



St. Norbert College

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview St. Norbert College (17-6) vs. Lawrence Univ. (11-12) Wednesday, February 13, 2019 - 7:30 p.m. Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center (1,844) - De Pere, Wisconsin

Game Overview:

St. Norbert hosts its final regular-season home game of the season when it takes on Lawrence. The Green Knights can clinch the outright Midwest Conference championship and No. 1 seeding in the Midwest Conference Tournament with one win in its last two games.

Broadcast:

The game will be broadcast with video streaming at:
<https://portal.stretchinternet.com/snc/>
Live stats will be available at:
<https://www.snc.edu/athletics/teamfiles/livestats/xlive.htm>

The Series:

St. Norbert leads Lawrence 62-46 in an all-time series dating back to the 1917-18 season, making it one of the Green Knights' two oldest rivalries (along with UW-Oshkosh). The Green Knights have won 18 straight games in the series.

Last Meeting:

St. Norbert topped Lawrence 78-68 on Jan. 31, 2019 at Alexander Gym in Appleton. The Green Knights led 34-30 at halftime and were tied with the Vikings with 12 1/2 minutes to go before pulling away down the stretch. Joe Ciriacks led St. Norbert with 27 points, while Nolan Beirne added 19 points and Wade Geenen 13 points. Bryce Denham led the Vikings with 14 points, while George Mavrakis added 13 points.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 249-79 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 300-110.

Lawrence coach Zach Filzen (Buffalo, 2012) is 11-12 in his first season in Appleton. Including a 64-21 in three seasons at Lancaster Bible, he is 75-33 in four seasons overall.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the game 17-6 overall and 15-1 in the Midwest Conference. The Green Knights clinched at least a share of their sixth Midwest Conference championship in the last seven years with a 116-97

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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 *	W 82-59
J 12	at Knox *	W 78-55
J 16	Lake Forest *	W 63-62
J 19	at Ripon *	W 75-57
J 25	at Grinnell *	L 102-96
J 26	at Cornell *	W 87-75
J 31	at Lawrence *	W 78-68
F 2	Illinois College *	W 104-94
F 5	at Beloit *	W 74-64
F 9	Grinnell *	W 116-97
F 13	Lawrence *	7:30 p.m.
F 16	at Monmouth *	3 p.m.
F 22	vs. TBA \$	TBA

* - Midwest Conference game; # - Pioneer Tip-Off Classic - Waukesha, Wis.; % - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament - De Pere, Wis.; \$ - Midwest Conference Tournament - at TBA; **Note:** Home games in **bold** and played at Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center; (rankings) by D3hoops.com.

win over Grinnell at home on Saturday.

Junior guard Joe Ciriacks leads the Green Knights offensively at 14.9 points per game. Junior forward Connor Curtis, who has missed the last four games due to injury, is averaging 14.5 points and 7.4 rebounds per game. Sophomore guard Jared Murphy is registering 10.0 points per game, junior forward Joe Lemon is averaging 8.6 points and 6.9 rebounds per game. Sophomore guard Wade Geenen is averaging 8.5 points per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 77.0 points per game while shooting 46.7 percent from the floor, 37.7 percent on 3-pointers and 73.3 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 68.7 points per game while shooting 44.8 percent from the floor, 34.3 percent on 3-pointers and 74.0 percent at the free-throw line.

About the Vikings:

Lawrence enters the game 11-12 overall and 8-8 in the Midwest Conference. The Vikings are currently fighting for the last spot in the Midwest Conference Tournament, trailing Ripon and Monmouth both by one game with two games remaining. Lawrence topped Cornell 86-75 at home on Saturday.

Sophomore guard Brad Sendell leads the Vikings in scoring at 18.7 points per game. Sophomore forward Bryce Denham is averaging 12.0 points and 5.8 rebounds per game, while sophomore forward Mason Materna is averaging 11.8 points per game. Senior guard George Mavrakis is totaling 10.4 points per game.

Lawrence is averaging 75.1 points per game while shooting 45.7 percent from the floor, 35.4 percent on 3-pointers and 75.9 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 76.9 points per game while shooting 45.6 percent from the floor, 35.3 percent on 3-pointers and 71.1 percent at the free-throw line.

Runnin' Norbs:

St. Norbert has enjoyed a solid

offensive performance of late, scoring at least 74 points in 11 of its last 12 games. The Green Knights have also gone over the 80-point mark six times in that stretch.

The Green Knights are averaging 77.0 points per game, the third-highest season total in coach Gary Grzesk's 13-year tenure. St. Norbert averaged 82.6 points per game in 2013-14 and 80.0 points per game in 2014-15.

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 109-9 in its last 118 games against Midwest Conference opponents. This includes an enviable 8-2 mark in the Midwest Conference Tournament.

St. Norbert's five consecutive Midwest Conference men's basketball titles from 2013-17 was the first program 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 94-7 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 four-year total in school history.

Since starting the 2007-08 season 2-5, St. Norbert is a solid 238-59. 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 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	25-3	18-0	1st	Sweet 16
2016-17	19-5	16-2	1st	
2017-18	19-7	14-4	T2nd	
2018-19	17-6	15-1		
Totals	249-79	184-40		
Career	300-110			

Grzesk vs. MWC at St. Norbert

Team	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
Beloit	22-4	12-1	10-3	0-0
Carroll	18-7	12-2	6-4	0-1
Cornell	13-1	7-0	6-1	0-0
Grinnell	18-9	13-1	4-8	1-0
Illinois Coll.	22-0	11-0	11-0	0-0
Knox	22-2	11-1	11-1	0-0
Lake Forest	22-4	11-3	11-1	0-0
Lawrence	19-7	9-3	10-4	0-0
Monmouth	18-3	10-1	8-2	0-0
Ripon	23-8	15-2	8-5	0-1
Totals	196-45	111-14	84-29	1-2

MWC Glance

Team	MWC	Overall
St. Norbert	15-1	17-6
Grinnell	13-3	17-5
Lake Forest	12-4	16-7
Monmouth	9-7	11-12
Ripon	9-7	13-10
Lawrence	8-8	11-12
Illinois College	5-11	7-16
Beloit	5-11	7-16
Cornell	4-12	6-17
Knox	0-16	1-22

St. Norbert Quick Facts

Nickname:Green Knights
Location:De Pere, WI 54115
Colors:Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
Founded:1898
Enrollment:2,168
President:Brian Bruess
Athletics Director:Tim Bald
Conference:Midwest Conference
Facility: ..Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center
Capacity:1,844
Year Opened:2017
Head Coach:Gary Grzesk
Record at St. Norbert:249-79 (13th year)
Record Overall:300-110 (16th year)
Assistant Coaches:Keil Ganz,
 Brian Roehrig, Corey Ciesielczyk
 Justin Zwiefelhofer, Steve Kestly
First Season of Men's Basketball:1916-17
Seasons of Men's Basketball:96
All-Time Overall Record:1,102-877
All-Time MWC Record:369-188
MWC Championships:10
(1984, 2002, '10, '11, '13, '14, '15, '16, '17, '19)
NCAA Tournament Appearances:Nine
(1958, '84, 2002, 10, '11, '13, '14, '15, '16)
NAIA Tournament Appearances:Three
(1961, '62, '65)

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Top 25 Poll #11 - Feb. 11, 2019

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record
1	Nebraska Wesleyan (20)	618	22-1
2	Whitman (4)	594	22-1
3	UW-Oshkosh (1)	582	22-1
4	Augustana	555	22-2
5	Randolph-Macon	510	22-2
6	St. Thomas	476	21-2
7	Swarthmore	419	20-3
8	MIT	402	20-3
9	Pomona-Pitzer	401	21-1
10	Hamilton	387	20-3
11	Amherst	335	20-3
12	Whitworth	330	19-4
13	Christopher Newport	329	20-3
14	Wooster	326	19-4
15	St. John's	300	19-4
16	Capital	209	19-4
17	Nichols	193	21-2
18	Williams	168	19-5
19	Marietta	148	18-5
20	Loras	147	18-5
21	Plattsburgh State	144	19-4
22	Rochester	89	18-4
23	North Central-Ill.	79	18-5
24	Wabash	77	19-4
25	Middlebury	51	18-6

Others receiving votes: Centre 47, Arcadia 34,
 UW-Stevens Point 28, Emory 22, Wittenberg 22,
 Occidental 21, Gordon 21, New Jersey City 19,
 Mount Union 12, Wheaton-Ill. 9, Oswego State 6,
 La Roche 5, Augsburg 3, Illinois Wesleyan 3,
 Scranton 2, Guilford 1, Lynchburg 1.

St. Norbert Men's Basketball Career Highs

#0 - Logan Krekling

Points: 17 (2/9/19 vs. Grinnell)
 Rebounds: 10 (2/9/19 vs. Grinnell)
 Assists: 7 (1/25/19 vs. Grinnell)

#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 (2 times, last 1/8/19 vs.
 Beloit)

#5 - Joe Ciriacks

Points: 32 (1/26/19 vs. Cornell)
 Rebounds: 5 (2/13/18 vs. Lake Forest)
 Assists: 4 (2 times, last 1/26/19 vs.
 Cornell)

#10 - Nick LeCaptain

Points: n/a
 Rebounds: n/a
 Assists: 1 (1/12/19 vs. Knox)

#11 - Jared Murphy

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

#12 - Michael Payant

Points: 5 (1/8/19 vs. Beloit)
 Rebounds: 1 (3 times, last 2/9/19 vs.
 Grinnell)
 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: 10 (2/9/19 vs. Grinnell)
 Rebounds: 5 (2/5/19 vs. Beloit)
 Assists: 4 (2/9/19 vs. Grinnell)

#20 - Nolan Beirne

Points: 21 (2 times, last 2/9/19 vs.
 Grinnell)
 Rebounds: 10 (2/2/19 vs. Illinois College)
 Assists: 3 (2 times, last 2/9/19 vs.
 Grinnell)

#21 - Jacob Bolwerk

Points: 17 (2/9/19 vs. Grinnell)
 Rebounds: 5 (2/9/19 vs. Grinnell)
 Assists: 2 (2/9/19 vs. Grinnell)

#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: 8 (1/25/19 vs. Grinnell)
 Assists: 6 (2/2/19 vs. Illinois College)

#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: 4 (1/12/19 vs. Knox)
 Rebounds: 2 (1/2/19 vs. Illinois College)
 Assists: n/a

#41 - Connor Curtis

Points: 23 (1/12/19 vs. Knox)
 Rebounds: 20 (11/17/18 vs. Nebraska
 Wesleyan)
 Assists: 4 (1/26/19 vs. Cornell)

#52 - Joe Lemon

Points: 20 (11/30/18 vs. Monmouth)
 Rebounds: 15 (2 times, last 12/5/18 vs.
 Lake Forest)
 Assists: 6 (1/26/19 vs. Cornell)



St. Norbert College Men's Basketball
 St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Feb 09, 2019)
All games



Overall record: 17-6 Conf: 15-1 Home: 9-1 Away: 7-4 Neutral: 1-1

#	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds				pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
					fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fa	ft%	off	def	tot	avg								
05	Joe Ciriacks	23-23	650	28.3	121-258	.469	74-167	.443	26-37	.703	9	39	48	2.1	58	1	32	28	2	6	342	14.9
41	Connor Curtis	19-19	506	26.6	111-207	.536	13-41	.317	41-59	.695	52	89	141	7.4	39	0	24	24	15	22	276	14.5
11	Jared Murphy	20-11	413	20.7	78-183	.426	19-62	.306	24-31	.774	11	44	55	2.8	21	0	30	32	2	11	199	10.0
52	Joe Lemon	23-23	569	24.7	80-154	.519	9-28	.321	28-42	.667	49	109	158	6.9	56	1	43	32	19	14	197	8.6
22	Wade Geenen	23-23	684	29.7	66-180	.367	38-96	.396	26-36	.722	8	43	51	2.2	41	1	60	30	0	15	196	8.5
20	Nolan Beirne	23-4	416	18.1	61-106	.575	0-2	.000	47-56	.839	48	53	101	4.4	44	1	19	22	0	14	169	7.3
23	Drew Yetka	23-0	332	14.4	48-95	.505	27-51	.529	21-26	.808	18	50	68	3.0	27	0	21	16	2	8	144	6.3
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
00	Logan Krekling	20-5	337	16.9	17-43	.395	4-11	.364	16-26	.615	9	43	52	2.6	20	0	30	13	3	9	54	2.7
15	Matt Lynch	17-0	172	10.1	14-28	.500	0-2	.000	16-22	.727	3	12	15	0.9	24	0	27	17	0	13	44	2.6
21	Jacob Bolwerk	7-0	39	5.6	9-12	.750	1-4	.250	7-8	.875	1	6	7	1.0	4	0	5	2	0	0	26	3.7
04	Jared Davis	11-0	53	4.8	10-22	.455	1-6	.167	4-5	.800	3	5	8	0.7	6	0	2	5	0	1	25	2.3
03	Jack Pettit	10-0	51	5.1	3-5	.600	0-0	.000	3-3	1.000	0	3	3	0.3	4	0	5	4	0	3	9	0.9
32	Patrick Danen	7-0	22	3.1	3-7	.429	0-2	.000	3-3	1.000	1	2	3	0.4	3	0	0	1	1	1	9	1.3
12	Michael Payant	7-0	22	3.1	3-6	.500	2-5	.400	0-0	.000	0	3	3	0.4	1	0	2	0	2	2	8	1.1
24	Jordan Newman	11-0	56	5.1	2-9	.222	0-4	.000	0-1	.000	2	4	6	0.5	4	0	3	3	0	1	4	0.4
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
10	Nick LeCaptain	6-0	16	2.7	0-5	.000	0-5	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team											40	46	86				8					
Total.....		23	4600		652-1396	.467	202-536	.377	264-360	.733	255	576	831	36.1	374	4	319	250	51	126	1770	77.0
Opponents.....		23	4600		559-1248	.448	199-580	.343	262-354	.740	167	535	702	30.5	386	3	296	306	43	120	1579	68.7

x-Inactive player

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP	Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
SCORING	1770	1579	11/10/18	at Northwestern	L 68-78	360
Points per game	77.0	68.7	# 11/16/18	vs Central College	w 76-68	213
Scoring margin	+8.3	-	# 11/17/18	vs Nebraska Wesleyan	L 67-77	198
FIELD GOALS-ATT	652-1396	559-1248	* 11/30/18	MONMOUTH COLLEGE	w 67-50	508
Field goal pct	.467	.448	* 12/1/18	KNOX COLLEGE	w 84-42	516
3 POINT FG-ATT	202-536	199-580	* 12/5/18	at Lake Forest College	w 57-47	246
3-point FG pct	.377	.343	* 12/8/18	RIPON COLLEGE	w 66-58	723
3-pt FG made per game	8.8	8.7	12/15/18	at UW-Eau Claire	L 66-72	504
FREE THROWS-ATT	264-360	262-354	12/18/18	at UW-Oshkosh	L 68-79	272
Free throw pct	.733	.740	% 12/28/18	ALMA COLLEGE	w 61-47	794
F-Throws made per game	11.5	11.4	% 12/29/18	UW-RIVER FALLS	L 48-80	626
REBOUNDS	831	702	* 1/2/19	at Illinois College	w 96-66	150
Rebounds per game	36.1	30.5	* 1/5/19	CORNELL COLLEGE	w 93-82	612
Rebounding margin	+5.6	-	* 1/8/19	BELOIT COLLEGE	w 82-59	411
ASSISTS	319	296	* 1/12/19	at Knox College	w 78-55	100
Assists per game	13.9	12.9	* 1/16/19	LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	w 63-62	579
TURNOVERS	250	306	* 1/19/19	at Ripon College	w 75-57	369
Turnovers per game	10.9	13.3	* 1/25/19	at Grinnell College	L 96-102	927
Turnover margin	+2.4	-	* 1/26/19	at Cornell College	w 87-75	270
Assist/turnover ratio	1.3	1.0	* 1/31/19	at Lawrence Univ.	w 78-68	556
STEALS	126	120	* 2/2/19	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	w 104-94	573
Steals per game	5.5	5.2	* 2/5/19	at Beloit College	w 74-64	197
BLOCKS	51	43	* 2/9/19	GRINNELL COLLEGE	w 116-97	1339
Blocks per game	2.2	1.9				
ATTENDANCE	6681	4362				
Home games-Avg/Game	10-668	11-359	# - Carroll Tip-Off Classic (Waukesha, Wis.)			
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	2-206	% - St. Norbert Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament (De Pere, Wis.)			
			* - Midwest Conference game			

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Totals
St. Norbert College	814	956	1770
Opponents	703	876	1579