

# St. Norbert College Sports Information

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## NCAA DIVISION III BASEBALL TOURNAMENT - MIDWEST REGIONAL St. Norbert College (23-14) vs. No. 2 UW-Whitewater (36-7) - 5/14 - Noon Wednesday-Saturday, May 14-17, 2014

## Prucha Field at Miller Stadium (400) - Whitewater, Wisconsin

#### **Tournament Overview:**

St. Norbert College makes its fourth NCAA Division III Baseball Tournament appearance - and its third in the last six years - as the Green Knights participate in the Midwest Regional at Prucha Field at Miller Stadium in Whitewater. The winner of the six-team, double-elimination tournament advances to the NCAA Division III World Series at Fox Cities Stadium in Grand Chute May 23-27.

#### The Series:

UW-Whitewater leads St. Norbert 2-0 in the all-time series. The two teams last met in 1963.

St. Norbert and Heidelberg are tied 1-1 in the all-time series, splitting a pair of games in 1978.

St. Norbert leads Concordia-Chicago 1-0 in the all-time series, with the Green Knights recording a 5-0 win over the Cougars in the 2012 NCAA Midwest Regional in Whitewater.

UW-La Crosse leads St. Norbert 2-0 in the all-time series. The Eagles won NAIA District 14 playoff games in 1975 and 1976.

St. Norbert and Adrian have never met in baseball.

#### The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Tom Winske (Fort Hays State, 1988) is 349-222-1 in his 16th season in De Pere. Winske, whose position at St. Norbert is part-time, was the Midwest Conference North Division Coach of the Year in 2000, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2010 and 2012.

UW-Whitewater coach John Vodenlich (UW-Whitewater, 1992) is 459-207-2 in his 11th season in Whitewater.

Heidelberg coach Matt Palm (Wooster, 1995) is 459-207-2 in his 15th season in Tiffin.

Concordia-Chicago coach Adam Smith (Carthage, 1999) is 145-35 in his fourth season in River Forest.

UW-La Crosse coach Chris Schwarz (UW-La Crosse, 2002) is 214-189-1 in his 10th season in La Crosse.

Adrian coach Craig Rainey (Adrian, 1988) is 519-362 in his 21st season in Adrian.

2014 Results											
	Result										
vs. Wash. & Jeff. (25)	L 12-4										
	L 5-4										
vs. Southern Maine (3)	L 7-1										
	W 9-3										
vs. Fontbonne	W 7-6										
vs. North Central (Ill.)	W 3-2										
•	W 5-4										
vs. St. Thomas (9)	L 4-3										
	W 3-2										
vs. Grinnell	W 15-11										
vs. Grinnell	W 6-1										
at Washington (Mo.)	W 6-1										
at Concordia (Wis.)	W 7-6										
at Carroll *	W 12-1										
	L 2-1										
at Carroll *	L 5-1										
	L 3-2										
at UW-Stevens Point (2)	L 10-1										
	L 10-7										
at Ripon *	W 10-6										
	L 6-2										
at Beloit *	W 4-0										
	W 10-4										
Beloit *	W 10-0										
	L 9-7										
Ripon *	L 5-1										
	W 10-0										
at UW-Oshkosh	L 6-1										
	W 8-3										
	L 6-5										
Lawrence *	W 15-3										
	W 9-3										
at Lawrence *	W 10-8										
	W 7-2										
	W 14-7										
	W 7-5										
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nce Iournament, Ripon/F	ond du Lac,										
	Opponent vs. Wash. & Jeff. (25) vs. Southern Maine (3) vs. Oglethorpe vs. Fontbonne vs. North Central (III.) vs. St. Thomas (9) vs. Grinnell vs. Grinnell at Washington (Mo.) at Concordia (Wis.) at Carroll * at Carroll *										

## St. Norbert Quick Facts

Nickname:Green Knights
<b>Location:</b>
Colors:Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
<b>Founded:</b>
<b>Enrollment:</b>
President:Thomas Kunkel
Athletics Director:Tim Bald
Conference:
Facility:
<b>Capacity:</b> 500
<b>Year Opened</b>
<b>Dimensions</b> . L - 325, LC - 365, C - 400, RC - 340, R - 315
Head Coach:Tom Winske
<b>Record at St. Norbert:</b> 349-222-1 (16th year)
Assistant Coaches:
Mike Wallerich
Kyle Kannenberg
Tom Wilson
First Season of Baseball:
Seasons of Baseball:
All-Time Overall Record:773-707-8
<b>All-Time MWC Record:</b> 308-154
<b>MWC Championships:</b> Five
(1996,1997,2003,2012,2014)
NCAA Tournament Appearances:Four
(2003,2009,2012,2014)
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## **Tournament Schedule**

Wednesday, May 14

Game 1 - Noon

UW-Whitewater (36-7) vs. St. Norbert (23-14)

Game 2 - 3 p.m.

Heidelberg (31-11) vs. Adrian (30-13)

Game 3 - 6 p.m.

Concordia-Chicago (37-5) vs. UW-La Crosse (26-16)

Thursday, May 15

Game 4 - Noon

Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2

Game 5 - 3 p.m.

Winner Game 1 vs. Loser Game 3

Game 6 - 6 p.m.

Winner Game 2 vs. Winner Game 3

Friday, May 16

Game 7 - Noon

TBA vs. TBA

Game 8 - 3 p.m.

TBA vs. TBA

Game 9 - 6 p.m.

TBA vs. TBA

Saturday, May 17

Game 10 - Noon

TBA vs. TBA

Game 11 - 3 p.m.

TBA vs. TBA

#### **NCAA Tournament History:**

St. Norbert is making its fourth appearance in the NCAA Division III Baseball Tournament. The Green Knights last appeared in the tournament in 2012. St. Norbert lost to St. Thomas 5-1 in the opener before beating Concordia-Chicago 5-0 behind Josh Honzik's completegame shutout. The Green Knights were then eliminated by Aurora 11-5.

The Green Knights also made NCAA Tournament appearances in 2003 at the West Regional in Orange, Calif., and in 2009 at the Midwest Regional in Oshkosh.

#### **About the Green Knights:**

St. Norbert enters the regional at 23-14 overall and went 10-6 in the Midwest Conference North Division. The Green Knights ended up winning the MWC title despite being the North Division's No. 2 seeding, going 3-0 in the tournament held in Ripon. St. Norbert enters the NCAA Tournament on a season-high seven-game winning streak.

The Green Knights are hitting .286 as a team. Senior infielder Travis Mason leads the Green Knights offensively, hitting .353 with three home runs and 28 runs batted in. Freshman infielder Derek Klegin is hitting .345, and shares the team lead in stolen bases with 17. Senior outfielder Nick Pierre is hitting .333, while senior outfielder Alex Larsen is hitting .281 with team highs in home runs (8) and runs batted in (38).

St. Norbert's pitching staff brings a team earned run average of 4.29 into the tournament. Senior lefthander Kevin Nutley has been the Green Knights' No. 1 starter all season, and owns a 6-3 record with a 4.28 earned run average and a .277 batting average against. Junior righthander Matt Freeman is 5-3 with a 2.70 earned run average and .236 batting average against. Sophomore lefthander Brett Nohr is 6-3 with a 3.67 earned run average and .298 batting average against. Freshman righthander McMahon is 3-3 with a 2.90 earned

run average and .260 batting average against.

#### **About the Warhawks:**

UW-Whitewater enters the regional at 36-7 overall and went 19-4 in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference to win the league title. The Warhawks won the WIAC this past Saturday by beating UW-Stevens Point and UW-La Crosse twice to come through the losers' bracket.

The Warhawks are hitting .340 as a team. Mikole Pierce leads Whitewater at the plate with a .438 batting average to go along with nine home runs, 51 runs batted in and 54 runs scored. Jared Fon is hitting .388 with five hoem runs and 39 runs batted in, while Dylan Friend is hitting .377 with eight home runs and 39 runs batted in. Michael Gonzalez is hitting .368 with three home runs and 40 runs batted in.

The Warhawks have a team earned run average of 3.50. Scott Plaza is 6-2 with a 2.92 earned run average and .253 batting average against. Curtis Morgan is 5-1 with a 3.72 earned run average and .260 batting average against, while Connor Hurst is 5-2 with a 3.08 earned run average and .285 batting average against. Austin Jones is Whitewater's top reliever with a 6-1 mark, 2.31 earned run average and .189 batting average against.

#### **Road Warriors:**

St. Norbert's run to the 2014 Midwest Conference championship came after a grueling regular season that saw the Green Knights play no games on campus.

In fact, dating back to the end of the 2012 season, the Green Knights have played just three of their last 85 games at Mel Nicks Field thanks to harsh winters and wet springs the last two years. St. Norbert hosted Ripon for two games and Beloit for one in 2013.

St. Norbert played three "home" doubleheaders this year, facing Ripon and Beloit at Joannes Stadium in Green Bay and Lawrence at Green Bay Southwest

High School's VandenPlas Field.

Despite being away from home so often, the Green Knights have had their best three-year stretch in program history. St. Norbert is 77-40 the last three seasons, which includes two Midwest Conference championships.

#### **Leaderboard List:**

St. Norbert has two players on this year's squad who rank highly on the Green Knights' list of career superlatives.

Senior lefthander Kevin Nutley has thrown more innings than any St. Norbert pitcher ever with 252.0, easily outdistancing Steve Wilmet's 216.2 innings pitched from 1966-69. Nutley ranks second all-time in career wins at 19. Tony Jandron is St. Norbert's all-time leader with 22 victories from 2007-10. Nutley is also fourth all-time in strikeouts with 168.

Senior shortstop Chad Ljunggren is likely to become the St. Norbert career leader in at bats at the NCAA Tournament. Ljunggren currently has 559 career at bats, trailing only Garrick Fisher's 563 from 2009-12. Ljunggren's 180 career hits ties him for fourth all-time and his 58 stolen bases are fourth all-time.

#### **Klegin Komments:**

Freshman infielder Derek Klegin has enjoyed a solid first collegiate season, sitting second on the team in hitting with a .345 batting average.

Klegin is tied with Travis Mason and Troy Rottier for the team lead in doubles with eight. He is also tied with Chad Ljunggren for the team lead in stolen bases with 17.

Klegin also has a couple of lengthy streaks alive entering the NCAA Tournament. Klegin has a 13-game hitting streak and a 20-game skein of safely reaching base active heading into Wednesday game with UW-Whitewater. Both streaks are season highs for St. Norbert. Klegin, who has hit safely in 19 of his last 20 games, is 19-for-51 (.373) during his hitting streak with 12 runs batted in and nine runs scored.

St. Norbert is 18-4 this season with Klegin batting in the leadoff spot.

#### **Schedule Snippets:**

Wednesday game with UW-Whitewater will be the eighth time this season the Green Knights will have played against a foe ranked in the D3baseball.com Top 25.

St. Norbert played five games against nationally ranked teams during its March trip to Florida. The Green Knights were swept in their opener by No. 25 Washington and Jefferson (L 12-4, L 5-4) on March 16, and then lost 7-1 to No. 3-ranked Southern Maine the next day. St. Norbert split with No. 9 St. Thomas (L 4-3, W 3-2) on March 22.

The Green Knights were swept by then-No. 2 UW-Stevens Point (L 10-1, L 10-7) on April 9.

St. Norbert won three games against teams that were regionally ranked during the regular season but eventually did not make the NCAA Tournament. The Green Knights swept North Central (W 3-2, W 5-4) on March 21 and topped Washington-Mo. 6-1 on March 30.

#### **Base Hits:**

- \* Senior outfielder Nick Pierre is carrying a nine-game hitting streak into the regional. Pierre is 15-for-29 during his hitting streak, good for a robust .517 average.
- \* In the most recent Division III national statistics, St. Norbert is fifth nationally in fewest walks allowed per nine innings at 2.29 issued per
- \* St. Norbert is 15-0 this season when outhitting its opponent, but is just 5-11 when being outhit.
- \* The Green Knights are 16-3 this season when scoring first.
- \* Junior righthander Matt Freeman has thrown at least six innings in all eight of his starts this season. Six of them would meet the "quality starts" threshold of three earned runs or less and six innings pitched.
- \* St. Norbert is 6-5 this season in one-run games and is 2-1 in two-run games.

## **Head Coach Tom Winske**

Education: Bachelor's degree at Fort Hays State (1988); master's degree at UW-Oshkosh (2004).

Playing Experience: Two-year letterman at Des Moines Area Community College (1983-84); one-year letterman at Northwest Missouri State (1985);

(Sept. 17, 1998 to present).



one-year letterman at Fort Hays State (1986). **Coaching Experience:** Assistant coach at Fort Hays State (1987); head coach at Green Bay East High School (1991-98); head coach at St. Norbert

Winske's Head Coaching Record

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Year	Overall	MWC	Place	NCAA								
1999	16-20	9-7	3rd									
2000	25-11	12-4	2nd									
2001	18-13	8-8	T5th									
2002	23-12	13-3	T3rd									
2003	17-18	9-7	1st	Regional								
2004	20-14	13-3	T3rd	Ü								
2005	23-13	14-2	2nd									
2006	16-18	10-6	4th									
2007	26-10-1	14-2	2nd									
2008	25-11	13-3	3rd									
2009	23-15	12-4	2nd	Regional								
2010	24-12	13-3	3rd	Ü								
2011	16-15	10-6	T5th									
2012	27-13	14-2	1st	Regional								
2013	27-13	12-4	2nd	Ü								
2014	23-14	10-6	1st									
Totals	349-222-1	183-70										

Winske vs. MWC												
Team	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral								
Beloit	53-15	22-9	29-6	2-0								
Carroll	50-15	24-5	26-10	0-0								
Cornell	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0								
Grinnell	7-2	1-0	1-1	5-1								
Illinois Coll.	. 4-0	2-0	0-0	2-0								
Knox	5-2	0-0	2-1	3-1								
Lawrence	57-7	28-2	29-5	0-0								
Monmouth	6-4	2-0	2-3	2-1								
Ripon	34-45	17-18	16-23	1-4								
Totals	216-90	98-34	105-49	13-7								

2014 Midwest Conference Standings													
North Division	Confe	erence	Overall										
Team	$\mathbf{W}$	$\mathbf{L}$	$\mathbf{W}$	L									
Ripon	14	2	24	15									
x-St. Norbert	10	6	23	14									
Carroll	7	9	13	22									
Beloit	6	10	15	18									
Lawrence	3	13	6	27									
South Division	Confe	erence	Overall										
Team	$\mathbf{W}$	$\mathbf{L}$	$\mathbf{W}$	L									
Grinnell	12	4	21	17									
Cornell	9	7	21	17									
Illinois College	8	8	19	16									
Monmouth	7	9	16	18									
Knox	4	12	16	20									
x - conference champ	ion												

### 2014 St. Norbert College Baseball Overall Statistics for St. Norbert College (as of May 10, 2014) (All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 23-14 Home: 4-2 Away: 10-8 Neutral: 9-4 MWC: 10-6

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so :	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	ро	а	е	fld%
Travis Mason	.353	37-37	139	24	49	8	3	3	28	72	.518	19	1	23	1	.431	1	1	10-11	208	17	4	.983
Derek Klegin	.345	37-36	139	26	48	8	0	1	17	59	.424	16	0	25	0	.410	1	4	17-18	29	74	7	.936
Nick Pierre	.333	36-36	126	24	42	4	3	0	20	52	.413	13	3	13	1	.400	3	2	7-7	59	5	1	.985
Chad Ljunggren	.301	37-37	146	27	44	3	1	0	25	49	.336	14	5	19	2	.377	2	3	17-20	54	102	10	.940
Alex Larsen	.281	37-37	139	27	39	7	2	8	38	74	.532	14	3	31	2	.357	1	0	14-15	73	2	3	.962
Cameron Jerina	.265	28-20	68	21	18	1	0	0	5	19	.279	15	1	13	2	.400	1	1	6-8	31	0	3	.912
Adam Enwiya	.250	32-30	104	16	26	5	1	3	17	42	.404	5	11	18	3	.339	4	2	3-4	59	72	10	.929
Spencer Larson	.250	26-24	88	14	22	1	1	0	8	25	.284	7	1	15	1	.309	1	3	4-4	111	22	1	.993
Jose Godinez	.245	30-27	98	16	24	4	0	0	14	28	.286	9	8	15	3	.357	0	0	1-1	81	15	4	.960
Troy Rottier	.235	37-36	136	29	32	8	1	1	22	45	.331	18	6	28	2	.350	0	2	4-5	147	26	3	.983
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Tyler Brown	.400	5-2	10	2	4	0	0	0	1	4	.400	0	0	2	0	.400	0	0	0-0	3	0	0	1.000
Carlos Rodriguez	.067	15-10	30	4	2	0	0	0	1	2	.067	3	4	9	0	.243	0	1	3-3	29	3	1	.970
Brock Makholm	.000	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Dan Rochford	.000	1-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Drake Bertnick	.000	2-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Totals	.286	37	1225	231	350	49	12	16	196	471	.384	133	43	213	17	.372	14	19	86-96	906	394	52	.962
Opponents	.282	37	1209	171	341	63	3	10	156	440	.364	79	24	198	15	.335	14	17	26-35	904	362	71	.947

LOB - Team (299), Opp (266). DPs turned - Team (25), Opp (25). TPs turned - Team (0), Opp (1). IBB - Team (1), Mason 1, Opp (5). Picked off - Ljunggren 4, Klegin 3, Larson 2.

## (All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-I	арр о	js	сg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bk s	sfa	sha_
Matt Freeman	2.70	5-3	8	8	5	1/0	0	60.0	56	24	18	12	43	8	0	1	.236	7	2	0	3	2
Jake McMahon	2.90	3-3	10	6	1	0/1	1	49.2	51	18	16	9	39	9	1	2	.260	4	4	1	1	4
Brett Nohr	3.67	6-3	9	9	3	1/0	0	61.1	70	30	25	7	30	8	0	1	.298	9	3	0	4	6
Kevin Nutley	4.28	6-3	11	9	4	0/1	1	61.0	65	31	29	30	42	15	0	4	.277	8	4	0	2	1
Nate Schadrie	5.54	1-1	17	0	0	0/0	1	37.1	46	27	23	8	19	14	0	1	.297	0	2	0	2	1
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Jacob Schneider	4.50	0-0	3	0	0	0/0	0	2.0	4	3	1	1	2	1	0	0	.333	1	0	0	0	0
Travis Mason	7.13	2-1	4	3	0	0/0	0	17.2	22	15	14	5	18	4	0	0	.297	2	5	0	0	2
Greg Steiner	10.80	0-0	2	1	0	0/0	0	3.1	7	5	4	3	2	2	0	0	.467	0	0	0	1	0
Matt Zacharias	12.86	0-0	5	0	0	0/0	0	7.0	13	14	10	2	2	0	2	1	.371	1	4	0	1	1
Troy Rottier	13.50	0-0	1	1	0	0/0	0	2.2	7	4	4	2	1	2	0	0	.467	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	4.29	23-14	37 3	37	13	3/1	3	302.0	341	171	144	79	198	63	3	10	.282	33	24	1	14	17
Opponents	5.14	14-23	37 3	37	5	0/0	6	301.1	350	231	172	133	213	49	12	16	.286	33	43	5	14	19

PB - Team (4), Larson 2, Godinez 2, Opp (14). Pickoffs - Team (3), Nohr 2, McMahon 1, Opp (9). SBA/ATT - Larson (19-25), Nohr (6-10), Nutley (6-8), Godinez (7-7), Freeman (4-5), Na. Schadrie (2-4), Zacharias (4-4), McMahon (3-3), Mason (1-1).