



St. Norbert College

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview

St. Norbert College (0-2) vs. Northland College (2-3)

Saturday, November 23, 2019 - 3 p.m.

Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center (1,844) - De Pere, Wisconsin

Game Overview:

St. Norbert plays its final game before starting Midwest Conference play when it hosts Northland. The game against the Lumberjacks marks the home opener for the Green Knights. It also the first game out of a stretch of six of seven games at home for St. Norbert.

Broadcast:

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

Live stats for the are available at: <http://www.snc.edu/athletics/team-files/livestats/xlive.htm>

The Series:

St. Norbert leads Northland 26-6 in a series begun on March 2, 1960 in a NAIA District 14 Playoff game played in Stevens Point, a 70-61 St. Norbert win. The two schools then met at least once annually through the 1980-81 season, and have played irregularly since.

Last Meeting:

St. Norbert defeated Northland 71-53 on Dec. 29, 2011 at the Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament at Schuldes Sports Center in De Pere. The Green Knights led 35-27 at halftime before pulling away. Brandon Gries led the Green Knights with 18 points, while Andrew Schwoerer added 10 points. Adrian Flores led the Lumberjacks with 23 points and 11 rebounds.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 251-83 in his 14th 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 302-114.

Northland coach Scott Sorenson (Minnesota, 2000) is 60-120 in his eighth season in Ashland.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the Northland game 0-2 overall. The Green Knights have been idle since last Saturday, when they dropped a 75-50 decision

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2019-2020 Results

Date	Opponent	Result
O 28	at UW-Green Bay (exh)	L 79-72
O 29	at Marquette (exh)	L 88-51
N 9	at Benedictine	L 87-79
N 16	at Elmhurst	L 75-50
N 23	Northland	3 p.m.
D 4	Lake Forest *	5:30 p.m.
D 7	at Ripon *	1 p.m.
D 14	UW-Eau Claire	3 p.m.
D 17	UW-Oshkosh	7:30 p.m.
D 29	UW-Superior %	7 p.m.
D 30	UW-Stout or Edgewood %	5 or 7 p.m.
J 3	at Monmouth *	5:30 p.m.
J 4	at Knox *	1 p.m.
J 8	Illinois College *	5:30 p.m.
J 11	at Cornell *	1 p.m.
J 15	at Beloit *	5:30 p.m.
J 18	Knox *	1 p.m.
J 21	at Lake Forest *	5:30 p.m.
J 25	Ripon *	1 p.m.
J 31	Grinnell *	5:30 p.m.
F 1	Cornell *	3 p.m.
F 5	Lawrence *	5:30 p.m.
F 8	at Illinois College *	1 p.m.
F 12	Beloit *	5:30 p.m.
F 15	at Grinnell *	1 p.m.
F 19	at Lawrence *	5:30 p.m.
F 22	Monmouth *	1 p.m.

* - Midwest Conference game; % - 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.

at College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin foe Elmhurst.

Senior forward Connor Curtis leads the Green Knights offensively, averaging 20.5 points and 5.0 rebounds per game while shooting 61.5 percent from the floor. Senior guard Joe Ciriacks is averaging 10.5 points and 5.0 rebounds per game. Junior guards Wade Geenen and Jared Murphy are both averaging 9.0 points per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 64.5 points per game while shooting 42.1 percent from the floor, 29.2 percent on 3-pointers and 67.6 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 81.0 points per game while shooting 49.2 percent from the floor, 39.3 percent on 3-pointers and 66.7 percent at the free-throw line.

About the Lumberjacks:

Northland enters the game with a 2-3 overall record. The Lumberjacks are coming off a 127-46 home win against Oak Hills Christian on Wednesday. Northland also topped Maranatha Baptist 80-68 this past Saturday.

Senior guard Benny Larry leads the Lumberjacks in scoring at 13.6 points per game. Sophomore forward Hunter Moe is netting 6.8 points per game, while freshman guard Jordan Brennan is totaling an average of 6.6 points per game. Sophomore forward Max May and freshman guard Alex Schmidt are both averaging 6.4 points per game.

Northland is averaging 75.4 points per game while shooting 42.5 percent from the floor, 32.0 percent on 3-pointers and 59.3 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 81.0 points per game while shooting 49.2 percent from the floor, 34.9 percent on 3-pointers and 72.7 percent at the free-throw line.

Crystal Ball:

St. Norbert was picked to win its ninth Midwest Conference championship in the last 11 seasons in

the annual pre-season poll conducted by the league's coaches.

The Green Knights received a maximum nine first-place votes and 81 points. Monmouth was given the nod for second with one first-place vote and 68 points. Lake Forest was third with 66 points, while Grinnell was fourth with 55 points.

Ripon was picked for fifth (50 points), Lawrence sixth (46 points), Illinois College seventh (30 points), Cornell eighth (26 points), Beloit ninth (18 points) and Knox tenth (10 points).

St. Norbert opens MWC play on Dec. 4 with a home game against Lake Forest.

Building a Winner:

St. Norbert has six 20-win seasons in the last nine years, with the other three seasons all 19-win campaigns. 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.

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 a lusty 111-11 in its last 122 games against Midwest Conference opponents.

St. Norbert's five consecutive Midwest Conference men's basketball titles from 2013-17 made the Green Knights 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 96-8 at home against MWC opponents.

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	19-8	16-2	1st	
2019-20	0-2	0-0		
Totals	251-83	185-41		
Career	302-114			

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	22-5	11-4	11-1	0-0
Lawrence	20-7	10-3	10-4	0-0
Monmouth	19-4	11-1	8-3	0-0
Ripon	23-8	15-2	8-5	0-1
Totals	198-47	113-15	84-30	1-2

MWC Glance

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

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:251-83 (14th year)
Record Overall:302-114 (17th year)
Assistant Coaches:Joel Cline,
 Brian Roehrig, Corey Ciesielczyk,
 Justin Zwiefelhofer, Steve Kestly
First Season of Men's Basketball:1916-17
Seasons of Men's Basketball:97
All-Time Overall Record:1,104-881
All-Time MWC Record:370-189
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 # 1 - Oct. 28, 2019

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record
1	Swarthmore (16)	614	0-0
2	UW-Oshkosh (8)	563	0-0
3	North Central-Ill. (1)	510	0-0
4	Amherst	469	0-0
5	Wittenberg	455	0-0
6	Emory	418	0-0
7	Washington-Mo.	386	0-0
8	Nebraska Wesleyan	349	0-0
9	Christopher Newport	338	0-0
10	Nichols	333	0-0
11	Texas-Dallas	313	0-0
12	St. John's	295	0-0
13	Middlebury	282	0-0
14	Wabash	269	0-0
15	St. Thomas	245	0-0
16	WPI	239	0-0
17	Augustana	229	0-0
18	Marietta	227	0-0
19	Guilford	216	0-0
20	Whitman	193	0-0
21	Wooster	167	0-0
22	Baldwin Wallace	128	0-0
23	Augsburg	113	0-0
24	Randolph-Macon	112	0-0
25	St. John Fisher	93	0-0

Others receiving votes: Oswego State 83, Hamilton 59, Salem State 58, UW-Platteville 54, York-Pa. 49, Wheaton-Ill. 45, MIT 35, Claremont-Mudd-Scripps 31, New Jersey City 29, Scranton 24, Endicott 18, Mount Union 18, Pomona-Pitzer 15, Eastern Connecticut 14, Whitworth 12, Rochester 5, Oneonta State 5, Tufts 4, Williams 3, Brockport State 2, Covenant 2, Brandeis 1, Keene State 1, Loras 1, Yeshiva 1.

St. Norbert Men's Basketball Career Highs

#1 - Tyler Gouin

Points: 6 (11/16/19 vs. Elmhurst)
 Rebounds: 1 (11/16/19 vs. Elmhurst)
 Assists: n/a

#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 times, last 11/16/19 vs. Elmhurst)
 Assists: 4 (2 times, last 1/26/19 vs. Cornell)

#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: 10 (11/9/19 vs. Benedictine)
 Rebounds: 7 (11/9/19 vs. Benedictine)
 Assists: 2 (11/9/19 vs. Benedictine)

#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 times, last 2/27/19 vs. Lake Forest)
 Assists: 6 (2/13/19 vs. Lawrence)

#21 - Jacob Bolwerk

Points: 17 (2/9/19 vs. Grinnell)
 Rebounds: 7 (11/16/19 vs. Elmhurst)
 Assists: 5 (11/16/19 vs. Elmhurst)

#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)

#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)

#30 - Carson Talbert

Points: 1 (11/16/19 vs. Elmhurst)
 Rebounds: 1 (11/16/19 vs. Elmhurst)
 Assists: n/a

#32 - Patrick Danen

Points: 4 (1/12/19 vs. Knox)
 Rebounds: 2 (1/2/19 vs. Illinois College)
 Assists: 1 (2/13/19 vs. Lawrence)

#35 - Luke Rogers

Points: n/a
 Rebounds: n/a
 Assists: n/1

#41 - Connor Curtis

Points: 29 (11/9/19 vs. Benedictine)
 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 Nov 16, 2019)
All games



RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	0-2	0-0	0-2	0-0
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	0-2	0-0	0-2	0-0

##	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-fta	ft%	off	def	tot	avg								
41	Connor Curtis	2-2	63	31.5	16-26	.615	0-5	.000	9-9	1.000	2	8	10	5.0	3	0	1	4	0	4	41	20.5
05	Joe Ciriacks	2-2	61	30.5	6-17	.353	4-12	.333	5-8	.625	0	10	10	5.0	4	0	2	2	0	2	21	10.5
22	Wade Geenen	2-2	53	26.5	6-14	.429	5-10	.500	1-2	.500	0	4	4	2.0	2	0	3	6	0	2	18	9.0
11	Jared Murphy	2-0	39	19.5	5-14	.357	2-5	.400	6-8	.750	3	4	7	3.5	1	0	1	4	0	1	18	9.0
20	Nolan Beirne	2-2	61	30.5	5-9	.556	0-0	.000	2-4	.500	2	3	5	2.5	3	0	3	6	0	0	12	6.0
12	Michael Payant	2-0	32	16.0	3-9	.333	3-6	.500	1-2	.500	2	7	9	4.5	4	0	3	3	1	1	10	5.0
01	Tyler Gouin	1-0	10	10.0	3-4	.750	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	1.0	0	0	0	1	1	1	6	6.0
21	Jacob Bolwerk	2-2	35	17.5	1-8	.125	0-5	.000	0-2	.000	6	7	13	6.5	7	0	7	3	0	1	2	1.0
30	Carson Talbert	1-0	5	5.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	1	0	1	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.0
03	Jack Pettit	2-0	19	9.5	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.5	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.0
02	Ethan Riniker	2-0	12	6.0	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	3	3	1.5	3	0	1	2	0	0	0	0.0
24	Jordan Newman	1-0	3	3.0	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
15	Matt Lynch	1-0	3	3.0	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	2.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.0
32	Patrick Danen	1-0	3	3.0	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
35	Luke Rogers	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											2	2	4				1					
Total.....		2	400		45-107	.421	14-48	.292	25-37	.676	19	51	70	35.0	30	0	21	33	2	13	129	64.5
Opponents.....		2	400		60-122	.492	22-56	.393	20-30	.667	16	49	65	32.5	35	1	38	18	4	18	162	81.0

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP	Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
SCORING	129	162	11/9/19	at Benedictine (IL)	L 79-87	518
Points per game	64.5	81.0	11/16/19	at Elmhurst	L 50-75	728
Scoring margin	-16.5	-	* - MWC game			
FIELD GOALS-ATT	45-107	60-122				
Field goal pct	.421	.492				
3 POINT FG-ATT	14-48	22-56				
3-point FG pct	.292	.393				
3-pt FG made per game	7.0	11.0				
FREE THROWS-ATT	25-37	20-30				
Free throw pct	.676	.667				
F-Throws made per game	12.5	10.0				
REBOUNDS	70	65				
Rebounds per game	35.0	32.5				
Rebounding margin	+2.5	-				
ASSISTS	21	38				
Assists per game	10.5	19.0				
TURNOVERS	33	18				
Turnovers per game	16.5	9.0				
Turnover margin	-7.5	-				
Assist/turnover ratio	0.6	2.1				
STEALS	13	18				
Steals per game	6.5	9.0				
BLOCKS	2	4				
Blocks per game	1.0	2.0				
ATTENDANCE	0	1246				
Home games-Avg/Game	0-0	2-623				
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0				

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Totals
St. Norbert College	60	69	129
Opponents	79	83	162