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EXPLOSIVE ACTION
1995-96
NORTHERN IOWA
WRESTLING SCHEDULE

Nov. 24 at Northern Open (Madison, Wis.)
Dec. 2 Northern Iowa Open
Dec. 9 at Iowa
Dec. 29-30 at Midlands Open (Evanston, Ill.)
Jan. 5 James Madison
Jan. 6 at Great Plains Open (Lincoln, Neb.)
Jan. 9 vs. Indiana (Edinboro, Pa.)
Jan. 11 at Edinboro
Jan. 20 Northern Iowa Duals
Jan. 21 (UNI, UW-LaCrosse, Wartburg, Nebraska-Omaha,
Jan. 25 Chicago State, Northeast Missouri, Indiana, Marquette)
Feb. 3 at Wisconsin
Feb. 9 Missouri
Feb. 11 at Purdue
Feb. 17 Iowa State
Feb. 19 at Nebraska
Feb. 23 at Ohio
Feb. 24 at Ohio State
Mar. 9 NCAA West Regional (Cedar Falls)
Mar. 21-23 at NCAA Division I Championships
(Minneapolis, Minn.)

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UNI-DOME - HOME OF THE 1997 NCAA WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS
NORTHERN IOWA AT A GLANCE

Location Cedar Falls, Iowa 50614

FOUNDED 1876

Enrollment 12,800

NICKNAME PANTHERS

School Colors Purple & Old Gold

PRESIDENT DR. ROBERT KOOB

Athletic Director Chris Ritiervi

HEAD WRESTLING COACH DON BRIGGS 319 273-6473

Assistant Coaches Joel Greenlee, Chris Bollin

HOME FACILITY WEST GYM (2,500)

Conference Independent (NCAA West Regional)

1994-95 DUAL RECORD 4-11

1995 NCAA Finish 16th

LETTERWINNERS RETURNING/LOST 8/4

Starters Returning/Lost 5/5

ASSISTANT TRAINER (WRESTLING) MICKI AUSTIN

Sports Information Director Nancy Justis

ASSISTANT SID (WRESTLING CONTACT) KEVIN KANE 319 273 3642

TO THE MEDIA

Press facilities in the West Gym are very limited. Only working media are allowed access to the press area, which is located on the south side of the arena.

Head coach Don Briggs and team members are available for interviews in person or by telephone on most occasions. Interviews may be arranged through Assistant SID Kevin Kane 319/273-3642 or directly through the Wrestling Office 319/273-6473. The best time to contact team members is before or after practice in the West Gym wrestling room, located on the north side of the building. Practice normally runs from approximately 3 till 5:15 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

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Credits

The 1995-96 Northern Iowa Wrestling Yearbook was written and edited by Kevin Kane, Assistant SID. Design and photography by the UNI Office of Public Relations.
Don Briggs struggled when asked if he had a theme for his 1995-96 Panther wrestling team.

Then it hit him.

“It’s a new team,” he said. “We are a new team, bouncing back from a deficit we had last year. We don’t have many seniors or upperclassmen. We’re looking for the youth of this team to be the leaders.”

That’s almost by default, because the Panthers are probably as inexperienced a team as has ever worn a uniform.

There are just four seniors listed on the roster, one of them is a transfer, and only two have enough experience to have won a letter. A quick run through the top candidates at each weight has Briggs coming up with names that have never been on the mat as a Panther out of 19 early-season candidates.

The names of five true freshmen come up, and three others are redshirt freshmen.

And if all the new faces isn’t enough of a change, something even more disconcerting to Panther fans is the lack of a backstop.

For the last four years the Panthers have been able to depend on heavyweight Justin Greenlee to come through with a win. But the three-time all-American has graduated, leaving the Panthers without a proven big-time winner.

“It will be a different kind of year,” admits Briggs, who begins his 14th year in charge of the program. “It’s going to be a challenge for us. Last year our goal was to stay in it (until it was Greenlee’s turn). This year, we’re going to see who we can make rise to the surface.”

To that end, Briggs has changed his approach. This year, there is no easing into things. From day one, it has been work, work, work.

“We have been a lot tougher because of the stage this team is at,” he said. “This is the toughest I have ever been on a team.”

“I’m not afraid to say we may have made some mistakes in the past. We always came in the first weeks and went over basic position and techniques. The first week was very basic.

“We were trying to mold them into what we wanted without knowing what we had. It was like an artist trying to mold clay with a hammer and chisel.

We’ve been trying to do that and we may not have had the right material.”

So, Briggs and assistants Joel Greenlee and Chris Bollin did a lot of watching early. They have evaluated the strengths and weaknesses of each wrestler and went to work.

“I feel like we’ve already had our first tournament and now we’re back making the adjustments. We’re a month and a half ahead of the game from years past.”

With the youth of this Northern Iowa team, every extra edge will help.

Early on, here is how Briggs thinks his lineup could take shape:

118 pounds — No matter who it is, it will be a very inexperienced weight. Brent Paulson decided to give up wrestling, leaving the Panthers with two freshmen. Jeff Bellows sat out his freshman season at Illinois last year before transferring to UNI. He’s one of just two wrestlers Briggs has that can even make the weight. The other is true freshman John Zelinski of Franklin, Wis.

If Briggs had his druthers, he’d redshirt Zelinski, but Bellows starts the year with some injuries that may not make that possible.

126 pounds — Two-time NCAA qualifier Scott Murray is head and shoulders above anybody else, Briggs says. Depth could a problem here as well as 118.

134 pounds — Experience from 17 matches a year ago gives sophomore Ryan Kutz the edge, but sophomore Chad Venz has shown a lot of improvement, said Briggs. “This is the weight where the dogfights start,” said Briggs.

He says freshman Darrin Youngblut of Jesup, a transfer from Iowa State, could end up being the one to control the weight.
142 pounds — Veteran Tim Novak, transfer Joe Stephens and freshman Glenn Pero could stage a real battle here. Novak has the experience as a Panther, qualifying for the NCAA Tournament two years ago, and last year posting a 12-15 mark.

Stephens is also an experienced wrestler, but most of his work came as a member of the Nebraska team. Stephens, who prepped at Centerville, comes to UNI with just one year left. Pero was in high school in Watertown, Wis., a year ago and is "a true blue chip athlete," says Briggs. "His work ethic puts everyone else on the team to shame."

Briggs tells the story of sending his team on a 2.5 mile run after a hard workout in the wrestling room. When he got finished, Pero didn't like his time. So he turned around and ran it again, without any rest, and bettered his time. Briggs hopes he can redshirt the freshman and with good depth here thinks that can happen.

150 pounds — Sophomore Ryan Cummings took charge of this weight last year and isn't likely to give it up this season. "I like his attitude," said Briggs. "He tells everyone that this is his weight and there's no need to challenge him. That's the right attitude." Freshman Amir Alexander will probably redshirt.

158 pounds — Sophomore Chris Bahr probably will have this weight to himself. But one possibility is two-time state champion Andy Krueger, a freshman from Sioux City Heelan. He was kind of a late addition for the Panthers because he was looking for a place to play baseball. When none surfaced, he became a Panther.

167 pounds — Senior Jason Wedgbury probably will have a lot of competition for this spot. A regional champion and NCAA qualifier last year, Wedgbury rang up a 14-12 season. He will face competition from Dan Kieldgaard, a 158-pound NCAA qualifier last year, freshmen Darrell Wieland and Dain Lundvall and maybe Krueger. Another possibility is sophomore Robert Arney, who was forced into action at 190 pounds last year. Wedgbury has been hampered by injuries much of his career and Briggs is not sure if he will hold up through a full season.

177 pounds — Sophomore Ben Barton won half of his 40 matches and qualified for the NCAA tournament last year. But he will be challenged by redshirt freshman Ken Bigley and possibly Krueger.

190 pounds — "This weight will be pretty solid after being one of our weakest last year," Briggs said. The reason for his optimism is freshman Tony Wieland of Cedar Falls. A two-time state champ in high school, Wieland is likely to step right into the UNI lineup.

Heavyweight — The biggest void will be filled by redshirt freshman Burt
I think we'll beat a lot of the competition that would have beaten us last year.

"He did it with the right attitude," said Briggs. "I like the attitude I've seen. He says it's 'my chance now and I'm gonna run with it.'"

"Last year was a maturity year and this is a seasoning year," said Briggs. "We've matured. We've got a lot of guys on this team that have gone through that maturity stage.

"I see a different attitude, they're more intense, more caring. This means something to them and they are willing to stand up and fight for themselves.

"That's the season we're going to get. We've got two good classes back-to-back. The freshmen-sophomores and the true freshmen are really going to be tough with some leadership from guys like Novak and Wedgbury and, next year, Kjeldgaard."

So after 5-7 and 4-11 dual seasons, Briggs is looking for things to start turning in the other direction.

"I expect us to start becoming winners," he said. "I think we'll beat a lot of the competition that would have beaten us last year. We're going to be more physical and more tough mentally. We made a lot of changes after the NCAAs last year."

The Panthers' home schedule includes the annual Northern Iowa Open, which this year is scheduled to have first-team entries from Iowa and Michigan State, in addition to the normal field. The first home dual meet is Jan. 5 against James Madison, UNI hosts its own eight-team tournament Jan. 20, and Iowa State comes to town for a dual meet Feb. 11.

**PERSONNEL CAPSULE**

**Returning Lettermen (8)**

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<td>Tim Novak</td>
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<td>Sr.</td>
<td>'12-15, '94 NCAA qualifier</td>
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<td>Ryan Cummings</td>
<td>150</td>
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<td>Sr.</td>
<td>'14-12, '95 NCAA qualifier, regional champ</td>
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<td>167</td>
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<td>Ben Barton</td>
<td>177</td>
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**Top Newcomers**

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<td>Tony Wieland</td>
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<td>Dan Beerman</td>
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<td>Justin Greenlee</td>
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<td>129-35 career, 2x NCAA runnerup, 3x all-American</td>
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The home season is capped with the West Regional on Mar. 9, followed by the NCAA meet in Minneapolis, Mar. 21-23. The 1997 NCAA Tournament will be in the UNI-Dome.
DON BRIGGS
HEAD COACH

The 1995-96 season marks the 14th year of the Don Briggs era of Northern Iowa wrestling, a period that has been marked by consistently competitive teams.

Only the sixth head coach in school history, Briggs' accomplishments as the Panther head man are quite impressive, although one could never coax him to admit it.

But Briggs' record speaks for itself. Under his direction the Panthers have placed in the top 25 at the NCAA Championships every season and have been ranked as high as fourth in the nation. UNI was ranked fifth and eighth in 1988 and 1989, respectively, in the final Amateur Wrestling News poll. The Panthers equalled their best finish at the NCAA Division I Championships in 1992 by finishing 10th, matching the finish of Briggs' first season in 1983 when he was voted National Rookie Coach of the Year by his peers. Last year, he again led the Panthers to a high national finish as they took 16th place at the NCAA Championships. He has led Northern Iowa to ten consecutive NCAA Regional titles with his other three teams placing second.

During his tenure, he has posted a 152-78 record, making him the second winningest coach in school history and giving him more victories at the NCAA Division I level than any of his predecessors. Since first joining the UNI staff as a graduate assistant in 1974, Briggs has coached 50 NCAA all-Americans and 14 national champions.

Highly respected among his peers, Briggs has won nine NCAA West Regional Coach of the Year awards and served a two-year term as president of the National Wrestling Coaches Association from 1988-90.

Eleven of the 13 teams Briggs has coached have had winning records, only four below a .600 winning percentage, and his .661 career percentage ranks him among the nation's elite. He has accomplished that feat while sticking to his philosophy of competing against the best collegiate wrestling has to offer.

Before being named head coach in 1982, Briggs served as an assistant to long-time head coach Chuck Patten for seven seasons and as a graduate assistant one year.

A native of Cedar Rapids, IA, Briggs graduated from Jefferson High School and later received his bachelor's degree in physical education from the University of Iowa in 1971. While wrestling for the Hawkeyes, he placed fourth in the Big 10 at 134 pounds as a sophomore and third as a junior and senior. He was voted team captain as a senior. Although he did not compete his first year at Iowa, Briggs compiled a 30-5-1 career record, posting consecutive marks of 12-2-1, 12-2 and 6-1.

Briggs served one season as assistant coach at Cedar Rapids Prairie High School before becoming a graduate assistant at UNI in 1974. He completed his graduate work with a master's degree in physical education in 1975.

Briggs is an avid hunter and fisherman in his spare time, but is best known as a sky diver. He has completed over 1,700 jumps since taking up the sport.

He and his wife, Dianna, reside in rural Cedar Falls.

DON BRIGGS' ATHLETES IN THE COACHING RANKS

Since Don Briggs' arrival at UNI in 1974 under head coach Chuck Patten, he has played an important part in guiding and inspiring his student-athletes to pursue careers in teaching and coaching. Briggs has seen over 50 former pupils enter the coaching ranks since his arrival and hopes to continue the strong tradition of UNI graduates in that field.

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Dick Briggs, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
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Joel Greenlee, Cedar Falls, Iowa
Justin Greenlee, Ames, Iowa
Joe Gribben, Minneapolis, Minn.
Brent Hagen, Des Moines, Iowa
Pat Hamilton, Algona, Iowa
Pat Hogan, Waverly, Iowa
Chuck Huff, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Bob Jensen, Mount Pleasant, Iowa
Jim Keck, Spencer, Iowa
Mike Knight, Warrensburg, Mo.
Steve Knipp, Waterloo, Iowa
Paul Kreimeyer, Kansas City, Mo.
Todd Lappe, Ida Grove, Iowa
Chris Lembke, Lisbon, Iowa
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Jim Miller, Waverly, Iowa
Jon Moeller, Saylorville, Iowa
Brian Moore, Keosauqua, Iowa
Randy Omvig, Grundy Center, Iowa
Rich Powers, Glen Ellyn, Ill.
Dave Prehm, New Hampton, Iowa
Al Price, Hopkins, Minn.
John Prior, Yorkville, Ill.
Mark Pustelnik, Rock Island, Ill.
Rick Rude, Waverly, Iowa
Larry Sallis, Waterloo, Iowa
Steve Shirk, Wilton, Iowa
Ed Sheehan, Ritter, Okla.
Jeff Weatherman, Des Moines, Iowa
Ken Wilkins, Clinton, Iowa
Dave Williams, Charles City, Iowa

Bret Adams, Independence, Iowa
Tim Balvan, Washington, Iowa
Troy Bennett, Fort Dodge, Iowa
Rick Benson, Sioux City, Iowa
Mike Bird, LaCrosse, Wis.
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Dave Williams, Charles City, Iowa
ASSISTANT COACH
JOEL GREENLEE

Joel Greenlee is in his seventh season as a Panther assistant, his fifth as the top aide to head coach Don Briggs. In addition to his duties in the wrestling room, Greenlee is heavily involved in recruiting and scheduling. He also directs the team’s overall and individualized weight training programs and other conditioning programs.

Greenlee brought impressive credentials to his new post in 1989 after concluding one of the most successful careers in Northern Iowa history. He ranks third on Northern Iowa’s career victories list with 127 and his name can be found in every career and single season category in the UNI record book. Competing at heavyweight, he set the UNI standard for career dual wins with 58 and never lost a collegiate dual meet, posting a 58-0-3 mark, while his overall record of 127-16-4 gives him the top winning percentage in school history.

Greenlee was an NCAA qualifier all four seasons and earned all-America honors twice, placing fourth as a junior and second his senior year. He also competed in the National Wrestling Coaches Association All-Star Classic his final two seasons.

The Waverly, IA, native continues to wrestle competitively on the international level at 286 pounds, having been a member of the United States Freestyle Team since 1990. He has competed in the Cerro Palado Tournament in Cuba, winning the championship in 1993 and 1995. In the past year, he has placed third at the National Freestyle Open and, for the second year in a row, finished third at the World Team Trials. In 1993, he also competed in and won the Cuban Grand Prix and placed second in the National Freestyle Open.

Greenlee toured the Soviet Union with the U.S. team in January of 1991 and competed at the Tbilisi Tournament. He also accompanied the United States Freestyle Team to the Olympic Games in Barcelona in 1992. Currently ranked third in the U.S. at heavyweight, Greenlee represents the New York Athletic Club in open competition.

He was a High School All-American at Waverly-Shell Rock (IA) High School as a senior after capping a 27-0 season with a state championship.

He and his wife, Roxann, reside in Cedar Falls.

ASSISTANT COACH
CHRIS BOLLIN

Former University of Oklahoma all-American Chris Bollin was appointed to the Northern Iowa staff in September of 1993 as the second assistant to head coach Don Briggs.

Bollin brings an outstanding collegiate and international competitive record to his first coaching job. He placed third at 118 pounds at the 1989 NCAA Championships as a junior, and also qualified for the national meet as a sophomore and senior. He won the Big Eight title as a junior and then lost only to North Carolina’s Doug Wyland in the NCAA meet, capping a 34-5-1 season.

After being ranked fifth in the nation at 126 early in the season in 1987, Bollin sustained an elbow injury which forced him to miss the remainder of the season and received a medical hardship.

He qualified for his first NCAA Tournament as a sophomore in 1987 after taking runnerup honors at the Big Eight meet and finished the season with a 23-11-1 mark.

Bollin also took second in the conference meet his senior season in 1990 and finished with a 22-4-2 mark, giving him a career slate of 85-30-3.

A native of Leavenworth, KS, he was a three-time state champion at Immaculata High, where he compiled a 114-1-1 career record and was rated the number one recruit in the nation at 112 pounds by Amateur Wrestling News.

Since receiving his bachelor’s degree in communications in 1990, Bollin has continued to compete on the international level, placing third at the 1992 Olympic Trials and fourth at the 1993 World Team Trials. He represents the Sunkist Kids Wrestling Club in open competition.
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**EXPERIENCE:**

- **#VL** - Number of Varsity Letters;
- **NVL** - Varsity Experience, but Non-Letterwinner;
- **NVE** - No Varsity Experience;
- **TR** - Transfer;
- **RS** - Redshirt;
- **HS** - High School

**Head Coach** - Don Briggs (Iowa '71)

**Assistant Coaches** - Joel Greenlee (Northern Iowa '89) 
Chris Bollin (Oklahoma '90)
RETURNING LETTERMEN

SCOTT MURRAY
Junior
126 Pounds
Auburn, Kansas
Washburn Rural H.S.
Birthdate - August 1, 1973
Major - General Studies

Will likely be the Panthers' top man at 126 and could be a contender for all-America honors with an injury-free season, something he has yet to have in college. 1994-95...Earned his second trip to the NCAA Tournament as a wild card selection after placing third at the West Regional...began the season rated 13th in the nation, then fell from the rankings Dec. 5 and was unable to regain a spot in the top 12...placed fourth at the Northern Open, winning three of five matches...finished sixth at the Midlands and fifth at the Northern Iowa Open...sustained a knee injury at the Virginia Duals (Jan. 13) and underwent subsequent arthroscopic surgery, forcing him to miss the next three duals...struggled after coming off the surgery, losing three matches in a row before rebounding to win two of three at the regional...finished with a 4-4 dual record and tied for third on the team in dual victories...also tied for third on the team with six pins; placed second on the squad with 21 overall wins...went 0-7 vs. ranked opponents, falling twice to McGinness, Jetton and Baer, and once to Fabbrini. 1993-94...Emerged as one of the top 118-pounders in the nation...finished with a 28-12 record, the most wins by a Panther freshman in five years...recorded the best season by a UNI 118-pounder since 1989-90...finished third at the Midlands and Great Plains Opens, took sixth at the Northern Open and won the NCAA West Regional, but missed weight at the NCAA Championships...finished the season ranked 17th in the nation after a high-water mark of ninth in mid-January...knocked off several highly-rated opponents including #8 Scott Gonyo and #5 Ty Moore; also defeated defending Division II champ Brian Kapusta of North Dakota State...his pin of Jason Nurre at 2:36 sparked UNI's 18-16 upset of Iowa State on Jan. 12...missed the Oklahoma State and Southwest Missouri duals due to the flu...his 28 victories, 10 pins and four major decisions all ranked second on the team...posted a season-high eight-match winning string from Dec. 29 to Jan. 8...went 15-4 the final two months of the season. 1992-93...Redshirted.

High School...A High School All-American who was a two-time Kansas high school champion and finished third twice...posted a 131-5 career record.

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TIM NOVAK
Senior
142 Pounds
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
LaSalle H.S.
Birthdate - April 11, 1973
Major - Accounting

Figures to be in the middle of a battle for the starting spot at 142 pounds. 1994-95...A part-time starter at 142 and 150 who went 2-6 in dual action, 12-15 overall...won dual decisions against Syracuse and Northern Illinois...his three major decisions tied for third on the team...placed fifth at the Nebraska-Omaha Open. 1993-94...Was forced to compete at 142 pounds when injuries overcame the team...filled in admirably, going 18-17...placed third at the West Regional and qualified for his first NCAA Championship. 1992-93...Had planned to redshirt, but competed in one varsity match after a rash of injuries left the team shorthanded...lost his only varsity match to Iowa's Bill Zadick in a 134 pound match, 12-6...compiled a 5-6 record in tournament competition. High School...Placed second in Iowa Class 1A state meet as a junior...participated in the 1991 North/South All-Star Meet and the 1992 Iowa/Stravapol Duals...a two-time conference champ and MVP who also earned all conference honors in football.

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RYAN CUMMINGS  
Sophomore  
150 Pounds  
Mediapolis, Iowa  
Mediapolis H.S.  
Birthdate - February 22, 1975  
Major - Business

Will likely be the Panthers' 150-pounder after winning the spot as a freshman last season. 1994-95...Earned a berth in the NCAA Tournament in his first year of collegiate competition after winning the West Regional title...won his regional championship by one point after scoring a reversal with just 20 seconds remaining...began the season winning three of six matches at the Nebraska-Omaha Open...earned first career dual victory on Feb. 12 at North Dakota State...went 0-5 vs. ranked competition, falling twice to Lincoln McIlravy and Tender Terry, and once to Rick Monge...missed seven dual meets due to various injuries...came on strong near the end of the season, winning his last five before the NCAA Tournament...went 2-6 in duals and 11-9 in tournaments. 1993-94...Redshirted. High School...A High School All-American who twice won the Iowa Class 2A title at 152 pounds and won the Minnesota championship at 140 as a sophomore...finished his career with a 132-13 mark and went 77-1 his final two seasons...also lettered in football, baseball and track...was named all-state in football and all-conference in baseball.

YEAR OVERALL DUALS PINS  
1994-95 13-15-0 2-6-0 0

DAN KJELDGAARD  
Junior  
158 Pounds  
Council Bluffs, Iowa  
Lewis Central H.S.  
Birthdate - June 29, 1974  
Major - Chemistry

The early-season favorite to retain the top spot he has held at 158 the past two seasons. 1994-95...Made his first appearance at the NCAA Tournament after placing second at the West Regional...compiled a 15-20 mark despite an eight-match losing streak in January...went 0-2 vs. ranked opponents, losing to Weber and Walter...ranked second on the team with eight pins, including one at the NCAAs, where he flattened Mike VanOss of Maryland for his only NCAA win...went 3-10 in duals, but 12-10 in tournaments...won four of five matches to take third at the Northern Iowa Open...posted wins in three of the last four duals...competed at 167 four times, going 0-4. 1993-94...Finished his freshman season with a solid 11-14 record at 158 pounds...top finishes included sixth place at the Northern Iowa Open and a strong third place finish at the West Regional. 1992-93...Redshirted. High School...A four-time state qualifier who placed third as a junior and senior...named to Amateur Wrestling News' High School All-America Team after finishing his career with a 132-21 record...set school records for wins in a season (46) and career (134), and pins in a season (33)...won the state Greco-Roman championship as a senior and finished third at Junior Nationals.

YEAR OVERALL DUALS PINS  
1993-94 11-14-0 2-7-0 3  
1994-95 15-20-0 3-10-0 8  
Career 26-34-0 5-17-0 11

JASON WEDGBURY  
Senior  
167 Pounds  
Hampton, Iowa  
Hampton-Dumont Community H.S.  
Birthdate - March 17, 1973  
Major - Education

One of the favorites to nail down a varsity spot at 167, a position he has held the last three years when not sidelined due to injury. 1994-95...Won his first West Regional title, overcoming a deficit by pinning Tim Fix of Eastern Illinois with four seconds remaining in the final...pinred two opponents and recorded a major decision at the regional...entered the NCAA Championships having won four of last five...dropped an 11-5 decision to top seed and eventual national champ Markus Mollica of Arizona State in the first round of NCAAs, then won next match, 10-6, over Ken Johnson of North Carolina State...began the season winning three of five matches at the Nebraska-Omaha Open...placed fourth at the UNI Open...0-4 vs. ranked opponents; losing twice to Zac Taylor and once to Matt Nerem and Markus Mollica...missed two months of action due to various injuries...went 1-4 in duals, 13-8 in tournaments. 1993-94...Enjoyed a winning season, going 13-9 with three pins. 1992-93...Inherited the 167-pound slot in the lineup after veteran Cory Manning left the squad in December, competing in 13 of 17 duals...posted a 13-21 record, 2-11 in duals...took sixth at 177 pounds at the UNI Open...placed fourth at West Regional. 1991-92...Redshirted. High School...A High School All-American who won the Class 2A 160-pound state title as a senior and placed second as a sophomore...posted a 115-8 career record...also earned all-state football and all-conference baseball honors...also lettered in track.

YEAR OVERALL DUALS PINS  
1992-93 13-21-0 2-11-0 2  
1993-94 13-9-0 2-3-0 3  
1994-95 14-12-0 1-4-0 3  
Career 40-42-0 5-18-0 8
RETURNING LETTERMEN

CHRIS BAHR
Sophomore
158 Pounds
LaCrosse, Wisconsin
Central H.S.
Birthdate - July 13, 1975
Major - Education

Expected to mount a strong challenge at 158 and/or 167 pounds. 1994-95...Filled a valuable 'utility' role by competing at three weights (150, 158, 167) and 10 duals, filling in for several injured starters...went 3-17 overall and 0-10 in duals. 1993-94...Redshirted. High School...Won the large school state title in Wisconsin as a senior at 140 pounds after placing the two previous years...earned three varsity letters in football and four in wrestling.

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ROBERT ARMEY
Sophomore
167 Pounds
West Liberty, Iowa
West Liberty H.S.
Birthdate - November 12, 1974
Major - Criminology

Could be a contender at several upper weights. 1994-95...With UNI's lack of depth in the upper weights, competed in all but one dual at 190 despite being a true 167/177-pounder...wrestled through an elbow injury down the stretch...finished sixth at the Northern Iowa Open. 1993-94...Redshirted. High School...The Iowa Class 2A runnerup as a senior at 171 pounds after finishing fifth as a junior.

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BEN BARTON
Sophomore
177 Pounds
Wabasha, Minnesota
Wabasha-Kellogg H.S.
Birthdate - March 18, 1975
Major - Physical Education

A solid favorite at 177 pounds after holding down the varsity spot a year ago. 1994-95...UNI's top freshman who ranked third on the team with 20 wins, second in dual wins with five and second in major decisions with four...took runnerup honors at the West Regional to earn a berth in the NCAA Tournament...finished fifth at the Northern Iowa Open and sixth at the Great Plains Open...narrowly missed placing at the Midlands with a 2-2 record...wrestled in all but one dual, missing the Penn meet due to a neck injury...appeared in 40 matches, ranking second on the squad. 1993-94...Redshirted. High School...Finished second at the Minnesota state tournament at 189 as a senior, going 42-1...placed third as a junior...compiled a 145-38 career mark...also lettered three years each in football and baseball.

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**DAN BAINBRIDGE**  
Freshman  
142 Pounds  
Dubuque, Iowa  
Senior H.S.  
Birthdate - March 2, 1976  
Major - Undecided  

1994-95 - Redshirted. High School...Placed third in state meet his senior year...earned all-conference honors his junior and senior years...four-time letterwinner in wrestling...1993 Greco State Champ...1992 Greco National Dual Team qualifier.

**KEN BIGLEY**  
Freshman  
177 Pounds  
Sugar Camp, Wisconsin  
Three Lakes H.S.  
Birthdate - August 30, 1975  
Major - Biology  

1994-95 - Redshirted. High School...Was a perfect 34-0 as a senior winning the 171-pound state championship...finished high school with a 106-22 career record...placed eighth in a National High School tournament...three-time Lumber Jack Conference champion and four-time Northern Lakes champion...a four-year letterman in wrestling and track and two-time winner in soccer.

**BURT BEAMER**  
Freshman  
Heavyweight  
Post Falls, Idaho  
Post Falls H.S.  
Birthdate - October 31, 1976  
Major - Physical Education  

Enters the season as the Panthers' only heavyweight.  
1994-95 - Redshirted. High School...Competed in Idaho State Class A-1 wrestling tournament as a sophomore, junior and senior finishing first, second and third, respectively...finished with a 109-15-1 career record...participated in Junior National Freestyle tournament from 1992-94 and also Greco tournament in '92 and '93...earned four varsity letters in wrestling and track and three in football.

**TIN DUFF**  
Freshman  
167 Pounds  
Winterset, Iowa  
Winterset H.S.  
Birthdate - October 13, 1974  
Major - Undecided  

1994-95 - Redshirted. High School...State champion his senior year...qualified for state as a junior...finished career with a 101-36-1 record...helped team in winning the state dual championships...honorable mention All-American...third-team all-state in football his senior year.

**BIGLEY**  
Freshman  
177 Pounds  
Sugar Camp, Wisconsin  
Three Lakes H.S.  
Birthdate - August 30, 1975  
Major - Biology  

1994-95 - Redshirted. High School...Was a perfect 34-0 as a senior winning the 171-pound state championship...finished high school with a 106-22 career record...placed eighth in a National High School tournament...three-time Lumber Jack Conference champion and four-time Northern Lakes champion...a four-year letterman in wrestling and track and two-time winner in soccer.

**KIRK CRAWFORD**  
Junior  
158 Pounds  
Dysart, Iowa  
Union H.S.  
Birthdate - February 21, 1974  
Major - Business Management  

1994-95 - Redshirted. 1992-94 - Wrestled at Iowa Central Community College...placed eighth in the National JC tournament...earned two letters at Iowa Central. 1993 High School...Finished sixth, second and first at the Iowa State tournament...earned four varsity letters in wrestling...first team all-conference three times.

**JASON HAAG**  
Sophomore  
150 Pounds  
Monticello, Iowa  
Monticello, H.S.  
Birthdate - August 5, 1974  
Major - Business  

1994-95 - Went 2-2 in his only tournament, the Northern Iowa Open.  
1993-94 - Wrestled at Simpson College, earning a varsity letter. High School...Qualified for state wrestling tournament...first-team all-district and all-state selection in football...male athlete of the year at Monticello...received 13 varsity letters.

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**BRET JONES**  
**Senior**  
190 Pounds  
Cedar Rapids, Iowa  
Prairie H.S.  
**Birthdate:** September 16, 1973  
**Major:** Education  

1994-95...Went 2-5 in tournament competition...finished second at NCAA West Regional at 190, but did not advance to NCAAAs. 1992-94...Attended Kirkwood Community College.  

**High School**...A two-time state qualifier in wrestling...placed third at state meet as a senior...all-metro football selection senior year...two-time all-metro pick in track and wrestling...three-time state qualifier in high jump...won four varsity letters in track, three in wrestling and two in football.  

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**RYAN KUTZ**  
**Sophomore**  
134 Pounds  
Lodi, Wisconsin  
Lodi H.S.  
**Birthdate:** June 14, 1975  
**Major:** Physical Education  

1994-95...Compiled a 6-11 overall record, 1-4 in duals...wrestled in all five meets at the Virginia Duals at 142 pounds, posting a win over Syracuse; also wrestled against Edinboro, VMI, Navy and Penn...his three major decisions tied for third on the team. 1993-94...Redshirted.  

**High School**...A two-time Wisconsin state champion who went undefeated his last two seasons, winning at 125 and 130 pounds...also finished third as a sophomore...concluded his career with a 125-11 mark and was named High School All-American...won his conference title all four years and was twice named conference MVP...also lettered in baseball.  

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**CHAD VENZ**  
**Sophomore**  
134 Pounds  
Northwood, Iowa  
Northwood-Kensett H.S.  
**Birthdate:** June 4, 1975  
**Major:** Undecided  

1994-95...Competed at the Northern Iowa Open, winning one of three matches with the only victory coming by a pin.  

**High School**...Two-time state qualifier in wrestling...battled to a second place finish in state meet...four-time all-conference wrestler.  

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**DARREL WIELAND**  
**Freshman**  
167 Pounds  
Cedar Falls, Iowa  
Cedar Falls H.S.  
**Birthdate:** December 16, 1974  
**Major:** Biology  

1994-95...Redshirted.  

**High School**...Qualified for the state tournament three times, finishing fourth once and third twice...four-time all-conference selection in wrestling.
AMIR ALEXANDER  
Freshman  
150 Pounds  
Chanhassen, Minnesota  
Minnetonka H.S.  
Birthdate - March 1, 1977  
Major - Undecided

High School...The Minnesota state champ at 152 a year ago, he compiled a 110-24 career mark...a High School All-American who was ranked 10th in the nation as a senior by Amateur Wrestling News.

JEFF BELLOWS  
Freshman  
118 Pounds  
Council Bluffs, Iowa  
Lewis Central H.S.  
Birthdate - January 4, 1976  
Major - Biology

1994-95...Redshirted at the University of Illinois. High School...Four-time letterman and state placer at Lewis Central...won the state meet as a junior at 112, placed second as a freshman and sophomore; finished third at 119 as a senior...posted a 162-11-1 career record, losing only one match his final two years, placing him sixth in all-time victories in Iowa...set the school single-season pin record with 38 as a senior...also lettered in cross country and golf...finished fifth at the freestyle Junior Nationals as a sophomore.

CHES DOUGHERTY  
Freshman  
190 Pounds  
Harvard, Illinois  
Harvard H.S.  
Birthdate - April 12, 1977  
Major - Business

High School...A three-time state qualifier who finished fourth as a junior...also an all-conference running back and defensive end in football...lettered three years in wrestling and football, one in track and field.

ANDY KRUEGER  
Freshman  
158 Pounds  
Sioux City, Iowa  
Heelan H.S.  
Birthdate - February 1, 1977  
Major - Biology

High School...A two-time state champion at 152 pounds...also earned all-state honors in football and baseball.

DAIN LUNDVALL  
Freshman  
167 Pounds  
Glenwood, Iowa  
Glenwood H.S.  
Birthdate - March 2, 1976  
Major - Biology

High School...Capped a 35-4 senior season by winning the 171-pound state title after earning first team all-state honors as a running back in football in the fall...compiled a 163-29 career mark.

DAVID MORGAN  
Sophomore  
134 Pounds  
New Hampton, Iowa  
New Hampton H.S.  
Birthdate - December 3, 1974  
Major - Business Administration

1994-95...Redshirted at Iowa State.  
1993-94...Competed at the Nebraska-Omaha and Northern Iowa Opens for Iowa State at 142, tallying a 5-4 record.  
High School...Posted a career record of 117-26...captured the 135-pound state championship as a senior to complete a 32-2 season...placed third at 119 as junior, recording a 31-6 mark...state runnerup at 112 as a sophomore, 32-8 record...wrestled on two state tournament and state dual championship teams...also lettered in cross country.
GLENN PERO

Freshman
142 Pounds
Watertown, Wisconsin
Watertown H.S.
Birthdate - October 10, 1976
Major - Physical Education

High School... Won the Wisconsin state title as a senior at 140 after placing second as a junior and fourth as a sophomore... compiled a 168-25 career record, including a 42-0 senior season... placed fourth at the 1994 Junior Nationals... named to the Amateur Wrestling News High School All-American Team with a #9 national ranking.

JOE STEPHENS

Senior
142 Pounds
Centerville, Iowa
Centerville H.S.
Birthdate - November 28, 1972
Major - Economics

1994-95... Compiled a 26-11 record at the University of Nebraska, including victories over fifth-rated Derek Moundsier of Iowa State and #9 Tony DeSouza of Cal State Bakersfield... took fourth at the Great Plains Open. 1993-94... Went 11-8 overall, including a third-place finish at the Wyoming Open... wrestled one dual for Nebraska. 1992-93... Redshirted. 1991-92... Qualified for the NCAA Championships as a true freshman at 134 pounds... finished the season with a 10-21-1 record... placed fourth at the Big Eight Championships... won the Nebraska-Omaha Open early in the season, then moved up to 142 in December. High School... A three-time state qualifier at Centerville, placing second as a junior and fourth as a senior.

CHAD UTLEY

Sophomore
190 Pounds
New Hampton, Iowa
New Hampton H.S.
Birthdate - March 22, 1975
Major - History

1994-95... Placed seventh to earn all-America honors at the National Junior College Championships for Waldorf J.C. High School... Recorded first and fourth place finishes at the state meet.

TONY WIELAND

Freshman
190 Pounds
Cedar Falls, Iowa
Cedar Falls H.S.
Birthdate - September 9, 1976
Major - Biology

High School... A two-time state champion at 189 who compiled a 116-2 mark his final three years, 152-10-1 in his career... a High School All-American who was ranked fourth in the nation at 189 as a senior by Amateur Wrestling News after compiling a 43-1 record to finish third in the state meet.

DARRIN YOUNGBLUT

Freshman
134 Pounds
Jesup, Iowa
Jesup H.S.
Birthdate - November 16, 1975
Major - Elementary Education

1994-95... Redshirted at Iowa State.

JOHN ZELINSKI

Freshman
118 Pounds
Franklin, Wisconsin
Whitnall H.S.
Birthdate - January 16, 1976
Major - Undecided

High School... A two-time Wisconsin Division I champion at 112 pounds, posting a 142-6-1 career record, 39-0 his senior season... placed second at the Junior Nationals in 1992.
1994-95 STATS

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1995-96 NORTHERN IOWA WRESTLING

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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Nov. 26 NORTHERN OPEN: 126-Scott Murray, 4th; HWT-Justin Greenlee, 2nd.
Dec. 3 UNI OPEN: 118-Brent Paulson, 4th; 126-Scott Murray, 3rd; 134-Dan Beerman, 6th; 158-Dan Kjeldgaard, 3rd; 167-Jason Wedgbury, 4th; Rob Wadle, 6th; 177-Ben Barton, 5th; Robert Arney, 6th; HWT-JUSTIN GREENLEE, 1ST.
Dec. 29-30 MIDLANDS OPEN: 126-Scott Murray, 6th; HWT-Justin Greenlee, 5th.
Jan. 7 GREAT PLAINS OPEN: 177-Ben Barton, 6th; HWT-Justin Greenlee, 2nd.
Mar. 5 NCAA WEST REGIONAL: (1st of 7 teams) 118-Brent Paulson, 2nd; 126-Scott Murray, 3rd; 134-DAN BEERMAN, 1ST; 142-Troy Bennett, 2nd; 150-RAVIN CUMMINGS, 1ST; 158-Dan Kjeldgaard, 2nd; 167-JASON WEDGBURY, 1ST; 177-Ben Barton, 2nd; 190-Bret Jones, 2nd;
HWT-JUSTIN GREENLEE, 1ST.
Mar. 16-18 NCAA DIVISION I CHAMPIONSHIPS: (16th of 82 teams) HWT- Justin Greenlee, 2nd.
Minnesota 30, Northern Iowa 9
Dec. 1, 1994 - Owatonna, Minn.
118 - Brandon Paulson (M) major dec. Brent Paulson, 14-6
126 - Scott Murray (UNI) dec. Kip Williamson, 10-8 ot
134 - Jason Davids (M) dec. Dan Beerman, 7-5 ot
142 - Jeff Thompson (M) dec. Troy Bennett, 8-2
150 - Chad Carlson (M) major dec. Ryan Cummings, 11-3
158 - Carl Miller (M) pinned Dan Kjeldgaard, 1:05
167 - Zac Taylor (M) major dec. Jason Wedgbury, 17-5
177 - Ben Barton (UNI) dec. Tony Fanna, 10-5
190 - Jeremy Goeden (M) pinned Robert Arney, 2:59
HWT - Justin Greenlee (UNI) dec. Billy Pierce, 6-5

Northern Iowa 22, Syracuse 17
118 - Brent Paulson (UNI) dec. Brian Pack, 10-4
126 - Fred Fabbrini (S) won by forfeit
134 - Jeff DeQue (S) dec. Dan Beerman, 7-2
142 - Ryan Kutz (UNI) dec. Matt Stutsman, 5-3
150 - Tim Novak (UNI) dec. Jamie Kyraiz, 5-4
158 - Ambrose Austin (M) major dec. Chris Bahr, 10-1
167 - Adam Greenlee (UNI) dec. Steve Taylor, 9-4
177 - Ben Barton (UNI) pinned Scott Selrid, 1:15
190 - Seamus Lyman (S) major dec. Robert Arney, 8-0
HWT - Justin Greenlee (UNI) major dec. Jason Geasman, 10-2

Iowa 40, Northern Iowa 4
Dec. 9, 1994 - Cedar Falls
118 - Mike Menu (I) pinned Brent Paulson, 5:59
126 - Jeff McGinness (I) major dec. Scott Murray, 15-1
134 - Kevin Hogan (I) dec. Dan Beerman, 7-6
142 - Bill McDermott (I) pinned Troy Bennett, 4:52
150 - Lin McIlvain (I) pinned Ryan Cummings, 4:00
158 - Daryl Weber (I) major dec. Dan Kjeldgaard, 15-4
177 - Curt Heideman (I) dec. Ben Barton, 15-8
190 - Joel Sharratt (I) match called. Robert Arney, 5:57
HWT - Justin Greenlee (UNI) major dec. Erik Stroner, 16-2

Pennsylvania 29, Northern Iowa 9
118 - Ben Hatta (P) dec. Brent Paulson, 5-4
126 - Brian Ekeleth (P) won by forfeit
134 - Dan Beerman (UNI) dec. Mark Pilowsky, 7-4
142 - Gonz Medina (P) dec. Ryan Kutz, 5-0
150 - Jeremy Baier (P) dec. Tim Novak, 4-2
158 - Josh Baier (P) dec. Chris Bahr, 4-2 ot
167 - Brandon Slav (P) major dec. Dan Kjeldgaard, 12-4
177 - Clint Matter (P) dec. Adam Greenlee, 6-1
190 - Brian Butler (P) major dec. Robert Arney, 16-0
HWT - Justin Greenlee (UNI) won by forfeit

Missouri 37, Northern Iowa 6
Feb. 5, 1995 - Ames, Iowa
167 - Joe Mahoney (W) major dec. Chris Bahr, 8-0
134 - Brett Werkheiser (W) major dec. Dan Beerman, 17-4
126 - Eric Jetton (W) won by forfeit
118 - Brandon Paulson (M) major dec. Brent Paulson, 10-4
150 - Jeremy Baier (P) dec. Tim Novak, 4-2
158 - Josh Baier (P) dec. Chris Bahr, 4-2 ot
167 - Brandon Slav (P) major dec. Dan Kjeldgaard, 12-4
177 - Clint Matter (P) dec. Adam Greenlee, 6-1
190 - Brian Butler (P) major dec. Robert Arney, 16-0
HWT - Justin Greenlee (UNI) won by forfeit

Nebraska-Omaha 26, Northern Iowa 12
Jan. 6, 1995 - Omaha, Neb.
118 - Tim Prim (UNI) dec. Brent Paulson, 5-3
126 - Scott Murray (UNI) dec. Jimmie Foster, 10-7
134 - Dan Beerman (UNI) dec. Steve Costanzo, 4:2 ot
142 - Eric Daugherly (UNI) dec. Tim Novak, 7-0
150 - Jason Hutton (UNI) dec. Ryan Cummings, 10-4
158 - Brian Zanders (UNI) major dec. Chris Bahr, 20-5
167 - Ralph Kizewski (UNI) major dec. Dan Kjeldgaard, 22-7
177 - John Colling (UNI) dec. Adam Greenlee, 3-2
190 - Pat Kelley (UNI) pinned Ben Barton, 4:15
HWT - Justin Greenlee (UNI) won by forfeit

Ohio State 34, Northern Iowa 17
Jan. 22, 1995 - Columbus, Ohio
118 - Brooks Travis (M) major dec. Brent Paulson, 11-0
126 - Drew Liddlehall (M) won by forfeit
134 - Ron Emery (M) dec. Dan Beerman, 4-3
142 - Kenny Liddell (M) major dec. Troy Bennett, 17-6
150 - Todd Sacksteder (M) major dec. Ryan Cummings, 13-3
158 - Mike Colliins (M) pinned Dan Kjeldgaard, 1:43
167 - Jason Sexton (M) major dec. Chris Bahr, 14-3
177 - Dan Colese (M) dec. Ben Barton, 6-4
190 - Justin Thaw (M) dec. Robert Arney, 8-3
HWT - Justin Greenlee (UNI) pinned Jeremy Lay, 2:07

Iowa State 38, Northern Iowa 6
Feb. 5, 1995 - Ames, Iowa
118 - Jason Nune (ISU) dec. Brent Paulson, 9-4
126 - Alfonso Cruz (ISU) won by forfeit
134 - Collidiehan Tate (ISU) dec. Dan Beerman, 10-6
142 - Derek Mountsier (ISU) pinned Troy Bennett, 1:24
150 - Chris Bono (ISU) pinned Jason Meier, 5:35
158 - Matt Koa (ISU) major dec. Chris Bahr, 20-5
177 - Steve Kelly (ISU) dec. Ben Barton, 3-10
190 - Robbie Steger (ISU) major dec. Robert Arney, 14-1
HWT - Justin Greenlee (UNI) pinned Jeff Simpson, 1:55

Northern Iowa 30, Northern Illinois 13
Feb. 5, 1995 - Ames, Iowa
118 - Brent Paulson (UNI) dec. Shannon Gregory, 7-4
126 - Jason Solomon (NIU) dec. Scott Murray, 5-1
134 - Dan Beerman (UNI) dec. Jason Mitsdarfler, 2-1
142 - Tim Novak (UNI) won by forfeit
150 - Jason Meier (NIU) pinned J. Schulte, 6:16
158 - Dan Kjeldgaard (UNI) pinned Eddie Valdez, 2:42
167 - Chad Gauthier (NIU) dec. Chris Bahr, 7-3
177 - Ben Lehrfield (NIU) dec. Ben Barton, 7-2
190 - Domond Rodec (NIU) major dec. Robert Arney, 9-1
HWT - Justin Greenlee (UNI) pinned Adam Teverbaugh, 2:57

Northern Iowa 21, North Dakota State 19
Feb. 12, 1995 - Fargo, N.D.
118 - Brian Kapusta (NDSU) major dec. Brent Paulson, 12-2
126 - George Thompson (NDSU) dec. Scott Murray, 3-1
134 - Tony Andella (N) major dec. Dan Beerman, 12-7
142 - Mike Eierman (N) major dec. Troy Bennett, 20-12
150 - Temor Toney (N) dec. Ryan Cummings, 12-6
158 - Jason Kraft (N) pinned Dan Kjeldgaard, 2:54
167 - Erik Josephson (N) dec. Jason Wedgbury, 5-4
177 - Ben Barton (UNI) pinned Kenny Mbah, 1:11
190 - Ryan Tobin (N) major dec. Robert Arney, 19-4
HWT - Justin Greenlee (UNI) pinned Brian Nunno, 0:56

Northern Iowa 21, Virginia Military 19
118 - Brent Paulson (UNI) pinned Frank Halton, 3:45
126 - Scott Murray (UNI) dec. Aaron Micklewicz, 4-3
134 - Adam Micklewicz (VMI) dec. Dan Beerman, 4-3
142 - Charlie Brand (VMI) dec. Ryan Kutz, 11-4
150 - Jeremy Ingram (VMI) dec. Tim Novak, 3-2
158 - Kevin Johnson (VMI) dec. Chris Bahr, 11-6
167 - Hasani Meenée (VMI) dec. Dan Kjeldgaard, 12-9
177 - Ben Barton (UNI) pinned Deshawn Johnson, 4:57
190 - Raymond James (VMI) dec. Robert Arney, 4-3
HWT - Justin Greenlee (UNI) pinned David Hall, 2:30

Ohio State 22, Northern Iowa 17
Feb. 18, 1995 - Cedar Falls
118 - Brent Paulson (UNI) major dec. Jack Cahill, 13-4
126 - Dom DiSabato (OSU) won by forfeit
134 - Jim Johnson (OSU) major dec. Dan Beerman, 15-6
142 - Charlie Becks (OSU) dec. Troy Bennett, 13-9
150 - Ryan Cummings (UNI) dec. Will Knight, 12-7
190 - Dan Kjeldgaard (UNI) major dec. Dan Dicesare, 13-0
167 - Eric Smith (OSU) dec. Jason Wedgbury, 9-3
177 - Mitts Clark (OSU) dec. Ben Barton, 8-4
190 - Nick Nutter (OSU) major dec. Robert Arney, 11-2
HWT - Justin Greenlee (UNI) pinned Shawn Daily, 2:22
IOWA CITY, IOWA

118 Pounds
1. Kelvin Jackson, Sr., Michigan State
2. Eric Ivins, Sr., Oklahoma
3. Mike Mena, So., Iowa
4. Matt Hanutke, Fr., Wisconsin
5. Sheldon Thomas, So., Clarion
6. Brad Canoyer, Fr., Nebraska
7. Danny Felix, So., Arizona State
8. Kevin Roberts, Jr., Oregon

150 Pounds
1. Steve Marianetti, Sr. Illinois
2. Lincoln McKeavy, Jr., Iowa
3. Jeff Thelher, Sr., Arizona State
4. Temoer Terry, So., Nebraska
5. Chris Bono, So., Iowa State
6. Steve Cassidy, Sr., Lehigh
7. Chad Bailey, Jr., Michigan State
8. Marc Taylor, Sr., North Carolina

177 Pounds
1. Les Gutches, Jr., Oregon State
2. Quincey Clark, Sr., Oklahoma
3. Ray Brinzer, Sr., Iowa
4. Brett Colombini, Sr., Minnesota
5. Rohan Gardner, Jr., Northwestern
6. Reese Andy, Jr., Wyoming
7. Bob Ferraro, Sr., Bucknell
8. Doug Zembiec, Sr., Navy

126 Pounds
1. Jeff McGinness, So., Iowa
2. Sanshiro Abe, Jr., Penn State
3. Dwight Hinson, Fr., Iowa State
4. Glenn Nieradka, Sr., Oregon State
5. Steve Baer, Sr., Nebraska
6. Tim Harris, Sr., Minnesota
7. Brian Bolton, Jr., Michigan State
8. Matt Finacchio, Sr., George Mason

158 Pounds
1. Ernest Benion, So., Illinois
2. Dan Wirsberger, Sr., Michigan State
3. Joe Burke, Sr., Seton Hall
4. Eric Smith, Jr., Ohio State
5. Tony Robie, Jr., Edinboro
6. Daryl Weber, Jr., Iowa
7. John Withrow, So., Pittsburgh
8. Mike Collins, Sr., Missouri

190 Pounds
1. J.J. McGrew, Sr., Oklahoma State
2. Joel Sharratt, Sr., Iowa
3. Emilio Collins, Sr., Michigan State
4. Bryan Stout, So., Clarion
5. John Kading, So., Oklahoma
6. Jehad Hamdan, Sr., Michigan
7. Jason Robison, So., Edinboro
8. Ryan Tobin, So., Nebraska

167 Pounds
1. Marcus Mollica, Jr., Arizona State
2. Mark Branch, So., Oklahoma State
3. Stan Banks, Sr., North Carolina
4. Chad Renner, Jr., Oregon State
5. Rick Hepp, Sr., Lehigh
6. Matt Nerem, Sr., Iowa
7. Lou Cerchio, Sr., Seton Hall
8. Chad Biggert, Sr., Michigan

134 Pounds
1. T.J. Jaworsky, So., North Carolina
2. Babak Mohammadi, Sr., Oregon State
3. Steve St. John, Jr., Arizona State
4. Eric Kimble, Sr., Ohio
5. DeWayne Zinkin, Sr., Fresno State
6. Mark Ironside, Fr., Iowa
7. Frank Laccone, So., Purdue
8. J.J. Fasnacht, Jr., Pittsburgh

142 Pounds
1. John Hughes, Jr., Penn State
2. Gerry Abas, Sr., Fresno State
3. Tom Shifflet, Sr., Edinboro
4. Dan Careelli, Sr., Cleveland State
5. Bill Zadick, Jr., Iowa
6. Kenny Liddell, Sr., Missouri
7. Scott Reyna, So., Oklahoma State
8. Roger Chandler, So., Indiana

CIC
1. Iowa 134
2. Oregon State 77.5
3. Michigan State 69.5
4. Arizona State 65.5
5. Penn State 60.5
6. Nebraska 60
7. Oklahoma State 55.5
8. North Carolina 54.5
9. Illinois 52.5
10. Oklahoma 51.5
11. Edinboro 35
12. Minnesota 34.5
13. Fresno State 32

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS
1. Iowa 134
2. Oregon State 77.5
3. Michigan State 69.5
4. Arizona State 65.5
5. Penn State 60.5
6. Nebraska 60
7. Oklahoma State 55.5
8. North Carolina 54.5
9. Illinois 52.5
10. Oklahoma 51.5
11. Edinboro 35
12. Minnesota 34.5
13. Fresno State 32
14. Iowa State 28.5
15. Clarion 28
16. Northern Iowa 25
17. Lehigh 24
18. Northwestern 23
19. Seton Hall 23
20. Wisconsin 23
21. Ohio 21.5
22. Michigan 19
23. Missouri 19
24. Cleveland State 18.5
25. Ohio State 18.5
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

118 Pounds
1. David Pena (EIU)
2. Brent Paulson (UNI)
3. Shannon Gregory (NIU)

126 Pounds
1. Kevin Haynes (ISU)
2. Erik Gustafson (EIU)
3. Scott Murray (UNI)

134 Pounds
1. Dan Beerman (UNI)
2. Jason Mitsdarffer (NIU)
3. Dan Catarello (ISU)

142 Pounds
1. Kevin Bracken (ISU)
2. Troy Bennett (UNI)
3. Patrick Marsaglia (EIU)

150 Pounds
1. Ryan Cummings (UNI)
2. Erik Murry (EIU)
3. Bob Hillis (ISU)

158 Pounds
1. Gill Journey (CSU)
2. Dan Kjeldgaard (UNI)
3. Brian Wittersheim (ISU)

167 Pounds
1. Jason Wedgbury (UNI)
2. Tim Fix (EIU)
3. Chad Gautcher (NIU)

177 Pounds
1. Ben Lehrfeld (NIU)
2. Ben Barton (UNI)
3. Mike Vakos (ISU)

190 Pounds
1. Demond Rodez (NIU)
2. Bret Jones (UNI)
3. Eric Kubatzke (ISU)

Heavyweight
1. Justin Greenlee (UNI)
2. Jim Guttridge (ISU)
3. Adam Teverbaugh (NIU)

MOST OUTSTANDING WRESTLER
Kevin Bracken (Illinois State)

COACH OF THE YEAR
Kevin Bell (Illinois State)

NCAA QUALIFIERS
(ALL CHAMPIONS PLUS FOLLOWING WILD CARD SELECTIONS):
126 - Erik Gustafson (Eastern Illinois)
126 - Scott Murray (Northern Iowa)
126 - Jason Solomon (Northern Illinois)
158 - Dan Kjeldgaard (Northern Iowa)
167 - Tim Fix (Eastern Illinois)
177 - Ben Barton (Northern Iowa)
177 - Mike Vakos (Illinois State)
HWT - Jim Guttridge (Illinois State)

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS
1. Northern Iowa 112
2. Illinois State 79.5
3. Northern Illinois 71.5
4. Eastern Illinois 69
5. Chicago State 18.5
6. Marquette 11
7. Valparaiso 8.5

WEST/MIDWEST REGIONAL TEAM HISTORY
1986 - 1. Northern Iowa, 2. Drake, 3. Tennessee
1984 - 1. Louisiana State, 2. Northern Iowa, 3. Cal Poly SLO
1982 - 1. Northern Iowa, 2. Eastern Illinois, 3. Tennessee
1981 - 1. Northern Iowa, 2. Louisiana State, 3. Indiana State

1996 DIVISION I NCAA WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS
MINNEAPOLIS
## CAREER LEADERS

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## SINGLE SEASON LEADERS

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## TEAM RECORDS

- **Most Wins in a Season**: 18 (1986-87)
- **Most Losses in a Season**: 11 (1994-95)
- **Consecutive Dual Wins**: 32 (1948-51)
- **Consecutive Dual Losses**: 10 (1994-95)
- **Most Points in a Season**: 622 (1979-80)
- **Most Points in a Dual Meet**: 57 (1984 vs. SW Missouri)
- **Most Points by Opponent in Dual**: 43 (1984 vs. Iowa)
- **Widest Margin of Victory**: 57-0 (1984 vs. SW Missouri)
- **Widest Margin of Defeat**: 43-3 (1984 vs. Iowa)
For the past 13 years, Northern Iowa head coach Don Briggs and his staff have proudly carried on the rich tradition which has placed the Panthers among the elite in collegiate wrestling since The Great Depression. Since Coach Paul Bender sent his first team to the mat representing Iowa State Teachers College in 1923, the Panthers have rolled up 568 victories and a .690 winning percentage in 839 dual meets and have had only nine losing seasons in seven decades.

When the subject of national championships is brought up, Northern Iowa takes a back seat to very few. The University is one of just nine institutions in history to capture the NCAA Division I Championships, accomplishing that feat in 1950. In the school's 18-year Division II era, it won two national titles and finished third or better 12 times.

Individualy, only six institutions boast more Division I national champions than UNI's 20. In all, the Panthers have crowned 42 national champions through the years and an additional 126 all-Americans.

Only six coaches have guided the Panthers in 70 seasons of intercollegiate competition, winning being Chuck Patten, whose teams compiled a 217-87-8 record in 18 seasons.

Dave McCuskey enjoyed the longest reign—20 seasons—and led Iowa State Teachers College to the national championship in 1950 on his way to 102 victories and a .754 winning percentage.

Wrestling legend Bill Koll began his successful coaching career at his alma mater, guiding the Panthers for 11 seasons in the '50s and early '60s.

And Don Briggs has led UNI back into the Division I ranks with top 20 NCAA finishes 12 times in the last 13 years. He has coached 25 all-Americans and racked up more Division I wins than any coach in school history with 152.

When Bender fielded that first team, little did anyone know it would be the first step toward building one of the most successful traditions in Iowa sports and eventually bring the school more recognition and attention than any in its history.

It would be several years before ISTC, as it was known then, would begin the climb to the pinnacle it would someday reach, but the colorful story which decorates the years since has no equal in Northern Iowa sports annals.

THE PRE-WORLD WAR II YEARS

Bender guided the first squad to a victory over Cornell in its only meet of the season and posted an 18-9-1 mark during his four-year stint. That tenure included only one losing season and victories over Oklahoma, Cornell and Wisconsin. The program was still in the development stage, however, with little national recognition and no all-Americans.

In 1930, Bender was appointed dean of men at the institution and turned over the program to the man who built one of the greatest mat powerhouses in history. David McCuskey compiled a 102-31-7 mark, guide the Panthers to an NCAA
title, four runnerup finishes and coach nine wrestlers to a total of 16 NCAA titles.

The first of many significant years for ISTC was 1931. It was the year McCuskey graduated and accepted the wrestling post, and also was the season which saw the school crown its first NCAA placewinners. Jesse Arends took second in the 118-pound class while teammate Orville Orr placed third at 155 pounds. Despite a 3-2-1 record, McCuskey's matmen achieved their first national finish with a seventh-place tie in 1934.

The next milestone came in 1937 when the Panthers claimed their first individual NCAA title as Ray Cheney took the 135-pound championship and led the team to a third-place finish. ISTC placed no higher than eighth from '37 to the time when World War II forced the cancellation of the national meet in 1944-45. However, when the layoff ended in 1946, ISTC thrust itself into the national wrestling limelight for decades to come.

THE GOLDEN ERA

The end of the war came in 1946 and with it the return of thousands of servicemen to colleges throughout the United States. It also was the year of the Panther. Gerald Leeman became a national champion at 128 pounds and won MVP honors at the national tournament. Cecil Mott also won a title at 121 pounds as McCuskey's squad finished second in the team competition.

A veteran of D-Day and the Battle of the Bulge named Bill Koll also won an NCAA title for ISTC and completed the first leg of one of the most amazing careers in wrestling history. Koll (145), Russ Bush (128) and Bill Nelson (165) took titles the following year with Koll becoming the second Panther in as many seasons to take home the MVP award. ISTC could not improve on its second-place finish that year, though, and dropped to fourth in 1948 with Koll being named the tournament MVP the second consecutive year.

Koll capped his brilliant career with his third title and a 72-0 career mark; he was taken down only once in three seasons. The Panthers were national AAU champions in 1949 and NCAA runnersup with Nelson earning his second title at 155 with Bill Smith (165) and Keith Young (145) taking their first championships.

McCuskey had to wait 20 years, but his dream of a national championship came true in 1950. Iowa State Teachers College hosted the NCAA tourney in the Men's Gym that year and delighted the hometown fans by running away with the team crown. That 1950 squad generally is regarded as one of the top collegiate teams of all-time.

After breezing to an 11-0 record in which none of the opponents reached double figures, and taking the AAU national championship, ISTC racked up enough points in the semifinals to walk away with the championship. Nelson took his third crown at 155 with Young, at 145, and Smith, at 165, each winning their second. Other Panther placewinners were Frank Altman (121), Luverne Klar (128), Floyd Oglesby (136) and Fred Stoeker (HWT).

Young became ISTC's third three-time national champion in 1951 and Gene Lybbert placed third at 130 pounds en route to a team fourth-place finish.

The McCuskey era ended in 1952 when the long-time mentor resigned to accept the head coaching position at the University of Iowa. Lybbert (130) and Bill Weick (157) won NCAA titles that year, leading the squad to a runnerup finish, and capping a six-year span (1947-52) in which ISTC compiled a 53-4-3 dual mark, claimed three straight outstanding wrestler awards in the NCAA meet, won 16 individual national championships, two national AAU crowns, one NCAA title and four second-place finishes.

THE MOVE TO DIVISION II

Koll took over for McCuskey in 1953 and guided the Panthers to fourth place. During his 11-year tenure, ISTC had three more individual national champs and went 71-42-6. Jim Harmon won at 157 pounds in 1953, Weick returned in 1955 to win at 157, and Bill Dotson became the...
school's only NCAA champion in Division I and Division II in 1963.

Patten was named the school's fifth head coach in 1965 and for the next 18 years led the Panthers to dominance in Division II. His 217 victories signifies him as the winningest coach in school history. Patten coached 58 athletes to all-America status, 16 to national titles. His 1975 and '78 teams were Division II national champions, with the '70, '72, '74 and '80 squads claiming second place. His teams placed in the top three in 11 of the 18 seasons he was at the helm.

Kirk Myers (190) and Gary Bentrn (142, 158) were three-time national champs for Patten, while Don Parker (177), Kent Osbome (HWT), Jim Miller (134) and Ken Snyder (142) were two-time winners.

Myers capped his career with a fifth-place Division I finish in 1982. He is the only Panther to win 30 or more matches in all four years of competition, and his 134 victories ties him for the most in any division in school history.

Mike McCready, the 1972 national heavyweight champion, also took the gold medal at the 1975 Pan American Games and went on to become Iowa's most successful Greco-Roman wrestler with seven titles to his credit.

**BACK TO DIVISION I**

Patten retired from coaching in 1982 and Briggs, his long-time assistant, took over as UNI stepped up to NCAA Division I competition. Briggs led the Panthers to 10th and 11th-place finishes his first two seasons.

Along the way, some of the best and most exciting wrestlers to don the Purple and Gold have called the West Gym, known as the Men's Gym until 1980, home.

The Greenlee brothers, Joel and Justin, Rich Powers, Mark Schwab and Gary Steffensmeier are just some of the names of all-Americans Briggs has recruited and coached.

Joel Greenlee was a two-time all-American at heavyweight who finished second in 1989 and compiled the highest winning percentage in modern school history with a 127-16-4 mark (.878). His 44-2 mark in 1989 also is the best single-season record in modern school history.

His younger brother, Justin, was a two-time NCAA runnerup at heavyweight and passed Joel in career wins with 129 and took over the lead in career pins with 57.

Another great in the Briggs era was 118-pounder Mark Schwab, who holds the school standard for wins in a season with 49 in 1985-86. Unfortunately, Schwab's career was thwarted by a knee injury his sophomore season, but when healthy, he was undoubtedly the best at his weight in the nation and one of the finest in the world.

The duo of Rich Powers and Gary Steffensmeier came along in 1988 and thrilled UNI fans with amazingly similar careers through 1992. During that time, each captured three all-America honors and flirted with a national championship. Steffensmeier gained the 1990 NCAA final at 150 pounds and was ranked first in the nation for a time as a junior while Powers entered the 1992 national tournament favored to win at 177 pounds before falling in the semifinals. Each also appeared in the NWCA All-Star meet.

When they ended their careers together in 1992, Powers had the most wins in Division I in UNI history with 134 and Steffensmeier ranked fourth with 115.

The Panthers have dominated the NCAA West Regional for the past decade, claiming the team title the past ten years and finishing second the three years before that.

The future promises nothing but continued success as Briggs and his staff face the final years of the century. A young but very enthusiastic group of wrestlers will take to the mat for the Panthers this season and, almost 50 years after first hosting the NCAA Championships, the University will once again have the opportunity to play host to the best in collegiate wrestling in 1997 when it will be the site of the NCAA Division I Championships.

Armed with that young talent and the prospect of having the national championships in Cedar Falls, it would seem all the essentials are there for Northern Iowa wrestling to meet the challenges and opportunities of the years to come.
NORTHERN IOWA ALL-AMERICANS

Division I
1931—Jesse Arends, 2nd, 118
   Finn Eriksen, 4th, 135
   Orville Orr, 3rd, 155
1932—Maynard Harmon, 3rd, 145
   Arthur Gerber, 3rd, HWT
1934—Alvie Natvig, 2nd, 118
1937—Davis Natvig, 2nd, 118
   Ray Cheney, 1st, 135
1938—Davis Natvig, 3rd, 118
1940—Delbert Jensen, 3rd, 121
   Roger Isaacson, 2nd, 136
1941—Vernon Hassman, 2nd, 145
1942—Leon Martin, 2nd, 175
1946—Cecil Mott, 1st, 121
   Gerald Leeman, 1st, 128
   Russ Bush, 3rd, 136
   Bill Koll, 1st, 145
1947—Russ Bush, 1st, 128
   Bill Koll, 1st, 145
   Bill Nelson, 1st, 165
1948—Bill Koll, 1st, 147 1/2
   LeRoy Alitz, 4th, 191
1949—Russ Bush, 3rd, 128
   Luverne Klar, 3rd, 136
   Keith Young, 1st, 145
   Bill Nelson, 1st, 155
   Bill Smith, 1st, 165
1950—Frank Altman, 3rd, 121
   Luverne Klar, 4th, 128
   Floyd Oglesby, 2nd, 136
   Keith Young, 1st, 145
   Bill Nelson, 1st, 155
   Bill Smith, 1st, 165
   Fred Stoeker, 2nd, HWT
1951—Gene Lybbert, 3rd, 130
   Keith Young, 1st, 147
1952—Gene Lybbert, 1st, 130
   Bob Morris, 2nd, 137
   Jim Harmon, 2nd, 147
   Bill Weick, 1st, 157
1953—Pat McCarron, 3rd, 123
   Jim Harmon, 1st, 157
   Gus Gatto, 4th, 191
1955—Bill Weick, 1st, 157
   Gus Gatto, 4th, 191
1956—Dick Heaton, 3rd, 147
1958—Dick Heaton, 4th, 157
1961—Francis Freeman, 4th, 123
   David Jensen, 2nd, 130
1962—Francis Freeman, 2nd, 123
   Bill Dotson, 2nd, 137
1963—Bill Dotson, 1st, 137
1967—Don Parker, 6th, 191
1969—Marv Reiland, 6th, 130
   Kent Osboe, 6th, HWT
1972—Mike McCreadie, 3rd, HWT
1974—Jim Miller, 2nd, 134
   Ken Snyder, 3rd, 142
1975—Jim Miller, 4th, 134
   Ken Snyder, 5th, 142
1978—Kirk Myers, 6th, 190
1979—Joe Gormally, 4th, 177
1981—Ken Gallagher, 5th, 142
   Dion Cobb, 4th, 158
1982—Ken Gallagher, 7th, 142
   Joe Gormally, 7th, 177
   Kirk Myers, 5th, 190
1983—Randy Majors, 3rd, 126
   John Kriebes, 5th, HWT
1984—Bob Hallman, 2nd, 118
   Dave Grant, 8th, 158
   John Kriebes, 6th, HWT
1985—Paul Kreimeyer, 6th, 118
   Lew Sondgeroth, 5th, 142
1986—Mark Schwab, 5th, 118
   Jeff Clutter, 8th, 158
1987—Mike Schwab, 8th, 126
   Jeff Weatherman, 5th, 190
1988—Chris Lembec, 5th, 158
   Joel Greenlee, 4th, HWT
1989—Joel Greenlee, 2nd, HWT
1990—Mark Schwab, 6th, 118
   Duaine Martin, 8th, 126
   Gary Steffensmeier, 2nd, 150
   Rich Powers, 5th, 177
1991—Steve Hartle, 7th, 142
   Gary Steffensmeier, 4th, 150
   Rich Powers, 4th, 177
1992—Gary Steffensmeier, 4th, 150
   Rich Powers, 5th, 177
1993—Steve Hartle, 8th, 150
   Justin Greenlee, 8th, HWT
1994—Dave Malecek, 4th, 177
   Justin Greenlee, 2nd, HWT
1995—Justin Greenlee, 2nd, HWT
Division II

1963 — Gary Pollard, 3rd, 115
  Bill Dotson, 1st, 137
  Jim Sanford, 1st, 147
  Dick Austin, 2nd, 157
  Ron Mehl, 4th, 167
  Steve Hoemann, 4th, 177
1964 — Bob Trautman, 4th, 137
  Jim Monroe, 2nd, 167
1966 — Dave Steinkamp, 6th, 160
  Don Parker, 1st, 177
1967 — Jerry Bond, 2nd, 137
  Don Parker, 1st, 177
  Kent Osboe, 2nd, HWT
1968 — Jerry Bond, 4th, 145
  Kent Osboe, 1st, HWT

1969 — Marv Reiland, 2nd, 130
  Jim Guyer, 3rd, 160
  Vince Bellock, 6th, 167
  Kent Osboe, 1st, HWT
1970 — Marv Reiland, 4th, 134
  Clint Young, 4th, 158
  Vince Bellock, 2nd, 167
  Bob Boeck, 3rd, 177
  Mike McCready, 3rd, HWT
1971 — Clint Young, 1st, 158
  Randy Omvig, 5th, 190
1972 — Jon Moeller, 5th, 134
  Mark Fox, 4th, 142
  Joe Hatchett, 2nd, 190
  Mike McCready, 1st, HWT
1973 — Dave Nicol, 4th, 126
  Jim Miller, 4th, 134
  Ken Snyder, 2nd, 142
  Randy Omvig, 4th, HWT

1974 — Dave Cunningham, 6th, 118
  Tom Garcia, 1st, 126
  Jim Miller, 1st, 134
  Ken Snyder, 1st, 142
  Dan Keller, 4th, 167
  Rich Erickson, 6th, 177
  Randy Omvig, 4th, HWT
1975 — Dave Cunningham, 2nd, 118
  Jim Miller, 1st, 134
  Ken Snyder, 1st, 142
  Rich Erickson, 2nd, 177
  Randy Omvig, 1st, HWT
1976 — Dave Cunningham, 5th, 118
  Bruce McClure, 4th, 134
  Gary Bentrim, 1st, 142
  Jim Blasingame, 3rd, 150
  Keith Poolman, 4th, 167
  Dan Keller, 2nd, 177
1977 — Dave Prehm, 6th, 118
  Jeff Melvin, 5th, 126
  Scott Kollings, 6th, 134
  Gary Bentrim, 1st, 142
  Dick Briggs, 4th, 150
  Keith Poolman, 4th, 167
  Ed Herman, 6th, 190
1978 — Dave Prehm, 2nd, 118
  Kevin Finn, 4th, 134
  Dick Briggs, 3rd, 150
  Gary Bentrim, 1st, 158
  Keith Poolman, 1st, 167
  Joe Gormally, 4th, 177
  Kirk Myers, 1st, 190
1979 — Kevin Finn, 4th, 134
  Larry Luttrell, 6th, 142
  Ken Gallagher, 3rd, 150
  Keith Poolman, 4th, 167
  Joe Gormally, 2nd, 177
  Kirk Myers, 1st, 190
  Kevin Kurth, 6th, HWT
1980 — Brent Hagen, 2nd, 126
  Ken Gallagher, 1st, 150
  Dion Cobb, 6th, 167
  Efonda Sproles, 2nd, 177
  Kirk Myers, 1st, 190
  Kevin Kurth, 6th, HWT
ALL-AMERICANS

Four-Time All-Americans (4)
Both Divisions
Kirk Myers (Three-Time Division I and II — see below)
Ken Gallagher (Two-Time Division I and II — see below)

Division II
Randy Omvig (190-HWT-HWT)...5th-4th-1st-1st...1971,73,74,75
Keith Poolman (167-167-167-167)...4th-1st-1st...1976,77,78,79

Three-Time All-Americans (15)
Division I
Bill Koll (145-145-145-147.5)...1st-1st-1st-1st...1946,47,48
Russ Bush (136-128-128)...3rd-1st-3rd...1946,47,49
Bill Nelson (165-155-155)...1st-1st-1st-1st...1947,49,50
Keith Young (145-145-145-147)...1st-1st-1st-1st...1946,47,48
Gary Steffensmeier (150-150-150-150)...2nd-4th-4th-4th...1990,91,92
Rich Powers (177-177-177)...5th-4th-5th...1990,91,92
Justin Greenlee (HWT-HWT-HWT)...8th-2nd-2nd...1993,94,95.

Both Divisions
Joe Gormally (Two-Time Division I and II) — see below)

Division II
Kent Osbce (HWT-HWT-HWT)...2nd-1st-1st...1967,68,69
Jim Miller (134-134-134-134)...4th-1st-1st-1st...1973,74,75
Ken Snyder (142-142-142-142)...2nd-1st-1st-1st...1973,74,75
Dave Cunningham (118-118-118)...6th-2nd-5th...1974,75,76
Gary Bentrim (142-142-158)...1st-1st-1st...1976,77,78
Kirk Myers (190-190-190)...1st-1st-1st...1978,79,80

Two-Time All-Americans (33)
Division I
Davis Nativig (118-118)...2nd-3rd...1937,38
Luverne Klar (136-128)...3rd-4th...1949,50
Bill Smith (165-165)...1st-1st...1949,50
Gene Lybbert (130-130)...3rd-1st...1951,52
Jim Harmon (147-157)...2nd-1st...1952,53
Bill Weik (157-157)...1st-1st...1952,55
Gus Gatto (191-191)...4th-4th...1953,55
Dick Heaton (147-157)...3rd-4th...1956,58
Francis Freeman (123-123)...2nd-2nd...1961,62
Bill Dotson (137-137)...2nd-1st...1962,63
Jim Miller (134-134)...2nd-4th...1974,75
Ken Snyder (142-142)...3rd-5th...1974,75
Joe Gormally (177-177)...4th-7th...1979,82
Ken Gallagher (142-142)...5th-7th...1981,82
John Krieds (HWT-HWT)...5th-6th...1983,84
Mark Schwab (118-118)...5th-6th...1986,90
Joel Greenlee (HWT-HWT)...4th-2nd...1988,89
Steve Hartle (142-150)...7th-8th...1991,93

Both Divisions
Dion Cobb (One-Time Division I and II — see below)

Division II
Don Parker (177-177)...1st-1st...1966,67
Jerry Bond (137-145)...2nd-4th...1967,68
Marv Reiland (130-130)...3rd-4th...1968,70
Vince Bellock (167-167)...6th-2nd...1969,70
Clint Young (158-158)...4th-1st...1970,71
Mike McCready (HWT-HWT)...3rd-1st...1970,72
Dan Keller (167-177)...4th-2nd...1974,76
Rich Erickson (177-177)...6th-2nd...1974,75
Dave Prehm (118-118)...6th-2nd...1977,78
Dick Briggs (150-150)...4th-3rd...1977,78
Kevin Finn (134-134)...4th-4th...1978,79
Joe Gormally (177-177)...4th-2nd...1978,79
Ken Gallagher (150-150)...3rd-1st...1979,80
Kevin Kurth (HWT-HWT)...5th-6th...1979,80

One-Time All-Americans (61)
Division I
Jesse Arends (118)...2nd...1931
Finn Erikson (135)...4th...1931
Orville Orr (155)...3rd...1931
Maynard Harmon (145)...3rd...1932
Arthur Gerber (HWT)...3rd...1932
Alvie Nativig (118)...2nd...1934
Ray Cheney (135)...1st...1937
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Vernon Hassman (145)...2nd...1941
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Gerald Leeman (128)...1st...1946
LeRoy Altitt (191)...4th...1948
Frank Altman (121)...3rd...1950
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Fred Stoecker (HWT)...2nd...1950
Bob Morris (137)...2nd...1952
Pat McCaron (123)...3rd...1953
David Jensen (130)...2nd...1961
Don Parker (191)...6th...1967
Mary Reiland (130)...6th...1969
Kent Osbce (HWT)...6th...1969
Mike McCready (HWT)...3rd...1972
Dion Cobb (158)...4th...1981
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Mike Schwab (126)...8th...1987
Jeff Weatherman (190)...5th...1987
Chris Lembeck (158)...5th...1988
Duaine Martin (126)...8th...1990
Dave Malecek (177)...4th...1994

Division II
Gary Pollard (115)...3rd...1963
Bill Dotson (137)...1st...1963
Jim Sanford (147)...1st...1963
Dick Austin (157)...2nd...1963
Ron Mehl (167)...4th...1963
Steve Hoemann (177)...4th...1963
Bob Trautman (137)...4th...1964
Jim Monroe (167)...2nd...1964
Dave Steinkamp (160)...6th...1966
Jim Gayer (160)...3rd...1969
Bob Boeck (177)...3rd...1970
Jon Moeller (134)...5th...1972
Mark Fox (142)...4th...1972
Joe Hatchett (190)...2nd...1972
Dave Nicol (126)...4th...1973
Tom Garcia (126)...1st...1974
Bruce McClure (134)...4th...1976
Jim Blasingame (150)...3rd...1976
Jeff Melvin (126)...5th...1977
Scott Kollings (134)...6th...1977
Ed Herman (190)...6th...1977
Larry Luttrell (142)...4th...1979
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### 1995-96 Northern Iowa Wrestling Coaches

- **Paul Bender**: 1923 - 1930 (8 years)
- **Dave McCuskey**: 1931 - 1952 (20 years)
- **Bill Koll**: 1953 - 1964 (11 years)
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## ALL-TIME DUAL RESULTS (1923-95)

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FRIDAY, DEC. 9 - IOWA CITY

Location: Iowa City, Iowa
Enrollment: 28,000
Nickname: Hawkeyes
Colors: Old Gold & Black
Athletic Director: Bob Bowlsby
Head Coach: Dan Gable
Phone: (319) 335-9405
Career Record (Yrs.): 323-20-5 (19 yrs.)
Record at UI (Yrs.): 323-20-5 (19 yrs.)
Conference ('95 Finish): Big Ten (1st)
1995 NCAA Finish: 1st
1995 Dual Record: 14-0
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 22/10
Wrestling SID: Erik Snider
Office Phone: (319) 335-9411
FAX Phone: (319) 335-9417
Series History (Iowa leads 30-8-2):
1994-95 L 4-40
1993-94 L 8-30
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1935-36 L 9 1/2-22 1/2
1934-35 L 13-21
1933-34 T 14-14
1932-33 W 26-8
1931-32 W 19 1/2-4 1/2
1929-30 L 6 1/2-21 1/2

JAMES MADISON
FRIDAY, JAN. 5 - CEDAR FALLS

Location: Harrisonburg, Virginia
Enrollment: 11,300
Nickname: Dukes
Colors: Purple & Gold
Athletic Director: Donald L. Lemish
Head Coach: Jeff Bowyer
Phone: (540) 568-3958
Career Record (Yrs.): 58-59 (Seven yrs.)
Record at JMU (Yrs.): 58-59 (Seven yrs.)
Conference ('95 Finish): Colonial (3rd)
1995 NCAA Finish: 32nd
1995 Dual Record: 10-7
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 15/4
Wrestling SID: Curt Dudley
Office Phone: (540) 568-6154
FAX Phone: (540) 568-3703
Series History (Series tied 2-2):
1994-95 W 12-29
1992-93 W 27-7
1986-87 W 24-14

EDINBORO
TUESDAY, JANUARY 9 - EDINBORO

Location: Edinboro, Pennsylvania
Enrollment: 8,131
Nickname: Fighting Scots
Colors: Red & White
Athletic Director: Jody Mooradian
Head Coach: Bruce Baumgartner
Phone: (814) 732-2833
Career Record (Yrs.): 51-26 (5 yrs.)
Record at EU (Yrs.): 51-26 (5 yrs.)
Conference ('95 Finish): Eastern Wrestling League (4th)
1995 NCAA Finish: 11th
1995 Dual Record: 16-2
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 7/3
Wrestling SID: Will Adair
Office Phone: (814) 732-2811
FAX Phone: (814) 732-2596
Series History: (UNI leads 2-1):
1994-95 L 12-29
1992-93 W 27-7
1986-87 W 24-14

INDIANA
TUESDAY, JAN. 9 - EDINBORO

Location: Bloomington, Indiana
Enrollment: 36,000
Nickname: Hoosiers
Colors: Crimson & Cream
Athletic Director: Clarence Doninger
Head Coach: Duane Goldman
Phone: (812) 855-6941
Career Record (Yrs.): 34-20-1 (3 yrs.)
Record at IU (Yrs.): 34-20-1 (3 yrs.)
Conference ('95 Finish): Big Ten (10th)
1995 NCAA Finish: T46th
1995 Dual Record: 15-5-1
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 12/5
Wrestling SID: Matt Oliver
Office Phone: (812) 855-9399
FAX Phone: (812) 855-9401
Series History: (Series tied 2-2):
1990-91 W 26-9
1987-88 W 26-10
1971-72 L 9-21
1935-36 L 8-22
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PITTSBURGH
THURSDAY, JAN. 11 - PITTSBURGH

Location: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Enrollment: 13,500
Nickname: Panthers
Colors: Blue & Gold
Athletic Director: Oval Jaynes
Head Coach: Rande Stottlemyer
Phone: (412) 648-9176

Career Record (Yrs.): 122-131-6 (16 yrs.)
Record at UP (Yrs.): 122-131-6 (16 yrs.)
Conference ('95 Finish): Eastern Wrestling League (3rd)
1995 NCAA Finish: 26th
1995 Dual Record: 14-9
Wrestling SID: Dave Ablauf
Office Phone: (412) 648-8240
FAX Phone: (412) 648-8248
Series History: First meeting

WISCONSIN
THURSDAY, JAN. 25 - MADISON

Location: Madison, Wisconsin
Enrollment: 43,000
Nickname: Badgers
Colors: Cardinal & White
Athletic Director: Pat Richter
Head Coach: Barry Davis
Phone: (608) 262-4399

Career Record (Yrs.): 15-10-2 (2 yrs.)
Record at UW (Yrs.): 15-10-2 (2 yrs.)
Conference ('95 Finish): Big Ten (7th)
1995 NCAA Finish: T18th
1995 Dual Record: 8-4-1
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 18/8
Wrestling SID: Dan Meyer
Office Phone: (608) 262-1811
FAX Phone: (608) 262-8184
Series History: (UNI leads 17-9)

1994-95 L 7-35
1992-93 W 19-16
1987-88 W 22-12
1986-87 W 19-15
1985-86 L 12-21
L 15-23
1984-85 L 8-27
L 8-24
1983-84 L 8-29
1938-39 W 24-8
1937-38 W 24-13
1936-37 W 24-10
1935-36 W 25-6
1934-35 W 30-0
1931-32 W 34-0
1929-30 W 13 1/2-12 1/2
1928-29 W 17-11
1926-27 W 14-9

MISSOURI
SATURDAY, FEB. 3 - CEDAR FALLS

Location: Columbia, Missouri
Enrollment: 24,000
Nickname: Tigers
Colors: Black & Gold
Athletic Director: Joe Castiglione
Head Coach: Wes Roper
Phone: (314) 882-0735

Career Record (Yrs.): 55-66-1 (9 yrs.)
Record at UM (Yrs.): 55-66-1 (9 yrs.)
Conference ('95 Finish): Big Eight (5th)
1995 NCAA Finish: T22nd
1995 Dual Record: 5-5
Wrestling SID: Jeremy McNeive
Office Phone: (314) 882-2531
FAX Phone: (314) 882-4720
Series History: (UNI leads 13-3)

1994-95 L 6-37
1991-92 W 24-16
1990-91 W 19-18
1989-90 W 35-8
1988-89 W 27-16
1987-88 W 37-7
1986-87 L 21-22
1985-86 W 35-12

PURDUE
FRIDAY, FEB. 9 - WEST LAFAYETTE

Location: West Lafayette, Indiana
Enrollment: 36,163
Nickname: Boilermakers
Colors: Black & Old Gold
Athletic Director: Morgan Burke
Head Coach: Jessie Reyes
Phone: (317) 494-3216

Conference ('95 Finish): Big Ten (11th)
1995 NCAA Finish: T36th
Office Phone: (317) 494-3202
FAX Phone: (317) 494-5447
Series History (UNI leads 10-2-1)

1992-93 W 19-18
1991-92 L 17-21
1990-91 W 26-10
1987-88 W 17-16
1986-87 W 24-8
1985-86 W 16-12
IOWA STATE
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11 - CEDAR FALLS

Location: Ames, Iowa
Enrollment: 24,278
Nickname: Cyclones
Colors: Cardinal & Gold
Athletic Director: Gene Smith
Head Coach: Bobby Douglas
Phone: (515) 294-4643
Career Record (Yrs.): 266-101-6 (22 yrs.)
Record at ISU (Yrs.): 37-15 (3 yrs.)
Conference ('95 Finish): Big Eight (4th)
1995 NCAA Finish: 14th
1995 Dual Record: 17-4

Lettermen Returning/Lost: 9/4
Wrestling SID: Mike Green
Office Phone: (515) 294-3372
FAX Phone: (515) 294-0558
Series History (ISU leads 36-14)

1989-90 L 10-26 1963-64 W 20-6 1941-42 W 16-12

OHIO STATE
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - COLUMBUS

Location: Columbus, Ohio
Enrollment: 52,000
Nickname: Buckeyes
Colors: Scarlet & Gray
Athletic Director: Andy Geiger
Head Coach: Russ Hellickson
Phone: (614) 292-6302
Career Record (Yrs.): 223-87-3 (13 yrs.)
Record at OSU (Yrs.): 152-65-3 (9 yrs.)
Conference ('95 Finish): Big Ten (8th)
1995 NCAA Finish: T24th
1995 Dual Record: 16-10

Lettermen Returning/Lost: 14/1
Wrestling SID: Roger Horne
Office Phone: (614) 292-6861
FAX Phone: (614) 292-8547
Series History: (UNI leads 4-3)

1978-79 W 33-8
**MOST VALUABLE WRESTLER**
- 1995 - Justin Greenlee
- 1994 - Dave Malecek
- 1993 - Steve Hartle
- 1991 - Rich Powers
- 1990 - Gary Steffensmeier
- 1989 - Joel Greenlee
- 1988 - Joel Greenlee
- 1987 - Jeff Weatherman
- 1986 - Mark Schwab
- 1985 - Lew Sondgeroth
- 1984 - Bob Hallman
- 1983 - Randy Majors

**LYLE E. SCHWARZENBACH AWARD**
(Exhibits highest standards in citizenship, academics, practice and dedication)
- 1995 - Chris Bahr

**CHUCK PATTEN AWARD**
(LEADERSHIP)
- 1995 - Justin Greenlee

**ED EWOLDT SCHOLARSHIP**
In January of 1992, Northern Iowa officials announced the establishment of the Ed Ewoldt Wrestling Scholarship, the first fully-endowed scholarship in the history of the University’s athletics program.

The scholarship was made possible by a $120,000 gift to the Northern Iowa Foundation by Ron Magruder of Orlando, Florida. Each year, beginning with the 1992-93 academic year, the Panther wrestling program has awarded a full scholarship from the interest generated by the gift.

Ewoldt began attending UNI, then known as Iowa State Teachers College, in 1948 and graduated in 1954, competing on the wrestling team his last two years. He went on to teach and coach at West Central-Maynard (IA) High School from 1955-58 and Wheaton (IL) Central High School, where he coached Magruder, from 1959-88.

“Ed has had a tremendous impact on my life,” Magruder said, “and has helped me get where I am today. This is my way of thanking him for being a great teacher, mentor and friend.”

Magruder is the president of Olive Garden Restaurants, which has more than 300 locations throughout the nation, and serves on the Florida Citrus Bowl Committee, the Business Advisory Council at the University of Mississippi and the Foundation Board at the University of Central Florida.

**EWOLDT SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**
- 1995 - Chris Bahr
  - Ryan Cummings
- 1994 - Justin Greenlee
- 1993 - Justin Greenlee
- 1992 - Justin Greenlee

**MANAGERS**
Tiffany Timmsen and Damon Wick

**ACADEMIC HONORS**
National Wrestling Coaches Association
All-Academic Team
(inaugural year 1991)
- 1995 - Justin Greenlee (First Team)
- 1993 - Jamie Byrne (Honorable Mention)
  - Andrew Showalter (Honorable Mention)
- 1992 - Gary Steffensmeier (First Team)
- 1991 - Gary Steffensmeier (First Team)
  - Jamie Byrne (Third Team)
  - Cory Manning (Third Team)

**GTE ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA TEAM**
(includes athletes from 16 NCAA-sponsored sports)
- 1992 - Gary Steffensmeier (Third Team)

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**1995-96 MAT AIDES**
Front row (l-r) - Tanya Kane, Teri Drennon, Emily Cormandy, Marla Phelps, Jennie Vogals.
Middle row (l-r) - Jennifer Nightengale, Anita Foulks, Heidi Van Beck, Erin Brown, Erin Juergens.
Back row (l-r) - Jamie Trede, Michelle Music.
A campus-wide commitment to great teaching lies at the heart of the University of Northern Iowa's reputation for providing exceptional undergraduate education, as well as complementary programs at the master's, specialist's and doctoral levels. Building on its historic strength in teacher education, the University has developed a number of outstanding programs in business, natural sciences, humanities and fine arts, and social and behavioral sciences.

Northern Iowa prides itself on providing a student-centered educational experience. The University's medium size allows it to offer the faculty, facilities and academic choices of a major university, while retaining a friendly, small college atmosphere. Small classes enable the University to foster one-on-one working relationships between faculty and students. More than 90 percent of UNI's classes have 50 or fewer students.

Students enter the University well-prepared, demonstrated by their selection of high school courses and rank in class. In recent years, over 90 percent of the entering freshmen ranked in the top 50 percent of their high school classes, with about 60 percent ranking in the top 30 percent. The average undergraduate arrives at UNI with an ACT score of 23.

U.S. News and World Report has recognized the University by ranking it among the top 15 colleges and universities and second among best buys in the Midwest Region in its America’s Best Colleges Book. It also recognized Northern Iowa as one of two "up-and-coming" Midwest regional universities.

The College of Business Administration has become the largest undergraduate business school in Iowa. The College's Department of Accounting is ranked among the 10 best in the country by educators and accounting professionals. In a national survey of 400 accounting faculty, Northern Iowa ranked as one of their programs.

Considered a long-time leader in the field of teacher education, UNI has implemented several programs that continue this tradition of excellence. The Regents' Center for Early Developmental Education is a leading setting for research and training in the education of young children. The Center is the only educational resource of its kind in Iowa.

Northern Iowa's 19 men's and women's intercollegiate athletics programs compete at the NCAA Division I level with major conference affiliations. The Panthers boast a nationally recognized coaching staff to maintain consistently competitive programs.

The Northern Iowa campus combines the grandeur of early 1900s architecture with striking, modern building designs that have characterized an impressive growth period over the past dozen years. The attractive, park-like campus contains more than 40 major buildings on 861 acres, yet is compact enough to cross in a 10-minute walk.

UNI is located in Cedar Falls, an inviting and historic community of about 35,000 people. Together with the adjacent city of Waterloo, the metropolitan area has a culturally diverse population of 115,000 and combines big city opportunities with small town friendliness. Cedar Falls/Waterloo is a center for industry, finance, commerce, recreation and cultural activities for northeast Iowa.

The University was founded in 1876 and is one of three state-assisted universities administered by the Iowa State Board of Regents. Additional private support is provided by the UNI Foundation and Northern Iowa Alumni Association, representing more than 65,000 alumni in the United States and other countries.