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GAME DAY STORYLINES AND QUICK HITS

NORTHERN STATE WOLVES

- The Wolves enter the weekend with a 7-13 record overall and 7-7 mark in the NSIC
- Northern is averaging 73.7 points, 35.1 rebounds, 13.1 assists, 11.0 turnovers, 4.0 steals, and 2.0 blocks per game
- They are shooting 43.3% from the floor, 32.7% from the 3-point line, and 74.9% from the foul line
- Joshua Book leads four Wolves in double figures, averaging 14.4 points per game with a team leading 85 assists
- James Glenn and Simon Akena are adding 11.8 and 11.1 points per game respectively, while Marshawn Smith leads the team off the bench adding 10.8 points per contest
- Tobi Obiora leads the team in rebounding, notching 7.4 boards per contest and is shooting a team best 62.7% from the floor

SIOUX FALLS COUGARS

- The Cougars head to Aberdeen with an 11-9 record overall and 8-6 mark in the NSIC
- They are averaging 85.5 points, 40.7 rebounds, 15.4 assists, 11.8 turnovers, 6.5 steals, and 2.3 blocks per game; out-scoring and out-rebounding their opponents by 2.5 points and 6.5 boards per game
- USF is shooting 45.0% from the floor, 32.0% from the 3-point line, and 71.0% from the foul line this season
- Brogan Madson leads four in double figures, notching 17.6 points per game, followed by Taylen Ashley recording 16.4
- Brandon Hrcir and Kyle Ingwerson are adding 13.9 points per game apiece with Hrcir grabbing a team leading 6.3 rebounds per contest and shooting a team best 51.9% from the floor
- Madson and Jacoby Mehrman have dished out a team best 59 and 52 assists on the year

LAST MEETING

- Northern fell to Sioux Falls 77-66 a season ago at home
- The Wolves are 41-21 all-time against the Cougars

SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA STATE MUSTANGS

- The Mustangs hold a 14-5 record overall and 12-2 mark in the NSIC heading into the weekend
- They are averaging 75.9 points, 33.6 rebounds, 14.2 assists, 10.9 turnovers, 9.4 steals, and 4.5 blocks per game; out-scoring their opponents by 9.5 points per game
- SMSU is shooting 48.6% from the floor, 41.5% from the 3-point line, and 71.1% from the foul line
- Jakob Braaten leads five averaging double figures, notching 15.8 points and 5.7 rebounds per game with a team leading 96 assists
- Aeron Stevens and Micah Schlaak are adding 12.3 and 12.1 points per game respectively, while Mekhi Shaw and Mason Lund are notching 11.3 and 10.4 points per contest
- Lund leads three shooting over 50.0% this season with a 52.8 field goal percentage through 19 games played

LAST MEETING

- The Wolves fell to the Mustangs 103-71 last season
- Northern is 40-23 all-time against Southwest Minnesota State

THE GAME AT A GLANCE

Friday, Jan. 30 (7:30 pm) vs. **Sioux Falls**

Live Stats - nsuwolves.com/sidarmstats/mbball/

Saturday, Jan. 31 (6 pm) vs. **Southwest Minn. St.**

Live Stats - nsuwolves.com/sidarmstats/mbball/

Radio: nsuwolves.com/listenlive

Live Video - nsicnetwork.com/nsuwolves/

PROBABLE STARTERS

NORTHERN STATE

#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	PPG	RPG
4	James Glenn	G	6-3	175	Sr.	11.8	3.1
8	Joshua Book	G	6-4	190	Jr.	14.4	5.3
10	Simon Akena	G	6-6	215	Sr.	11.1	3.9
14	Ty Rogers	F	6-7	225	Sr.	8.7	4.3
55	Tobi Obiora	F	6-9	245	Jr.	7.1	7.4

SIOUX FALLS

#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	PPG	RPG
0	Taylen Ashley	G	6-1	185	RSo.	16.4	4.0
2	Brogan Madson	G	6-1	190	Fr.	17.6	2.4
20	Brandon Hrcir	F	6-8	220	So.	13.9	2.1
24	Jacoby Mehrman	G	6-4	200	So.	7.8	4.3
25	Bryon Laue	C	6-10	240	Fr.	4.0	4.2

SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA STATE

#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	PPG	RPG
0	Aeron Stevens	F	6-7	225	Jr.	12.3	3.7
1	Jakob Braaten	G	6-0	200	Sr.	15.8	5.7
3	Landon Pokorski	G	6-1	180	So.	5.1	2.2
13	Mason Lund	G	6-7	220	Sr.	10.4	4.7
15	Micah Schlaak	F	6-7	205	RFr.	12.1	4.3

NSU QUICK FACTS

Facility (Capacity).....	Wachs Arena (8,000)
Affiliation	NCAA Division II
Conference	Northern Sun (NSIC)
Location.....	Aberdeen, S.D.
Mascot.....	Wolves
Website	www.nsuwolves.com
X Account	@WolvesAthletics
Men's Basketball X Account	@NSUWolves_mbb
Facebook Page	/nsuwolvesathletics
MBB Facebook Page	/nsuwolvesmbb
Instagram.....	@nsuwolves
MBB Instagram	@nsuwolves_mbb
YouTube.....	NSUWolvesAthletics
Head Coach.....	Matt Wilber
Assistant Coach	Jack Nelson
Assistant Coach	Wes Smith
First Year of Men's Basketball	1902
All-Time Record.....	1456-783 (.650)
All-Time NSIC Record.....	459-273 (.627)
NCAA Playoff Appearances (Last)	15 (2022-23)
Conference Championships	39
All-Americans	19

HEAD COACH MATT WILBER



South Dakota native Matt Wilber enters his first season leading the Northern State men's basketball program, as the 23rd head coach in men's basketball history, heading into the 2025-26 season. He is just the seventh head coach since the 1945-46 season and fifth in the NCAA Division II era. Wilber joined the Wolves after spending the 2024 season as an assistant coach with the WNBA Phoenix Mercury, under the direction of head coach Nate Tibbets, and the previous 11 seasons as the head men's basketball coach at Dakota Wesleyan University.

As an assistant coach with the Mercury, Wilber was assigned as the personal player coach to UConn, WNBA, and USA Basketball legend Diana Taurasi and WNBA veteran guard Rebecca Allen. The Mercury went 19-21 overall in 2024, finishing fourth in the Western Conference. Taurasi played in her 11th WNBA All-Star game in 2024 prior to announcing her retirement in February of this year.

Wilber built the Dakota Wesleyan Tigers into a perennial contender at the NAIA level, going 224-125 in his 11 seasons at the helm. DWU made six consecutive trips to the NAIA National Tournament from 2014 to 2020, including a NAIA National Runner-up finish in 2015 with a 32-5 record overall. He earned GPAC Coach of the Year, Rawlings NAIA National Coach of the Year, and South Dakota Sports Writers Coach of the Year honors following that national championship game appearance. Wilber's DWU squads tallied eight winning seasons and six with 20-plus wins.

Wilber produced 35 GPAC All-Conference honorees, 30 NAIA Scholar Athletes, 13 NAIA All-Americans, including six first team recipients, three GPAC Players of the Year, two GPAC Defensive Players of the Year, two GPAC Freshman of the Year, and two CoSIDA Academic All-Americans®. In addition, his teams advanced to the sweet sixteen round in three seasons and earned the 2016 NAIA National Tournament Team Sportsmanship Award.

Wilber opened his collegiate coaching career with assistant stops at Augustana, Sioux Falls and South Dakota State. Following his playing career, Wilber was a student assistant for the Augustana Vikings under the direction of head coach Perry Ford. He then moved across town, serving as the head junior varsity coach and assistant coach at the University of Sioux Falls for Shane Murphy. From 2004 to 2006, Wilber was on staff as a graduate assistant for Scott Nagy and the South Dakota State Jackrabbits. He was on staff at SDSU for the NCAA Division I transition assisting in all areas of the program.

From 2006 to 2013, Wilber owned and directed TIBBS Basketball alongside Tibbets, building a year-round basketball development program. TIBBS worked with 800 to 1,000 participants annually, as Wilber grew the program from a residential home gym set-up to a basketball powerhouse in Southeast South Dakota and beyond. Sanford Health bought the TIBBS developmental program in 2013 and hired Wilber as the director of the newly named Sanford POWER TIBBS Basketball Academy. The program continued to grow in his year on staff, developing the academy to 1,200 area players, seven season teams and nine summer teams, and 17 summer camp sessions all taking place from the Sanford Pentagon.

Wilber earned his bachelor's degree from Augustana College; a walk-on that earned both a scholarship and starting role, Wilber played for the Vikings from 1997 to 2002. He closed out his collegiate career in the top-10 all-time in 3-point field goals made and earned Academic All-Conference honorable mention accolades in 2001. In addition, Wilber was a 4-year starter for the Augustana baseball team as a pitcher and utility player.

Wilber is married to Dakota Wesleyan head volleyball coach Lindsay Wilber. The pair have five children Benjamin, A.J., Nathan, Tyson, and Lizzie.

ASSISTANT COACH JACK NELSON



Jack Nelson enters his first season on staff at Northern State in the fall of 2025. Nelson joins the Wolves after serving as the associate head coach at the University of Sioux Falls and head coach at the University of Mary.

From 2021 to 2025, Nelson served as the head coach at the University of Mary where he developed one NSIC Newcomer of the Year and one NSIC All-Conference first team recipient. In addition, 16 Marauders earned Academic Honor Court accolades, his team's earned the NABC Team Academic Excellence Award twice, and five were named to the CSC Academic All-District® Team. Prior to his stint with the Marauders, Nelson was the associate head coach at the University of Sioux Falls. USF posted a 48-24 record in his three seasons on staff. They won the 2020 NSIC South Division title with six NSIC All-Conference performers and one All-Region recipient.

Nelson opened his coaching career as an assistant at Saint Mary's University during the 2007-08 season. He moved on to assistant coaching stops at Sioux Falls from 2008 to 2011, Bellevue University in 2011-12, and Minot State University from 2012 to 2016. He led the Central Wyoming College Rustlers from 2016 to 2018 as the head coach, posting a 41-21 record overall. CWC advanced to the quarterfinal round of the NJCAA Regional tournament in back-to-back seasons. He coached three all-region selections and all of his student-athletes went on to play at the 4-year level.

Nelson holds an Associate of Arts from Black Hawk College, Bachelor of Arts in Sports Management from Saint Mary's University, and Master of Science in Education Leadership from Winona State University. Jack and his wife Jamie have two children, Raelynn and Kai.

ASSISTANT COACH WES SMITH



Wes Smith enters his first season with the Northern State University men's basketball program in the fall of 2025. Smith will fill the team's second assistant role heading into the 2025-26 season, after three seasons in as an assistant at Missouri Western State.

Smith has spent the entirety of his collegiate coaching career at Missouri Western on staff with head coaches Brent Weiberg, Sundance Wicks and Will Martin. He spent the past three seasons as an assistant for the Griffons. Smith opened his career as a graduate assistant at MWSU from 2020-2022 after serving as a student assistant from 2016-2020.

In his time at MoWest, Smith worked with seven MAIA All-Conference performers and saw the program grow into a contender in the MAIA. The Griffons qualified for the NCAA Central Region Tournament hosted in Aberdeen in 2021, opened the 2023-24 season with seven wins, the best start since 1999, were ranked as high as No. 17 in the NABC Top-25 poll in 2024-25, and recorded the most regular season victories in over 20 years this past season with 18.

Smith earned both his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Master of Business Administration from Missouri Western State University. Wes is married to Maggie Smith.

WILBER YEAR-BY-YEAR

YEAR	SCHOOL	RECORD	PCT
2013-14	Dakota Wesleyan	18-14	.563
2014-15	Dakota Wesleyan	32-5	.865
2015-16	Dakota Wesleyan	23-11	.676
2016-17	Dakota Wesleyan	23-10	.697
2017-18	Dakota Wesleyan	23-11	.676
2018-19	Dakota Wesleyan	23-10	.697
2019-20	Dakota Wesleyan	23-9	.719
2020-21	Dakota Wesleyan	19-8	.704
2021-22	Dakota Wesleyan	13-16	.448
2022-23	Dakota Wesleyan	13-16	.448
2023-24	Dakota Wesleyan	14-15	.483
2025-26	Northern State	7-13	.350
2013-26	Career Record	231-138	.626

NSIC ALL-TIME OPPONENTS

SCHOOL	REC.	W/ WILBER
Augustana	42-41	1-0
Bemidji State	75-30	0-1
Concordia-St. Paul	35-10	0-1
Jamestown	73-30	2-0
UMary	39-14	1-0
Minnesota Crookston	49-4	1-0
Minnesota Duluth	43-48	0-1
Minnesota State	16-20	0-1
MSU Moorhead	75-44	1-0
Minot State	57-24	0-1
Sioux Falls	74-28	0-0
St. Cloud State	26-32	0-1
Southwest Minn. St.	71-30	0-0
Wayne State	39-28	0-1
Winona State	50-42	1-0

NSU MBB CHAMPIONSHIPS

SD STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	1906-07	1907-08	1908-09	1909-10	1916-17

REGULAR SEASON CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS	1923-24	1935-36	1939-40	1940-41	1941-42
	1952-53	1953-54	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58
	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61	1962-63	1965-66
	1969-70	1970-71	1974-75	1975-76	1977-78
	1983-84	1984-85	1992-93	1994-95	1995-96
	1997-98	1998-99	2001-02	2002-03	2017-18
	2018-19	2019-20	2022-23		

NSIC NORTH DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS

2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2022-23
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NSIC TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIPS	2003-04	2004-05	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
					2020-21

NCAA CENTRAL REGION CHAMPIONSHIPS

1997-98	2017-18
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NORTHERN STATE ROSTER & PRONUNCIATIONS

#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown / High School / Previous School	Pronunciation
0	Benjamin Bowen	G	6-5	185	RSr.	Highlands Ranch, Colo. / Mountain Vista HS / Denver	
1	Lane Tietz	G	5-11	180	So.	Groton, S.D. / Groton HS / Dakota State	teetz
2	Marshawn Smith	G	6-5	180	Jr.	East Palo Alto, Calif. / West Ranch HS / Diablo Valley Co.	
3	Brendan Phillips	F	6-5	190	Fr.	Aberdeen, S.D. / Central HS	
4	James Glenn	G	6-3	175	Sr.	Altoona, Iowa / Southeast Polk HS / DMACC	
5	Nelson Reynolds	G	6-2	190	Sr.	Peoria, Ill. / Peoria Notre Dame HS / Southeastern	
8	Joshua Book	G	6-4	190	Jr.	Christchurch, New Zealand / Christs College / Missouri Western	
10	Simon Akena	G	6-6	215	Sr.	Stockholm, Sweden / Tibble Gymnasium / Westminister	aw-ken-aw
11	Braeden Vanbockern	G	6-4	185	So.	Harrisburg, S.D. / Harrisburg HS	
14	Ty Rogers	F	6-7	225	Sr.	Aurora, Ill. / West Aurora HS / UMary	
20	Marley Baah-Yeboah	G	6-4	200	So.	Lakeville, Minn. / Lakeville South HS	Bye-ye-bow-ah
23	Devon Brooke	G/F	6-7	230	Jr.	Queen Creek, Ariz. / American Leadership Academy	
25	Parker Lemer	F	6-3	170	So.	Aberdeen, S.D. / Central HS	la-mar
35	Jake Vliem	C	6-9	215	RFr.	Sturgis, S.D. / Sturgis Brown HS	Va-Leem
55	Tobi Obiora	F	6-9	245	Jr.	Bilthoven, Netherlands / Zwolle	O-B-ora

COACHING STAFF

Matt Wilber (Head Coach), Jack Nelson (Assistant Coach), Wes Smith (Assistant Coach)

SEASON & CAREER HIGHS

#0 BENJAMIN BOWEN	#1 LANE TIETZ	#2 MARSHAWN SMITH	#3 BRENDAN PHILLIPS
<u>Points</u> Season 13 Career 13 (SNU 11/15/25)	<u>Points</u> Season N/A Career 25	<u>Points</u> Season 31 Career 36	<u>Points</u> Season N/A Career N/A
<u>Rebounds</u> Season 8 Career 8, 2x (BSU 12/6/25)	<u>Rebounds</u> Season 1 Career 7	<u>Rebounds</u> Season 12 Career 12, 2x (CSC 11/29/25)	<u>Rebounds</u> Season N/A Career N/A
<u>Assists</u> Season 3 Career 3, 2x (MiSU 12/6/25)	<u>Assists</u> Season N/A Career 6	<u>Assists</u> Season 4 Career 7	<u>Assists</u> Season N/A Career N/A
<u>Steals</u> Season 4 Career 4 (UMary 12/4/25)	<u>Steals</u> Season N/A Career 5	<u>Steals</u> Season 1 Career 3	<u>Steals</u> Season N/A Career N/A
#4 JAMES GLENN	#5 NELSON REYNOLDS	#8 JOSHUA BOOK	#10 SIMON AKENA
<u>Points</u> Season 26 Career 34 (DSU 11/19/24)	<u>Points</u> Season 15 Career 27	<u>Points</u> Season 23 Career 23, 2x (CSP 1/17/26)	<u>Points</u> Season 24 Career 29
<u>Rebounds</u> Season 7 Career 7 (CSC 11/29/25)	<u>Rebounds</u> Season 3 Career 4	<u>Rebounds</u> Season 11 Career 11 (UJ 11/26/25)	<u>Rebounds</u> Season 8 Career 8, 2x (MSUM 12/18/25)
<u>Assists</u> Season 6 Career 8, 2x (MARY 11/26/24)	<u>Assists</u> Season 5 Career 5 (UMary 12/4/25)	<u>Assists</u> Season 7 Career 7, 3x (CSP 1/17/26)	<u>Assists</u> Season 2 Career 5
<u>Steals</u> Season 4 Career 4, 2x (CSP 1/17/26)	<u>Steals</u> Season N/A Career 1	<u>Steals</u> Season 1 Career 1 (MiSU 12/6/25)	<u>Steals</u> Season N/A Career 2
#11 BRAEDEN VANBOCKERN	#14 TY ROGERS	#20 MARLEY BAAH-YEBOAH	#25 PARKER LEMER
<u>Points</u> Season N/A Career 16 (UJ 12/16/24)	<u>Points</u> Season 17 Career 22	<u>Points</u> Season N/A Career N/A	<u>Points</u> Season N/A Career N/A
<u>Rebounds</u> Season N/A Career 2 (BSU 12/13/24)	<u>Rebounds</u> Season 8 Career 11	<u>Rebounds</u> Season N/A Career N/A	<u>Rebounds</u> Season N/A Career N/A
<u>Assists</u> Season N/A Career 2, 2x (BSU 12/13/24)	<u>Assists</u> Season 4 Career 4 (MiSU 12/6/25)	<u>Assists</u> Season N/A Career N/A	<u>Assists</u> Season N/A Career N/A
<u>Steals</u> Season N/A Career 2, 2x (UJ 12/16/24)	<u>Steals</u> Season 2 Career 2, 3x (SCSU 1/24/26)	<u>Steals</u> Season N/A Career N/A	<u>Steals</u> Season N/A Career N/A
#35 JAKE VLIEM	#55 TOBI OBIORA		
<u>Points</u> Season N/A Career N/A	<u>Points</u> Season 12 Career 18 (UJ 11/23/24)		
<u>Rebounds</u> Season N/A Career N/A	<u>Rebounds</u> Season 14 Career 14 (CSP 1/17/26)		
<u>Assists</u> Season N/A Career N/A	<u>Assists</u> Season 4 Career 4 (WSC 1/9/26)		
<u>Steals</u> Season N/A Career N/A	<u>Steals</u> Season 1 Career 2, 2x (DSU 11/19/24)		

STATISTICAL COMPARISONS | NSIC STATISTIC RANKINGS | NSIC STANDINGS

	NSU	USF	SMSU
Overall Record	7-13	11-9	14-5
NSIC Record	7-7	8-6	12-2
Total Points Scored	1473	1709	1442
Scoring Offense (Per Game)	73.7	85.5	75.9
Scoring Defense (Per Game)	75.6	83.0	66.4
Scoring Margin	-2.0	+2.5	+9.5
Field Goal %	43.3	45.0	48.6
Field Goal % Defense	44.7	48.8	41.8
3-Point Field Goal %	32.7	32.0	41.5
3-Point Field Goal % Defense	30.1	35.4	33.5
3-Point Field Goals (Per Game)	9.3	7.5	9.3
Free Throw %	74.9	71.0	71.1
Free Throw % Defense	74.7	70.1	69.4
Total Rebounds	701	813	639
Rebounding Average	35.1	40.7	33.6
Rebounding Margin	-2.6	+6.5	+0.2
Total Assists	261	308	269
Assist Average	13.1	15.4	14.2
Total Turnovers	219	235	208
Turnover Average	11.0	11.8	10.9
Turnover Margin	-1.0	+0.3	+1.6
Assist/Turnover Ratio	1.2	1.3	1.3
Points off Turnovers (Per Game)	9.1	14.0	15.3
Steals Average	4.0	6.5	9.4
Blocks Average	2.0	2.3	4.5

SCHOOL	NSIC	PCT.	OVERALL	PCT.	
St. Cloud State	12-2	.857	15-5	.750	
Southwest Minnesota State	12-2	.857	14-5	.737	
Augustana	10-4	.714	12-7	.632	
Concordia-St. Paul	8-6	.571	13-7	.650	
Minnesota Duluth	8-6	.571	12-8	.600	
Wayne State College	8-6	.571	12-8	.600	
Sioux Falls	8-6	.571	11-9	.550	
Minnesota State	7-7	.500	13-9	.591	
MSU Moorhead	7-7	.500	10-10	.500	
Jamestown	7-7	.500	9-11	.450	
Northern State	7-7	.500	7-13	.350	
Minot State	5-9	.357	8-12	.400	
Winona State	5-9	.357	6-13	.316	
Bemidji State	3-11	.214	6-13	.316	
UMary	3-11	.214	5-15	.250	
Minnesota Crookston	2-12	.143	4-16	.200	
NORTH DIVISION	IN-DIV	PCT.	SOUTH DIVISION	IN-DIV	PCT.
Minnesota Duluth	6-2	.750	St. Cloud State	6-2	.750
MSU Moorhead	5-3	.625	Southwest Minnesota	6-2	.750
Jamestown	5-3	.625	Augustana	6-2	.750
Northern State	5-3	.625	Concordia-St. Paul	3-5	.375
Minot State	5-3	.625	Wayne State College	4-4	.500
Bemidji State	3-5	.375	Sioux Falls	3-5	.375
UMary	3-5	.375	Minnesota State	1-7	.125
Minnesota Crookston	0-8	.000	Winona State	3-5	.375

TEAM STATS	NSU RK.	STAT VALUE	NSIC LEADER	STAT VALUE	ATHLETE	RK: STAT	NSIC LEADER: STAT
Scoring Offense (Avg. per Game)	14	73.7	MSU Moorhead	85.5	Book	T14: 14.4	Kopetzki (CSP): 22.1
Scoring Defense (Avg. per Game)	6	75.6	Southwest	66.4			
Scoring Margin	12	-1.9	St. Cloud State	+9.7			
Field Goal %	13	43.3	Bemidji State	49.4	--	--	Stokes (WSC): 58.8
Field Goal % Defense	8	44.7	St. Cloud State	39.4			
3-Pt. Field Goal %	8	32.7	Southwest	41.5	Glenn	11: 35.5	Schlaak (SMSU): 45.6
3-Pt. Field Goal % Defense	2	30.1	St. Cloud State	27.9			
3-Pt. FGs Made (Avg. per Game)	7	9.3	UMary	10.2	Glenn	8: 2.4	Pecarich (BSU): 3.6
Free Throw %	2	74.9	Jamestown	75.7	Book	1: 94.5	Book (NSU): 94.5
Rebounds (Avg. per Game)	13	35.1	St. Cloud State	42.3	Obiora	4: 7.4	Hawks (SCSU): 8.8
Rebounding Margin	T13	-2.6	St. Cloud State	+7.5			
Offensive Rebounds (Avg. per Game)	12	8.9	Sioux Falls	14.0	Obiora	14: 1.4	Hawks (SCSU): 2.9
Defensive Rebounds (Avg. per Game)	T8	26.2	St. Cloud State	28.5	Obiora	T3: 6.0	Shannon III (BSU): 6.6
Turnover Margin	12	-1.0	Minn. Duluth	+2.6			
Assist/Turnover Ratio	5	1.2	Augustana	1.5	Book	6: 1.8	Ferguson (AU): 3.4
Blocked Shots (Avg. per Game)	T13	1.9	Bemidji State	4.9	Obiora	7: 1.1	Shannon (BSU): 2.3
Assists (Avg. per Game)	6	13.1	Sioux Falls	15.4	Book	5: 4.3	Ferguson (AU): 6.5
Steals (Avg. per Game)	16	4.0	Southwest	9.4	Glenn	T6: 1.7	West (CSP): 2.8

NORTHERN STATE SCHEDULE & GAME STATISTICAL LEADERS

OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	POINTS	FIELD GOAL %	REBOUNDS	ASSISTS	STEALS	BLOCKS
Oklahoma Baptist	83-72	L	20 - Mercadel	85.7 - Smith	7 - Book/Rogers	3 - Book	2 - Rogers	1 - Book/Rogers
Southern Nazarene	72-66	L	13 - Bowen/Rogers	66.7 - Reynolds	8 - Obiora	4 - Book	N/A	3 - Obiora
Northern Michigan	80-61	L	15 - Mercadel	66.7 - Obiora	11 - Obiora	2 - Book/Bowen	2 - Rogers	2 - Obiora
Northwest Mo. State	73-65	L	16 - Rogers/Smith	66.7 - Smith	9 - Obiora	2 - 3 Players	1 - 3 Players	1 - Rogers
Jamestown*	74-71	W	15 - Mercadel	62.5 - Obiora	11 - Book	6 - Glenn	2 - Glenn	1 - 3 Players
Chadron State	74-74	L	26 - Glenn	64.3 - Glenn	12 - Smith	6 - Book	2 - Book	N/A
UMary*	87-68	W	22 - Glenn	66.7 - Akena	9 - Book	7 - Book	4 - Bowen	1 - Akena
Minot State*	91-79	L	24 - Akena	72.7 - Book	8 - Akena/Rogers	4 - Rogers	1 - Bowen/Book	N/A
Minnesota Duluth*	79-62	L	12 - Book	60.0 - Rogers	5 - Glenn	3 - Book/Smith	2 - Glenn	1 - Rogers/Smith
Bemidji State*	66-63	L	22 - Book	55.6 - Akena	8 - Bowen/Obiora	3 - Book	2 - Glenn/Rogers	1 - Bowen
MSU Moorhead*	76-52	W	19 - Book	83.3 - Reynolds	8 - Akena	7 - Book	2 - Glenn	2 - Obiora
Minnesota Crookston*	86-76	W	31 - Smith	77.8 - Smith	13 - Obiora	4 - Book	1 - Bowen	1 - Akena/Smith
#15 Black Hills State	77-70	L	22 - Book	55.6 - Obiora	8 - Obiora	5 - Book	3 - Glenn	N/A
Jamestown*	86-77	W	19 - Book	70.0 - Book	7 - Obiora	4 - Book	1 - 4 Players	1 - Obiora/Smith
Wayne State*	86-79	L	18 - Glenn	53.8 - Glenn	9 - Obiora	5 - Book	2 - Glenn	2 - Obiora
Augustana*	91-88	W	24 - Glenn	75.0 - Obiora	9 - Smith	6 - Book	2 - Smith	1 - Obiora/Rogers
Winona State*	84-80	W	21 - Book/Akena	80.0 - Akena	6 - Obiora/Smith	6 - Glenn	3 - Glenn	1 - Obiora/Bowen
Concordia-St. Paul*	78-73	L	23 - Book	54.5 - Glenn	14 - Obiora	7 - Book	4 - Glenn	2 - Obiora/Smith
Minnesota State*	78-67	L	19 - Book	57.1 - Book	9 - Obiora	4 - Book	3 - Glenn	3 - Obiora
St. Cloud State*	72-59	L	16 - Book	44.4 - Smith	7 - Akena	2 - Glenn/Bowen	2 - Rogers	1 - 4 Players
Sioux Falls*								
Southwest Minn. St.*								
Minnesota Crookston*								
MSU Moorhead*								
Bemidji State*								
Minnesota Duluth*								
UMary*								
Minot State*								

WHERE THE WOLVES RANK NATIONALLY

CATEGORY	RK	VALUE	CATEGORY	RK	VALUE
Scoring Offense	199	73.7	Three Point Attempts Per Game	21	28.3
Scoring Defense	151	75.6	Field Goal Percentage Defense	165	44.7
Scoring Margin	210	-2.0	Three Point Percentage Defense	37	30.1
Winning Percentage	237	35.0	Fouls Per Game	T-146	17.4
Field Goal Percentage	215	43.3	Rebound Margin	227	-2.6
Free Throw Percentage	53	74.9	Rebounds (Offensive) Per Game	247	8.90
Three Point Percentage	186	32.7	Rebounds (Defensive) Per Game	T-93	26.15
Free Throws Made Per Game	228	12.7	Rebounds Per Game	203	35.05
Three Pointers Per Game	53	9.3	Assist/Turnover Ratio	92	1.19
Free Throw Attempts Per Game	T-252	17.0	Turnovers Forced Per Game	275	9.95

GAME TEAM RECORDS

Points	131	Minot State (1/6/93)
FG Made	50	Huron (12/19/92)
FG%	79.0	Northern Mont. (1978-79)
FT Made	55	Springfield (58)/Valley City (62)
FT%	100.0	Duluth (18)/Lewis & Clark (94)
3-Pts Made	20	Trinity Bible College (11/25/23)
3-Pt FG%	81.8	Winona St. (2/24/99)
Rebounds	72	Valley City (1/25/95)
Margin of Vic.	+60	Huron (12/19/92)

TEAM SEASON RECORDS

Winning %	34-2 (.944)	1992-93
Wins	36	2017-18
Continuous Wins	24	2019-21
Points Scored	3,335	1992-93
Points per Game	94.6	1993-94
FGs Made	1,210	1992-93
FG%	52.0	1979-80
Free Throws Made	649	1994-95
Free Throw%	77.5	1993-94
3-Point FGs Made	344	2022-23
3-Point FG%	46.0	1991-92
Rebounds	1,458	2017-18
Rebounds per Game	41.2	1973-74
Margin of Victory	+19.2	1992-93

GAME, SEASON, & CAREER PLAYER RECORDS

Points Scored		
Game: Ryan Miller	55	11/15/1997
Season: Eric Kline	958	1992-93
Career: Erick Kline	2,660	1992-95
Points per Game		
Season: Eric Kline	27.5	1993-94
Career: Erick Kline	26.3	1992-95
Field Goals Made		
Game: Jim Schlekeway	21	2/28/1967
Season: Eric Kline	341	1992-93
Career: Scott Bosanko	1,039	1977-81
Field Goal Percentage		
Season: Logan Doyle	66.7%	2017-18
Career: Logan Doyle	64.9%	2016-18
Free Throws Made		
Game: Jim Kampen	20	1/10/1962
Season: Jim Kampen	170	1961-62
Career: Gary Evjen	506	1969-72
Free Throw Percentage		
Season: Augustin Reede	94.0%	2023-24
Career: Craig Nelson	88.5%	2003-08
3-Point Field Goals Made		
Game: Eric Kline	23	3/12/1993
Season: Eric Kline	156	1993-94
Career: Eric Kline	456	1992-95
3-Point Field Goal Percentage		
Season: Mason Stark	59.7%	2019-20
Career: Mason Stark	51.2%	2018-21
Rebounds		
Game: DuWayne Groos	27	12/6/1963
Season: Kevin Burckhard	368	1993-94
Career: Gary Evjen	1,206	1969-72
Rebounds per Game		
Season: DuWayne Groos	14.1	1963-64
Career: DuWayne Groos	12.5	1963-66
Games Played		
Career: Gabe King	135	2016-20

CAREER LEADERS

Scoring		
1. Eric Kline	2,660	1992-95
2. Scott Bosanko^	2,424	1978-81
3. Gary Evjen^	2,288	1969-72
4. Kevin King^	1,986	1980-84
5. DuWayne Groos^	1,896	1963-66
6. Bill Christensen^	1,865	1972-75
7. Jim Schlekeway^	1,862	1965-68
8. Kevin Ratzsch	1,852	2005-09
9. Scott Deadrick^	1,827	1981-85
10. Ryan Miller	1,802	1994-98
11. Lance Luitjens	1,708	1992-96
12. Matt Hammer	1,686	2002-06
13. Harry Marske^	1,676	1956-59
14. Keith Moore	1,669	1986-90
15. Gary Nygaard^	1,667	1961-64
16. Aaron Busack	1,643	2002-06
17. Jeremy Vliem	1,552	1993-97

ALL-AMERICAN PERFORMERS

1959	Harry Marske
1961	Mel Klein
1968	Jim Schlekeway
1971	Gary Evjen
1975	Bill Christensen
1981	Scott Bosanko
1984	Kevin King
1985	Scott Deadrick
1993	Kevin Burckhard, Chad Hauger, Eric Kline
1994	Kevin Burckhard, Eric Kline
1995	Eric Kline, Lance Luitjens, Jeremy Vliem
1998	Ryan Miller
2002	Brad Hansen
2009	Kevin Ratzsch
2021	Parker Fox
2023	Sam Masten

Overall (NSIC)

7-13 (7-7)

Home

2-5

Away

5-5

Neutral

0-3

Streak

L3

SCORING**Leading at halftime**

6-2

Trailing at halftime

1-9

Tied at halftime

0-0

In overtime

0-0

Scoring 69 points or fewer

0-5

Scoring 70-79 points

2-6

Scoring 80-89 points

4-0

Scoring 90+ points

1-0

FINAL SCORING MARGIN**5 points or fewer**

3-2

6-9 points

0-4

10-19 points

3-5

20+ points

1-0

REBOUNDING**NSU out-rebounds opponent**

3-3

NSU is out-rebounded

4-8

Rebounds are equal

0-0

TURNOVERS**NSU commits more turnovers**

5-7

NSU forces more turnovers

2-4

Turnovers are equal

0-0

SHOOTING**NSU shoots 50% or better**

4-0

NSU shoots between 40 and 50%

2-7

NSU shoots 39% or worse

1-4

NSU has better shooting pct.

7-2

Opp. has better shooting pct.

1-8

CHRONOLOGICAL**In November**

1-5

In December

3-1

In January

3-5

In February

0-0

SUPERLATIVES**Largest margin of victory**

24

Most points off free throws

18

Most points off the bench

43

Most points in the paint

48

Most points off turnovers

18

Most second chance points

18

NORTHERN STATE COMBINED STATISTICS

Game Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	7-13	2-5	5-5	0-3
CONFERENCE	7-7	2-4	5-3	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	0-6	0-1	0-2	0-3

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	OT	TOT
Northern St.	713	760	0	1473
Opponents	712	800	0	1512

Team Box Score

No.	Player	Total			3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds													
		GP-GS	MIN	AVG	FG-FGA	FG%	3FG-3FGA	3FG%	FT-FTA	FT%	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	DQ	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	Avg
8	BOOK, Joshua	20-20	667:21	33.4	94-236	.398	30-104	.288	69-73	.945	15	90	105	5.3	54	2	85	48	2	6	287	14.4
4	GLENN, James	16-14	421:07	26.3	65-152	.428	39-110	.355	20-22	.909	12	38	50	3.1	45	2	38	16	2	27	189	11.8
10	AKENA, Simon	16-14	445:47	27.9	66-146	.452	14-48	.292	32-41	.780	19	44	63	3.9	38	0	15	21	2	3	178	11.1
2	SMITH, Marshawn	20-3	488:01	24.4	88-200	.440	18-68	.265	22-31	.710	24	77	101	5.1	32	0	24	33	7	9	216	10.8
12	MERCADEL, Cameron	8-8	242:34	30.3	27-75	.360	15-43	.349	13-16	.813	4	15	19	2.4	18	1	12	4	0	1	82	10.3
14	ROGERS, Ty	18-17	478:47	26.6	52-133	.391	25-75	.333	28-52	.538	24	53	77	4.3	47	1	19	31	5	11	157	8.7
55	OBIORA, Tobi	17-11	454:03	26.7	52-83	.627	3-13	.231	16-33	.485	23	102	125	7.4	39	0	23	30	18	5	123	7.2
0	BOWEN, Benjamin	20-12	526:11	26.3	40-84	.476	15-40	.375	46-61	.754	24	52	76	3.8	47	1	26	18	2	14	141	7.1
5	REYNOLDS, Nelson	18-1	223:57	12.4	31-72	.431	24-55	.436	4-6	.667	2	11	13	0.7	21	0	16	4	1	4	90	5.0
1	TIETZ, Lane	8-0	30:45	3.8	2-9	.222	2-8	.250	4-4	1.000	2	4	6	0.8	3	0	2	2	0	0	10	1.3
35	VLIEM, Jake	4-0	05:27	1.4	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
11	VANBOCKERN, Braeden	3-0	07:31	2.5	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
20	BAAH-YEBOAH, Marley	5-0	06:44	1.3	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.0
25	LEMER, Parker	1-0	01:45	1.8	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team																			11			
Total		20	4000		517-1193	.433	185-566	.327	254-339	.749	178	523	701	35.1	348	7	261	219	39	80	1473	73.7
Opponents		20	4000		540-1207	.447	131-435	.301	301-403	.747	208	544	752	37.6	331	2	213	199	50	107	1512	75.6

Team Statistics

	NSU	OPP
Scoring	1473	1512
Points per game	73.7	75.6
Scoring margin	-2.0	-
Field goals-att	517-1193	540-1207
Field goal pct	.433	.447
3 point fg-att	185-566	131-435
3-point FG pct	.327	.301
3-pt FG made per game	9.3	6.6
Free throws-att	254-339	301-403
Free throw pct	.749	.747
F-Throws made per game	12.7	15.1
Rebounds	701	752
Rebounds per game	35.1	37.6
Rebounding margin	-2.6	-
Assists	261	213
Assists per game	13.1	10.7
Turnovers	219	199
Turnovers per game	11.0	10.0
Turnover margin	-1.0	-
Assist/turnover ratio	1.2	1.1
Steals	80	107
Steals per game	4.0	5.4
Blocks	39	50
Blocks per game	2.0	2.5
Winning streak	0	-
Home win streak	0	-
Attendance	11606	6276
Home games-Avg/Game	7-1658	10-628
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	3-171

Team Results

Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
11/14/2025	vs Okla. Baptist	L 72-83	219
11/15/2025	at Southern Nazarene	L 66-72	210
11/21/2025	vs Northern Mich.	L 61-80	168
11/22/2025	vs Northwest Mo. St.	L 65-73	126
11/26/2025	Jamestown	W 74-71	1536
11/29/2025	at Chadron St.	L 73-74	98
12/04/2025	at Mary	W 87-68	237
12/06/2025	Minot St.	L 79-91	1802
12/11/2025	Minn. Duluth	L 62-79	1695
12/13/2025	Bemidji St.	L 63-66	1606
12/18/2025	at MSU Moorhead	W 76-52	371
12/20/2025	at Minn.-Crookston	W 86-67	305
01/01/2026	Black Hills St.	L 70-77	1555
01/03/2026	at Jamestown	W 86-77	341
01/09/2026	at Wayne St. (NE)	L 79-86	281
01/10/2026	at Augustana (SD)	W 91-88	1293
01/16/2026	Winona St.	W 84-80	1723
01/17/2026	Concordia-St. Paul	L 73-78	1689
01/23/2026	at Minnesota St.	L 67-78	2682
01/24/2026	at St. Cloud St.	L 59-72	458

NORTHERN STATE GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

			Total		3-Pointers		Free throws		Rebounds										
Opponent	Date	Score	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-3FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	Avg	PF	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	Avg
vs Okla. Baptist	11/14/2025	72-83 L	24-58	.414	8-31	.258	16-20	.800	11	20	31	31.0	15	6	11	2	3	72	72.0
at Southern Nazarene	11/15/2025	66-72 L	22-56	.393	10-32	.313	12-20	.600	8	26	34	32.5	23	11	10	3	0	66	69.0
vs Northern Mich.	11/21/2025	61-80 L	22-47	.468	7-18	.389	10-14	.714	5	25	30	31.7	14	6	21	2	3	61	66.3
vs Northwest Mo. St.	11/22/2025	65-73 L	20-55	.364	7-26	.269	18-22	.818	11	26	37	33.0	14	9	11	1	3	65	66.0
Jamestown	11/26/2025	74-71 W	26-66	.394	11-35	.314	11-16	.688	8	34	42	34.8	12	17	9	3	4	74	67.6
at Chadron St.	11/29/2025	73-74 L	28-69	.406	10-32	.313	7-9	.778	9	25	34	34.7	16	14	2	0	4	73	68.5
at Mary	12/04/2025	87-68 W	31-66	.470	15-33	.455	10-12	.833	5	29	34	34.6	14	27	8	1	6	87	71.1
Minot St.	12/06/2025	79-91 L	31-76	.408	14-40	.350	3-7	.429	17	17	34	34.5	24	17	7	0	2	79	72.1
Minn. Duluth	12/11/2025	62-79 L	15-52	.288	7-29	.241	25-28	.893	10	19	29	33.9	20	8	14	2	6	62	71.0
Bemidji St.	12/13/2025	63-66 L	22-64	.344	8-30	.267	11-13	.846	14	23	37	34.2	19	12	11	1	6	63	70.2
at MSU Moorhead	12/18/2025	76-52 W	27-51	.529	12-26	.462	10-14	.714	5	36	41	34.8	14	17	11	2	4	76	70.7
at Minn.-Crookston	12/20/2025	86-67 W	33-60	.550	7-22	.318	13-22	.591	7	36	43	35.5	16	11	8	2	1	86	72.0
Black Hills St.	01/01/2026	70-77 L	27-59	.458	3-20	.150	13-19	.684	7	21	28	34.9	14	17	11	0	6	70	71.8
at Jamestown	01/03/2026	86-77 W	31-51	.608	6-15	.400	18-22	.818	4	24	28	34.4	18	10	12	2	4	86	72.9
at Wayne St. (NE)	01/09/2026	79-86 L	28-70	.400	13-39	.333	10-11	.909	17	24	41	34.9	20	15	13	3	3	79	73.3
at Augustana (SD)	01/10/2026	91-88 W	30-61	.492	17-36	.472	14-17	.824	5	31	36	34.9	19	18	10	2	3	91	74.4
Winona St.	01/16/2026	84-80 W	31-54	.574	10-27	.370	12-18	.667	3	23	26	34.4	18	17	13	2	5	84	74.9
Concordia-St. Paul	01/17/2026	73-78 L	24-60	.400	10-29	.345	15-22	.682	11	26	37	34.6	18	13	8	4	7	73	74.8
at Minnesota St.	01/23/2026	67-78 L	25-63	.397	7-23	.304	10-16	.625	13	30	43	35.0	20	9	12	3	5	67	74.4
at St. Cloud St.	01/24/2026	59-72 L	20-55	.364	3-23	.130	16-17	.941	8	28	36	35.1	20	7	17	4	5	59	73.7
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Northern St. Averages

Games Played	Points/game	FG Pct	3FG Pct	FT Pct	Rebounds/game	Assists/game	Turnovers/game	Assist/Turnover ratio	Steals/game	Blocks/game
20	73.7	43.3	32.7	74.9	35.1	13.1	11.0	1.2	4.0	2.0