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NSIC Preseason Player of the Year

Kevin Ratzsch

F, 6-7, 180, Sr.
Bloomington, Ill.
Bloomington HS
Northern State



Northern State's Kevin Ratzsch has been selected the 2008-09 NSIC Preseason Player of the Year, as voted on by the league coaches. Ratzsch, already named to the 2008-09 Street & Smith's Preseason All-American Second Team this season, finished fourth in the conference in scoring last year with 16.8 points per game (555 pts). He also had a team-best 33 steals to go along with 44 blocks on the defensive end of the floor for the Wolves. A first team all-conference selection the last two years, Ratzsch surpassed 1,000 points in his career on January 19, 2008. He was also a member of the North Central All-Region Tournament Team last year and was named to the NABC Division II All-North Central District First Team. Ratzsch helped lead the Wolves to a 29-4 mark last year, with all four losses coming at the hands of the National Champions of Winona State.

2008-09 NSIC MBB Coaches Preseason Poll

1. Minnesota State (7) 176
 2. Northern State (5) 169
 3. Winona State (2) 159
 4. Augustana College 139
 5. St. Cloud State 131
 6. Minnesota Duluth 118
 7. SMSU 116
 8. Concordia-St. Paul 103
 9. Wayne State 76
 10. MSU Moorhead 69
 11. Upper Iowa 68
 12. University of Mary 55
 13. Bemidji State 51
 14. Minnesota Crookston 26
- () First Place Votes

Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Men's Basketball Standings

2007-08 Final Standings

	-----NSIC Games-----						-----All Games-----					
	W	L	Win %	GP	PF	PA	W	L	Win %	GP	PF	PA
Winona State * & ^	18	0	1.000	18	1480	1043	38	1	.974	39	3233	2407
Northern State ^	16	2	.889	18	1355	1116	29	4	.879	33	2540	2125
Southwest Minnesota State	11	7	.611	18	1247	1163	17	12	.586	29	2043	1918
Concordia St. Paul	10	8	.556	18	1241	1218	16	12	.571	28	1951	1876
Wayne State (NE)	10	8	.556	18	1221	1265	16	13	.552	29	1980	2063
Upper Iowa	8	10	.444	18	1207	1284	9	19	.321	28	1802	2017
Minnesota State Moorhead	7	11	.389	18	1165	1195	14	14	.500	28	1907	1905
Mary	5	13	.278	18	1182	1353	8	20	.286	28	1873	2127
Bemidji State	3	15	.167	18	1078	1282	6	21	.222	27	1647	1956
Minnesota Crookston	2	16	.111	18	1119	1376	5	22	.185	27	1773	2112
Minnesota State * ^	11	1	.917	12	982	875	22-7	.759	29	2335	2086	
Augustana ^	8	4	.667	12	957	878	22-9	.710	31	2466	2222	
St. Cloud State	5	7	.417	12	881	941	17-11	.607	28	2105	1996	
Minnesota Duluth	2	10	.167	12	781	868	9-19	.321	28	1844	1920	

* Regular Season Champion & Tournament Champions ^Regional Qualifier

Minnesota State Tabbed Favorite in 2008-09 NSIC MBB Preseason Coaches' Poll

Minnesota State University, Mankato was picked as the 2008-09 NSIC Preseason favorites as chosen by the league coaches. The Mavericks received seven first place votes and 176 points to edge Northern State by seven points. The Wolves had five first place votes of their own and totaled 169 points, ten ahead of defending NCAA DII National Champions of Winona State (159). Augustana College (139) and St. Cloud State (131) round out the top five teams in the poll.



Minnesota State, which finished 22-7 a year ago and advanced to their fourth consecutive NCAA Division II tournament, return three starters from last year's squad and are ranked sixth in the DII Bulletin Preseason Poll. Winona State is the only other team from the region ranked in the poll as they came in at number eight.

NSIC Preseason Player of the Year honors go to Northern State's Kevin Ratzsch (Sr., F, Bloomington, Ill.), who garnered nearly all the votes for the award. Ratzsch has already been named to the Street & Smith Preseason All-American Second Team after finishing fourth in the NSIC in scoring a year ago (16.8 ppg). Ratzsch helped the Wolves to a 29-4 record, with all four losses coming against the National Champions of Winona State.

The 2008-09 season tips off on November 7th as Winona State, SMSU and Minnesota Duluth take part in the Disney East and West Tipoff Classics.



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The NSIC is a 14-team, 17-sport, NCAA Division II Conference with teams located in Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota.



National Rankings
Division II Bulletin Top 25 Poll
October 10, 2008

Table with 4 columns: Rk, School, Rec, Pts, Prev. Lists top 25 schools including Findlay, Florida Southern, Bentley, Northern Kentucky, USC Aiken, Minnesota St., Central Oklahoma, Winona St., Northwest Missouri, Augusta St., Southwest Baptist, C.W. Post, Central Washington, Lenoir-Rhyne, North Alabama, Gannon, Drury, Mt. Olive, Christian Brothers, Catawba, Pitt-Johnstown, Clayton St., Grand Valley St., BYU-Hawaii, Philadelphia.

NSIC in Top 25 in 2007-08

NABC/DII Top 25

Table with 2 columns: Week, Team (Ranked). Lists weeks from 10/31/07 to 03/11/08 and corresponding team rankings.

NSIC Basketball on the Radio

Local Radio Stations

For NSIC Men's Basketball

as well as the NSIC Spotlight Show

Table listing radio stations and frequencies for various schools: Augustana College (KIKN 100.5-FM), University of Mary (KFAN AM 710), Minnesota, Crookston (KROX AM 1260), Minnesota Duluth (KDAL 610-AM), Minnesota State (KTOE-AM 1420), MSU Moorhead (KMSC AM 1500), Northern State (KSDN AM 930/FM 94.1), SMSU (KARL 105.1 FM), St. Cloud State (KNSI 1450-AM), Upper Iowa (KOEL AM 950), Wayne State (KTCH FM 104.9), Winona State (KWNO AM 1230).



Augustana College (22-9, 8-4 NSIC)

Head Coach: Tom Billeter (Illinois '83) • 64-78, 0-0 NSIC • 6th Season

Eric Krogman, 6-6, 244, Sr., Forward, Elkton, S.D. (Elkton HS)

Krogman started 20 of Augustana's 31 games during the 2007-08 season and helped lead the team to a 22-9 record, a runner-up finish in the North Central Conference standings and the program's first NCAA Tournament appearance in nearly 20 years. Krogman averaged 8.8 points per game, which was fourth on the squad, while grabbing a team-high 5.7 rebounds per game. He also was third on the team with 15 blocked shots. A 55.4 percent field goal shooter, Krogman scored in double figures 11 times last season in addition to grabbing at least 10 rebounds in 5 games. That includes a 30-point, 13-rebound outing at Nebraska-Omaha.

Table with 4 columns: Date, Opponent, Time/Results, Record. Lists game schedule from Nov 15 to Feb 28.



Bemidji State (6-21, 3-15 NSIC)

Head Coach: Matthew Bowen (Indiana, 1995) • 11-44, 8-28 NSIC • 3rd Season

Sergej Baskow (F/C, 6-8, 215, Jr., Ludwigsburg, Germany)

Baskow played in 25 of 27 games earning five starts last winter for the Beavers. He was fifth on the team averaging 7.4 ppg and was second among his teammates with 3.8 rpg in 15.3 minutes per game. He was second among his teammates in field goal percentage shooting .476 (70-147) and third in block shots with fifteen block shots on the season (0.6 b/g). Baskow netted a career-high 18 points versus the University of Mary (1/12/08) on 3-of-4 from the field and 11-of-13 from the free-throw line with the eleven made free-throws was a career-high He led the team in scoring on four occasions and was one of three players to record double-digit rebounds.

Table with 4 columns: Date, Opponent, Time/Results, Record. Lists game schedule from Nov 11 to Feb 28.

2008-09 NSIC Team Notes



Concordia St. Paul (16-12, 10-8 NSIC)
Kelly Boe (St. John's, 1996) • 37-20, 23-13 NSIC • 3rd Season

#32 Craig Heiman (F, 6-5, 230, Jr., Marshall, Wis. / Marshall HS)

Heiman was named to the 2008-09 Street & Smith's Preseason All-America Honorable Mention team following a stellar 2007-08 season that had him named NSIC All-Conference First Team. Heiman was a three-time NSIC Player of the Week last season as he led the NSIC in scoring with 18.0 ppg (60th in NCAA DII). He became only the fourth player in CU history to score over 500 points in a season as he notched 505, third most in school history. Heiman had ten games with 20+ points and three with +30 as he scored in double digits in 25 of 28 contests.

Date	Opponent	Time/Results	Record
Nov 14	at University of Minnesota (EX)	8:00 pm	
Nov 15	vs Georgia State (Williams Arena)	6:00 pm	
Nov 16	vs Bowling Green (Williams Arena)	4:00 pm	
Nov 23	Augsburg College	4:00 pm	
Nov 28	vs San Francisco State	5:00 pm	
Nov 29	at Cal St. Monterey Bay	7:30 pm	
Dec 5	at Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 6	at Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 12	Minnesota Crookston	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 13	Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 18	Northwestern (MN)	7:00 pm	
Dec 30	St. Thomas	7:00 pm	
Jan 3	at St. Cloud State	C 4:00 pm	
Jan 9	at Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 10	at Minnesota Duluth	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 16	Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 17	Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 23	Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 24	Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 30	at Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 31	at Wayne State (NE)	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 6	Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 7	Minnesota Duluth	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 13	at Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 14	at Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 21	at Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 25	St. Cloud State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 28	Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	



University of Mary (8-20, 5-13 NSIC)

Head Coach: Juno Pintar (NDSU, 1989) • 47-69, 9-27 • 5th Season

#32 Eric Erdmann (F, 6-5, Jr., Fargo, N.D. / North HS)

Erdmann was seventh in the Northern Sun with 14.3 points per game last season, good enough to earn him NSIC All-Conference Second Team honors. He was 16th in the conference with 4.9 rebounds per game, seventh in free throw shooting (78.8%), and ninth in blocked shots with 1.04 rejections per game. He shot 46.6% from the field and 39.1% on three-point attempts. For his career, Erdmann is closing on 700 points. He is currently at 691 points in 54 games over two seasons.

Date	Opponent	Time/Results	Record
Nov 19	at St. Martins	7:00 pm	
Nov 21	at Seattle Pacific	7:00 pm	
Nov 22	vs Western Washington	5:00 pm	
Nov 26	at Montana State Billings	7:00 pm	
Dec 1	Montana State Billings	7:00 pm	
Dec 5	Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 6	Wayne State (NE)	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 12	Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 13	Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 19	Mayville State	6:00 pm	
Jan 2	at Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 3	at Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 10	at Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 13	at North Dakota	7:00 pm	
Jan 16	Minnesota Duluth	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 17	Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 23	at St. Cloud State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 24	at Concordia St. Paul	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 30	at Minnesota Crookston	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 31	at Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 6	Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 7	Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 14	Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 20	at Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 21	at Wayne State (NE)	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 25	Minnesota Crookston	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 28	at Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	



Minnesota, Crookston (5-22, 2-16 NSIC)

Jeff Oseth (MSU Moorhead, 1994) • 23-113, 10-70 • 7th Season

#32 Akeem Cubie (G, 6-5, 180, So., Minneapolis, Minn. / Washburn HS)

Cubie played in 27 games in his freshman year averaging 15.7 mpg and 9.1 ppg. He was 98 of 182 (53.8%) from the field, averaged 2.7 rpg snatched 20 steals on the season. Cubie scored a season high 25 points against Minnesota-Morris on Dec. 14, 2007.

Date	Opponent	Time/Results	Record
Nov 3	at Minot State(EX)	7:00 pm	
Nov 10	Sioux Falls (EX)	7:00 pm	
Nov 15	vs Wayne State (NE) at St. Cloud	2:00 pm	
Nov 16	vs Metro State at St. Cloud	2:00 pm	
Nov 22	at Minnesota-Morris	5:00 pm	
Nov 25	at Mayville State	7:00 pm	
Nov 28	at UW-Stout Tourney	TBA	
Nov 29	at UW-Stout Tourney	TBA	
Dec 5	Minnesota Duluth	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 6	Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 12	at Concordia St. Paul	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 13	at St. Cloud State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 30	at North Dakota	7:00 pm	
Jan 2	at Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 3	at Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 9	Wayne State (NE)	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 10	Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 17	Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 23	at Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 24	at Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 30	Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 31	Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 6	Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 7	Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 13	at Minnesota Duluth	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 14	at Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 21	St. Cloud State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 25	at Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 28	at Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	



Minnesota Duluth (9-19, 2-10 NCC)

Gary Holquist (Milton College '79) • 155-137 • 11th Season

#44 Brian Sykora (F, 6-7, 210, Jr., Bloomington, Minn / Jefferson HS)

Sykora was a standout player at Scottsdale Community College last season and was named all-conference and all-region at SCC. Last season at UMD Sykora started all 28 games for the Bulldogs averaging 16.5 ppg and 8.4 rpg. He was 186 of 392 (47.3%) from the field and 90 of 110 (81.8%) from the charity stripe.

Date	Opponent	Time/Results	Record
Nov 1	at UW-Green Bay (EX)	7:00 pm	
Nov 7	vs Montevallo (Disney Tipoff)	5:00 pm	
Nov 8	vs Lees-McRae (Disney Tipoff)	5:00 pm	
Nov 9	vs Florida Southern College (Disney Tipoff)	7:30 pm	
Nov 16	at Northern Michigan	12:00 pm	
Nov 23	at Michigan Tech	12:00 pm	
Nov 25	Wisconsin Superior	7:00 pm	
Nov 29	vs Northern State	2:00 pm	
Nov 30	vs Wayne State (NE)	8:00 pm	
Dec 5	at Minnesota Crookston	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 6	at Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 12	Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 13	Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 19	at South Dakota	8:00 pm	
Dec 30	Northland	7:00 pm	
Jan 2	at Wayne State (NE)	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 3	at Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 9	St. Cloud State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 10	Concordia St. Paul	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 16	at Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 17	at Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 24	Bemidji State	C 5:00 pm	
Jan 30	Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 31	Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 6	at St. Cloud State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 7	at Concordia St. Paul	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 13	Minnesota Crookston	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 14	Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 21	at Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 25	at Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 28	Augustana	C 5:00 pm	

2008-09 NSIC Team Notes



Minnesota State (22-7, 11-1 NCC)

Matt Margenthaler (Western Illinois '91) • 118-60, 0-0 • 7th Season

#3 Jake Morrow (G, 6-4, 215, Sr., Wild Rose, Wis. / Wild Rose HS)

Morrow was named to Street & Smith Preseason All-American Honorable Mention team in this season after an all-conference worth performance last year for the Mavericks. He was a second team All-District NABC selection as he averaged 16.0 ppg and 4.4 rpg. He scored a career high 32 points at UMD on January 10, 2008. He has scored over 1,000 points his career thus far at MSU.

Date	Opponent	Time/Results	Record
Nov 7	vs Bentley (Disney Tipoff)	1:30 pm	
Nov 8	vs Southern Indiana (Disney Tipoff)	1:30 pm	
Nov 9	vs St. Martins (Disney Tipoff)	11:00 am	
Nov 15	Monmouth (Ill.)	8:00 pm	
Nov 21	Post	8:00 pm	
Nov 22	Chowan	8:00 pm	
Nov 25	William Penn	8:00 pm	
Nov 29	Bethany Lutheran	7:00 pm	
Dec 6	at Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 12	at Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 13	at Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 18	MacMurry	7:00 pm	
Dec 19	Crown College	7:00 pm	
Jan 2	Minnesota Crookston	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 3	Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 9	Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 10	Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 16	at Concordia St. Paul	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 17	at St. Cloud State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 23	Wayne State (NE)	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 24	Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 30	at Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
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Feb 13	Concordia St. Paul	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 14	St. Cloud State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 21	Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 25	at Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 28	Mary	C 8:00 pm	



MSU Moorhead (14-14, 7-11 NSIC)

Stu Engen (Augsburg, 1986) • 286-195, 75-84 • 7th Season

#25 Justyn Burgess (G, 6-3, Sr., Minneapolis, Minn. / North)

Burgess scored in double figures in 15 games last season, including a 23 point outburst against St. Cloud State on Nov. 27th to earn NSIC Co-Newcomer of the Year honors. His best overall game came against Graceland University on Nov. 24th when he scored 13 points, grabbed nine rebounds and dished out eight assists. He averaged 12.4 points per game, 3.6 rebounds and shot 48.5% from the field in NSIC contests.

Date	Opponent	Time/Results	Record
Nov 20	Manitoba (EX)	7:00 pm	
Nov 25	at Concordia-Moorhead	7:30 pm	
Nov 29	vs Wayne State (NE)	8:00 pm	
Nov 30	vs Augustana	7:00 pm	
Dec 5	Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 6	Minnesota Duluth	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 12	at St. Cloud State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 13	at Concordia St. Paul	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 20	Crown College	3:00 pm	
Dec 29	Mayville State	3:00 pm	
Jan 2	at Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 3	at Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 9	Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 10	Wayne State (NE)	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 17	at Minnesota Crookston	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 23	at Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 24	at Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 30	Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 31	Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 6	Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 7	Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 13	at Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 14	at Minnesota Duluth	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 21	Concordia St. Paul	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 25	at Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 28	Minnesota Crookston	C 8:00 pm	



Northern State (29-4, 16-2 NSIC)

Don Meyer (No. Colorado '67) • 891-299, 189-79, 110-41 • 10th Season

Kevin Ratzsch (F, 6-5, 180, Sr., Bloomington, Ill. / Bloomington HS)

A Street & Smith's Second Team All-American, Ratzsch returns to the floor in 2008-09 after leading the Wolves and finishing fourth in the NSIC in scoring last season with 16.8 points per game. He also had a team-best 33 steals and 44 blocked shots on the defensive end of the floor for the Wolves. The Wolves will rely heavily on Ratzsch and fellow senior Kyle Schwan to guide a young 2008-09 squad that lost three starters to graduation.

Date	Opponent	Time/Results	Record
Oct 25	Black Hills State (EX)	7:00 pm	
Nov 18	Mount Marty	7:00 pm	
Nov 21	Presentation College	8:00 pm	
Nov 24	Jamestown	7:00 pm	
Nov 29	vs Minnesota Duluth	2:00 pm	
Nov 30	vs Bemidji State	2:00 pm	
Dec 5	Wayne State (NE)	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 6	Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 12	Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 13	Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 28	Midland Lutheran	2:00 pm	
Jan 2	at Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 3	at Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 10	Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 16	Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 17	Minnesota Duluth	C 8:00 pm	
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Feb 7	Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 14	at Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 20	at Wayne State (NE)	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 21	at Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 25	Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 28	at Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	



Southwest Minnesota State (17-12, 11-7 NSIC)

Greg Stemen (Valley City State, 1988) • 113-90, 68-48 • 8th Season

#42 Ross DeMasi (F, 6-8, 215, Sr., Swanton, Vt. / Missisquoi Valley HS)

DeMasi is the top returning scorer for SMSU in 2008-09 with 9.6 points per game while also leading the team in rebounding with 6.8 per game. He shot 56.4% from the field, the highest by an SMSU player since 1999-2000. He started all 29 games last season and finished third on the team in scoring with 9.6 points per game. He scored a career-high 20 points in overtime win over Sioux Falls (11/16) while scoring in double figures in 14 games and led team in rebounding in 22 games. He recorded a team-high five double-doubles and led team with 14 blocked shots.

Date	Opponent	Time/Results	Record
Nov 7	vs Alaska-Anchorage (Disney Tipoff)	2:00 pm	
Nov 8	vs Humboldt State (Disney Tipoff)	7:00 pm	
Nov 9	vs Ft. Lewis (Disney Tipoff)	1:00 pm	
Nov 18	at North Dakota	7:00 pm	
Nov 29	vs Augustana	7:00 pm	
Nov 30	vs Upper Iowa	3:00 pm	
Dec 3	Northwestern (Iowa)	7:00 pm	
Dec 6	Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 12	at Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 13	at Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 22	at South Dakota	7:00 pm	
Dec 30	at Sioux Falls	7:00 pm	
Jan 2	Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 3	Minnesota Crookston	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 9	Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 10	Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
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2008-09 NSIC Team Notes



St. Cloud State (17-11, 5-7 NCC)

Kevin Schlagel (St. Cloud State '76) • 215-103, 0-0 • 12th Season

#50 Matt Schneck (C, 6-8, 230, Jr., Whitefish Bay, Wis./Whitefish Bay HS)
Schneck is a two-year starter that was named to the 2008-09 Street & Smith Honorable Mention All-American preseason team. He averaged 13.0 points and a team high 6.6 rebounds last season, and shot a team high 58% from the field. He is the top returning scorer for the Huskies. He recorded three double-doubles and scored in double figures 20 times in 2007-08. He scored a career high 25 points against Concordia St. Paul. Schneck will be a team captain in 2008-09.

Date	Opponent	Time/Results	Record
Nov 3	at Minnesota (EX)	7:00 pm	
Nov 15	Metro State	4:00 pm	
Nov 16	Wayne State (NE)	4:00 pm	
Nov 22	at St. John's (MN)	7:30 pm	
Nov 28	vs Humboldt State	7:30 pm	
Nov 29	at Chico State	9:30 pm	
Dec 5	at Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 6	at Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 12	Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 13	Minnesota Crookston	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 20	Dakota State	8:00 pm	
Dec 30	St. Mary's (MN)	6:00 pm	
Jan 3	Concordia St. Paul	C 4:00 pm	
Jan 9	at Minnesota Duluth	C 8:00 pm	
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Feb 13	at Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
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Feb 21	at Minnesota Crookston	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 25	at Concordia St. Paul	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 28	Winona State	C 8:00 pm	



Upper Iowa (9-19, 8-10 NSIC)

Brian Dolan (William Jewell, 1998 • 12-43, 10-26 • 3rd Season)

#12 Matt Lesan (G, 6-2, So., Solon, Iowa / Solon HS)

Lesan started all but two of the 27 games during the Peacocks' 2007-08 campaign on his way to being named NSIC Co-Newcomer of the Year. He led the team in scoring, averaging 12.6 points per game. He was second on the team in several categories per game including minutes (28.3), assists (1.7), and steals (1.0). Lesan scored in double figures on 18 games, including a 27 point performance against Bemidji State on Jan. 18th where he was 9-of-12 from the field.

Date	Opponent	Time/Results	Record
Nov 15	at Drury	7:00 pm	
Nov 19	at UW-Milwaukee	7:00 pm	
Nov 25	at South Dakota State	7:00 pm	
Nov 26	at North Dakota	7:00 pm	
Nov 29	vs Bemidji State	3:00 pm	
Nov 30	vs Southwest Minnesota State	3:00 pm	
Dec 2	at Drake University	7:00 pm	
Dec 5	Concordia St. Paul	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 6	St. Cloud State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 12	at Minnesota Duluth	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 13	at Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 2	Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 3	Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 9	at Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 10	at Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 16	at Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 17	at Wayne State (NE)	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 23	Minnesota Crookston	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 24	Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 31	at Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 6	at Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 7	at Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 13	Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 14	Wayne State (NE)	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 21	Minnesota Duluth	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 25	Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 28	at Concordia St. Paul	C 8:00 pm	



Wayne State (16-13, 10-8 NSIC)

Rico Burkett (North Dakota, 1993) • 100-122, 68-66 • 9th Season

#11 Jonathon Thomas (F, 6-6, Sr., Earlville, Iowa/Maquoketa Valley HS)

Thomas averaged 9.9 points and 6.8 rebounds while playing in 28 games with 22 starts for the Wildcats last season. He recorded six double-doubles on the year while scoring a season-high 24 points with eight rebounds at Winona State on 1/5/08 and was named the NSIC Men's Basketball Player of the Week on 1/7/08 after averaging 18 points and 13 rebounds vs. Upper Iowa and Winona State.

Date	Opponent	Time/Results	Record
Nov 15	vs Minnesota Crookston	2:00 pm	
Nov 16	at St. Cloud State	4:00 pm	
Nov 18	Morningside College	7:00 pm	
Nov 24	Nebraska-Kearney	8:00 pm	
Nov 29	vs Minnesota State Moorhead	8:00 pm	
Nov 30	vs Minnesota Duluth	8:00 pm	
Nov 30	vs Elmen Center - Sanford Health/NSIC Holiday HoopsFest	8:00 pm	
Dec 5	at Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 6	at Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 13	Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 20	York College	3:00 pm	
Jan 2	Minnesota Duluth	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 3	Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 9	at Minnesota Crookston	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 10	at Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 16	Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 17	Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 23	at Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 24	at Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 30	St. Cloud State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 31	Concordia St. Paul	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 7	at Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 13	at Winona State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 14	at Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 20	Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 21	Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 25	Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 28	at Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	



Winona State (38-1, 18-0 NSIC)

Mike Leaf (Winona State, 1985) • 223-89, 131-33 • 11th Season

#24 David Johnson (G, 6-2, Jr., Hayfield, Minn. / Hayfield HS)

Johnson started all 39 games last season for the National Champions of Winona State. He was third on the team in scoring (11.1 ppg) as he shot 47% from the field and 44% from three point range in scoring 297 points. He was also 85% from the charity stripe hitting 75 of 88 shots. Johnson has scored 665 points at Winona State over the past two years.

Date	Opponent	Time/Results	Record
Nov 15	St. Mary's (MN)	8:00 pm	
Nov 18	at BYU-Hawaii Tournament	8:00 pm	
Nov 20	at BYU-Hawaii Tournament	8:00 pm	
Nov 28	Augsburg	7:00 pm	
Nov 29	Gustavus Adolphus	7:00 pm	
Dec 5	St. Cloud State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 6	Concordia St. Paul	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 12	at Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 13	at Minnesota Duluth	C 8:00 pm	
Dec 17	Truman State	3:00 pm	
Dec 20	Lewis	3:00 pm	
Dec 28	Texas A&M International	7:00 pm	
Jan 2	Northern State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 3	Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 9	at Southwest Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 10	at Minnesota State	C 8:00 pm	
Jan 16	at Wayne State (NE)	C 8:00 pm	
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Jan 23	Minnesota State Moorhead	C 8:00 pm	
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Feb 7	at Mary	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 13	Wayne State (NE)	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 14	Augustana	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 21	Bemidji State	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 25	at Upper Iowa	C 8:00 pm	
Feb 28	at St. Cloud State	C 8:00 pm	



2007-08 Returning All-Conference Players

Table with 6 columns: First Team, Pos., *Yr., Ht., School, Hometown. Lists players like David Foster, Craig Heiman, Jake Morrow, Brian Sykora, Kevin Ratzsch.

Table with 6 columns: Second Team, Pos., Yr., Ht., School, Hometown. Lists player Eric Erdmann.

Table with 6 columns: HM Team, Pos., Yr., Ht., School, Hometown. Lists players Jadee Jones, Mitch Gosson.

* Year indicated is for 2007-08 Season

2007-08 NSIC Player of the Year

John Smith, Winona State (Sr., F, Johnsburg, Ill.)

2007-08 NSIC Co-Newcomers of the Year

Justyn Burgess, MSU Moorhead (Jr., G, Minneapolis, Minn.)

Matt Lesan, Upper Iowa (Fr., G, Solon, Iowa)

2007-08 NSIC Defensive Player of the Year

Jonte Flowers, Winona State (Sr., G, Cottage Grove, Wis.)

2007-08 NSIC Coach of the Year

Mike Leaf, Winona State

2006-07 Preseason NSIC Men's Basketball Coaches Poll

Table with 2 columns: Rank, Points. Lists poll results for 2006-07 season, with Winona State at 90 points.

2005-06 Preseason NSIC Men's Basketball Coaches Poll

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2004-05 Preseason NSIC Men's Basketball Coaches Poll

Table with 2 columns: Rank, Points. Lists poll results for 2004-05 season, with Northern State at 70 points.

2003-04 Preseason NSIC Men's Basketball Coaches' Poll

Table with 2 columns: Rank, Points. Lists poll results for 2003-04 season, with Winona State at 58 points.

2007-08 Preseason NSIC Men's Basketball Coaches Poll

Table with 2 columns: Rank, Points. Lists poll results for 2007-08 season, with Winona State at 90 points.

