

# St. Norbert College Sports Information

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview St. Norbert College (13-7, 10-5) at Beloit College (7-12, 6-8) Wednesday, February 8, 2012 - 5 p.m. Flood Arena (2,250) - Beloit, Wisconsin

#### Game Overview:

St. Norbert attempts to remain in strong contention for a Midwest Conference Tournament berth when it travels to Beloit on Wednesday. The Green Knights hold a two-game lead on Carroll with three games left.

#### The Series:

St. Norbert leads Beloit 35-22 in an all-time series dating back to the 1983-84 season. The Green Knights have won eight of the last 10 meetings in the series, with the two Beloit wins during that stretch coming in a sweep last season.

#### Last Meeting:

St. Norbert topped Beloit 73-63 this past Dec. 7 at Schuldes Sports Center in De Pere. The game was tied 32-32 at halftime before the Green Knights slowly pulled away in the second half. Paul Appleton pumped in a careerhigh 26 points to lead St. Norbert, while Brandon Gries added 15 points. Tyler Butke led Beloit with 17 points.

#### The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 97-46 in his sixth season in De Pere. He was 51-31 in three seasons at Lakeland before arriving at St. Norbert to give him an overall mark of 148-77.

Beloit coach Brian Vraney (Wisconsin, 1998) is 32-79 in his fifth season in Beloit.

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

St. Norbert enters Wednesday's game with a 13-7 overall record and a 10-5 record in the Midwest Conference to continue to sit in a third-place tie with Ripon. The Green Knights, who have won seven of their last nine games, are home wins of 77-63 over Monmouth on Friday and 97-96 over Grinnell - rallying from a 15-point deficit just under 7 minutes left - on Saturday.

Sophomore guard Brandon Gries leads the Green Knights at 13.7 points per game, and scored St. Norbert's final six points in the last minute against the Pioneers. Freshman forward Andrew Schwoerer scored a career-high 22 points against Grinnell and is now scoring 11.6 points per game with a - MORE -

# 2011-2012 Results Opponent Re

Date	Opponent	Result
N 15	UW-Oshkosh	W 65-50
N 19	at Augustana (2)	L 79-48
N 22	MSOE	W 80-36
D 2	*at Grinnell	L 108-98
D 3	*at Monmouth	W 80-70
D 7	*Beloit	W 73-63
D 10	*at Knox	W 76-57
D 17	*Lake Forest (TV)	L 59-52
D 29	%Northland (TV)	W 71-53
D 30	%UW-La Crosse (TV)	L 78-57
J 7	*at Carroll	L 74-64
J 10	*Ripon	W 73-59
J 13	*Illinois College	W 79-70
J 14	*Knox	W 60-58
J 20	*at Lake Forest	L 62-54
J 21	*at Illinois College	W 73-55
J 25	*Lawrence	W 74-65
J 28	*at Ripon	L 68-64
F 3	*Monmouth	W 77-63
F 4	*Grinnell (TV)	W 97-96
F 8	*at Beloit	5 p.m.
F 11	*Carroll	4 p.m.
F 18	*at Lawrence	2 p.m.

\* - Midwest Conference game; % - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament - De Pere, Wis. **Note:** Home games in **bold;** (rankings) by D3hoops.com. All times Central Standard Time. (TV) game broadcast on WACY-TV - Green Bay. team-high 6.1 rebounds per game. Junior forward Paul Appleton is scoring 10.6 points per game.

St. Norbert is scoring an average of 70.8 points per game, and is shooting 45.6 percent from the floor, 36.2 percent on 3-pointers and 70.1 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 66.2 points per game while shooting 43.1 percent from the floor, 35.0 percent on 3-pointers and 67.8 percent at the charity stripe.

#### **About the Buccaneers:**

Beloit enters the game with a 7-12 overall record and a 6-8 mark in the Midwest Conference. The Buccaneers had a couple of thrilling wins at home this past weekend, topping Illinois College 67-65 on Friday before beating Monmouth 80-76 in overtime on Saturday.

Senior forward David Bremner leads Beloit in scoring at 15.9 points per game. Senior guard Michael Horton is scoring 12.2 points per game with 6.1 assists per game. Sophomore forward Tyler Butke is scoring 11.4 points per game, while sophomore forward James Lazarcik is scoring 10.9 points with a teamhigh 5.8 rebounds per game.

Beloit is averaging 71.4 points per game while shooting 46.0 percent from the floor, 30.6 percent on 3-pointers and 70.7 percent on free throws. Opponents are scoring 76.8 points per game while shooting 44.9 percent from the floor, 36.4 percent on 3-pointers and 72.4 percent at the free-throw line.

#### **Building a Winner:**

In his first five seasons, head coach Gary Grzesk turned the St. Norbert men's basketball program into a conference champion that remains near the top of the Midwest Conference standings.

St. Norbert's 20 wins last season marks just the fourth time in school history it won at least that many in a season. The Green Knights won 21 games twice (1984 and 2002) and a school-record 23 games in 2010.

St. Norbert's 61-16 record from 2009 to 2011 marks the best three-year total in school history.

Since starting the 2007-08 season 2-5, St. Norbert is a solid 83-28. St. Norbert reached its highest national ranking in the 12-year history of the D3hoops.com Top 25 with a No. 6 ranking the week of Dec. 6, 2010.

St. Norbert's 20 wins last season marked the first time in school history the Green Knights have won at least 15 games in three consecutive seasons.

The Green Knights have won at least 18 games in each of the last three campaigns, and for the first time in school history won at least 20 games in consecutive seasons.

St. Norbert's string of five straight seasons with at least 10 Midwest Conference wins is also the best mark in school history.

#### **Shooting Story:**

St. Norbert has improved its shooting from the floor to an advantage of 45.6 percent to 43.1 percent on its opponents in field-goal percentage this season.

Eleven times this season St. Norbert has outshot its opponent, and nine times the Green Knights have misfired more than their foes.

St. Norbert holds a 10-1 record when outshooting its opponent. The exception came predictably against Grinnell, a game the Green Knights lost 108-98 despite shooting 60.9 percent.

The Green Knights are 3-6 when getting outshot, beating Beloit 73-63, Northland 71-53 and Knox 60-58.

#### **Jump Shots:**

- \* St. Norbert's scoring defense of 66.2 points per game is second in the Midwest Conference to Lake Forest's 60.8 points per game.
- \* St. Norbert is 3-4 this season when allowing 70 points or more. The Green Knights' lone wins in that situation came in an 80-70 win over Beloit on Dec. 7, a 79-70 win over Illinois College on Jan. 13 and a 97-96 win over Grinnell on Feb. 4.
- \* In Gary Grzesk's 143-game tenure at St. Norbert, the Green Knights have held their opponent to 50 points or less 22 times, going 22-0 in those games.

## Head Coach Gary Grzesk

Education: Bachelor's degree in Spanish at UW-Green Bay (1996); master's degree in education administration at Youngstown State (1998).

Playing Experience: Four-year letterman at UW-Green Bay (1993-96).

#### Coaching Experience:

Assistant coach at Youngstown State (1996-2002); assistant coach at UW-Green Bay (2002-03); head coach at Lakeland (2003-06); head coach at St. Norbert (April 13, 2006 to present).

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	Overall	<b>LMC</b>	Place	NCAA
2003-04			3rd	First Rd.
	14-12	7-5	T3rd	
2005-06	21-6	13-1	1st	
Totals	51-31	28-10		

#### St. Norbert Year Overall MWC Place **NCAA** 2006-07 9-13 8-8 6th 2007-08 14-10 10-6 T3rd 2008-09 18-6 12-4 T3rd 2009-10 23-4 14-2

2009-10 23-4 14-2 1st Second Rd. 2010-11 20-6 14-4 1st First Rd. 2011-12 13-7 10-5 Totals 97-46 68-29 Career 148-77

### Grzesk vs. MWC at St. Norbert

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Team	Overall	Home	Away								
Beloit	8-3	5-1	3-2								
Carroll	6-6	4-2	2-4								
Grinnell	7-5	6-0	1-5								
Illinois College	10-0	5-0	5-0								
Knox	10-2	5-1	5-1								
Lake Forest	7-3	3-2	4-1								
Lawrence	5-7	3-3	2-4								
Monmouth	9-1	5-0	4-1								
Ripon	10-4	7-1	3-3								
Totals	72-31	43-10	29-21								

MWC Glance									
Team	MWC	Overall							
Lake Forest	14-1	18-2							
Grinnell	12-3	16-3							
St. Norbert	10-5	13-7							
Ripon	10-5	14-6							
Carroll	7-7	11-8							
Lawrence	7-8	8-11							
Beloit	6-8	7-12							
Monmouth	3-11	5-14							
Illinois College	2-12	4-15							
Knox	2-13	3-17							
* - Through Feb. 6, 2	012								

### St. Norbert Quick Facts

Nickname:
<b>Location:</b>
Colors:Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
Founded:
<b>Enrollment:</b>
President:
Athletics Director:
Conference:
Facility:Schuldes Sports Center
Capacity:
Year Opened:
Head Coach:
<b>Record at St. Norbert:</b> 97-46 (sixth year)
<b>Record Overall:</b> 146-77 (ninth year)
Assistant Coaches:
Jeff Nordgaard, Bryan Roehrig,
Kyle Brown, Corey Ciesielczyk
First Season of Men's Basketball:1916-17
Seasons of Men's Basketball:
All-Time Overall Record:950-844
All-Time MWC Record:
MWC Championships:Four
NCAA Tournament Appearances:Five
(1958, '84, 2002, 10, '11)
NAIA Tournament Appearances:
(1961, '62, '65)

# D3hoops.com Division III Top 25 Poll #11 - 2/6/12

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record
1	Hope (15)	606	20-1
2	Middlebury (5)	571	20-1
3	Virginia Wesleyan (4)	570	18-2
4	UW-Whitewater (1)	537	19-2
5	MIT	528	20-1
6	Amherst	502	20-2
7	Cabrini	480	21-1
8	Mary Hardin-Baylor	451	20-1
9	Whitworth	419	18-3
10	Birmingham-Southern	400	20-1
11	Claremont-Mudd-Scripps	359	19-1
12	UW-Stevens Point	334	18-4
13	Wooster	324	18-3
14	Franklin & Marshall	306	19-2
15	Transylvania	245	19-2
16	New York Univ.	206	17-2
17	William Paterson	195	19-3
18	Oswego State	163	17-3
19	Wheaton-Ill.	133	17-4
20	Augustana	108	16-5
21	Keene State	105	17-4
22	Wittenberg	69	17-4
23	Emory	49	16-4
24	Albertus Magnus	46	20-1
25	UW-River Falls	45	16-5
Other	s receiving votes. Illino	ie Weel	evan 43

Others receiving votes: Illinois Wesleyan 43, Williams 39, Lake Forest 35, Rhode Island College 33, Hartwick 33, WPI 31, Randolph-Macon 30, Washington-Mo. 22, Christopher Newport 21, St. Joseph's-L.I. 19, Buffalo State 16, North Central-Ill. 16, Bethany 12, Eastern Connecticut 6, Gustavus Adolphus 4, St. Thomas 4, St. Mary's-Md. 3, Wesleyan 3, Lycoming 1, New Jersey City 1, Ohio Wesleyan 1, Wabash 1.

# St. Norbert Men's Basketball Career Highs

#### #3 - Tom Wengren

Points: 2 (11/22/11 vs. MSOE) Rebounds: 1 (12/29/11 vs. Northland) Assists: n/a

#### #5 - Andy Fox

Points: 16 (12/3/10 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 6 (12/3/10 vs. Grinnell) Assists: 5 (4 times, last 2/4/12 vs. Ripon)

#### #10 - Brandon Gries

Points: 25 (1/28/12 vs. Ripon) Rebounds: 10 (2 times, last 1/25/12 vs. Lawrence) Assists: 6 (2 times, last 2/3/12 vs. Monmouth)

#### #11 - Kyle Johnsen

Points: 10 (1/17/09 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 10 (1/17/09 vs. Grinnell) Assists: 4 (2 times, last 12/3/10 vs. Grinnell)

#### #12 - Austin Elliott

Points: 3 (2 times, last 12/17/11 vs. Lake Forest) Rebounds: 2 (12/10/11 vs. Beloit) Assists: 2 (11/22/11 vs. MSOE)

#### #13 - Tyler Pauley

Points: 3 (11/22/11 vs. MSOE) Rebounds: 1 (11/22/11 vs. MSOE) Assists: 1 (12/17/11 vs. Lake Forest)

#### #14 - Mike Scholl

Points: n/a Rebounds: n/a Assists: n/a

#### #20 - Jeremy Paprocki

Points: 5 (2 times, last 12/10/11 vs. Knox)

Rebounds: 5 (12/2/11 vs. Grinnell) Assists: 5 (11/15/11 vs. UW-Oshkosh)

#### #21 - Trent Monckton

Points: 15 (1/10/12 vs. Ripon) Rebounds: 5 (1/20/12 vs. Lake Forest) Assists: 3 (2/4/12 vs. Grinnell)

#### #22 - Jack Whalen

Points: 17 (2/3/12 vs. Monmouth) Rebounds: 4 (2 times, last 1/10/12 vs. Ripon)

Assists: 6 (1/21/12 vs. Illinois College)

#### #32 - Andrew Schwoerer

Points: 22 (2/4/12 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 9 (2 times, last 2/4/12 vs. Grinnell) Assists: 6 (1/10/12 vs. Ripon)

#### #34 - Paul Appleton

Points: 26 (12/7/11 vs. Beloit) Rebounds: 7 (2 times, last 1/13/12 vs. Illinois College) Assists: 5 (12/2/11 vs. Grinnell)

#### #44 - Cody Stelmach

Points: 6 (1/13/12 vs. Illinois College) Rebounds: 5 (11/22/11 vs. MSOE) Assists: 2 (11/22/11 vs. MSOE)

#### #45 - Garrett Thorn

Points: 17 (12/2/11 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 12 (1/14/12 vs. Knox) Assists: 2 (5 times, last 1/14/12 vs. Knox)

#### #51 - Mitchell Cloghessy

Points: 9 (2 times, last 12/2/11 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 8 (12/29/11 vs. Northland) Assists: 3 (12/2/11 vs. Grinnell)

#### #53 - Steven Hofacker

Points: 12 (1/21/12 vs. Illinois College) Rebounds: 9 (1/25/12 vs. Lawrence) Assists: 3 (1/21/12 vs. Illinois College)

# St. Norbert College Men's Basketball St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Feb 04, 2012) All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	13-7	10-2	3-5	0-0
CONFERENCE	10-5	7-1	3-4	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	3-2	3-1	0-1	0-0

					Total		3-Poir	nt	F-Thro	W		Rebou	ınds									
##	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fta	ft%	off	def	tot	avg	pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
10	Brandon Gries	20-20	550	27.5	82-199	.412	29-74	.392	80-105	.762	14	68	82	4.1	54	1	60	38	4	31	273	13.7
30	Andrew Schwoerer	20-18	567	28.4	94-185	.508	2-12	.167	42-55	.764	46	76	122	6.1	41	1	32	19	3	15	232	11.6
34	Paul Appleton	20-20	499	25.0	76-162	.469	31-78	.397	29-37	.784	16	41	57	2.9	40	0	21	24	3	6	212	10.6
45	Garrett Thorn	18-15	412	22.9	58-101	.574	0-0	.000	42-69	.609	32	55	87	4.8	50	1	14	39	15	9	158	8.8
22	Jack Whalen	20-1	385	19.3	57-115	.496	14-32	.438	15-19	.789	3	18	21	1.1	20	0	34	20	0	13	143	7.2
05	Andy Fox	19-19	505	26.6	32-106	.302	13-39	.333	22-34	.647	9	45	54	2.8	30	1	55	30	5	22	99	5.2
21	Trent Monckton	20-0	248	12.4	40-77	.519	5-13	.385	13-20	.650	11	30	41	2.1	23	0	13	11	4	11	98	4.9
53	Steven Hofacker	20-3	337	16.9	33-64	.516	0-0	.000	12-17	.706	29	46	75	3.8	47	1	14	9	14	9	78	3.9
51	Mitchell Cloghessy	12-2	169	14.1	20-51	.392	0-0	.000	6-12	.500	18	32	50	4.2	19	0	11	15	4	2	46	3.8
20	Jeremy Paprocki	13-0	129	9.9	9-32	.281	3-19	.158	4-4	1.000	3	9	12	0.9	2	0	10	7	0	3	25	1.9
44	Cody Stelmach	12-2	82	6.8	7-15	.467	1-5	.200	10-14	.714	6	8	14	1.2	9	0	2	7	0	2	25	2.1
11	Kyle Johnsen	11-0	48	4.4	3-6	.500	1-2	.500	7-13	.538	1	9	10	0.9	7	1	6	4	0	1	14	1.3
12	Austin Elliott	11-0	40	3.6	1-8	.125	1-2	.500	4-9	.444	2	4	6	0.5	1	0	4	1	0	1	7	0.6
13	Tyler Pauley	9-0	19	2.1	1-5	.200	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.1	3	0	1	1	0	1	3	0.3
03	Tom Wengren	6-0	10	1.7	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.3
	Team										30	48	78					5				
	Total	20	4000		514-1127	.456	101-279	.362	286-408	.701	220	491	711	35.5	346	6	277	230	52	126	1415	70.8
	Opponents	20	4000		472-1096	.431	143-409	.350	236-348	.678	193	458	651	32.5	385	8	234	277	56	96	1323	66.2

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP
SCORING	1415	1323
Points per game	70.8	66.2
Scoring margin	+4.6	-
FIELD GOALS-ATT	514-1127	472-1096
Field goal pct	.456	.431
3 POINT FG-ATT	101-279	143-409
3-point FG pct	.362	.350
3-pt FG made per game	5.1	7.2
FREE THROWS-ATT	286-408	236-348
Free throw pct	.701	.678
F-Throws made per game	14.3	11.8
REBOUNDS	711	651
Rebounds per game	35.5	32.5
Rebounding margin	+3.0	-
ASSISTS	277	234
Assists per game	13.9	11.7
TURNOVERS	230	277
Turnovers per game	11.5	13.9
Turnover margin	+2.4	-
Assist/turnover ratio	1.2	0.8
STEALS	126	96
Steals per game	6.3	4.8
BLOCKS	52	56
Blocks per game	2.6	2.8
ATTENDANCE	7612	5163
Home games-Avg/Game	12-634	8-645
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	<u>Totals</u>
St. Norbert College	659	756	1415
Opponents	619	704	1323

	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
	11/15/11	UW-OSHKOSH	W	65-50	477
	11/19/11	at Augustana College	L	48-79	1259
	11/22/11	MILWAUKEE ENGR.	W	80-36	471
*	12/2/11	at Grinnell College	L	98-108	524
*	12/3/11	at Monmouth College	W	80-70	350
*	12/7/11	BELOIT COLLEGE	W	73-63	542
*	12/10/11	at Knox College	W	76-57	475
*	12/17/11	LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	L	52-59	665
#	12/29/11	NORTHLAND COLLEGE	W	71-53	784
#	12/30/11	UW-LA CROSSE	L	57-78	919
*	1/7/12	at Carroll Univ.	L	64-74	986
*	1/10/12	RIPON COLLEGE	W	73-59	522
*	1/13/12	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	W	79-70	369
*	1/14/12	KNOX COLLEGE	W	60-58	435
*	1/20/12	at Lake Forest College	L	54-62	560
*	1/21/12	at Illinois College	W	73-55	500
*	1/25/12	LAWRENCE UNIV.	W	74-65	555
*	1/28/12	at Ripon College	L	64-68	509
*	2/3/12	MONMOUTH COLLEGE	W	77-63	606
*	2/4/12	GRINNELL COLLEGE	W	97-96	1267

<sup>\* -</sup> Midwest Conference game # - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament (De Pere, Wis.)