

NCAA TOURNAMENT HISTORY

OVERALL RECORD:

32-29

29 APPEARANCES

1944 – EAST REGION

New York, N.Y.

Ohio State 57, Temple 47
Temple 55, Catholic 35

FINAL FOUR

1956 – EAST REGION

New York, N.Y.

Temple 74, Holy Cross 72
Philadelphia, Pa.

Temple 65, Connecticut 59

Temple 60, Canisius 58

Evanston, Ill.

Iowa 83, Temple 76 (Final Four)

Temple 90, SMU 81 (Third Place)

FINAL FOUR

1958 – EAST REGION

Charlotte, N.C.

Temple 71, Maryland 67

Temple 69, Dartmouth 50

Louisville, Kent.

Kentucky 61, Temple 60

(Final Four)

Temple 67, Kansas St. 57

(Third Place)

1964 – EAST REGION

Philadelphia, Pa.

Connecticut 53, Temple 48

1967 – EAST REGION

Blacksburg, Va.

St. John's 57, Temple 53

1970 – EAST REGION

Philadelphia, Pa.

Villanova 77, Temple 69

1972 – EAST REGION

Williamsburg, Va.

South Carolina 53, Temple 51

1979 – EAST REGION

Raleigh, N.C.

(10) St. John's 75, (7) Temple 70

1984 – #8 EAST REGION

Charlotte, N.C.

(8) Temple 65, (9) St. John's 63

(1) N. Carolina 77, (8) Temple 66

1985 – EAST REGION

Hartford, Conn.

(8) Temple 60, (9) Va. Tech 57

(1) Georgetown 63, (8) Temple 46

1986 – MIDWEST REGION

Dayton, Ohio

(9) Temple 61, (8) Jacksonville 50 (OT)

(1) Kansas 65, (9) Temple 43

1987 – MIDWEST REGION

Chicago, Ill.

(2) Temple 75, (15) Southern 56

(10) LSU 72, (2) Temple 62

ELITE EIGHT

1988 – EAST REGION

Hartford, Conn.

(1) Temple 87, (16) Lehigh 73

(1) Temple 74, (8) Georgetown 53

East Rutherford, N.J.

(1) Temple 69, (13) Richmond 47

(2) Duke 63, (1) Temple 53

1990 – EAST REGION

Atlanta, Ga.

(6) St. John's 81, (11) Temple 65

ELITE EIGHT

1991 – EAST REGION

College Park, Md.

(10) Temple 80, (7) Purdue 63

(10) Temple 77, (15) Richmond 64

East Rutherford, N.J.

(10) Temple 72, (3) Okla. St. 63 (OT)

(1) N. Carolina 75, Temple 72

1992 – SOUTHEAST REGION

Atlanta, Ga.

(6) Michigan 73, (11) Temple 66

ELITE EIGHT

1993 – WEST REGION

Salt Lake City, Utah

(7) Temple 75, (10) Missouri 61

(7) Temple 68, (15) Santa Clara 57

Seattle, Wash.

(7) Temple 67, (3) Vanderbilt 59

(1) Michigan 77, (7) Temple 72

1994 – EAST REGION

Landover, Md.

(4) Temple 61, (13) Drexel 39

(5) Indiana 67, (4) Temple 58

1995 – WEST REGION

Salt Lake City, Utah

(7) Cincinnati 77, (10) Temple 71

1996 – SOUTHEAST REGION

Orlando, Fla.

(7) Temple 61, (10) Oklahoma 43

(2) Cincinnati 78, (7) Temple 65

1997 – MIDWEST REGION

Kansas City, Mo.

(9) Temple 62, (8) Mississippi 40

(1) Minnesota 76, (9) Temple 57

1998 – WEST REGION

Boise, Idaho

(10) W. Virginia 82, (7) Temple 52

NCAA ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAMS

1956	Hal Lear (All-Final Four) Hal Lear (All-East Region) Guy Rodgers (All-East Region)
1958	Guy Rodgers (All-Final Four) Guy Rodgers (All-East Region) Bill Kennedy (All-East Region) Jay Norman (All-East Region)
1988	Tim Perry (All-East Region)
1991	Mik Kilgore (All-East Region) Mark Macon (All-East Region)
1993	Eddie Jones (All-West Region) Aaron McKie (All-West Region)
1999	Mark Karcher (All-East Region) Pepe Sanchez (All-East Region)
2001	Lynn Greer (All-South Region) Kevin Lyde (All-South Region)

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1999 – EAST REGION

Boston, Mass.

(6) Temple 61, (11) Kent 54

(6) Temple 64, (3) Cincinnati 54

East Rutherford, N.J.

(6) Temple 77, (10) Purdue 55

(1) Duke 85, (6) Temple 64

2000 – EAST REGION

Buffalo, N.Y.

(2) Temple 73, (15) Lafayette 47

(10) Seton Hall 67, (2) Temple 65 (OT)

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2001 – SOUTH REGION

New Orleans, La.

(11) Temple 79, (6) Texas 65

(11) Temple 75, (3) Florida 54

Atlanta, Ga.

(11) Temple 84, (7) Penn State 72

(1) Michigan St. 69, (11) Temple 62

2008 – SOUTH REGION

Denver, Colo.

(5) Michigan St. 72, (12) Temple 61

2009 – SOUTH REGION

Tampa, Fla.

(6) Arizona St. 66, (11) Temple 57

2010 – EAST REGION

Jacksonville, Fla.

(12) Cornell 78, (5) Temple 65

2011 – WEST REGION

Tucson, Ariz.

(7) Temple, 66, (10) Penn State 64

(2) San Diego State 71, (7) Temple 64 (2OT)

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1944 EAST REGION**NEW YORK, NY****Ohio State 57, Temple 47****Temple 55, Catholic 35**

Head coach Josh Cody led the Owls to their first ever NCAA appearances with a record of 13-8. Temple dropped its opener in the tournament by a 57-47 score to Ohio State before rebounding to defeat Catholic, 55-35.

FINAL FOUR**1956 EAST REGION****NEW YORK, NY****Temple 74, Holy Cross 72****Philadelphia, PA****Temple 65, Connecticut 59****Temple 60, Canisius 58****EVANSTON, IL – FINAL FOUR****Iowa 83, Temple 76****Temple 90, Southern Methodist 81**

Temple returned to the NCAA Tournament in 1956 behind the top backcourt in Philadelphia history, Hal Lear and Guy Rodgers, and Hall of Fame head coach Harry Litwack. The duo led the Owls to a 23-3 regular season record and first round match-up with Holy Cross at Madison Square Garden. After a 74-72 nailbiter, play resumed at The Palestra. With Fred Cohen pulling down a NCAA Tournament record 34 rebounds, Temple beat Connecticut, 65-59.

The Owls dispatched of Canisius, 60-58, for a trip to their first Final Four in Evanston, IL. A loss to Iowa ended hopes of a National Championship, but Lear poured in 48 points in a third-place victory over SMU to earn Final Four MVP honors.

FINAL FOUR**1958 EAST REGION****CHARLOTTE, NC****Temple 71, Maryland 67****Temple 69, Dartmouth 50****LOUISVILLE, KY – FINAL FOUR****Kentucky 61, Temple 60****Temple 67, Kansas State 57**

Two years later, Rodgers teamed with sophomore Bill "Pickles" Kennedy to lead TU back to the Final Four in Louisville, KY. Rodgers would be named to the All-Final Four team, but Temple fell to Kentucky, 61-60 and wrapped up third-place with a 67-57 victory over Kansas State.

1964 EAST REGION**PHILADELPHIA, PA****Connecticut 53, Temple 48**

The Cherry and White led 26-24 at the half but Connecticut stormed back to win, 53-48, in the East Region first round. Jim Williams pulled down 20 rebounds and scored 11 points, while Bill Kelley had a game-high 16 points for TU.

1967 EAST REGION**BLACKSBURG, VA****St. John's 57, Temple 53**

Temple fell to St. John's, 57-53, in a first round East Region game at Blacksburg, VA. Clarence Brookins had a game-high 21 points, as did St. John's Sonny Dove.

1970 EAST REGION**PHILADELPHIA, PA****Villanova 77, Temple 69**

An East Region first round match-up pitted a pair of Big 5 rivals with Villanova coming up on top, 77-69. All five Wildcats scored in double-figures, led by Howard Porter's 18 points and 14 rebounds. John Richardson led Temple with 22 points, while Lee Tress had 20 points and 21 rebounds.

1972 EAST REGION**WILLIAMSBURG, VA****South Carolina 53, Temple 51**

Ollie Johnson had 16 points and eight rebounds but Temple fell to South Carolina, 53-51, in the East Region first round in Williamsburg, VA. Johnson was the only Owl in double-figures, while South Carolina was led by Tom Riker (23 points).

1979 EAST REGION**RALEIGH, NC****#10 St. John's 75, #7 Temple 70**

Making its first NCAA appearance in seven years, the Owls dropped a 75-70 decision to St. John's in Raleigh, NC. Walt Montford led Temple with 22 points and nine rebounds, while Bruce Harrold added 18. St. John's duo of Wayne McKoy (22 points) and Reggie Carter (20) combined to shoot 19-for-28 from the floor.

1984 – #8 EAST REGION**CHARLOTTE, NC****(8) Temple 65, (9) St. John's 63****(1) N. Carolina 77, (8) Temple 66**

Temple shot 56% from the field and received 20 points from Granger Hall to defeat St. John's, 65-63, in Charlotte, NC. Terence Stansbury and Jim McLoughlin added 14 for

the Owls to offset a game-high 21 points from Chris Mullen.

Michael Jordan poured in 27 points on 11-for-15 shooting for North Carolina to beat Temple, 77-66, in the second round of the East Region. Stansbury tried to match the future NBA legend, scoring 26 points on 12-for-24 shooting, in 39 minutes. Granger Hall had 13 points and 12 rebounds against the Tar Heels, who started four future NBA players.

1985 – EAST REGION**HARTFORD, CONN.****(8) Temple 60, (9) Va. Tech 57****(1) Georgetown 63, (8) Temple 46**

Granger Hall scored 22 points and grabbed 13 rebounds as Temple squeaked past Virginia Tech, 60-57, in Hartford, CT. Charles Rayne also had a double-double with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

The defending NCAA Champion Georgetown Hoyas dispatched of Temple, 63-46, to move on to the Sweet Sixteen. Nate Blackwell led all scorers with 15 points as Granger Hall was held to seven points in 21 minutes.

1986 – MIDWEST REGION**DAYTON, OH****(9) Temple 61, (8) Jacksonville 50 (OT)****(1) Kansas 65, (9) Temple 43**

The Owls received balanced scoring, placing three players in double figures, but needed overtime to beat Jacksonville, 61-50, at Dayton. Ed Coe led the team with 16 points and eight boards, while Tim Perry had 11 points and 18 rebounds.

Temple was not as fortunate in the second round, dropping a 65-43 decision to top-seeded Kansas and eventual Midwest Regional MVP Danny Manning. Nate Blackwell was the only Owl to score double figures (14 points).

1987 – MIDWEST REGION**CHICAGO, IL****(2) Temple 75, (15) Southern 56****(10) LSU 72, (2) Temple 62**

#2-seeded Temple rode the back of senior Nate Blackwell and junior Tim Perry in a 75-56 first round victory over Southern in the Midwest Region. Blackwell scored 24 points while Perry added 21 points, 17 rebounds and seven blocks. Temple held Southern to 27% shooting from the floor.

Despite 26 points from Mike Vreeswyk, #10-seed LSU upset the Owls, 72-62, at the Rosemont Horizon. Blackwell scored 16 points in his final game and finished his career second on the program's assist list and third on the scoring list.

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1988 – EAST REGION

HARTFORD, CT

- (1) Temple 87, (16) Lehigh 73
(1) Temple 74, (8) Georgetown 53

EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ

- (1) Temple 69, (13) Richmond 47
(2) Duke 63, (1) Temple 53

The top-seeded Owls won their 16th straight game by dispatching of #16 Lehigh, 87-73, at the Hartford Civic Center. Tim Perry had 27 points, 12 rebounds and eight blocks, while freshman Mark Macon added 24 points and nine rebounds in the victory.

Two days later, Temple made easy-work of #8 seed, Georgetown, in a 74-53 victory. Mike Vreeswyk and Macon each had 21 points to lead four Owls in double-figures.

The Cherry and White next traveled up the New Jersey Turnpike to the Meadowlands to face off with #13 seed Richmond. Temple ended the Spiders' Cinderella story with a 69-47 victory and improved to 32-1. Macon had 24 points, while Vreeswyk added 19. Perry pulled down a double-double (11 points, 13 rebounds) and blocked four shots.

Future Philadelphia 76ers GM Billy King kept Macon under wraps on 6-for-29 shooting (13 points) to help Duke escape with a 63-53 win to advance to the Final Four. Temple shot 29% from the field in the game. Macon won various All-America honors and John Chaney was named the National Coach of the Year for the second straight year.

1990 – EAST REGION

ATLANTA, GA

- (6) St. John's 81, (11) Temple 65

Mark Macon scored a game-high 32 points but Temple could not overcome 60% shooting by St. John's in an 81-65 loss in the MidEast regional first round. Macon made 6-of-9 shots from long-distance and the Owls received 13 points and eight boards from Donald Hodge. St. John's took a 35-17 lead at the half and never looked back.

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1991 – EAST REGION

COLLEGE PARK, MD

- (10) Temple 80, (7) Purdue 63
(10) Temple 77, (15) Richmond 64

EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ

- (10) Temple 72, (3) Oklahoma St. 63 (OT)
(1) N. Carolina 75, Temple 72

Temple opened up play in the East Region with an 80-63 win over Purdue at the Cole Fieldhouse behind 25 points from Mik Kilgore. Mark Macon scored 19 points and Vic Carstarphen added 18.

The Owls had a surprise opponent in the second round, as #15-seed Richmond

upset #2-seed Syracuse, 73-69, in the first round. The Spiders could not post another upset, as Temple advanced to the Sweet Sixteen with a 77-64 victory. Macon scored 20 points, while Kilgore added 18.

Macon poured in 26 points to lead Temple to a 72-63 overtime victory over Oklahoma State in the Regional Semifinal at the Meadowlands, but the senior saved his best for his last collegiate game. He scored 31 points and grabbed nine rebounds but could not lift the Owls past North Carolina in the East Region final. The Tar Heels edged Temple, 75-72, in the contest as Macon ended his career as the program's all-time leading scorer.

1992 – SOUTHEAST REGION

ATLANTA, GA

- (6) Michigan 73, (11) Temple 66

Michigan's Fab Five proved to be too much for the Owls in a first round game at the Omin in a 73-66 victory over Temple. TU took a 59-57 lead late in the second half but was outscored 16-7 the rest of the way. Aaron McKie and Vic Carstarphen led four Owls in double-figures with 17 points each. Jalen Rose, who broke a 59-59 tie with 4:51 remaining, led all scorers with 19 points.

ELITE EIGHT

1993 – WEST REGION

SALT LAKE CITY, UT

- (7) Temple 75, (10) Missouri 61
(7) Temple 68, (15) Santa Clara 57
SEATTLE, WA
(7) Temple 67, (3) Vanderbilt 59
(1) Michigan 77, (7) Temple 72

Future NBA stars Eddie Jones and Aaron McKie had identical stat lines of 24 points, eight rebounds and three steals in 40 minutes to lead Temple past tenth-seeded Missouri at the Jon Huntsman Center. The Owls forced 22 turnovers and improved to 7-2 in opening round games under John Chaney.

The Cherry and White advanced to its third Sweet Sixteen by beating Santa Clara, 68-57. McKie (25 points), Rick Brunson (20) and Jones (17) combined for 62 of Temple's 68 points. The Owls held future NBA MVP Steve Nash to three points on 1-for-9 shooting.

Trailing by six points at the half, Temple went on a 15-3 run and would not fall behind again in a 67-59 victory over third-seeded Vanderbilt at the Kingdome. Jones scored a game-high 26 points on 13-for-23 shooting. The Owls held the Commodores to a season-low 59 points.

The Fab Five foiled the Owls for the second straight year with a 77-72 win over Temple in the West Regional Final. TU led by 10 points soon after halftime but the Wolverines went inside to Chris Webber and Juwan Howard, who combined for 16 points and 14

rebounds in the second half alone. All five members of the Fab Five scored in double-digits for Michigan. Rick Brunson had 21 points, nine assists and seven rebounds. Jones and McKie each earned All-West Region honors.

1994 – EAST REGION

LANDOVER, MD

- (4) Temple 61, (13) Drexel 39
(5) Indiana 67, (4) Temple 58

Temple defeated city-rival Drexel, 61-39, in the East Region first round at the USAir Arena behind 21 second-half points from Aaron McKie, who was held scoreless in the first half for the first time in 48 games. He added 10 rebounds. The Owls forced the Dragons into just 29% shooting and held Malik Rose to four points and five rebounds.

The second round pitted a pair of Hall of Fame coaches in John Chaney and Bobby Knight. Temple shut down Damon Bailey (eight points) but Indiana received clutch three point shooting from Brian Evans (18 points) and Todd Leary (15) to beat the Owls, 67-58. Eddie Jones had 24 points and seven boards, while McKie had 18 points and nine rebounds in his collegiate farewell.

1995 – WEST REGION

SALT LAKE CITY, UT

- (7) Cincinnati 77, (10) Temple 71

Cincinnati shot 61% from the field and held off a late Temple rally to beat the Owls, 77-71, at the Jon Huntsman Center in the West Region first round. Johnny Miller, playing on a sore ankle, scored 30 points and shot 9-for-17 from three-point range. Rick Brunson scored 16 points in his final collegiate game.

1996 – SOUTHEAST REGION

ORLANDO, FL

- (7) Temple 61, (10) Oklahoma 43
(2) Cincinnati 78, (7) Temple 65

John Chaney's famous match-up zone defense foiled another opponent, holding Oklahoma to 32% from the field and its second lowest post-season point total in program history in a 61-43 Temple win. Four Owls hit double figures, led by Marc Jackson and Levan Alston, who each had 14.

For the second straight year in the NCAA Tournament, Cincinnati eliminated the Owls from postseason play with a 78-65 victory. Temple was chilly from long-range, shooting just 26%, and made just one three in the second half. The #2-seeded Bearcats made all 10 free throws down the stretch to put the game away. Jackson had 13 points for TU.

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1997 – MIDWEST REGION

KANSAS CITY, MO

(9) Temple 62, (8) Mississippi 40
(1) Minnesota 76, (9) Temple 57

Temple bounced back from a heart-breaking overtime loss to Rhode Island, 69-66, in the Atlantic 10 Championship to score a 62-40 victory over #8-seeded Mississippi at the Kemper Arena. Marc Jackson had a double-double with 24 points and 10 rebounds, while Rasheed Brokenborough added 20.

The top-seeded Minnesota Golden Gophers were too much for Temple in a 76-57 second round victory. Brokenborough did not start due to a shoulder injury suffered against Ole Miss, but led the team with 12 points off the bench. The Owls drew within six points with 17:11 left but would get no closer the rest of the way.

1998 – WEST REGION

BOISE, ID (10)

West Virginia 82, (7) Temple 52

The A-10 Regular season champions and #24 Owls (AP) did not play well in any facet of the game in dropping their first round game to West Virginia, 82-52, in Boise, ID. Temple shot 33% from the floor and were out-rebounded 46-24. Pepe Sanchez had 15 points for the Owls.

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1999 – EAST REGION

BOSTON, MA

(6) Temple 61, (11) Kent 54

(6) Temple 64, (3) Cincinnati 54

EAST RUTHERSFORD, NJ

(6) Temple 77, (10) Purdue 55

(1) Duke 85, (6) Temple 64

After falling in the Atlantic 10 Championship on Rhode Island's Lamar Odom buzzer-beating three-pointer, Temple welcomed back Quincy Wadley from a hand-injury in a 61-54 victory over Kent State in the First Round at the Fleet Center. Pepe Sanchez had 15 points and nine assists and Rasheed Brokenborough added 15 in the win.

Wadley came off the bench to hit four three's to beat third-seeded Cincinnati, 64-54, to advance to the Sweet Sixteen. Temple continued to receive balanced scoring, as Lamont Barnes scored 15 points and Wadley and Sanchez added 14.

The Owls opened up a 15-point halftime lead on Purdue and cruised to a 75-55 victory over the #10-seeded Boilermakers. Karcher had 21 to lead all scorers, while Sanchez filled up the stat-sheet with 17 points, nine assists and six rebounds.

Temple came up short to top-seeded Duke, 85-64, at the Meadowlands in the East Regional final. The Blue Devils shot 60%

from the field and 59% from behind the arc. Karcher and Barnes each had 19 points for the Cherry and White. Karcher and Sanchez were named to the All-South Region team.

2000 – EAST REGION

BUFFALO, NY

(2) Temple 73, (15) Lafayette 47

(10) Seton Hall 67, (2) Temple 65 (OT)

Second-seeded Temple rolled to an easy 73-47 victory over Patriot League champion Lafayette in the East Regional First Round at Marine Midland Arena in Buffalo, NY. Quincy Wadley scored a game-high 17 points, while Pepe Sanchez dished a career-high 15 assists, setting a new arena record and tying the second most in an East Regional game.

Tenth-seeded Seton Hall and reserve guard Ty Shine ended Temple's season with a 67-65 overtime victory. Shine came off the bench to replace injured leading scorer Shaheen Holloway and scored a career-high 26 points, including a late three-pointer that put the Pirates ahead for good. Mark Karcher netted a game-high 27 points in the defeat.

ELITE EIGHT

2001 – SOUTH REGION

NEW ORLEANS, LA

(11) Temple 79, (6) Texas 65

(11) Temple 75, (3) Florida 54

ATLANTA, GA

(11) Temple 84, (7) Penn State 72

(1) Michigan St. 69, (11) Temple 62

After winning seven straight games to capture the sixth Atlantic 10 Championship in program history and second straight, Temple opened up the 2001 NCAA Tournament with a 79-65 victory over Texas at the Superdome in New Orleans. Quincy Wadley scored 20 of his 26 points in the first half and Lynn Greer added 19 as one of five Owls in double-figures to lead TU past the #6 Longhorns.

Two days later, it was Wadley and Greer again who vaulted the Owls to their fifth Sweet 16 under John Chaney. Wadley scored 24 and Greer added 20 as Temple frustrated the Gators with its renowned matchup zone defense, taking a 20-point halftime lead and coasting to a 75-54 victory over the third-seeded Gators.

Chaney improved to 5-0 in Regional Semifinals with an 84-72 victory over #7 seed Penn State at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta. Greer paced Temple with 21 points, while Greg Jefferson scored 15 points off the bench, the first bench points scored by the Owls in the Tournament.

The Owls' dream season came to an end to the top-seeded Michigan State Spartans, 69-62, keeping Chaney out of the Final Four.

The Cherry and White never led in the contest against the defending NCAA Champions. Greer scored a game-high 22 points, while Kevin Lyde netted a tournament career-high 21 points. Both players were named to the All-South Region team.

2008 – SOUTH REGION

DENVER, CO

(5) Michigan State 72, (12) Temple 61

Fifth-seeded Michigan State clamped down defensively on 12th-seeded Temple, especially junior Dionte Christmas, and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament by beating the Owls, 72-61, at the Pepsi Center. Senior Mark Tyndale scored 14 of his game-high 16 points in the second half to pace Temple. The Atlantic 10 Champions finish their season with a 21-13 record, the most victories since the 2000-01 team won 24 games.

2009 - SOUTH REGION

TAMPA, FL

(6) Arizona State 66, (11) Temple 57

Temple's Dionte Christmas won the battle of superstar guards, but Arizona State held off the Owls, 66-57, in the first round of the NCAA Tournament at American Airlines Arena in Miami. Christmas did all he could in his final collegiate game, scoring 29 points and breaking the school's single season three-point field goal record. James Harden, ASU's All-American, was guarded relentlessly by junior Ryan Brooks, and was held to nine points.

2010 - EAST REGION

JACKSONVILLE, FL

(12) Cornell 78, (5) Temple 65

The 12/13 Temple Owls' magical season came to an untimely end in the first round of the NCAA Tournament with a 78-65 loss to the Cornell Big Red. The fifth-seeded Owls, which had their 10-game win streak snapped, end the year at 29-6. Cornell, coached by Fran Dunphy's former 10-year assistant at Penn, Steve Donahue, blistered the nets in the first half. The Big Red shot 13-of-19 from the floor (68.4%) in the opening 20 minutes, taking a 37-29 lead at intermission. Temple, which held the nation's top three-point shooting team to just 2-of-7 in the first half, connected on 11-of-22 from the field to stay close. The Owls opened the second half on fire, scoring on eight of their first nine possessions, but the hot shooting of Ivy League Player of the Year Ryan Wittman (20 points), kept the Cornell lead at seven, 51-44, with 14:28 to play. Wittman drained three of his four treys in that stretch, all from well behind the arc. Cornell then went on a 16-4 run led by senior playmaker Louis Dale, who

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scored eight of his game-high 21 points during the game-breaking six-minute stretch. It was Dale's three-pointer that ended the run, making it 66-48 with 8:53 remaining. The Owls never got closer than 14 the remainder of the contest as the senior-laden three-time Ivy Champs advanced over the three-time A-10 Champs.

2011 - WEST REGION

TUCSON, AZ

(7) Temple 66, (2) Penn State 64

(2) San Diego St. 71 (7) Temple 64 (2OT)

Juan Fernandez, who drained the game-winning jumper with 0.4 seconds remaining, and Ramone Moore led Temple with 23 points each as the Owls defeated Penn State in a classic NCAA game. There were eight ties and 20 lead changes in the tightly contested game. In the final six minutes, there were just three missed shots and two empty possessions. As each team kept counter-punching and the lead kept alternating, it was becoming clear that the last team with the ball was going to win. After Penn State's 2000-point scorer Talor Battle drained a 25-footer with 16 seconds to play to tie the game. The Owls called timeout. It was then that Khalif Wyatt urged Coach Dunphy to put the ball in Juan Fernandez's hands. And Fernandez delivered one shining moment for Temple, connecting on a leaning 12-footer to lift the Owls to their first NCAA win since 2001.

Fifth-ranked and second-seed San Diego State was up next and the Owls were up for the challenge. The Aztecs looked like they were going to pull away at times, but the Owls would keep the game within striking distance. Trailing by five with two minutes to play, Wyatt drained a three-pointer and Lavoy Allen followed with a basket to tie the game. In the first overtime, Fernandez made a three to give the Owls the lead, which they would hold until Malcolm Thomas tied it at 61 on a three-point play. In the second overtime, the Aztecs finally pulled away.

NCAA RECORDS

SINGLE GAME HIGHS

POINTS

Player	Opponent (Date) ...Pts
Hal Lear	SMU (3/23/56) .....48
Hal Lear	Connecticut (3/16/56) 40
Hal Lear	Iowa .....32
Mark Macon	St. John's (3/16/90).....32
Mark Macon	N. Carolina (3/24/91)...31

REBOUNDS

Player	Opponent (Date) ..Reb
Fred Cohen*	Connecticut (3/16/56).34
Lee Tress	Villanova (3/7/70).....21
Jim Williams	Connecticut (3/9/64) .20
Tim Perry	Jacksonville (3/13/86) ..18
Tim Perry	Southern (3/13/87).....17

*NCAA Record

ASSISTS

Player	Opponent (Date) ...Ast
Pepe Sanchez	Seton Hall (3/19/00) ....15
Howard Evans	Richmond (3/24/88) ....11
Pepe Sanchez	Kent State (3/12/99) .....9
Pepe Sanchez	Purdue (3/19/99) .....9
Rick Brunson	Michigan (3/28/93) .....9
Lynn Greer	Florida (3/18/01).....9

Most 3-pointers Made (Game):

9, Johnny Miller vs Cincinnati (3/16/95)

Most Free Throws Made (Game):

12, Rick Brunson vs Santa Clara (3/20/93)

Most Free Throws Attempted (Game):

16, Rick Brunson vs Santa Clara (3/20/93)

Most Steals (Game):

6, Pepe Sanchez, vs. Purdue (3/19/99)

Most Blocks (Game):

8, Mark Strickland, vs Okla. St. (3/22/91)

8, Tim Perry, vs Lehigh (3/18/88)

CAREER HIGHS

POINTS

Player	Years	Games	.....Pts
Mark Macon	1988-91	8	.....210
Hal Lear	1956	5	.....160
Aaron Mckie	1992-94	7	.....138
Eddie Jones	1992-94	7	.....136
Quincy Wadley	1999-01	10	.....134

REBOUNDS

Player	Years	Games	.....Pts
Tim Perry	1985-88	9	.....94
Kevin Lyde	1998-01	10	.....66
Lamont Barnes	1997-00	9	.....49
Mark Macon	1988-91	8	.....46
Derrick Battie	1993-96	8	.....45

ASSISTS

Player	Years	Games	.....Asts
Pepe Sanchez	1997-00	9	.....54
Howard Evans	1985-88	9	.....47
Rick Brunson	1992-95	8	.....27
Mik Kilgore	1990-91	6	.....23
Lynn Greer	1998-01	7	.....23

Scoring average (career):

32.0, Hal Lear (5 games, 1956)

Most 3-pointers made (career):

17, Mike Vreeswyk (7 games, 1985-88)

Most Assists (career):

47, Pepe Sanchez, (9 games, 1997-00)

Most Free Throws Made (career):

41, Mark Macon (8 games, 1988-91)

Most Free Throws Attempted:

47, Mark Macon (8 games, 1988-91)

Best Free Throw Percentage:

.1000 (22-22),

Mike Vreeswyk (7 games, 1985-88)

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