



St. Norbert College

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview

St. Norbert College (24-2 in 2015) vs. No. 23 UW-Oshkosh (16-12 in 2015)

Monday, November 16, 2015 - 7 p.m.
 Schuldes Sports Center (2,100) - De Pere, Wisconsin

Game Overview:

St. Norbert meets near-century old rival UW-Oshkosh in a non-conference game Monday at Schuldes Sports Center. It marks the 15th consecutive season the Green Knights and Titans have met on the hardcourt, and it is the season opener for both teams.

Broadcast:

The game will be broadcast with video streaming at <http://client.stretch-internet.com/client/snc.portal#>

Live stats are available at: <http://www.snc.edu/athletics/teamfiles/lives-tats/xlive.htm>

The Series:

UW-Oshkosh leads St. Norbert 47-36 in a series begun during the 1917-18 season. The Green Knights have fashioned a seven-game winning streak in the series, including the last meeting in De Pere by a 63-53 score on Nov. 20, 2014.

Last Meeting:

St. Norbert defeated UW-Oshkosh 67-50 on Nov. 15, 2014 at Kolf Sports Center in Oshkosh. Andrew Schwoerer led St. Norbert - which shot 56.3 percent from the floor - with 20 points and 14 rebounds, while Steven Hofacker finished with 16 points and a school-record nine blocked shots. A.J. Mueller had 17 points to lead the Titans, who shot 35.2 percent from the floor, while Alex Olson added 12 points.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 169-58 in his tenth 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 220-89.

UW-Oshkosh coach Pat Juckem (Lawrence, 1995) is 35-44 in his fourth season in Oshkosh. He was 104-80 in seven seasons at Coe prior to arriving in Oshkosh to give him an overall record of 139-124.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the 2015-16 season returning five of its top nine scorers from last season, when the Green Knights finished 24-2 overall. The Green Knights, who have won 44 consecutive games against Midwest Conference

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2015-2016 Results

Date	Opponent	Result
N 16	UW-Oshkosh (23)	7 p.m.
N 24	at UW-Stevens Point (9)	7 p.m.
N 28	at Monmouth *	1 p.m.
D 2	Ripon *	5:30 p.m.
D 5	at Grinnell *	1 p.m.
D 8	Lake Forest *	5:30 p.m.
D 12	UW-Eau Claire	3 p.m.
D 19	Cornell *	3 p.m.
D 22	Illinois College *	5 p.m.
D 29	Anderson %	7 p.m.
D 30	UW-River Falls or Alma %	5/7 p.m.
J 6	Lawrence *	5:30 p.m.
J 12	at Beloit *	5 p.m.
J 16	at Knox *	1 p.m.
J 20	Carroll *	5 p.m.
J 23	Monmouth *	1 p.m.
J 26	at Ripon *	5:30 p.m.
J 30	at Carroll *	1 p.m.
F 3	at Lawrence *	5:30 p.m.
F 6	Beloit *	2 p.m.
F 9	at Lake Forest *	5:30 p.m.
F 13	Knox *	1 p.m.
F 20	at Cornell *	1 p.m.

* - Midwest Conference game; % - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament - De Pere, Wis. **Note:** Home games in **bold**; (rankings) by D3hoops.com.

opponents, are receiving votes in the D3hoops.com Top 25 pre-season poll.

Junior guard Ben Bobinski is the Green Knights' leading returning scorer at 8.7 points per game last season after shooting 51.2 percent from beyond the three-point arc. Sophomore guard D.J. DeValk averaged 8.1 points per game while shooting 44.2 percent on three-point field-goal attempts. Junior guard Terrence Garner averaged 6.4 points and 4.4 rebounds per game, while sophomore guard Mitch Winter averaged 6.4 points per game.

St. Norbert averaged 80.0 points per game last season and shot an NCAA all divisions-best 54.0 percent from the floor, 42.9 percent on 3-pointers and 75.1 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents scored an average of 62.8 points per game while shooting 39.3 percent from the floor, 33.5 percent on 3-pointers and 69.3 percent at the free-throw line.

About the Titans:

UW-Oshkosh enters the season coming off a 16-12 overall record a year ago. The Titans, ranked No. 23 in the D3hoops.com pre-season Top 25, topped eventual national champion UW-Stevens Point in the semifinals of the WIAC Tournament last season before losing the final to UW-Whitewater.

Oshkosh returns all five starters from the end of last season. Senior guard Alex Olson led the Titans in scoring last season at 15.3 points per game. Junior forward A.J. Mueller averaged 9.1 points and a team-high 4.8 rebounds per game. Junior guard Kyle Bolger averaged 7.1 points per game a year ago.

Oshkosh scored an average of 63.0 points per game, and shot 43.0 percent from the floor, 33.1 percent on 3-pointers and 66.1 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents scored an average of 61.7 points per game while shooting 45.0 percent from the floor, 36.8 percent on 3-pointers and 65.3 percent at the free-throw line.

Streak Skinny:

St. Norbert became the first Midwest Conference men's basket-

ball team to post consecutive unbeaten league seasons in 64 years after finishing 18-0 in MWC play in 2013-14 and 2014-15.

The Green Knights, who have won a record 44 consecutive games against MWC opponents, were the first team to go two years without a league loss since Beloit in 1950 and 1951.

St. Norbert's current streak began with a 57-52 win over Ripon on Feb. 12, 2013 in De Pere.

St. Norbert is 55-1 in its last 56 games against MWC foes. Grinnell was the last MWC team to beat the Green Knights, posting a 104-99 overtime win on Feb. 9, 2013 in Grinnell, Iowa

Building a Winner:

In his first nine seasons, head coach Gary Grzesk turned the St. Norbert men's basketball program into an annual contender for the Midwest Conference championship, winning the MWC title five times in the last six seasons.

The Green Knights have won 20 games five times in the last six years under Grzesk. In the program's previous 86 seasons, St. Norbert had 20-win seasons just twice.

St. Norbert's 25 wins in 2014 is a school record. The Green Knights won 24 games in 2015, 23 games in 2010 and 21 games twice (1984 and 2002). St. Norbert also won 20 games in 2011 and 2013.

St. Norbert's current 85-18 record from 2012 to 2015 marks the best four-year total in school history.

Since starting the 2007-08 season 2-5, St. Norbert is a solid 158-40. St. Norbert reached its highest national ranking in the 16-year history of the D3hoops.com Top 25 with a No. 3 ranking the week of Feb. 23, 2015.

Jump Shot:

* - Since 1957-58, St. Norbert has gone 431-205 in home contests, good for a .678 winning percentage. In those 58 years, St. Norbert has only had a losing record at home games in six seasons, and has never suffered a home losing streak longer than four games. The Green Knights are 99-21 in its last 120 games played at Schuldes Sports Center.

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).



Grzesk's Head Coaching Record

Lakeland				
Year	Overall	LMC	Place	NCAA
2003-04	16-13	8-4	3rd	First Rd.
2004-05	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	1st	Second Rd.
2010-11	20-6	14-4	1st	First Rd.
2011-12	16-9	12-6	3rd	
2012-13	20-6	15-3	1st	First Rd.
2013-14	25-2	18-0	1st	Second Rd.
2014-15	24-2	18-0	1st	First Rd.
2015-16	0-0	0-0		
Totals	169-58	121-34		
Career	220-89			

Grzesk vs. MWC at St. Norbert

Team	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
Beloit	14-4	8-1	6-3	0-0
Carroll	15-7	10-2	5-4	0-1
Cornell	5-1	3-0	2-1	0-0
Grinnell	13-7	10-1	2-6	1-0
Illinois Coll.	15-0	7-0	8-0	0-0
Knox	14-2	7-1	7-1	0-0
Lake Forest	13-3	6-2	7-1	0-0
Lawrence	12-7	6-3	6-4	0-0
Monmouth	13-1	7-0	6-1	0-0
Ripon	18-4	12-1	6-3	0-0
Totals	132-36	76-11	55-24	1-1

MWC Glance - 2014-15

Team	MWC	Overall
St. Norbert	18-0	24-2
Monmouth	13-5	16-8
Grinnell	12-6	15-10
Ripon	12-6	15-9
Lake Forest	9-9	10-12
Lawrence	8-10	10-13
Beloit	7-11	8-15
Cornell	7-11	8-15
Carroll	6-12	9-14
Knox	4-14	6-17
Illinois College	3-15	4-19

St. Norbert Quick Facts

Nickname:Green Knights
Location:De Pere, WI 54115
Colors:Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
Founded:1898
Enrollment:2,168
President:Thomas Kunkel
Athletics Director:Tim Bald
Conference:Midwest Conference
Facility:Schuldes Sports Center
Capacity:2,100
Year Opened:1979
Head Coach:Gary Grzesk
Record at St. Norbert:169-58 (10th year)
Record Overall:220-89 (13th year)
Assistant Coaches:Woody Wilson
Bryan Roehrig, Corey Ciesielczyk
Justin Zwiefelhofer, Steve Kestly
First Season of Men's Basketball:1916-17
Seasons of Men's Basketball:93
All-Time Overall Record:1,022-856
All-Time MWC Record:304-180
MWC Championships:Seven
(1984, 2002, '10, '11, '13, '14, '15)
NCAA Tournament Appearances:Eight
(1958, '84, 2002, 10, '11, '13, '14, '15)
NAIA Tournament Appearances:Three
(1961, '62, '65)

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Top 25 Poll #1 - Oct. 22, 2015

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record
1	Augustana (23)	623	27-5
2	Virginia Wesleyan	462	27-6
3	Whitworth	452	25-4
4	St. Thomas	443	24-4
5	Amherst (2)	416	21-8
6	Catholic	399	23-6
7	Mount Union	359	24-7
8	Elmhurst	356	20-8
9	UW-Stevens Point	355	27-5
10	Babson	350	29-3
11	Marietta	335	28-4
12	Trinity-Conn.	292	23-7
13	Ohio Wesleyan	268	22-6
14	Eastern Connecticut St.	249	22-6
15	St. Olaf	224	23-6
16	Hope	219	18-9
17	Chicago	209	16-9
18	Emory	194	22-6
19	Franklin and Marshall	193	20-6
20	Wooster	159	23-7
21	Dickinson	157	24-6
22	St. John Fisher	134	25-5
23	UW-Oshkosh	132	16-12
24	Illinois Wesleyan	129	20-9
25	East Texas Baptist	114	26-6

Others receiving votes: Randolph-Macon 99, New York Univ. 84, Johns Hopkins 82, Bates 75, Scranton 69, William Paterson 63, UW-Whitewater 60, **St. Norbert 57**, John Carroll 57, Oswego State 54, WPI 52, Stockton 47, Bethel 23, Washington Univ. 15, North Central-Ill. 10, Albertus Magnus 9, Calvin 9, Centre 8, Hardin-Simmons 8, Salisbury 7, Christopher Newport 4, Keene State 4, Ripon 2, Southern Vermont 2, Endicott 1, Northwestern-Minn. 1.

St. Norbert Men's Basketball Career Highs

#3 - Terrence Garner

Points: 24 (2/28/15 vs. Grinnell)
 Rebounds: 12 (3/6/15 vs. Elmhurst)
 Assists: 7 (12/29/14 vs. St. Scholastica)

#4 - Mitch Winter

Points: 16 (12/17/14 vs. Illinois College)
 Rebounds: 6 (1/3/15 vs. Cornell)
 Assists: 2 (4 times, last 2/7/15 vs. Beloit)

#10 - D.J. DeValk

Points: 18 (12/30/14 vs. John Carroll)
 Rebounds: 4 (2/27/15 vs. Ripon)
 Assists: 9 (1/3/15 vs. Cornell)

#20 - Sean Benka

Points: 4 (11/16/13 vs. North Park)
 Rebounds: 3 (1/31/15 vs. Carroll)
 Assists: 1 (5 times, last 2/28/15 vs. Grinnell)

#21 - Brett O'Sullivan

Points: 5 (1/31/15 vs. Carroll)
 Rebounds: 4 (1/31/15 vs. Carroll)
 Assists: 1 (2 times, last 1/31/15 vs. Carroll)

#22 - Ben Bobinski

Points: 21 (2/10/15 vs. Lake Forest)
 Rebounds: 7 (1/17/15 vs. Knox)
 Assists: 3 (3/6/15 vs. Elmhurst)

#24 - Mitchell Reinthaler

Points: 7 (1/17/15 vs. Knox)
 Rebounds: 3 (1/17/15 vs. Knox)
 Assists: 2 (1/17/15 vs. Knox)

#44 - Tim Marshall

Points: 7 (2/28/15 vs. Grinnell)
 Rebounds: 3 (3 times, last 1/15/15 vs. Carroll)
 Assists: 1 (4 times, last 1/3/15 vs. Cornell)

* - returning players only