden (190)
1998 Ryan Egan (126)
Jeremy Goeden (190)
1999 Ryan Egan (133)
Scott Owen (141)
2000 Alexis Rivera (125)
Tom LeCuyer (141)
David Potter (184)
2001 Ryan Egan (141)
Scott Owen (157)
2002 Marlon Felton (125)
Scott Owen (157)
Bill Lowney (174)
Ben Heizer (184)
2003 Sam Hiatt (133)
Josh Wooton (141)
Scott Owen (157)
Ben Heizer (184)
2004 Sam Hiatt (133)
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2005 Sam Hiatt (133)
Josh Wooton (141)
Mike Grimes (149)
Johnny Galloway (165)
2006 Pat Castillo (125)
Josh Wooton (141)
Johnny Galloway (165)
2007 Pat Castillo (125)
Danny Burk (174)
Duke Burk (184)
Johnny Galloway (165)
2008 Pat Castillo (133)
Pat McLemore (141)
Duke Burk (174)
2009 Tristen DeShazer (133)
Bryan Deutsch (157)

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1975 Mark Tiffany (190)
1976 Tony Filippo (142)
1977 Scott Soderholm (134)
Phil Gulsvig (177)
Mark Tiffany (190)
Dean Schultz (Hwt.)
1979 Dave Larimer (126)
Mike Pheanis (158)
1981 Mike Pheanis (158)
1982 Gene Vatch (158)
1983 Ernie Vatch (167)
1984 Bruce Swierczewski (142)
Ernie Vatch (158)
1985 Nate Allison (126)
Bruce Swierczewski (142)
Gene Vatch (158)
John Major (177)
1986 Mike Green (158)
John Major (177)
1997 Jeremy Goeden (190)
1998 Jeremy Goeden (190)
2000 David Potter (184)
2001 Scott Owen (157)
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Bill Lowney (174)
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2005 Josh Wooton (141)
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Johnny Galloway (165)
2007 Pat Castillo (125)
2008 Pat Castillo (133)
Pat McLemore (141)
2009 Bryan Deutsch (157)

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1999 Scott Owen (Fifth Team)
2002 Sam Hiatt (Third Team)
2003 Josh Wooton (Third Team) 2002

COSIDA ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA

1998 Jeremy Goeden (Second Team)
2002 Scott Owen (Second Team)

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1998 Jeremy Goeden (First Team) 2003
1999 Scott Owen (Hon. Mention)
2002 Scott Owen (First Team)
2003 Scott Owen (First Team)
2004 Sam Hiatt (First Team)
George Kirgan (First Team)

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1991 Mel Heckman 2004
Gene Marino
1992 Mel Heckman
1993 Mel Heckman
Andy Popadolias
1997 Jeremy Goeden
1998 Jeremy Goeden
Alan Wilson
Scott Owen
Chris Stuart 2005
Alan Wilson
Scott Owen
Jim Selooover
Alan Wilson
2000 Scott Owen
2001 Scott Owen
2002 Scott Owen
2003 Scott Owen 2006
Matt Rebholz
Brian Kaskavage
Uday Malhorta
Aaron Owen
Jeremy Kenny
George Kirgan 2007
Uday Malhorta
Aaron Owen
Nick Smith
Brad Wisowaty
Will McDermott
Aaron Owen
2007 Pat Castillo 2008
Mike Grimes
Will McDermott
Aaron Owen
John Weinert
Pat Castillo
Vince Castillo
Brad Dieckhaus
Kalen Knull
Will McDermott 2009
Pat McLemore
Aaron Owen
Zach Taylor
Anthony Victor
Scott Wallace
Vince Castillo
Will McDermott

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1989 Ted Anderson

Scott Swanson
Scott Frego
Bill Jepsen
Chris Morgan
James Oliva
Twan Pham
James Oliva
Twan Pham
Sean Egan
Andreas Hamelet
Bryce Hasseman
Jamie Hey
Sam Hiatt
James Olivia
Matt Wallin
James Oliva
Greg Reardon
Sam Hiatt
Andreas Hamelet
Eric Loizeaux
Uday Malhorta
Alan Wilson
Jack Dennis
George Kirgan
James Oliva
Greg Reardon
Sam Hiatt
Andreas Hamelet
Eric Loizeaux
Justin Metcalfe
Uday Malhorta
Dustin Docter
Jack Dennis
Dustin Docter
John Giuliano
David Herrera
Sam Hiatt
George Kirgan
Kalen Knull
Justin Metcalfe
Roberto Torres
Chad Vandiver
Jeff Burdorf
Dave Herrera
Sam Hiatt
Kalen Knull
Justin Metcalfe
Alex Nelson
Chad Vandiver
2006 Jeff Burdorf
Mike Grimes
Dave Herrera
Kalen Knull
Alex Nelson
John Weinert
Dakota Greenhaw
Kalen Knull
Pat McLemore
Dan Ruettiger
Michael Smith
Anthony Victor
Scott Wallace
Dave Benner
Justin Carlson
Joe Clothier
Jesse Linczmaier
Tim Kirincic
Scott Penny
Dan Ruettiger
Michael Ryan
Jake Smith
Dave Benner
Justin Carlson
Joe Clothier
Brad Dieckhaus
Jesse Linczmaier
Pat McLemore
Bryan O'Connor
Andrew Ruettiger
Zach Taylor
Derrick Yant

ALL-TIME LETTERWINNERS

Jack Albright, 1965	Johnny Galloway, 2005-06-07	# Joe Madonia, 1987-88-89-90	Jeremy Ryerson, 2003
# Terrell Alexander, 1994	Al Gandolfi, 1980	John Major, 1985-86	Ramin Sadeghian, 2001-02
Nate Allison, 1984-85-86-87	J.C. Gaunt, 1999-2000	Dave Maple, 1971-72	Zak Saevre, 2009
Bob Almada, 1970-71	Chad Gautcher, 1992-93-95	Gene Marino, 1990-91	Joe Sapp, 2004-05-06
Chuck Anderson, 1964-66	Tom Gerdes, 1979-81	Andy Marker, 1980	Winston Sawyer, 1984
Ted Anderson, 1987-89	Wayne Gerenstein (Mgr.), 1974	Terry Marin, 2002	Mel Schmidt, 1964-65
Dave Aranda, 2004	# Lon Gerrish, 1977-78-79-80	Dan Martinus, 1983-84	# Dean Schultz, 1977-78-79-81
Andy Arlotta, 1997	Tom Gibbs, 1971-73-74	Gary Marx, 1965-66-67	Dave Schutter, 1995
Matt Atilano, 1996-97	Marc Gilbert, 1971	Jim Mason, 1966-67-68	Greg Sebahar, 1982
Michael Bateast, 1973	Dana Gilfand, 1974	Mike Mazzitelli, 1968-69	Jim Selooover, 2000
# Zachary Becker, 1998-99-2000-01	Justin Goebel, 2000-01	Tom McEntee, 1981-84-85	John Sieder, 1980-81
Don Bergsrud, 1969	Jeremy Goeden, 1997-98	Nick McClone, 2007	Pete Skinger, 1967-68-69
Jeremy Benesh, 2003	Mike Gonio, 1987-88	Will McDermott, 2007-08-09	Dave Smith, 1966
David Benner, 2007-08	Tino Gonzalez, 1987-88-89	Pat McLemore, 2008-09	Jake Smith, 2008
Rich Bielik, 1990-91	Mike Green, 1983-85-86	Mike Mehnert, 1995	Michael Smith, 2008-09
Kevin Blouin, 1996	Dakota Greenhaw, 2008-09	Brent Messerli, 1988	Ryan Smyth, 1998
Willie Blount, 1996	Mike Grimes, 2004-06-07	# Justin Metcalfe, 2004-05-06-07	# Scott Soderholm, 1974-75-76-77
Brent Bluthardt, 1986	# Shannon Gregory, 1992-93-94-95	Dave Miles, 1983	Jim Soldan, 1993
Matt Bouback, 1994	John Griffin, 1989-90	Mike Miller, 1982	# Jason Solomon, 1994-95-96-97
Steven Bradley, 2001	Geoffrey Grublesky, 1971-72	Jason Mitsdarffer, 1995	James Spillman, 1993-94-95
Tyler Bruesewitz, 2005	Phil Gulsvig, 1977	Izzy Montemayor, 2009	Kareem Spillman, 1994
Devon Buckle, 1980	Jim Gussman, 1990-91-92	Chris Morgan, 1994	Will Stall, 2009
Jeff Burdorf, 2007	Ray Guzak Jr., 1996	Lonnie Morris, 1989-91	Bob Stechschulte, 1969
Danny Burk, 2004-06-07	Jim Hanegan, 1964	# Joe Morrow, 1981-82-83-84	# Ryan Stonitsch, 1996-97-98-99
Duke Burk, 2007-08	Bryce Hasseman, 2001-02	Eric Muhammed, 1993-94	Scott Swan, 1972-73-74
Wes Caine, 1967-68-69	Andreas Hamelet, 2003	John Mullin, 1970	Gary Swanson, 1965
Tony Calderone, 1986-88	Willie Haynes, 1965	Jason Nape, 1999-2000-01	Scott Swanson, 1988
Pete Caragher, 1989	Mel Heckman, 1991-92	# Alex Nelson, 2002-04-05-06	# Bruce Swierczewski, 1981-82-84-85
Justin Carlson, 2009	Ben Heizer, 2000-02-03-04	Steve Nelson, 1982	Phil Szukis, 1969
Mike Carpenter, 1984-85-86	Steve Helmick, 1982	Bruce Niemi, 1978	Zach Taylor, 2009
Grant Carter, 1965	Joe Henning, 2004-05	Scott Nissley, 1997	Kevin Temesy, 1976
# Patrick Castillo, 2005-06-07-08	Jim Herdman, 1987-89-90	Dave Norris, 1995-96-97	Adam Teverbaugh, 1994-95-97
Vincent Castillo, 2008-09	Andy Hiatt, 2004-05	Pat North, 1968-69-70	George Thompson, 1967
# Jeremy Castro, 1995-96-97-98	# Sam Hiatt, 2002-03-04-05	Keith Nyquist (Mgr.), 1986	Trevor Thompson, 1979
Ryan Castro, 1999	Phil Herra, 1980	# James Oliva, 1999-01-02-03	Mark Tiffany, 1975-76-77
Patrick Catarello, 2001	Jamie Hey, 2001	Bryan O'Connor, 2008-09	Joe Tomala, 1975-76
Tony Catour, 2004	Gary Hobbs, 1974	John Odeen, 2009	Tom Trost, 1983
Brandon Check, 2003-04-05	Joe Holman, 1966	John O'Malley, 2003	Noah Tyree, 1983-85-86
Ernie Christmas, 1981-82-83	Tom Hoy, 1987-88	Brendan O'Neil, 2003	Dave Udchik, 1996
Jeff Chumbley, 1990-91	Derek Hunsinger, 2005-06	Tom Osting, 1967-69	Eddie Valadez, 1994-95
# Bruce Chvalovsky, 1970-71-72-73	Walter Hurt, 1971	Aaron Owen, 2005-06, 08	Chad Vandiver, 2005-06
Roy Clingman (Mgr.), 1976	Richard Jensen, 1967	# Scott Owen, 1999-2001-02-03	Ron Van Doren, 1964
Dan Cliffe, 1974-75	Zac Jensen, 2003-04	Joe Palazzolo, 1967	Oliver Vazquez, 2002-03
Jim Cliffe, 1972-73 (Mgr.)	Bill Jepsen, 1988-89	Ryan Pape, 1996	# Ernie Vatch, 1981-83-84-85
Joe Cliffe, 1970-73	John Johnson, 1973-74-75	Bart Parker, 1977-78-79	# Gene Vatch, 1981-82-83-85
Joe Clothier 2008-09	Johnny B. Johnson, 1971-73-74	# Michael Pater, 1998-99-2000-01	Chip Verr, 1981
Ken Cobb, 1964-65	Larry Johnson, 1972-73-74	# Lonnie Parker, 1975-76-77-78	Mark Verr, 1980-81
# Tim Cocco, 1985-86-87-88	# Richard Johnson, 1972-73-74-75	Jim Patapack, 1980-81-82-84	Anthony Victor, 2008
Mike Collins (Mgr.), 1971	Martin Jonaitis, 1985	Bryan Pawela, 1978	Jerry Wallin, 1966-67
Mike Cookas, 1969-70-71	Robert Jones, 1966	Ron Pearson, 1970	Bill Walsh, 1992
Jeff Craig, 1979-82	Mike Kaye, 1973-74	Ed Pederson, 1964	Kevin Walsh, 1977+79
Rick Criscione, 1983-84	Joseph Keller, 1972	John Penchoff, 1986	# Ron Webber, 1970-71-72-73
Scott Crooks, 1977-78-79	Jim Kessler, 1964-65	Scott Penny, 2009	Kence Weber, 1998
John Dahl, 1972-73	John Killian, 1973	Ismael Perez, 1978	Tim Weeks, 1984
# T.C. Dantzler, 1990-91-92-93	George Kirgan, 2003-04-05	Twan Pham, 1999-2000	John Weinart, 2007
Bob Davis, 1979-80	Tim Kirinic, 2009	Mike Pheanis, 1977-78-79-81	Steve Weiss, 1965
Damon Davis, 1996-98-99	# Kalen Knull, 2005-06-07-08	Tony Piotrowski, 1985-86	Kip Weissman, 1974
Jim Dayton, 1967-68-69	Anton Kossakowski, 1988-89	Courtney Pitter, 1992	Eric Wenckowski, 1987
Pete DeRose, 1986	# Jim Kossakowski, 1989-90-91-93	Dave Pitzele, 1966-67-68	Shawn White, 1993
Tristen DeShazer, 2008-09	# Kent Kraft, 1975-76-77-78	Peter Plapp, 1999	Norman Widerstrom, 1964-65-66
Jack Dennis, 2002-03	Matt Kucala, 2003	Andrew Popadolias, 1993	Jim Wilkie, 1964
Bryan Deutsch, 2008-09	Jim Kubik, 1969	Ken Popelka, 1982	# John Willems, 1989-90-91-92
Brad Dieckhaus, 2008-09	Paul Kubski, 1986	Jon Popp, 1987-88-90	Curt Williams, 1979
John Dobbie, 1978	# Mark Kuehl, 1988-89-90-91	Mike Poort, 1994	Alan Wilson, 1998-99
Dustin Docter, 2004	Ron Kyler, 1969-70	# David Potter, 1998-99-2000-01	Tywayne Wilson, 1978-79-81
Dave Dwyer, 1973-74-75	Dave Larimer, 1976-77-78-79	John Preissing, 1980	Bob Winter, 1975
Lucas Dyer, 1998-99-2000	Don Larimer, 1977-78-79	Noel Price, 1994	Greg Wintergreen, 1964-65 (Mgr.)
Gralan Early, 2007	Jim Latanski, 1978	Hamza Rashid, 2008	Joe Woodward, 1976-77
Kyle Edwards, 1993	Bruce Laursen, 1972-73	Paul Rasmussen, 1970	# Josh Wooton, 2003-04-05-06
Ryan Egan, 1998-99-2001	Robert Lawson, 1975	Greg Reardon, 2001, 2004	Lonnie Wright, 1994
Sean Egan, 2001	Tom LeCuyer, 1998-99-2000	Matt Rebholz, 2003	TJ Wurnick, 2009
Philip Evans, 2000	Ben Lehrfeld, 1994-95-97	Phil Rembert, 1983-85	Derrick Yunt, 2009
# Chuck Farinella, 1980-82-83-84	Dennis Litterer, 1976	Rick Reubin, 1983-84	Steve Zimmerman, 2009
Bob Feldy, 1968	Jesse Linczmaier, 2008	Alexis Rivera, 1999-2000-01	
# Marlon Felton, 2000-01-02-03	Seth Livingston, 2003	Demond Rodez, 1994-95-96	
Louis Ferguson, 1993	Rick Loffredo, 1973	Jim Rogers, 1965	
# Tony Filippo, 1973-74-75-76	# Eric Loizeaux, 2000-01-02-03	Mike Ross, 1979	
Dan Fiorini, 1976-79-80	Dick London, 1969-70	Chuck Rossetti, 1970-71-72-73	
Tim Fiorini, 1981	Sean Lovelace, 1997-98	# Tom Rossiano, 1972-73-74-75	
Bob Fleming, 1971	Jon Lovrich, 2000-01-02	Eric Roy, 1967-68-69	
Artis Frank, 1974	# Bill Lowney, 2000-01-02-03	Ed Royalty (Mgr.), 1971-72	
Scott Frego, 1990	Neal MacDonald, 1964-65	Dan Ruettiger, 2008-09	
Bob Furlan, 1965-66	Uday Malhotra, 2003-04	Mike Ryan, 2009	

Letterwinners since 1964-65. Records prior to that season are incomplete. The years listed indicate the spring semester (i.e., 1965 refers to the 1964-65 season).

Current wrestlers are listed in bold. # - Denotes four-year letterwinner.

ALL-TIME RESULTS

1969-70 / 7-8

Date	Opponent	Result
	Nebraska-Omaha	6-26
	Marquette	32-6
	Toledo	23-12
	Western Michigan	16-17
	Wisconsin	12-20
	Wheaton College	25-9
	UW-Whitewater	22-11
	Northern Iowa	8-27
	Mankato State	5-28
	South Dakota State	10-26
	UW-Milwaukee	23-11
	Wheaton College	33-5
	Indiana State	11-20
	Illinois	13-19
	UW-Whitewater	17-16

1970-71 / 4-8-1

Date	Opponent	Result
	Ball State	23-9
	UW-Whitewater	32-5
	Northern Iowa	8-28
	Mankato State	17-14
	Western Michigan	11-24
	Illinois State	15-19
	Toledo	9-25
	Marquette	24-12
	Indiana State	14-22
	Illinois	16-18
	Wisconsin	11-22
	Purdue	17-17

1971-72 / 11-1

Date	Opponent	Result
	Wisconsin	29-9
	Ball State	28-12
	UW-Whitewater	33-3
	Southern Illinois	23-17
	Marquette	28-13
	Northern Iowa	13-25
	Eastern Michigan	24-17
	Bowling Green	28-9
	Central Michigan	25-10
	Illinois State	29-11
	UW-Oshkosh	33-3
	Indiana State	21-17

1972-73 / 14-2-1

Date	Opponent	Result
	Rhode Island	31-6
	Ball State	19-18
	Cincinnati	22-15
	Central Michigan	18-14
	Northern Iowa	17-17
	Southern Illinois	24-13
	Eastern Michigan	38-6
	Marquette	24-8
	Auburn	16-19
	Tampa	45-2
	Louisiana State	30-9
	Illinois State	24-6
	Illinois	26-9
	UW-Milwaukee	27-9
	UW-Whitewater	23-19
	UW-Oshkosh	38-6
	Indiana State	13-24

1973-74 / 13-3-2

Date	Opponent	Result
	Ball State	28-10
	UW-Oshkosh	33-5
	Southern Illinois	17-17
	Marquette	35-8
	Louisiana State	21-15
	Eastern Illinois	23-14
	Cincinnati	25-12
	Oklahoma	3-32
	Eastern Michigan	39-7
	Illinois State	34-3
	Drake	18-18
	Indiana	28-13
	Illinois	28-13
	Minnesota	14-23
	Northern Iowa	12-21
	Moorhead State	32-11
	Indiana State	24-11
	UW-Milwaukee	26-10

1974-75 / 8-2-3

Date	Opponent	Result
	Ball State	18-16
	UW-Oshkosh	19-18
	Southern Illinois	17-17
	Rhode Island	24-12
	Northwestern	15-15
	Cincinnati	34-8
	Northern Iowa	9-29
	Illinois State	18-18
	UW-Milwaukee	31-9
	Marquette	23-11
	Illinois	21-14
	Eastern Michigan	26-11
	Central Michigan	10-27

1975-76 / 8-5 (3-1 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
	UW-Oshkosh	22-24
	Ball State	22-12
	Youngstown State	37-3
	Kent State	17-23
	Eastern Michigan	32-12
	Wisconsin	9-26
	Winona State	20-19
	Marquette	25-9
	Illinois State	21-19
	UW-Milwaukee	37-0
	Northwestern	15-20
	Illinois	7-35
	Central Michigan	26-11

1976-77 / 10-3 (3-0 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
	UW-Oshkosh	34-3
	SIU-Edwardsville	19-23
	Kent State	20-14
	Purdue	38-4
	UW-Milwaukee	49-2
	Marquette	36-6
	Wheaton	39-2
	Wisconsin	5-30
	Northwestern	15-19
	Illinois	28-10
	Central Michigan	29-9
	Eastern Michigan	22-18
	Illinois State	21-18

1977-78 / 8-1 (2-0 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
	Purdue	27-9
	Marquette	31-10
	Western Illinois	24-11
	Northwestern	24-10
	Illinois	30-16
	Wisconsin	6-37
	Central Michigan	21-16
	Eastern Michigan	42-7
	Illinois State	26-11

1978-79 / 13-3 (3-2 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
	Ball State	30-7
	Winona State	24-9
	Bowling Green	37-9
	Nebraska	25-9
	Minnesota	12-20
	Kent State	13-30
	Purdue	25-9
	UW-Whitewater	25-9
	Marquette	31-10
	Illinois State	29-12
	Western Illinois	38-7
	Northeast Missouri	27-11
	Northwestern	35-11
	Illinois	21-17
	Central Michigan	19-20
	Eastern Michigan	38-10

1979-80 / 9-8 (3-1 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
	Ball State	9-27
	Taylor	39-9
	Illinois State	17-20
	Marquette	39-3
	Ohio	21-12
	Nebraska	12-29
	Purdue	26-17
	Northwest Missouri	35-6
	Colorado State	25-19
	Nebraska	11-25
	Illinois State	21-15
	Wisconsin	0-45
	Missouri	10-34
	Northwestern	12-25
	Illinois	17-30
	Eastern Michigan	44-5
	Central Michigan	21-18

1980-81 / 10-4-1 (3-0-1 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
	Ball State	32-9
	SIU-Edwardsville	32-9
	Kent State	19-19
	Bowling Green	30-6
	Minnesota	19-18
	Purdue	28-9
	Wisconsin	11-24
	Michigan	14-21
	Illinois State	23-16
	UW-Whitewater	42-6
	Northwestern	16-17
	Missouri	15-28
	Illinois	21-16
	Central Michigan	20-14
	Saginaw Valley State	54-0

1981-82 / 8-6-2 (3-2-1 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
	Ball State	25-18
	Iowa St Invite	NS
	Western Illinois	47-3
	Louisiana State	13-27
	SIU-Edwardsville	20-20
	Concordia(IL)	50-3
	Midlands	29th (9.5)
	Purdue	Canceled
	Oklahoma St	1-44
	Illinois St	20-12
	NIU Open	Canceled
	Wisconsin	7-30
	Northwestern	22-20
	Toledo	18-22
	Kent State	15-23
	Illinois	15-16
	Missouri	24-15
	Eastern Michigan	40-6
	Central Michigan	20-20
	Western Michigan	39-9
	MAC Finals	3rd (52.5)
	NCAA Champ.	

1982-83 / 8-5-1 (2-1-1 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
	Illinois Open	NS
	Iowa St Invite	NS
	Kent State	19-21
	Western Illinois	34-6
	Augustana (IL)	33-12
	Louisiana State	11-28
	Midlands	37th (5 points)
	Oklahoma State	0-46
	Purdue	16-20
	Wisconsin	9-24
	Illinois State	17-21
	NIU Open	NS
	Missouri	22-18
	Eastern Illinois	Canceled
	Northwestern	24-15
	Illinois	25-15
	Eastern Michigan	37-7
	Miami	21-21
	Central Michigan	24-15
	MAC Finals	2nd (67 pts)
	NCAA Champ.	54 (1 3/4 pt)

1983-84 / 4-9 (1-2 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
	Illinois Open	NS
	Iowa State Invite	NS
	Minnesota	18-22
	Augustana (IL)	21-16
	Kent State	13-34
	Missouri	7-29
	Midlands	25th (11.25 pts)
	Purdue	25-18
	Eastern Illinois	20-22
	Northwestern	19-25
	Nebraska	16-33
	NIU Open	NS
	Wisconsin	6-39
	Kent State	13-29
	Illinois State	20-19

ALL-TIME RESULTS

2/10	Illinois	15-21
2/17	Central Michigan	29-9
2/25-26	MAC Finals	3rd (56.5 pts)
3/8-10	NCAA Champ.	64th (0 pts)

1984-85 / 13-3 (3-0 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/9-10	Stevens Point Invite	NS
11/17	St. Louis Open	NS
11/24	Northern Open	NS
11/30-12/1	Illinois Open	5th (69 pts)

12/8	Muskegon Open	1st (93.75 pts)
12/16	Minnesota	13-27
	Ohio	30-10
	Kent State	24-17
	Augustana (IL)	40-7
12/28-29	Sunshine Open	4th (94.25 pts)

1/2	Louisiana State	13-23
	Central State	25-15
	Morgan State	25-18
	Hofstra	27-20

1/11	Eastern Illinois	35-7
1/17	Wisconsin	12-20
1/27	NIU Open	NS
1/29	Marquette	47-3
2/1	Purdue	31-9
2/7	Illinois State	21-16
2/8	Illinois	22-21
2/16	Central Michigan	31-7
3/1-2	MAC Finals	1st (89 pts)
3/14-16	NCAA Champ.	33rd (8.5 points)

1985-86 / 5-9 (0-3 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/25	Northern Open	NS
12/6-7	Illini Open	7th (35.25 pts)

12/17	Ohio	14-35
	Chicago St	45-7
	Minnesota	3-35
12/28	Stetson	31-21
12/29-30	Stetson Hatter Open	4th (82.5 pts)

1/14	Eastern Illinois	14-25
1/17	Northwestern	16-27
1/18	Wisconsin	13-26
	Edinboro	6-33
1/22	Illinois State	33-10
1/26	Kent State	18-26
2/1	Purdue	12-28
2/14	Marquette	39-9
	UW-Parkside	31-11
2/28-3/1	MAC Finals	4th (50.5 pts)

1986-87 / 4-9

Date	Opponent	Result
11/16	EMU Open	NS
11/21-22	St. Louis Open	NS
11/29	Northern Open	NS
12/5-6	Illini Open	4th (64.75 pts)

12/17	Huskie Dual Tourny	
	Chicago St	58-6
	Illinois State	18-23
1/3	Ohio State	6-30
	Michigan	12-26
	Ohio	9-37
1/11	Purdue	5-34
1/14	Illinois State	20-19
1/23	Nebraska	15-25
1/24	Northwestern	7-29
2/1	Hoosier Invite	7th (17.5 pts)
2/7	Illinois	7-40
2/17	Marquette	35-15
2/21	Central Michigan	14-30
2/26	Eastern Illinois	27-15
3/7	NCAA West Regional	

1987-88 / 6-14

Date	Opponent	Result
11/8	MSU Invite	6th (37 pts)
11/15	EMU Open	NS
11/20-21	St. Louis Open	NS
11/28	Northern Open	NS
12/4-5	Illini Open	NS

12/12	NIU Dual Tourny	
	Illinois St	13-26
	UW-Stevens Point	34-7
	Northern Michigan	21-21
12/29-30	Midlands	30th (4 pts)
1/3	Minnesota	12-29
1/10	Redbird Dual Tourn.	
	Nebraska-Omaha	4-42
	Eastern Illinois	10-41
	Central Missouri St	20-21
	Chicago State	37-23 (7th)

1/22	Northern Iowa	5-44
1/23	Central Michigan	12-27
1/29	Eastern Illinois	20-24
1/31	Hoosier Invite	8th (7.5 pts)
2/3	UW-Whitewater	23-24
2/6	Purdue	12-32
2/7	Northwestern	20-24
2/13	Ohio St	12-23
2/17	Marquette	38-9
	UW-Parkside	36-9
2/20	Nebraska	11-27
	Oklahoma	6-49
2/26	Illinois	18-20
3/4-5	NCAA West Regional	6th (28 pts)
3/17	NCAA Nationals	

1988-89 / 15-7

Date	Opponent	Result
11/11-12	Tombstone Open	NS
11/18-19	St. Louis Open	NS
12/2-3	Illini Open	NS
12/10	Northwestern	12-31
12/31-1/1	Sunshine Open	20th (21pt)
1/6	Redbird Dual Tourny	
	Central Missouri St	21-17
	Morgan St	18-17
	Eastern Illinois	21-18

1/13	Michigan	6-35
	Morgan St	18-15
1/17	UW-Oshkosh	43-0
	UW-Stevens Point	25-14
1/20	Central Michigan	21-15
	Ashland(OH) College	35-6
1/21	Chicago St	57-0
	Ferris St.	19-15
1/22	Marquette	35-7
1/27	Northern Iowa	8-33
1/28	SW Missouri St.	29-15
2/3	Illinois	11-23
	Ohio St	15-24
2/5	Purdue	18-21
2/9	Eastern Illinois	10-30
2/12	SIU-Edwardsville	23-13
2/22	Illinois St	23-13
3/3-4	NCAA West Region	4th (31.25 pts)

1989-90 / 9-16

Date	Opponent	Result
11/10-11	Tombstone Open	NS
11/28	Hawkeye/Drake Classic	
	Iowa	0-52
	Drake	6-41
	Marquette	6-38
	Loras	11-35

12/2	Illini Open	NS
12/7	Chicago St	49-2
12/8	Nebraska	0-43
	Lock Haven	16-26
12/29-30	Sunshine Open	28th (15.25 pts)

1/5	Redbird Duals	
	Central Missouri St	16-23
	Nebraska-Omaha	11-29
	Eastern Illinois	18-23
	Valparaiso	48-0
1/12	Illinois	20-23
1/18	Marquette	28-17
1-21	Central Michigan	12-30
1/23	Olivet Nazarene	25-21
2/1	Northwestern	9-37
2/3	Purdue	3-36
	Wright St	28-6
	UW-Stevens Point	21-20

2/8	Eastern Illinois	17-21
2/9	SIU-Edwardsville	25-20
2/10	SW Missouri St	19-15
2/11	Central Missouri St	20-17
2/21	Northern Iowa	7-35
2/22	Illinois St	18-21
3/10	NCAA West Regional	4th (34.25 pts)
3/22-24	NCAA Nationals	(1 pt)

1990-91 / 8-12

Date	Opponent	Result
11/9	Tombstone Open	NS
11/17	Hawkeye/Drake Classic	
	Mankato St	19-18
	Drake	12-35
	Marquette	32-12
	Iowa	0-54
	Loras	20-22
11/30	UW-Stevens Point	18-12
12/1	Northwestern	21-22

12/6	Illinois	13-20
12/8	SW Missouri St	28-10
12/29-30	Midlands	N/A
1/17	Marquette	39-8
1/19	Central Michigan	18-23
1/20	Lake Superior St	9-29
1/25	Northern Iowa	2-47
1/26	SIU-Edwardsville	24-23
2/1	Drake	15-29
	Chicago St	35-14
2/3	Central Missouri St	23-28
2/6	Eastern Illinois	25-17
2/21	Illinois St	9-32
2/22	Purdue	11-30
3/2	NCAA West Regional	5th (36pt)
3/14-16	NCAA Nationals	NS

1991-92 / 2-17

Date	Opponent	Result
11/3	Northwestern Open	NS
11/16	Wisconsin Duals	
	Wisconsin	0-53
	Brown	6-37
	UW-Stevens Point	27-8
11/23	St. Louis Open	NS
11/25	SW Missouri St	10-31
12/5	Northwestern	7-35
12/29-30	Midlands	NS

1/12	Eastern Illinois	14-28
1/18	Notre Dame	9-34
1/25	Purdue	13-29
	Illinois	17-24
1/26	SIU-Edwardsville	5-31
1/31	Drake	9-31
	Chicago St	42-9

2/1	UW-Stevens Point	17-29
2/8	Northern Iowa	0-51
	Illinois State	24-30
2/16	Missouri	9-36
	Indiana	20-25
2/26	Illinois State	18-24
2/28	Central Michigan	10-39
3/7	NCAA West Regional	4th (29.5 pts)
3/19-21	NCAA Nationals	.5 pts

1992-93 / 6-9

Date	Opponent	Result
11/1	Northwestern Open	NA
11/9	Wisconsin Duals	
	Wisconsin	9-40
	Brown	8-37
	Marquette	38-5
11/28	Northern Open	NA
12/2	UW-Stevens Point	28-21
12/29-30	Midlands	14th (26.5 pts)

1/9	Michigan St Open	NA
1/15	Illinois	10-33
1/23	Indiana	5-36
1/26	Eastern Illinois	22-17
1/29	SIU-Edwardsville	28-13
2/7	Minnesota	6-46
	Northern Iowa	15-36
2/17	Northwestern	22-20
	Purdue	6-45
2/19	Chicago St	42-12
	Drake	12-21

ALL-TIME RESULTS

2/25 Illinois St 15-29
 3/6 NCAA West Regional 5th
 (31.75 pts)
 3/18-19 NCAA Nationals 4 pts

1993-94 / 4-8

Date	Opponent	Result
10/30	Northwestern Open	NA
11/27	Northern Open	NA
12/1	UW-Stevens Point	14-28
12/29-30	Midlands	NA
1/9	Michigan St Open	NA
1/14	Illinois	6-28
1/16	Central Michigan	15-20
1/22	Miami Univ. Open	NA
1/26	Chicago St	51-0
	Valparaiso	39-6
1-28	SIU-Edwardsville	22-16
2/4	Illinois State	24-14
2/12	SW Missouri St	8-27
2/13	Purdue	18-23
	Missouri	12-33
2/20	Northwestern	9-30
2/22	Eastern Illinois	15-25
3/6	NCAA West Regional	4th (53.5 pts)
3/17-19	NCAA Nationals	(.5 pts)

1994-95 / 4-11-1

Date	Opponent	Result
11/6	Cyclone Open	NA
11/26	Northern Open	NA
12/4	Penn St Open	NA
12/29-30	Midlands	NA
1/13	Central Michigan	19-19
1/18	SIU-Edwardsville	29-16
1/21	Miami Univ Open	NA
1/28	Ohio St	2-39
	Purdue	6-33
	Eastern Michigan	25-20
	Findlay	18-28
2/1	Illinois	6-27
2/3	Eastern Illinois	18-20
2/5	Northern Iowa	13-30
	Iowa State	12-34
2/9	Illinois State	16-20
2/11	Northwestern	9-28
	Wisconsin	3-41
2/15	Chicago St	40-3
	Valparaiso	37-8
2/19	Indiana	0-40
3/5	NCAA West Regional	3rd (71.5 pts)
3/16-18	NCAA Nationals	(1 pt)

1995-96 / 3-10

Date	Opponent	Result
11/12	Iowa St Open	NA
11/24	Northern Open	NA
12/2	Penn St Open	NA
12/29-30	Midlands	NA
1/7	Purdue	3-38
1/12	UW-LaCrosse	2-41
	Chicago State	38-14
1/14	Central Michigan	0-46
1/20	Miami Univ Open	NA
1/27	Illinois	3-43
2/7	Eastern Illinois	13-32
2/9	Wisconsin	12-32

2/11 Eastern Michigan 25-22
 Lindenwood 11-32
 Northwestern 3-41
 2/18 Indiana 6-47
 2/23 Miami (OH) 3-39
 Chicago St 36-21
 3/9 NCAA West Regional 4th
 (34 pts)
 3/16 NCAA Nationals (0 pts)

1996-97 / 4-9 (0-5 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/16	Golden Eagle Open	NA
11/24	Marquette	25-11
11/29	Northern Open	NA
12/4	Eastern Michigan*	19-21
12/29-30	Midlands	18th (27.5 pts)
1/5	Ohio*	6-30
1/10	Central Michigan*	9-38
1/23	Kent State*	3-39
1/25	Miami (OH)*	6-37
	Indiana	6-43
1/31	Eastern Illinois	12-28
2/2	SIU-Edwardsville	30-6
2/9	Illinois	7-40
2/14	Chicago St	42-9
2/20	Iowa St	10-36
	Truman St	30-17
3/8-9	NCAA West Regional	5th (35 pts)
3/20-22	NCAA Nationals	4.5 pts

1997-98 / 4-11 (1-4 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/15	Golden Eagle Open	NA
11/21-22	St. Louis Open	NA
11/28	Northern Open	NA
12/7	Marquette	18-19
12/29-30	Midlands	31st
1/4	Eastern Michigan*	25-16
1/11	Eastern Illinois	8-33
1/17	Central Oklahoma	14-20
	Northern Iowa	22-25
1/23	Kent State*	18-22
1/24	Brown	15-22
	Wyoming	15-24
1/30	Ohio*	4-32
2/1	SIU-Edwardsville	34-10
2/6	Truman State	34-9
2/15	Central Michigan*	11-34
2/17	Northern Iowa	22-19
2/22	Missouri	16-22
2/27	Miami (OH)*	18-23
3/7-8	MAC Finals	5th (41 pts)
3/19-21	NCAA Finals	NA

1998-99 / 6-7-1 / (1-3-1 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/14	Stevens Point Open	NA
11/20-21	St. Louis Open	NA
12/3	Marquette	36-9
12/29-30	Midlands	NA
1/9	Northwestern	16-20
1/12	Wisconsin	21-22
1/15	Eastern Illinois	26-17
1/21	Eastern Michigan*	36-7
1/22	Kent State*	9-21

1/29 Ohio* 16-16
 1/30 SIU-Edwardsville 29-12
 2/5 Truman State 29-15
 Missouri Valley 43-6
 2-12 Central Michigan* 3-41
 2/14 Northern Iowa 20-25
 2/21 Missouri 15-21
 2/26 Miami (OH)* 16-25
 3/6-7 MAC Finals 5th
 (39 pts)
 3/18-20 NCAA Finals 4 pts

1999-2000 / 3-12 (1-4 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/13	Stevens Piont Open	NA
11/19-20	St. Louis Open	NA
11/30	Eastern Michigan*	29-9
12/3	Marquette	19-16
12/29-30	Midlands	25th (19 pts)
1/3	Buffalo*	15-17
1/8	Oklahoma	12-34
1/8	Lock Haven	9-27
1/8	Brown	15-16
1/14	Northwestern	17-24
1/15	Wisconsin	13-22
1/21	Kent St*	9-22
1/28	Central Michigan*	3-33
1/30	Ohio*	13-20
2/5	Northern Iowa	6-32
2/10	Southern Illinois	42-5
2/13	Eastern Illinois	9-25
2/20	Missouri	12-24
3/4-5	MAC Championship	5th (37 pts)

2000-01 / 9-8-2 (1-3-1 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/11	Stevens Point Open	NA
11/18	Michigan State Open	NA
11/26	Eastern Michigan*	18-18
11/26	Buffalo*	15-19
11/30	Marquette	36-3
11/30	Wheaton	43-9
12/6	UW-La Crosse	17-15
12/29	Midlands	28th (17.5 pts)
1/6	Fresno State	13-27
1/6	Central Oklahoma	13-26
1/6	Nebraska	9-28
1/6	Brown	27-6
1/19	Kent State*	15-18
1/19	Baldwin-Wallace	47-3
1/26	Ohio*	28-9
1/28	Northwestern	18-18
2/2	Central Michigan*	7-25
2/4	Northern Iowa	10-31
2/9	SIU-Edwardsville	56-0
2/9	Lindenwood	40-3
2/11	Eastern Illinois	34-7
2/18	Missouri	9-24
3/3	MAC Championship	5th (33.5 pts)
3/15	NCAA Champ.	35th (5 pts)

2001-02 / 14-4 (4-1 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/9	Stevens Point Open	NA

11/16-17 Michigan St. Open NA
 11/25 Eastern Michigan* 34-6
 11/25 Buffalo* 22-13
 12/1 Elmhurst 50-0
 12/1 Loras 35-3
 12/1 Olivet (MI) 47-0
 12/1 Northern Iowa Open NA
 12-29-30 Midlands 22nd
 1/5 Indiana 19-15
 1/5 Ohio State 12-28
 1/5 UT-Chattanooga 30-10
 1/12 Northern Iowa 12-18
 1/18 Kent State* 21-12
 1/20 Northwestern 24-15
 1/27 Ohio* 19-14
 1/27 Gardner-Webb 41-3
 2/1 Central Michigan* 14-18
 2/8 SIU-Edwardsville 37-9
 2/8 Lindenwood 35-10
 2/10 Eastern Illinois 25-12
 2/17 Missouri 9-28
 3/9-10 MAC Championship 2nd
 3/21-23 NCAA Champ. 26th

2002-03 / 15-6 (4-1 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/9-10	Michigan State Open	NA
11/24	Minnesota	17-24
11/30	Wisconsin	12-26
12/6	Elmhurst	48-3
12/6	Loras	25-9
12/15	Purdue	11-31
12/15	Wabash	48-3
12/15	SIU-Edwardsville	48-3
12/28-29	Midlands	15th
1/4	Ohio State	20-20
1/4	UT-Chattanooga	39-3
1/4	Duke	34-9
1/4	Indiana	11-29
1/11	Northern Iowa	15-20
1/17	Northwestern	27-6
1/19	Kent State*	14-18
1/24	Ohio*	20-14
1/31	Central Michigan*	16-15
2/7	Eastern Illinois	42-3
2/9	SIU-Edwardsville	47-3
2/16	Missouri	21-16
2/22	Eastern Michigan*	30-9
2/22	Buffalo	31-6
3/8-9	MAC Championship	2nd
3/20-22	NCAA Champ.	22nd

2003-04 / 12-5 (4-1 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/8-9	Michigan State Open	NA
11/23	Missouri Open	NA
11/30	Wisconsin	9-27
12/5	Elmhurst	44-0
	Northwestern	21-12
	Loras	32-12
12/29-30	Midlands	18th (30.5 pts)
1/3	Princeton	34-8
	Pennsylvania	20-22
	Brown	19-12
	Harvard	35-12
1/10	Northern Iowa	10-24
1/18	Kent State*	25-12
1/25	Ohio*	19-17

ALL-TIME RESULTS

1/30	Central Michigan*	10-25
2/6	Eastern Illinois	26-13
2/8	SIU-Edwardsville	49-0
2/18	Missouri	7-31
2/22	Buffalo*	25-9
	Eastern Michigan*	34-7
3/6-7	MAC Championship	2nd
3/18-20	NCAA Champ.	23rd

2004-05 / 14-4 (4-1 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/13	Stevens Point Open	NA
11/20-21	Michigan State Open	NA
11/28	Wisconsin	12-27
12/3	Northwestern	12-13
	Purdue	29-9
	Loras	35-9
12/29-30	Midlands	NA
1/8	Buffalo*	20-15
	Clarion	31-3
	Wyoming	25-12
1/14	Kent State*	19-18
1/16	Ashland	49-0
	Cleveland State	31-6
	Slippery Rock	30-6
1/22	Ohio*	25-9
1/28	Central Michigan*	7-30
2/4	Eastern Illinois	30-9
2/6	Northern Iowa	17-23
2/13	SIU-Edwardsville	40-0
2/19	Eastern Michigan*	26-11
3/6-7	MAC Championship	2nd (59 pts)

2005-06 / 10-5-2 (3-1-1 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/12	Pointer Open	NA
11/19	Kaufman/Brand Open	NA
12/1	Northwestern	10-28
12/11	Wisconsin	18-17
12/18	Indiana	9-28
	UW-Whitewater	47-4
	SIU-Edwardsville	41-9
12/29-30	Midlands	t-6th
1/6	Buffalo*	23-21
1/14	Michigan	4-34
	Iowa	6-24
1/20	Ohio*	29-9
1/22	Lock Haven	19-15
1/27	Kent State*	16-16
2/5	Northern Iowa	16-16
2/10	Central Michigan*	2-33
2/12	North Dakota State	27-9
2/16	Eastern Michigan*	28-6
2/19	Eastern Illinois	41-6
	Northern Colorado	32-9
3/3-4	MAC Championship	4th (56.5 pts)
3/16-18	NCAA Champ.	36 (9 pts)

2006-07 / 6-4-1 (3-2 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/11	Stevens Point Open	NA
11/18	Kaufman/Brand Open	NA
12/1-2	Cliff Keen Invit.	T-24th (33.5 pts)
12/8	Northwestern	10-28
12/10	Wisconsin	6-29
12/29-30	Midlands	8th (61 pts)

1/14	Buffalo*	30-6
1/19	Ohio*	18-13
1/26	Kent State*	12-21
2/4	Old Dominion	26-13
	Northern Iowa	17-17
2/9	Central Michigan*	9-27
2/18	Eastern Michigan*	20-13
	SIU-Edwardsville	43-4
	Eastern Illinois	36-6
3/3-4	MAC Championship	3rd (61.5 pts)

2007-08 / 11-7 (3-2 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/8	at Iowa State	4-39
11/10	Cyclone Open	NTS
11/24	Minnesota	12-35
	Northern Colorado	29-5
	North Dakota State	17-21
11/30	#5 Northwestern	22-19
12/15	Augustana	42-6
12/29-30	Midlands	10th (50 pts)
1/5	Flanagan Open	NTS
1/12	Buffalo*	25-12
	Findlay	32-6
1/18	Ohio*	26-10
1/20	Liberty	43-4
	Purdue	16-24
	Cleveland State	30-6
1/25	Kent State*	16-20
2/1	Northern Iowa	13-24
2/2	Duhawk Open	NTS
2/7	Central Michigan*	3-41
2/9	Eastern Michigan*	16-15
3/7-8	MAC Championships	3rd (60.5 pts)
3/20-22	NCAA Champ.	35th (10 pts)

2008-09 / 5-8 (1-4 MAC)

Date	Opponent	Result
11/8	Stevens Point Open	NTS
11/15	Campbellsville	35-4
	Tenn.-Chattanooga	12-28
	Purdue	9-32
11/22	Kaufman-Brand Open	NTS
12/4	Northwestern	12-27
12/13	Loras	43-6
12/29-30	Midland Champs.	20th.
1/3	Flanagan Open	NTS
1/10	SIU Edwardsville	48-6
	Missouri Baptist	35-6
1/15	Ohio*	22-23
1/24	Kent State*	10-31
1/30	Northern Iowa	10-31
2/6	Eastern Michigan*	16-18
2/7	Duhawk Open	NTS
2/15	Central Michigan*	3-36
2/21	Buffalo*	21-15
3/7-8	MAC Championships	3rd (47.5)
3/19-21	NCAA Champ.	43rd (9.5)

*-Mid-American Conference Match



NIU Coaches (From top, clockwise): Bob Brigham, Robert Kahler, John Wren, Don Flavin

COACHING RECORDS

Coach	Seasons	W	L	T	Pct.
Don Flavin	1968-86	160	82	12	.654
Dave Grant	1996-2009	113	90	6	.555
Robert Brigham	1956-60, '62-68	69	38	5	.638
Ed Vatch	1986-92	44	75	0	.370
Robert Kahler	1949-56	29	20	3	.587
Phil Rembert	1992-96	17	38	1	.313
John Wrenn	1960-62	13	7	1	.643
George Evans	1931-34, '45-47	6	15	0	.286
George Davenport	1939-40	5	3	1	.611
Ed Hill	1938-39	5	7	1	.423
John Schone	1935-36, '48-49	5	8	0	.385
John Oldham	1937-38	4	5	0	.444
Reino Nori	1936-37	2	2	0	.500
Harold Taxman	1940-43	2	18	0	.100
Carl Appell	1934-35	1	1	0	.500
Harry Garrett	1947-48	1	5	1	.214
TOTALS	75 Seasons	476	414	31	.533



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- Northern Illinois has been ranked in the top four percent of all American universities by the Carnegie Foundation, having received the agency's highest possible designation – "Doctoral/Research University Extensive."

- The NIU College of Business was ranked 65th in *BusinessWeek's* 2007 ranking of best undergraduate business programs in the country. The college received especially high marks for the quality of its faculty, its job placement services and for its facilities. According to the survey, "With dedicated professors and extraordinary facilities, students say NIU provides a private school education on a state school budget."

- *Diverse Issues in Higher Education* magazine consistently ranks NIU in the top 100 institutions nationwide for graduating minority students, including No. 1 in the country for number of graduate degrees in education awarded to African-Americans.

- Northern Illinois University is the alma mater of more than 50,000 College of Education graduates, 60% of whom live in Illinois, and 25 percent of all Illinois school superintendents.

- NIU's School of Art is the largest producer of art teachers in Illinois, and overall, NIU is one of the 10 largest teacher preparation programs in the nation.

- Northern's Jazz Lab Band, under the direction of Rodrigo Villanueva, won the top prize at the 2008 University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Jazz Festival. The prestigious festival celebrated its 41st year in March 2008.

NIU Fast Facts

NIU is included in the Research Universities (high research activity) category of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and is a member of the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges.

Founded: 1895

Location: DeKalb, Ill.
(population 40,000)

Enrollment: 24,397
(18,069 Undergraduate)

Faculty: 1,279

Student/Faculty Ratio: 17 to 1

Undergraduate Colleges: Business, Education, Engineering and Engineering Technology, Health & Human Services, Law, Liberal Arts & Sciences, Visual & Performing Arts

Programs of Study: 63 undergraduate majors, 79 graduate programs, including 11 Ph.D. programs, doctoral degrees in education and the Juris Doctorate

Library System: Founders Memorial Library and its seven branch libraries contain more than 2 million books and 6,000 electronic journals.



Opened in 1899 and rededicated in 2004, Altgeld Hall (bottom left) is NIU's signature building and the university's oldest structure. With its open layout and scenic landscaping, Northern Illinois' campus offers a beautiful surrounding for its students to pursue their studies.



- The American Chemical Society (ACS) has ranked the NIU Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry among the top 25 in the nation for the number of ACS-certified bachelor's degrees awarded annually. The department also is well-known for producing highly sought-after chemistry and science teachers.

- *U.S. News & World Report* ranks the NIU Master's in Public Administration (MPA) program in the top 10 nationally in the field of city management and for public finance.

- About one-third of Illinois city managers are graduates of the NIU MPA program, a major force behind efforts to professionalize municipal staffs in Illinois and advance the national good government movement.

- NIU's Department of Accountancy has consistently been ranked in the nation's top 10 by the *Public Accounting Report*, while its graduate program has become a fixture in that ranking's top 20.

- Northern Illinois University's marketing program is ranked among the top five percent in the nation by Chicago-based Professional Society for Sales and Marketing Training. NIU's Professional Selling program was the first collegiate sales program in the nation certified by SMT.

- Students from the NIU College of Engineering and Engineering Technology took first place in the Spring 2007 Basic Utility Vehicle Competition hosted by the Institute for Affordable Transportation in Indianapolis. The Institute challenges teams to design and build simple, durable and affordable transportation that can be manufactured cheaply in third world countries.

- The 2007 graduates of the NIU School of Nursing posted a 99 percent passing rate on the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensure Examination. Comparatively, the pass rate was 86 percent for all nursing programs in Illinois and 85 percent for all U.S. programs.



One of the newest buildings on campus, Barsema Hall is the home of NIU's highly-respected College of Business.

Notable Alumni

Business

Dennis Barsema - Chairman of the Board, Blue Lane Technologies, Inc.

Jeff Yordon - Chief Executive Officer, Sagent Pharmaceuticals

Education

Paul Sereno - Paleontologist

Entertainment

Dan Castellaneta - Actor, Voice of Homer Simpson, The Simpsons
 Steve Harris - Actor
 Eugene Young of ABC's, The Practice

Government

Dennis Hastert - Representative (retired), 14th District of Illinois; former Speaker of the House of Representatives

Law

Barbara Giorgi-Vella - Partner, Vella & Lund, P.C.

Media

Tim Bennett - President, Harpo Productions, Inc.

Science

Kathleen O. Havelka - Chemist, The Lubrizol Corporation

Below: NIU's College of Engineering and Engineering Technology has ranked in the top 40 among engineering master's degree programs nationwide over the years, according to *U.S. News & World Report*.



Right: By virtue of its location alone, the Barsema Alumni and Visitors Center has become a campus landmark. The building offers a welcoming facade of brick and stone, topped by a distinctive multi-gabled roof—an elegant example of classic American campus architecture.



NIU PRESIDENT

DR. JOHN G. PETERS



Dr. John G. Peters is the 11th president of Northern Illinois University, a post he has held since June 2000. As NIU's chief executive officer, Dr. Peters provides strategic direction and oversight for a nationally-recognized, comprehensive university serving more than 25,000 students in 120 areas of study at both undergraduate and graduate levels. Under his leadership, NIU has both expanded and

refined its institutional vision to more closely align teaching, research and outreach efforts with emerging needs of the northern Illinois / Chicagoland region.

A native of Strongsville, Ohio, Dr. Peters earned his bachelor's degree in political science at Cleveland's John Carroll University, and a master's in government from Ohio University in Athens. In 1974, he received his Ph.D. in political science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Prior to assuming the NIU presidency, Dr. Peters was provost and chief operating officer at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. His distinguished academic career also includes 20 years in teaching and administrative roles at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, where he earned numerous awards for work in and out of the classroom.

Dr. Peters' presidency at NIU has been marked by substantial increases in the university's reputation and the discovery of new sources of funding. In his first year as president, he gained admission for Northern Illinois University to the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges (NASULGC), an honor reserved for the top five percent of universities nationwide. That same year, Dr. Peters secured NIU's largest-ever private gift: \$20 million for a new College of Business building. Since that time, President Peters has led efforts to expand federal funding of select NIU research programs - a campaign that has garnered more than \$60 million, strengthened key partnerships with state and federal research programs, and enhanced NIU's standing in the prestigious Carnegie Foundation rankings of research institutions.

NIU's longstanding commitment to regional service has also received new attention and support under Dr. Peters' leadership. His vision of NIU as "the nation's premier regional public university" has been the basis for substantial enhancement of regional partnerships with schools, businesses, health care and local governmental agencies. In 2005, Dr. Peters established an ambitious five-year plan that leverages historic NIU strengths by connecting regional engagement and applied research to the university's well-known focus on real-world learning experiences. Fortified by that plan and more than \$100 million in private donations, NIU



The 2009-10 school year is the 10th for Dr. John G. Peters as president of Northern Illinois University.

launched its first-ever comprehensive capital campaign and began a campus-wide strategic planning process to focus university resources and efforts in the years ahead. Among its more ambitious components is creation of a proton therapy cancer treatment and research center that integrates NIU's respected physics program with cutting-edge nuclear medicine.

Dr. Peters' reputation as a consensus-builder and education policy expert puts him in demand for leadership roles in statewide and national organizations. He currently serves on the NCAA Division I Board of Directors and is a member of the Mid-American Conference's executive committee. His leadership in the area of intercollegiate athletics also includes membership on the BCS Presidential Oversight Committee representing the "coalition conferences." Dr. Peters served as Illinois' representative to the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU). He is a member of the U.S. Abraham Lincoln

Commission on International Education; NASULGC's Commission on Women in Higher Education; and is co-chair of Illinois' Center for Child Welfare and Education. In 2004, the U.S. Department of Education named Dr. Peters to a special task force studying math and science education, providing a national perspective for his ongoing work with education and economic development groups throughout the Midwest.

A political scientist by training, Dr. Peters specializes in studies of public policy and Congress. He has published widely, including articles in the *Journal of Policy Studies*, *American Politics Quarterly*, *American Political Science Review*, and *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, and has co-edited two books on American politics. He is a Fellow of the Center for Great Plains Studies and has served as the associate editor of the *Great Plains Quarterly*.

Dr. Peters and his wife, Barbara Cole Peters, have a son, Russell, who lives and works in Knoxville, Tennessee with his wife, son and daughter.



Dr. Peters is a fixture on NIU sidelines during Huskie football games.

ASSOC. V.P./DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

JEFF COMPHER



Since taking over as associate vice president and director of athletics at Northern Illinois University on June 1, 2008, Jeff Compcher has made strategic decisions to keep the athletics program moving forward while planning for the future and engaging with Huskie student-athletes.

On February 10, 2009, Compcher unveiled the NIU Department of

Intercollegiate Athletics' Strategic Plan. The plan defines the mission, vision and values of the department while setting strategic goals and objectives for each unit for the next three years. Developed by NIU head coaches and a team of administrators, the cornerstone of the plan is the one-sentence, comprehensive, mission statement — "We develop champions in the classroom, in competition, and in life."

While Compcher was laying out his plan for Huskie Athletics, NIU student-athletes continued to raise the bar academically. For the eighth consecutive semester, NIU student-athletes combined to post a cumulative grade point average above 3.0 as the spring term GPA came in at 3.025.

On the fields of play, Compcher was instrumental in securing the Huskie football team's berth in the 2008 Independence Bowl on an at-large basis, while the NIU men's soccer team lost in overtime of the MAC Championship match after claiming a win over No. 2 ranked SMU earlier in the year. Northern Illinois sent two wrestlers and two gymnasts to NCAA Regional competition, and both the softball and baseball teams claimed wins over ranked teams in 2009.

In addition, in his first year, Compcher oversaw the completion and opening of Northern Illinois' new Track & Field/Soccer Complex as well as the installation of a new FieldTurf surface at Huskie Stadium. He completed the negotiation of a 10-year contract with ISP Sports to manage NIU's multi-media rights and corporate partnerships, giving Northern Illinois a guaranteed income stream. He also oversaw the renegotiation of agreements with 670 AM WSCR The Score and Comcast SportsNet Chicago to broadcast Northern Illinois contests. Most recently, Compcher hired Eric Luzzi to lead the Huskie men's soccer program.

A veteran collegiate athletics administrator, Compcher came to DeKalb after nearly four years at the University of Washington in Seattle, Wash., where he served as executive associate athletic director and was responsible for the general management and daily operations of the athletic department at the Pac-10 school. The Baltimore, Md. native also brought previous experience as an athletic director to Northern Illinois as he led the athletics program at Western Carolina University from 2000 to 2004.

In each of his previous three stops, Compcher has been involved in developing and implementing long-range planning and working closely with constituencies within and outside the university. He has emphasized the student-athlete experience.

At Washington, Compcher had day-to-day responsibility for a 23-sport, 650 student-athlete department, including direct oversight of the football, men's basketball, baseball and crew teams, as well as facilities and game operations. He also managed the student-athlete welfare areas. During his tenure at Washington, it consistently ranked



The Compcher family (from left): David, Jeff, Cathy and C.J.

in the top 30 in the Director's Cup standings while surpassing NCAA Academic Progress Rate and Graduation Success Rate standards.

At both UW and Western Carolina, Compcher was directly involved with capital projects and facility renovations, including construction of a new track/soccer and tennis complex and a significant expansion of the football stadium at Western Carolina, and the completion of the Football Legends Center at the University of Washington.

While at WCU, he also hired successful head coaches who have since been hired at BCS programs, and saw the operating budget increase by 42 percent and the total budget for athletic scholarships improve by 113 percent. During his tenure in Cullowhee, the Catamount teams improved their individual and conference records, and the baseball, women's golf and indoor track and field teams won Southern Conference titles.

As associate and then senior associate athletic director at Vanderbilt University for four years, Compcher directed nearly every area of the department, including leading the external areas from 1998-2000. Prior to that, he oversaw the NCAA compliance, academic support, strength and conditioning, equipment and CHAMPS/Life Skills areas at Vanderbilt.

Compcher spent 13 years in several different positions at North Carolina State University in Raleigh, N.C. As assistant athletic director at N.C. State from 1986-92, he managed the student-athlete support services units, established the first life skills program and handled scheduling and travel for the football and men's basketball teams. He was the assistant to the chancellor at N.C. State before moving on to Vanderbilt and back into athletics administration.

Throughout his career, the 50-year-old Compcher has continued his education, participating in the NACDA Management Institute (1998), the Sports Management Institute Executive Program (1998-99) and the Division I-A Athletic Directors' Institute (2005 and 2006). He served on numerous university committees at each of his previous stops and spent time in the classroom as an instructor at Washington, Western Carolina and N.C. State.

Compcher earned his bachelor's degree in psychology from James Madison University, where he was a football student-athlete, in 1980, and graduated with a master's degree in counseling and student personnel services from Shippensburg University in Pennsylvania in 1982. His first position in collegiate administration was at North Carolina State, where he was the assistant director of Housing and Residence Life from 1982 to 1986.

He and his wife, the former Cathy Fatica, have two sons, C.J. (17) and David (14).

AN IDEAL LOCATION

When a Northern Illinois University student-athlete steps onto campus in DeKalb, Illinois, they are stepping onto the national stage. Located just 65 miles west of downtown Chicago, the nation's third-largest media market, Huskie student-athletes are a part of one of this country's great sports towns.

During the 2007-08 season, the NIU football team took on Iowa at Soldier Field in the fall, while the baseball team faced Notre Dame at U.S. Cellular Field in the spring. In 2011, the Huskies will return to Soldier Field to play Wisconsin.

DeKalb's proximity to Chicago also affords local citizens, including NIU students, the opportunity to experience all that the city has to offer, from cultural events and festivals, to restaurants and theatres. Three airports – O'Hare, Midway and Rockford – are within an hour's drive of NIU.

While it is close to the "Windy City" and the city's ever-expanding western suburbs, DeKalb maintains a unique character and offers a quality existence to its nearly 45,000 residents. DeKalb is successfully combining the old and the new as brick-paved streets and historic homes co-exist with a growing business sector and brand new residential and commercial developments. In addition to many activities, including Huskie athletics, available on campus, DeKalb is famous for its annual "CornFest," welcoming students back to town in late August.

Soldier Field (right), the home of the Chicago Bears, is the Huskies' home away from home. NIU opened the 2007 season there against Iowa and will play Wisconsin in 2011 at the site.



The water tower on NIU's campus (above left) proudly advertises NIU's relationship with DeKalb, while Chicago's historic Water Tower (above right) harkens back to the city's past.



DeKalb's CornFest (left) and Taste of Chicago (right) are two popular summertime events. The Taste leads up to Chicago's Fourth of July festivities, while CornFest coincides with the students' return to campus in late August.



MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE

The Mid-American Conference was founded as a five-school league on February 24, 1946 in Columbus, Ohio with Ohio, Butler, Cincinnati, Wayne State and Western Reserve admitted as charter members. Today the Mid-American Conference has 12 full-time schools and a 13th, Temple, for football only, and sponsors 23 sports.

Comprising the East Division are Akron (joined in 1992), Bowling Green State (1952), Buffalo (1998), Kent State (1951), Miami (1947), Ohio (1946) and Temple (2007). The West Division members are Ball State (1973), Central Michigan (1971), Eastern Michigan (1971), Northern Illinois (1975-86, 1997), Toledo (1950) and Western Michigan (1947).

One of only 11 football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) conferences, the MAC named Dr. Jon Steinbrecher as its eighth commissioner in the 63-year history of the league this past March. Steinbrecher came to the MAC after serving for six years as the commissioner of the Ohio Valley Conference.

For men, championships are sponsored in football, basketball, baseball, cross country, soccer, swimming and diving, indoor track and field, outdoor track and field, wrestling, golf and tennis. For women, championships are sponsored in basketball, softball, volleyball, cross country, field hockey, golf, soccer, swimming and diving, gymnastics, indoor track and field, outdoor track and field and tennis.



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- Northern Illinois (1975-86; 1997)
- Ohio (1946)
- Temple (as of 2007) - Football Only
- Toledo (1950)
- Western Michigan (1947)





Former Members

- Butler (1947-50)
- Case Western Reserve (1947-53)
- Cincinnati (1947-1953)
- Marshall (1954-69; 1997-2005)
- University of Central Florida (2002-03) - Football Only

MAC Schools Sponsoring Wrestling



March 6-7, 2010

March 18-20, 2010

JEFFREY & KIMBERLY YORDON CENTER

The Jeffrey & Kimberly Yordon Center is a state-of-the-art facility in every way. From the Midwest Orthopaedic Training Room to the Chet and Teresa Young Equipment Room, the strength & conditioning center to the Frances and George Wilkins Academic Support Center, every Huskie student-athlete is provided with the resources necessary to excel in the classroom and in competition.

While all 450 NIU student-athletes utilize the Yordon Center throughout the year, the facility is the full-time home of the Huskie football program, with locker rooms for players and coaches, meeting rooms, a spacious football equipment room and office space.

The heart of the 62,000-square foot Yordon Center, the Frances and George Wilkins Academic Support Center (honoring Carole & Joe Novak), features one-on-one tutorial rooms, a group study room and a fully-equipped computer lab, as well as offices for the counselors of the Student-Athlete Academic Support Services (SAASS) unit. This area brings the staff of SAASS into more direct daily contact with NIU's student-athletes and is a constant hub of activity in the building.

The 12,500-square foot strength & conditioning center allows NIU's professional sports performance coaches to avoid scheduling conflicts between teams while allowing space for warm-ups, plyometric exercises and speed and agility activities. The spacious area features brand new equipment with a variety and multitude of machines, as well as a three-lane sprint track.

All Huskie student-athletes benefit from the spacious and technologically-advanced facilities used by NIU's professional athletic training staff and team doctors to prevent, treat and rehabilitate injuries in the Yordon Center. Doctors and trainers have been provided with all the tools they need, as the Yordon Center's state-of-the-art health center features an X-ray room, doctor's office, two rehabilitation pools, a drug testing area and offices for staff.



The spacious computer lab (left) provides all Huskie student-athletes with a comfortable learning environment in which to further their academic pursuits.