

# **St. Norbert College** Athletics Communications

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## St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview St. Norbert College (8-5) vs. Beloit College (5-8) Tuesday, January 8, 2019 - 7:30 p.m. Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center (1,844) - De Pere, Wis.

#### Game Overview:

St. Norbert continues on the Midwest Conference trail when it hosts Beloit. The Green Knights currently lead four other teams by two games in the league standings.

#### **Broadcast:**

The	game	will	be	broadcast	with	video	streaming	at:
https://	portal.st	retchin	terne	t.com/snc/				
Live		stats		will	be	ava	ilable	at:
https://	www.sn	c.edu/a	athlet	ics/teamfiles/	'livestat	s/xlive.h	tm	

#### The Series:

St. Norbert leads Beloit 47-23 in an all-time series dating back to the 1983-84 season. The Green Knights have won 20 of the last 23 meetings in the series.

#### Last Meeting:

St. Norbert defeated Beloit 62-50 on Feb. 17, 2018 at Flood Arena in Beloit. The Green Knights led 32-25 at halftime and shot 50 percent from the floor. Taylor Penn led the Green Knights with 17 points, while Joe Ciriacks added 13 points and Mitchell Reinthaler 12 points and nine rebounds. Tristan Shoup led the Buccaneers with 15 points.

#### The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 240-78 in his 13th 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 291-108.

Beloit coach Brian Vraney (Wisconsin, 1998) is 91-177 in his 12th season in Beloit.

#### About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the contest at 8-5 overall and is unblemished in Midwest Conference play at 6-0, with the Green Knights going 100-8 in their last 108 games against Midwest Conference opponents. The Green Knights outlasted Cornell 93-82 at home this past Saturday.

Junior guard Joe Ciriacks totaled a career-high point total for the sec-

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### 2018-2019 Results

Date	Opponent	Result
N 10	at Northwestern-Minn.	L 78-68
N 16	vs. Central #	W 76-68
N 17	vs. Neb. Wesleyan (1) #	L 77-67
N 30	Monmouth *	W 67-50
D 1	Knox *	W 84-42
D 5	at Lake Forest *	W 57-47
D 8	Ripon *	W 66-58
D 15	at UW-Eau Claire	L 72-66
D 18	at UW-Oshkosh (6)	L 79-68
D 28	Alma %	W 61-47
D 29	UW-River Falls %	L 80-48
J 2	at Illinois College *	W 96-66
J 5	Cornell *	W 93-82
J 8	Beloit *	7:30 p.m.
J 12	at Knox *	3 p.m.
J 16	Lake Forest *	7:30 p.m.
J 19	at Ripon *	3 p.m.
J 25	at Grinnell *	7:30 p.m.
J 26	at Cornell *	3 p.m.
J 30	at Lawrence *	7:30 p.m.
F 2	Illinois College *	3 p.m.
F 5	at Beloit *	7:30 p.m.
F 9	Grinnell *	3 p.m.
F 13	Lawrence *	7:30 p.m.
F 16	at Monmouth *	3 p.m.
* - Midv	west Conference game; # -	Pioneer Tip-

\* - Midwest Conference game; # - Pioneer Tip-Off Classic - Waukesha, Wis.; % - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament - De Pere, Wis.; **Note:** Home games in **bold** and played at Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center; (rankings) by D3hoops.com. ond consecutive game with 24 points against Cornell and now leads the Green Knights in scoring at 13.4 points per game. Junior forward Connor Curtis is averaging 12.6 points and 7.6 rebounds per game, while sophomore guard Jared Murphy is averaging 11.8 points per game. Junior forward Joe Lemon is averaging 8.5 points per game, while sophomore guard Wade Geenen has improved his scoring average to 7.8 points per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 70.5 points per game while shooting 42.5 percent from the floor, 36.4 percent on 3-pointers and 78.2 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 65.1 points per game while shooting 45.2 percent from the floor, 32.7 percent on 3-pointers and 70.0 percent at the free-throw line.

#### About the Buccaneers:

Beloit enters the game with a 5-8 overall record and a 3-3 mark in the Midwest Conference. The Buccaneers lost their fifth consecutive game with a 73-70 setback to Illinois College at home this past Saturday.

Junior forward Tristan Shoup leads the Buccaneers in scoring at 19.8 points per game while grabbing 7.1 rebounds per game. Sophomore forward Andrew Walters is averaging 11.5 points per game and is snaring a teamhigh 10.3 rebounds per game. Senior forward Matthew Miller is averaging 9.2 points per game.

Beloit is averaging 67.9 points per game while shooting 41.8 percent from the floor, 31.5 percent on 3-pointers and 62.2 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 73.9 points per game while shooting 46.6 percent from the floor, 34.1 percent on 3-pointers and 77.0 percent at the free-throw line.

#### Runnin' Norbs:

St. Norbert has gone over the 90point plateau in each of its last two games, the first time in 20 years the Green Knights have done so in consecutive games.

St. Norbert defeated Illinois College 96-66 last Wednesday before defeating Cornell 93-82 on Saturday.

The Green Knights last accomplished the same on Jan. 29-30, 1999, defeating Grinnell 119-95 and Illinois College 94-56 in a MWC double weekend at Schuldes Sports Center.

#### Midwest Mastery:

St. Norbert has enjoyed a banner run in the Midwest Conference dating back to the end of the 2012-13 season.

Including the last two games of the 2012-13 regular season, St. Norbert is now a lusty 100-8 in its last 108 games against Midwest Conference opponents. This includes an enviable 8-2 mark in the Midwest Conference Tournament.

St. Norbert, which became the first Midwest Conference men's basketball team to win at least five consecutive MWC men's basketball titles since Beloit won six straight from 1946-51.

Dating back to the 2009-10 season, St. Norbert is 90-7 at home against MWC opponents.

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

St. Norbert has six 20-win seasons in the last nine years. 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 fouryear total in school history.

Since starting the 2007-08 season 2-5, St. Norbert is a solid 229-58. 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	l			
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. Norbe	ert			
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	25-3	18-0	1st	Sweet 16
2016-17	19-5	16-2	1st	
2017-18	19-7	14-4	T2nd	
2018-19	8-5	6-0		
Totals	240-78	175-39		
Career	291-109			
Grze	sk vs. N	<b>AWC</b> a	t St. I	Norbert
Team	Overall	Home		

Grzesk	$\mathbf{v}$ $\mathbf{v}$ $\mathbf{v}$	w C at	5t. INO	rbert
Team (	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
Beloit	20-4	11-1	9-3	0-0
Carroll	18-7	12-2	6-4	0-1
Cornell	12-1	7-0	5-1	0-0
Grinnell	17-8	12-1	4-7	1-0
Illinois Coll	. 21-0	10-0	11-0	0-0
Knox	21-2	11-1	10-1	0-0
Lake Forest	21-4	10-3	11-1	0-0
Lawrence	18-7	9-3	9-4	0-0
Monmouth	18-3	10-1	8-2	0-0
Ripon	22-8	15-2	7-5	0-1
Totals	187-44	107-14	79-28	1-2

MW	C Glance	
Team	MWC	Overall
St. Norbert	6-0	8-5
Grinnell	5-2	9-4
Lawrence	5-2	8-6
Ripon	4-2	8-5
Lake Forest	4-2	8-5
Beloit	3-3	5-8
Monmouth	2-4	4-9
Illinois College	2-5	4-10
Cornell	1-5	3-10
Knox	0-7	1-13

## St. Norbert Quick Facts

Nickname:Green Knights
<b>Location:</b>
Colors:
Founded:
Enrollment:
President:Brian Bruess
Athletics Director:
Conference:
Facility:Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center
Capacity:
Year Opened:
Head Coach:
Record at St. Norbert:
<b>Record Overall:</b>
Assistant Coaches:
Brian Roehrig, Corey Ciesielczyk
Justin Zwiefelhofer, Steve Kestly
First Season of Men's Basketball:1916-17
Seasons of Men's Basketball:
All-Time Overall Record:
<b>All-Time MWC Record:</b>
MWC Championships:Nine
NCAA Tournament Appearances:
NAIA Tournament Appearances:Three
(1901, 02, 00)

## D3hoops.com Division III Top 25 Poll #5 - Dec. 17, 2018

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record
1	Nebraska Wesleyan (25)	625	10-0
2	Williams	572	9-0
3	Augustana	563	8-1
4	Whitman	533	6-1
5	Hamilton	531	9-0
6	UW-Oshkosh	507	8-1
7	MIT	440	10-1
8	Marietta	435	9-0
9	Whitworth	425	7-1
10	UW-Whitewater	401	8-0
11	Wittenberg	384	8-1
12	UW-Stevens Point	293	6-2
13	Plattsburgh State	285	8-1
14	Wooster	242	7-1
15	Randolph-Macon	202	10-1
16	Nichols	199	9-0
17	Rochester	197	9-1
18	Christopher Newport	196	8-1
19	St. John's	186	7-1
20	Loras	180	8-1
21	Wabash	145	7-0
22	Salisbury	107	9-0
23	Swarthmore	80	7-2
24	Middlebury	53	6-2
25	Scranton	51	7-0
Others	s receiving votes: Illinoi	s Wesle	eyan 43, St.
Thoma	as 40, Pomona-Pitzer 31	, WPI 2	29, Oswego
State	28, Lynchburg 22, Ar	nherst	18, North
Centra	al-III. 15, Johns Hopkins 1	4, Whe	aton-Ill. 11,

Montclair State 11, Mount Union 11, Wartburg 9,

New Jersey City 9, Centre 2.

St. Norbert Men's Basketball Career Highs

#### #0 - Logan Krekling

Points: 10 (1/5/19 vs. Cornell) Rebounds: 4 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Assists: 2 (1/5/19 vs. Cornell)

#### #2 - Ethan Riniker

Points: 12 (2 times, last 12/29/18 vs. UW-River Falls) Rebounds: 6 (11/30/18 vs. Monmouth) Assists: 2 (2 times, last 12/28/18 vs. Alma)

#**3 - Jack Pettit** Points: 4 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 2 (11/16/18 vs. Central) Assists: 2 (12/1/18 vs. Knox)

**#4 - Jared Davis** Points: 11 (1/2/19 vs. Illinois College) Rebounds: 7 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Assists: 1 (1/2/19 vs. Illinois College)

#**5 - Joe Ciriacks** Points: 24 (1/5/19 vs. Cornell) Rebounds: 5 (2/13/18 vs. Lake Forest) Assists: 4 (12/2/17 vs. Illinois College)

#**10 - Nick LeCaptain** Points: n/a Rebounds: n/a Assists: n/a

#11 - Jared Murphy
Points: 19 (12/28/18 vs. Alma)
Rebounds: 6 (12/29/18 vs. UW-River Falls)
Assists: 4 (1/5/19 vs. Cornell)
#12 - Michael Payant

Points: 3 (11/17/18 vs. Nebraska Wesleyan) Rebounds: 1 (1/5/19 vs. Cornell) Assists: 1 (2 times, last 1/5/19 vs. Cornell)

#### #13 - Jayland Peterson

Points: 2 (2 times, last 11/17/18 vs. Nebraska Wesleyan) Rebounds: 2 (11/10/18 vs. Northwestern) Assists: 2 (11/16/18 vs. Central)

#### #15 - Matt Lynch

Points: 6 (1/2/19 vs. Illinois College) Rebounds: 1 (4 times, last 1/2/19 vs. Illinois College) Assists: 3 (1/5/19 vs. Cornell)

#### #20 - Nolan Beirne

Points: 11 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 8 (1/2/19 vs. Illinois College) Assists: 1 (7 times, last 1/5/19 vs. Cornell)

#### #21 - Jacob Bolwerk

Points: 3 (11/10/18 vs. Northwestern) Rebounds: 1 (11/10/18 vs. Northwestern) Assists: 1 (11/10/18 vs. Northwestern)

#### #22 - Wade Geenen

Points: 22 (2/13/18 vs. Lake Forest) Rebounds: 7 (11/10/18 vs. Northwestern) Assists: 7 (11/16/18 vs. Central)

#### #23 - Drew Yetka

Points: 19 (1/2/19 vs. Illinois College) Rebounds: 6 (1/2/19 vs. Illinois College) Assists: 2 (2 times, last 2/10/18 vs. Grinnell)

#### #24 - Jordan Newman

Points: 4 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 2 (3 times, last 12/5/18 vs. Lake Forest) Assists: 2 (12/2/17 vs. Illinois College)

#### #32 - Patrick Danen

Points: 3 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 2 (1/2/19 vs. Illinois College) Assists: n/a

#### #41 - Connor Curtis

Points: 22 (2 times, last 11/16/18 vs. Central) Rebounds: 20 (11/17/18 vs. Nebraska Wesleyan) Assists: 3 (2 times, last 1/2/19 vs. Illinois College)

#### #52 - Joe Lemon

Points: 20 (11/30/18 vs. Monmouth) Rebounds: 15 (2 times, last 12/5/18 vs. Lake Forest) Assists: 5 (1/24/18 vs. Lawrence)



#### St. Norbert College Men's Basketball St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Jan 07, 2019) All games



Overall record: 8-5 Conf: 6-0 Home: 5-1 Away: 2-3 Neutral: 1-1

					Total		3-Poir	nt	F-Thro	W	I	Rebou	nds									
##	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fta	ft%	off	def	tot	avg	pf	dq	а	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
05	Joe Ciriacks	13-13	370	28.5	61-134	.455	43-93	.462	9-11	.818	6	23	29	2.2	35	1	17	15	1	1	174	13.4
41	Connor Curtis	13-13	340	26.2	61-136	.449	7-26	.269	35-43	.814	39	60	99	7.6	27	0	14	19	10	11	164	12.6
11	Jared Murphy	10-4	222	22.2	46-96	.479	14-35	.400	12-15	.800	5	23	28	2.8	13	0	12	24	1	7	118	11.8
52	Joe Lemon	13-13	319	24.5	46-87	.529	6-16	.375	13-19	.684	30	57	87	6.7	32	1	19	23	7	7	111	8.5
22	Wade Geenen	13-13	395	30.4	32-107	.299	20-63	.317	17-22	.773	7	29	36	2.8	22	1	38	21	0	7	101	7.8
02	Ethan Riniker	10-4	178	17.8	23-64	.359	13-45	.289	2-5	.400	0	17	17	1.7	14	0	8	9	5	4	61	6.1
20	Nolan Beirne	13-0	199	15.3	20-46	.435	0-0	.000	17-19	.895	20	21	41	3.2	20	0	6	11	0	7	57	4.4
23	Drew Yetka	13-0	146	11.2	18-39	.462	8-17	.471	12-14	.857	11	21	32	2.5	13	0	5	4	1	1	56	4.3
04	Jared Davis	5-0	34	6.8	9-18	.500	1-5	.200	4-5	.800	3	5	8	1.6	4	0	1	2	0	1	23	4.6
00	Logan Krekling	10-2	130	13.0	5-13	.385	3-5	.600	2-5	.400	3	16	19	1.9	8	0	5	5	1	5	15	1.5
15	Matt Lynch	7-0	48	6.9	2-7	.286	0-1	.000	6-8	.750	0	4	4	0.6	7	0	6	5	0	5	10	1.4
03	Jack Pettit	7-0	41	5.9	2-4	.500	0-0	.000	3-3	1.000	0	3	3	0.4	1	0	4	4	0	3	7	1.0
24	Jordan Newman	8-0	46	5.8	2-9	.222	0-4	.000	0-0	.000	2	4	6	0.8	4	0	2	3	0	1	4	0.5
13	Jayland Peterson	3-0	26	8.7	2-7	.286	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	3	3	1.0	3	0	2	3	0	1	4	1.3
01	x-Riley Haas	4-3	58	14.5	1-5	.200	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	1	5	6	1.5	2	0	5	1	0	1	3	0.8
32	Patrick Danen	4-0	15	3.8	1-4	.250	0-2	.000	1-1	1.000	1	2	3	0.8	3	0	0	1	0	0	3	0.8
12	Michael Payant	4-0	13	3.3	1-2	.500	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.3	1	0	2	0	0	1	3	0.8
21	Jacob Bolwerk	1-0	10	10.0	1-2	.500	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	1	1	0	0	3	3.0
10	Nick LeCaptain	3-0	10	3.3	0-3	.000	0-3	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Team										28	26	54					5				
	Total	13	2600		333-783	.425	118-324	.364	133-170	.782	156	321	477	36.7	211	3	147	156	26	63	917	70.5
	Opponents	13	2600		301-666	.452	97-297	.327	147-210	.700	85	308	393	30.2	195	1	168	173	26	79	846	65.1

#### x-Inactive player

ATTENDANČE

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP		Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
SCORING	917	846	_	11/10/18	at Northwestern	L	68-78	360
Points per game	70.5	65.1	#	11/16/18	vs Central College	W	76-68	213
Scoring margin	+5.5	-	#	11/17/18	vs Nebraska Wesleyan	L	67-77	198
FIELD GOALS-ATT	333-783	301-666	*	11/30/18	MONMOUTH COLLEGE	W	67-50	508
Field goal pct	.425	.452	*	12/1/18	KNOX COLLEGE	W	84-42	516
3 POINT FG-ATT	118-324	97-297	*	12/5/18	at Lake Forest College	W	57-47	246
3-point FG pct	.364	.327	*	12/8/18	RIPON COLLEGE	W	66-58	723
3-pt FG made per game	9.1	7.5		12/15/18	at UW-Eau Claire	L	66-72	504
FREE THROWS-ATT	133-170	147-210		12/18/18	at UW-Oshkosh	L	68-79	272
Free throw pct	.782	.700	%	5 12/28/18	ALMA COLLEGE	W	61-47	794
F-Throws made per game	10.2	11.3	%	5 12/29/18	UW-RIVER FALLS	L	48-80	626
REBOUNDS	477	393	*	1/2/19	at Illinois College	W	96-66	150
Rebounds per game	36.7	30.2	*	1/5/19	CORNELL COLLEGE	W	93-82	612
Rebounding margin	+6.5	-						
ASSISTS	147	168	#	- Carroll Tip-	Off Classic (Waukesha, Wis.)			
Assists per game	11.3	12.9			t Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tou	urnament (De	e Pere, Wis.)	
TURNOVERS	156	173			nference game	,	. ,	
Turnovers per game	12.0	13.3			5			
Turnover margin	+1.3	-						
Assist/turnover ratio	0.9	1.0						
STEALS	63	79						
Steals per game	4.8	6.1						
BLOCKS	26	26						
Blocks per game	2.0	2.0						

ATTENDANCE			
Home games-Avg/Ga	ame		6-630
Neutral site-Avg/Gam	ie		-
Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Totals
Score by Periods St. Norbert College	<u>1st</u> 422	<b>2nd</b> 495	Totals 917

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