

# St. Norbert College Athletics Communications

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview St. Norbert College (3-1) vs. Knox College (0-3)

Fri., Dec. 1 - Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center (1,844) - De Pere, Wis. - 5:30 p.m. St. Norbert College vs. Illinois College (3-0)

Sat., Dec. 2 - Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center (1,844) - De Pere, Wis. - 1 p.m.

#### Weekend Overview:

St. Norbert opens Midwest Conference play with a double weekend against Knox and Illinois College. The Green Knights are finishing a sixgame homestand with the two games.

#### **Broadcast:**

The games will be broadcast with video streaming at: http://portal.stretchinternet.com/snc/

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

#### The Series:

St. Norbert leads Knox 35-10 in a series dating back to the 1985-86 season. The Green Knights have won 16 straight games in the series since the Prairie Fire swept the season series in 2007-08.

St. Norbert leads Illinois College 35-7 in an all-time series dating back to the 1985-86 season. The Green Knights have won the last 19 games against the Blueboys and are 21-1 all-time at home in the series.

#### Last Meeting:

St. Norbert defeated Knox 65-48 on Jan. 21, 2017 at Kress Center in Green Bay. The Green Knights led 29-16 at halftime and shot 53.1 percent from the floor to secure the win. Mitchell Reinthaler led the Green Knights with 17 points, while Taylor Penn added 13 points and Tim Marshall 11 points. Deryk Ruple led the Prairie Fire with nine points.

St. Norbert defeated Illinois College 83-60 on Jan. 13, 2017 at Phoenix Sports Center in Green Bay. The Green Knights led 36-21 at halftime and shot 46 percent from the floor. D.J. DeValk led the Green Knights with 25 points, while Ben Bobinski added 13 points. Mason Speer and Max Stutsman had 11 points apiece for the Blueboys.

#### The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 215-67 in his 12th 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 266-98.

Knox coach Kevin Walden (Knox, 2001) is 12-106 in his sixth season in Galesburg.

Illinois College coach Mike Worrell (Urbana, 1986) is 205-284 in his 22nd season in Jacksonville.

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

St. Norbert enters the weekend 3-1 overall. The Green Knights have been idle since last Saturday, when they battled to a hard-fought 58-54 win over - MORE -

	2017-2016 Resu	1115
Date	Opponent	Result
N 15	UW-Eau Claire	W 77-69
N 18	Benedictine	W 70-53
N 21	UW-Oshkosh	L 60-57
N 25	<b>UW-Stevens Point</b>	W 58-54
D 1	Knox *	5:30 p.m.
D 2	Illinois College *	1 p.m.
D 6	at Lawrence *	5:30 p.m.
D 9	Cornell *	3 p.m.
D 19	North Central-Minn.	7 p.m.
D 29	Blackburn %	7 p.m.
D 30	UW-Whitewater/Finlandia	%TBA
J 3	Beloit *	5:30 p.m.
J 6	Grinnell *	1 p.m.
J 12	at Illinois College *	5:30 p.m.
J 13	at Monmouth *	1 p.m.
J 17	Ripon *	5:30 p.m.
J 20	at Knox *	1 p.m.
J 24	Lawrence *	5:30 p.m.
J 27	at Cornell *	1 p.m.
J 30	at Ripon *	5:30 p.m.
F 3	Monmouth *	1 p.m.
F 7	Lake Forest *	5:30 p.m.
F 10	at Grinnell *	1 p.m.
F 13	at Lake Forest *	5:30 p.m.
F 17	at Beloit *	1 p.m.
* - Mi	dwest Conference game;	% - Nicolet

National Bank Holiday Tournament - Green Bay,

Wis. Note: Home games in bold and played at

Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center; (rank-

ings) by D3hoops.com.

2017-2018 Results

UW-Stevens Point at Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center.

Senior forward Mitchell Reinthaler paces the Green Knights, averaging 16.8 points and 8.0 rebounds per game. Senior guard D.J. DeValk is netting 15.5 points per game. Junior guard Taylor Penn is scoring 8.8 points per game, while freshman guard Wade Geenen is averaging 6.5 points per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 65.5 points per game while shooting 40.5 percent from the floor, 36.5 percent on 3-pointers and 76.0 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 59.0 points per game while shooting 45.3 percent from the floor, 31.2 percent on 3-pointers and 69.0 percent at the free-throw line.

#### **About the Prairie Fire:**

Knox enters the game 0-3 overall. The Prairie Fire have found itself in three high-scoring games to date, including an 85-74 loss to Westminster last Saturday and a 103-89 setback to Eureka this past Sunday.

Freshman forward Blake Godbold leads Knox in scoring at 21.0 points and 10.7 rebounds per game. Sophomore guard Deryk Ruple is averaging 16.0 points per game, while junior guard Jonathan Damota is netting 13.0 points per game. Sophomore guard Jacob Kampf is scoring 11.3 points per game, while senior forward Marko Protic is registering 10.0 points and 11.3 rebounds per game.

Knox is averaging 94.3 points per game while shooting 51.1 percent from the floor, 42.6 percent on 3-pointers and 51.0 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 112.0 points per game while shooting 46.5 percent from the floor, 33.0 percent on 3-pointers and 77.0 percent at the free-throw line.

#### About the Blueboys:

Illinois College enters Friday's game at Lawrence 3-0 overall. The Blueboys were coming off a 90-87 win over the University of Dallas at home this past Sunday.

All five of the Blueboys' probable starters average scoring in double figures. Freshman guard Brady Hays is netting 17.0 points per game, while junior guard Mason Speer is netting 15.0 points per game. Junior forward Sean McDonald is averaging 14.3 points per game, while senior forward

Max Stutsman is registering 14.0 points per game. Senior guard David Bauer is averaging 11.7

points per game.

Illinois College is averaging 88.3 points per game while shooting 46.6 percent from the floor, 38.9 percent on 3-pointers and 80.8 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 80.0 points per game while shooting 48.7 percent from the floor, 31.7 percent on 3-pointers and 69.2 percent at the free-throw line.

#### **Thousand Talk:**

St. Norbert senior guard D.J. DeValk scored 15 points against UW-Stevens Point on Saturday to move within four points of 19th place on St. Norbert's career scoring list.

DeValk currently has 1,092 points. Aaron Faulkner, who scored 1,095 points from 2002-05, is in 19th place. Clark Eichstedt, who scored 1,102 points from 1972-75, is in 18th place.

DeValk, who reached 1,000 career points late in his junior season, joined Andrew Schwoerer (1,439, 2012-15), Joe Emmerich (1,811, 1980-84) and Lee Schroeder (1,308, 1986-90) as the only St. Norbert players to reach that mark during their junior year since 1975.

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

St. Norbert has won the Midwest Conference title the last five years and seven times in the last eight seasons. The Green Knights are the first team to win at least four consecutive MWC men's basketball titles since Beloit won six straight from 1946-51.

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

St. Norbert's 25 wins in 2014 and 2016 is the school record. The Green Knights won 24 games in 2015, 23 games in 2010 and 21 games twice (1984 and 2002). St. Norbert won 20 games in 2011 and 2013.

St. Norbert's 94-13 record from 2013 to 2016 marks the best four-year total in school history.

Since starting the 2007-08 season 2-5, St. Norbert is a solid 205-48. St. Norbert reached its highest national ranking in the 17-year history of the D3hoops.com Top 25 with a No. 3 ranking the week of Feb. 23, 2015.

# 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	d									
Year	Overall	<b>LMC</b>	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						

St. Norb	ert			
Year	Overall	<b>MWC</b>	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	25-3	18-0	1st	Sweet 16
2016-17	19-5	16-2	1st	
2017-18	3-1	0-0		
Totals	216-67	155-35		
Career	267-98			

#### Grzesk vs. MWC at St. Norbert

GIZESK VS. IVIVVC at St. Norbert											
Team	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral							
Beloit	18-4	10-1	8-3	0-0							
Carroll	18-7	12-2	6-4	0-1							
Cornell	9-1	5-0	4-1	0-0							
Grinnell	15-8	11-1	3-7	1-0							
Illinois Col	l. 18-0	9-0	9-0	0-0							
Knox	18-2	9-1	9-1	0-0							
Lake Fores	t 18-4	9-3	9-1	0-0							
Lawrence	16-7	8-3	8-4	0-0							
Monmouth	17-1	9-0	8-1	0-0							
Ripon	21-5	14-1	7-4	0-0							
Totals	168-39	96-12	71-26	1-1							

MWC Glance									
Team	MWC	Overall							
Lake Forest	1-0	4-1							
Cornell	0-0	2-1							
Grinnell	0-0	5-0							
Illinois College	0-0	3-0							
Knox	0-0	0-3							
Lawrence	0-0	3-0							
Monmouth	0-0	3-2							
Ripon	0-0	2-1							
St. Norbert	0-0	3-1							
Beloit	0-1	1-3							

## St. Norbert Quick Facts

NU-1
Nickname:
<b>Location:</b>
Colors:Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
Founded:
<b>Enrollment:</b>
<b>President:</b> Brian Bruess
Athletics Director:Tim Bald
Conference: Midwest Conference
Facility:Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center
Capacity:
<b>Year Opened:</b>
Head Coach:
<b>Record at St. Norbert:</b>
<b>Record Overall:</b>
Assistant Coaches:
Brian Roehrig, Corey Ciesielczyk
Justin Zwiefelhofer, Steve Kestly, Keil Ganz
First Season of Men's Basketball:1916-17
Seasons of Men's Basketball:95
All-Time Overall Record:1,068-865
<b>All-Time MWC Record:</b>
<b>MWC Championships:</b> Nine
(1984, 2002, '10, '11, '13, '14, '15, '16, '17)
NCAA Tournament Appearances:Nine
(1958, '84, 2002, 10, '11, '13, '14, '15, '16)
NAIA Tournament Appearances:Three
(1961, '62, '65)
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# D3hoops.com Division III Top 25 Poll #2 - Nov. 27, 2017

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record					
1	Whitman (25)	625	3-0					
2	Augustana	597	4-0					
3	Williams	575	4-0					
4	Middlebury	540	4-0					
5	UW-Whitewater	514	4-0					
6	Marietta	494	4-0					
7	Hanover	418	3-1					
8	Ramapo	369	2-1					
9	Washington-Mo.	343	4-1					
10	UW-River Falls	322	4-1					
11	Lycoming	295	5-0					
12	Swarthmore	286	4-0					
13	Whitworth	244	5-0					
14	Wartburg	226	4-1					
15	Rochester	181	4-1					
16	Ohio Wesleyan	179	4-0					
17	Christopher Newport	176	3-1					
18	UW-Oshkosh	166	3-0					
19	Hobart	158	2-0					
20	Skidmore	154	3-0					
21	Amherst	146	3-0					
22	Bowdoin	111	4-0					
23	Emory	102	3-1					
24	Eastern Connecticut	100	5-0					
25	Wooster	99	3-1					
Other	Others receiving votes: Babson 94, Tufts 91, St.							

Others receiving votes: Babson 94, Tufts 91, St. Thomas 68, New Jersey City 63, St. John's 59, North Central-Ill. 47, MIT 37, Illinois Wesleyan 31, Randolph-Macon 31, Dickinson 26, Wesleyan 22, St. Norbert 20, Hamilton 19, Endicott 18, Bethel 13, John Carroll 13, Nichols 13, Cabrini 7, Guilford 7, Mount St. Joseph 7, St. John Fisher 6, Keene State 5, Franklin & Marshall 3, Nebraska Wesleyan 2, Lake Forest 1, Loras 1, Puget Sound 1.

# St. Norbert Men's Basketball Career Highs

#### #1 - Riley Haas

Points: 13 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine) Rebounds: 7 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine) Assists: 2 (5 times, last 11/25/17 vs. UW-Stevens Point)

#### #2 - Ethan Riniker

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

#### #3 - Dylan Bunders

Points: 2 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine) Rebounds: 3 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine) Assists: 1 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine)

#### #5 - Joe Ciriacks

Points: 8 (12/29/16 vs. Finlandia) Rebounds: 4 (11/21/17 vs. UW-Oshkosh)

Assists: 1 (5 times, last 11/21/17 vs. UW-Oshkosh)

#### #10 - D.J. DeValk

Points: 26 (12/3/16 vs. Illinois College) Rebounds: 7 (1/25/17 vs. Lawrence) Assists: 9 (2 times, last 1/25/17 vs. Lawrence)

#### #15 - Matt Lynch

Points: 2 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine) Rebounds: n/a Assists: n/a

#### #20 - Nolan Beirne

Points: n/a Rebounds: 1 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine) Assists: n/a

#### #21 - Brett O'Sullivan

Points: 6 (11/15/16 vs. UW-Eau Claire) Rebounds: 5 (2 times, last 1/6/16 vs. Lawrence)

Assists: 3 (12/10/16 vs. Cornell)

#### #22 - Wade Geenen

Points: 14 (11/25/17 vs. UW-Stevens Point) Rebounds: 3 (11/25/17 vs. UW-Stevens Point)

Assists: 2 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine)

#### #24 - Mitchell Reinthaler

Points: 24 (11/18/15 vs. Monmouth) Rebounds: 13 (11/15/17 vs. UW-Eau Claire) Assists: 5 (12/5/15 vs. Grinnell)

#### #25 - Jordan Newman

Points: 3 (1/13/17 vs. Illinois College) Rebounds: 2 (12/2/16 vs. Knox) Assists: 1 (12/29/16 vs. Finlandia)

#### #30 - Taylor Penn

Points: 20 (12/5/15 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 6 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine) Assists: 4 (1/12/16 vs. Beloit)

#### #32 - Brian Luteyn

Points: 7 (2 times, last 11/25/17 vs. UW-Stevens Point) Rebounds: 6 (2 times, last 12/20/16 vs. UW-Oshkosh) Assists: 4 (12/2/16 vs. Knox)

#### #35 - Jared Murphy

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

#### #41 - Connor Curtis

Points: 19 (12/30/16 vs. UW-Platteville) Rebounds: 9 (1/6/17 vs. Grinnell) Assists: 2 (5 times, last 2/11/17 vs. Grinnell)

#### #45 - Marcus Ruch

Points: 3 (3 times, last 2/4/17 vs. Monmouth) Rebounds: 2 (2 times, last 1/13/17 vs. Illinois College) Assists: 2 (12/29/16 vs. Finlandia)

#### #52 - Joe Lemon

Monmouth)

Points: 14 (1/6/17 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 11 (2/4/17 vs. Monmouth) Assists: 3 (2 times, last 2/4/17 vs.





# St. Norbert College Men's Basketball St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Nov 25, 2017) All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	3-1	3-1	0-0	0-0
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	3-1	3-1	0-0	0-0

					Total		3-Poi	nt	F-Thro	wc	ı	Rebou	nds									
##	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
24	Mitchell Reinthaler	4-4	137	34.2	23-48	.479	4-12	.333	17-25	.680	7	25	32	8.0	10	0	7	7	2	3	67	16.8
10	D.J. DeValk	4-4	133	33.2	22-54	.407	6-20	.300	12-14	.857	0	7	7	1.8	12	0	17	10	3	4	62	15.5
30	Taylor Penn	4-4	121	30.3	12-30	.400	8-15	.533	3-6	.500	6	7	13	3.3	8	0	4	4	0	2	35	8.8
22	Wade Geenen	4-0	71	17.8	7-17	.412	6-10	.600	6-8	.750	1	5	6	1.5	3	0	3	1	0	2	26	6.5
52	Joe Lemon	4-4	96	24.0	6-26	.231	2-11	.182	7-9	.778	6	14	20	5.0	9	0	4	3	2	3	21	5.3
32	Brian Luteyn	4-0	60	15.0	7-12	.583	0-0	.000	6-7	.857	6	5	11	2.8	6	0	2	7	2	4	20	5.0
01	Riley Haas	4-0	71	17.8	5-13	.385	3-8	.375	2-2	1.000	4	9	13	3.3	6	0	5	1	0	7	15	3.8
05	Joe Ciriacks	4-4	81	20.3	3-12	.250	2-8	.250	4-4	1.000	2	6	8	2.0	10	0	2	3	2	1	12	3.0
03	Dylan Bunders	4-0	23	5.8	1-2	.500	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	3	3	8.0	3	0	1	1	0	1	2	0.5
15	Matt Lynch	1-0	1	1.0	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2.0
21	Brett O'Sullivan	1-0	2	2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0.0
35	Jared Murphy	1-0	1	1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
20	Nolan Beirne	1-0	1	1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
25	Jordan Newman	1-0	1	1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
02	Ethan Riniker	1-0	1	1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Team										12	10	22					6				
	Total	4	800		87-215	.405	31-85	.365	57-75	.760	44	92	136	34.0	67	0	45	44	11	28	262	65.5
	Opponents	4	800		86-190	.453	24-77	.312	40-58	.690	23	93	116	29.0	72	1	37	58	15	16	236	59.0

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP
SCORING	262	236
Points per game	65.5	59.0
Scoring margin	+6.5	-
FIELD ĞOALŠ-ATT	87-215	86-190
Field goal pct	.405	.453
3 POINT FG-ATT	31-85	24-77
3-point FG pct	.365	.312
3-pt FG made per game	7.8	6.0
FREE THROWS-ATT	57-75	40-58
Free throw pct	.760	.690
F-Throws made per game	14.3	10.0
REBOUNDS	136	116
Rebounds per game	34.0	29.0
Rebounding margin	+5.0	-
ASSISTS	45	37
Assists per game	11.3	9.3
TURNOVERS	44	58
Turnovers per game	11.0	14.5
Turnover margin	+3.5	-
Assist/turnover ratio	1.0	0.6
STEALS	28	16
Steals per game	7.0	4.0
BLOCKS	11	15
Blocks per game	2.8	3.8
ATTENDANCE	3667	0
Home games-Avg/Game	4-917	0-0
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Totals
St. Norbert College	125	137	262
Opponents	111	125	236

_	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
	11/15/17	UW-EAU CLAIRE	W	77-69	1027
	11/18/17	BENEDICTINE UNIV.	W	70-53	898
	11/21/17	UW-OSHKOSH	L	57-60	822
	11/25/17	UW-STEVENS POINT	W	58-54	920

<sup>\* -</sup> Conference game