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**Tournament Schedule**

**Missouri Quadrangular**
- **February 20**
  - vs. St. Louis, 10 a.m.
  - vs. Missouri, 4 p.m.
- **February 21**
  - vs. Missouri-KC, 10 a.m.

**SE Mo. St. Invitational**
- **March 6**
  - vs. SE Mo. St. @ Noon
  - vs. Harvard @ 4 p.m.
- **March 7**
  - vs. SW Mo. St. @ 10 a.m.
  - vs. W. Illinois @ Noon

**Florida St. Invitational**
- **March 12**
  - vs. Georgia St. @ 1 p.m.
  - vs. Princeton @ 5 p.m.
- **March 13**
  - vs. Penn St. @ 10 a.m.
- **March 14**
  - TBD

**Missouri Invitational**
- **March 19**
  - vs. Tulsa, Noon
  - vs. Butler, 2 p.m.
- **March 20**
  - vs. Loyola, 2 p.m.
  - vs. NW (LA) St., 4 p.m.

**SIU Saluki Invitational**
- **March 26**
  - vs. E. Illinois @ 10 a.m.
  - vs. So. Illinois @ 2 p.m.
- **March 27**
  - vs. SE Mo. St. @ 10 a.m.
  - vs. St. Louis @ 2 p.m.

*All single-date non-tournament games are doubleheaders.

*All times are CST.*
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Quick Facts

Founded: 1876
Enrollment: 13,218
President: Dr. Robert Koob
Athletic Director: Christopher Ritrievi
Nickname: Panthers
Colors: Purple and Old Gold
Conference: Missouri Valley
Affiliation: NCAA Division I
Head Coach: Meredith Bakley
  Office Phone: (319) 273-2520
Assistant Coach: Gene Bruhn
  1998 Overall Record: 26-22-0
  1998 MVC Record: 11-7-0
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 13/2
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 3/1
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Jody Dean headlines a cast of talented Panther seniors.

was an all-conference pick in '98, batting .326 with a team-high 39 RBI.

"They (Dean, Paulus and Schreurs) are really our cornerstones," UNI head coach Meredith Bakley said. "They've all started for four years, and I don't know if they've missed any games between them. The key is leading by example; we're expecting a lot of leadership from them, as well as enthusiasm (in practice and in games). We're really looking for them to have a good year."

In all, six position players and three pitchers return with significant playing time under their respective belts for the Panthers. Senior third baseman Heather Blair, along with juniors Kylie Sloan, Heidi Fromherz, Jeannine Soncini and Melissa Navntoft, and sophomores Beth Scheetz, Stephanie Staveley and Heidi Freitagre, anchor a lineup that, experience-wise, will be very tough to beat.

"We have a good defense, a very strong infield, and two catchers that I'm really impressed with. Our big hitters are returning, and our pitching depth is in good shape. It should be a good year," said Bakley.

THE INFIELD

Northern Iowa's infield returns intact. Schreurs and Paulus cover first and second base. Sloan (.245 average, 22 RBI) started at shortstop as a sophomore last season. Blair (.228, 14 RBI) also was a starter at third. Freitagre replaces departed senior Kristen Dalrymple at catcher.

"Angie is one of the better first basemen in our conference. I'm really looking for her to enjoy a great senior season. Jackie is an outstanding leadoff hitter and leader. She's really dynamic. And, of

Angie Schreurs is a returning all-conference candidate at first base for UNI.
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Junior Heidi Fromherz returns as a veteran of the Panthers' deep pitching staff.

"Jody has been recognized regionally and nationally (for her efforts). She's quick and has power."

Scheetz and Staveley will battle for starting roles, and freshman Lindsey Wright, along with walk-ons Jacque LaFleur and Kelli McCoy, should see their share of action. Amber Sampson started all 48 games last year as a senior, but batted only .189. She did have eight triples, though. Her absence will be felt in rightfield.

"We will have to fill the void left by Sampson, but I think we have capable players that can do just that," Bakley said.

THE PITCHING STAFF

Last year's ace, Shelby Worms, is gone. Worms went 14-9 with a 1.25 ERA. Soncini (8-8, 2.82 ERA), Navntoft (0-1, 3.00) and Fromherz (4-4, 3.34) are expected to battle for the top spot on the pitching staff, but for now, the potential ace is still undecided. Freshman Candice Brooks saw some action this fall and may push for mound time, as well.

"Shelby did a very good job for us last year," Bakley said. "She stepped in and emerged as our best pitcher. (Head assistant coach) Gene Bruhn has been working with the pitchers in the offseason, though, and Shelby has helped out also. They've put in the time this winter. We expect good things out of Fromherz and Soncini, and Navntoft is our utility player. She should pitch a little. Candice is coming along as a newcomer, as well."

MVC RACE

Creighton (16-2, 33-15) is the defending Missouri Valley Conference regular season champions, while Southwest Missouri State (13-5, 31-22) is defending tournament champs. The Bears have won three consecutive league crowns, and return four starters this spring.

Southern Illinois (12-6, 32-17) was third in the MVC standings. The Salukis are the most experienced team in the conference, returning all nine starters and 15 of 16 letterwinners overall.

Northern Iowa, a fourth-place finisher last year, is expected to be right in the thick of things, as well. The Panthers were 26-22 overall last season, and owned a 11-7 league mark, their highest win total for a MVC season in school history.

RECAPPING THE FALL

The Panthers had their ups and downs this past fall, recording an 8-5 overall record. UNI participated in three invitationals, going 2-2 at Bradley, 3-1 at Creighton and 3-2 at the National Invitation Championship.

Paulus (.354, 12 runs scored) and Navntoft (.333, 12 RBI) both found success at the plate. Dean had a team-high three home runs, and the duo of Fromherz and Soncini each picked up three victories to pace the pitching staff.
Meredith Bakley is in her 21st year heading the Northern Iowa softball program. During her tenure, she has an AIAW National Championship to her credit, leading the Panthers to the title in 1982, and a berth in the NCAA Division I Championships in 1990 after her team won the Gateway Conference Tournament. She recorded a 22-10 record her first year at UNI enroute to a second-place finish in the AIAW State Tournament, the same year the team finished sixth at the regional championship. In all, UNI teams have posted at or above .500 records in 15 of 20 seasons.

Bakley has compiled a 572-464-3 record since her arrival in Cedar Falls in 1979 and has guided her teams to 29 or more wins 11 times. Her philosophy of playing against the best competition available has seen the Panthers face a steady diet of the nation's top-ranked teams.

A graduate of Black Hills State College in Spearfish, South Dakota, Bakley received her master's degree from Colorado State University in 1974. She has completed hours toward her doctorate from the University of Iowa and Northern Colorado.

Bakley was an instructor at Valley State College in Valley City, North Dakota, where she was head basketball and softball coach before coming to UNI. Her Valley City softball squad placed second in the state in 1978. Bakley's career collegiate coaching record is 631-498-3.

### Bakley's Composite UNI Record

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Dr. Gene Bruhn, the only assistant softball coach in school history, is in his 17th season for the Panthers. Dr. Bruhn has handled Northern Iowa pitching staffs that consistently have been among the best in the Missouri Valley since his arrival. Included on those staffs have been all-conference hurlers Krista Fosbinder, Sarah O'Byrne and Kandy Keiper.

Bruhn currently is a practicing chiropractor in Clarksville, Iowa. He studied at Ellsworth Junior College for two years, at Wartburg for a year and received his degree from Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa. Dr. Bruhn was a top softball player in the area for over 25 years.
The success of the 1998 Panthers (from left to right: Jen Dean, Jeannine Soncini, Jackie Paulus, Kristen Dalrymple and Angie Schreurs) should carry into this year, as seven starters return in all.

The 1998 Panther squad will go down as one of the most successful teams in school history. With a 26-22 mark, it finished the '98 campaign with a second-place finish at the MVC Tournament, second-highest in school history. The 11-7 conference mark tied for the highest finish by a Panther squad, and was only the fourth time ever that a UNI softball team finished above .500 in the MVC (formerly the Gateway Conference).

The year was highlighted with five and six-game winning streaks, including victories over nationally-ranked Minnesota, MVC power Illinois State, MVC regular season champion Creighton and tournament champion Southwest Missouri State. Individual achievements also stood out on the 1998 Panther team, including four all-conference selections, three all-tournament picks, and a third team all-America honoree.
Heather Blair

Sr.  *  Utility  *  B/T: L/L  *  WDM (Valley), IA

1999 Outlook
Blair should be a starter for the second consecutive season as a Panther. Slotted to play third base for UNI. Hit .278 during the fall season.

1998
Played in 46 games, starting all but one. Scored 30 runs and drove in 14, while recording 136 at-bats. Also finished with 17 sacrifices on the year.

1997
Batted .224 in first season as a Panther, playing in 33 games and starting 18. Used mostly as a designated player and backup third baseman. Scored 13 runs, while driving in four runs and stealing three bases. Talled seven walks, with an on-base percentage of .308.

High School
A first team all-conference selection for three years and an honorable mention selection for one at West Des Moines Valley High School. A third team all-state choice senior year. Won 13 letters in volleyball, basketball, track and softball.

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The Blair File

Major: Social and Behavioral Sciences
Family: Daughter of Del and Connie Blair
Jody Dean

Sr. * OF * B/T: R/R * Postville (H.S.), IA

1999 Outlook

Dean will try to become the first player in Missouri Valley Conference history to earn All-America honors in back-to-back years, while improving on career home run record of 29. Drafted in the 3rd round (13th overall) of the Women's Pro Softball League in the offseason by the Virginia Roadsters. Recorded team-highs in HRs (3) and RBI (9) this past fall.

1998

Emerged as the first Panther player and only the sixth player in conference history to earn All-America honors, making the third team after another powerful season. Finished the '98 campaign with a .393 batting average and a .757 slugging percentage. In 48 games, tallied 55 hits, including a MVC and UNI record-tying 12 home runs.

1997

Broke or tied four school records, including 12 home runs in a season, which also tied a MVC record. Led the team in virtually every offensive category, batting .382 with 66 hits, and 44 runs batted in.

1996

A key player, putting up impressive numbers for a freshman. Batted .310 with team-leading marks in runs batted in (35) and home runs (5).

High School

A four-year first team all-conference selection and a two-time all-state choice at Postville High School. Earned a total of 15 letters in softball, basketball, volleyball and track.

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The Dean File

Major: Business/Accounting
Family: Daughter of Glen and Judy Dean
Jackie Paulus

Sr. * 2B * B/T: R/R * Burlington (H.S.), IA

1999 Outlook
Paulus will bring her veteran leadership to the table and anchor an experienced infield this season. Had a productive fall (.354, 1 HR, 7 RBI) and is expected to contribute significantly both offensively and defensively when spring play rolls around.

1998
Was named a first team all-MVC selection, batting .341 in third consecutive year as a starter at second base for the Panthers. Led the team in hits with 56 and stolen bases with 10. Improved slugging percentage from .416 in 1997 to .488.

1997
Made the GTE/CoSIDA District VII Academic Team after batting .306 with 27 runs scored, 12 doubles and 34 runs batted in. Started all 57 games, finishing the year with a .966 fielding percentage, collecting 128 assists and contributing to nine double plays.

1996
Led the '96 squad in most of the offensive statistics. Tallied 193 at-bats, 36 runs scored, 54 hits, four triples and 16 stolen bases. Also was second on the team with 140 putouts and third with 112 assists.

High School
A first team all-conference and a Class 3A all-state selection from Burlington High School. Was asked to play in the Iowa Coaches Association All-Star game. Won letters in varsity basketball, softball and volleyball.

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The Paulus File
Major: Business/Marketing
Family: Daughter of Robert and Lily Paulus
1999 Outlook
Schreurs is another fixture in the Panthers' infield. A complete all-around player that provides a reliable left-handed bat in the lineup. Will be a regular at first base. Started every game for UNI this past fall.

1998
A big run producer, garnering second team all-MVC honors. Drove in a team-high 39 runs while hitting six home runs. Tied for the team lead in doubles with 11. Also was tops on the team in putouts (377) from first base position.

1997
After missing the first six games of the season with an injury, batted .306 with 36 runs scored, eight doubles, five homers and 28 RBI in 51 games. Led the team defensively with 417 putouts and a .984 fielding percentage.

1996
Led the Panthers in five offensive categories, including doubles (12), on-base percentage (.403) and batting average (.323). Awarded team's 'Slugger' award for highest individual average.

High School
A four-year all-conference and two-year all-state selection at West Des Moines Valley High School. Earned eight letters in softball and basketball.

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The Schreurs File

Major: Education
Family: Daughter of Dave and Audrey Schreurs
Northern Iowa Softball

18 Heidi Fromherz

Junior * P * B/T: R/R
Milwaukie, OR * Central High

1999 Outlook...Fromherz will be one of the top pitchers on the staff after a solid 1998 season. Will need to step up to replace the departing Shelby Worms. A wide variety of off-speed pitches and tough pitcher to face for the Panthers. Won three games with a 2.53 ERA this past fall.

1998...Found continued success after a strong 1997 season, finishing 4-4 with a 3.34 ERA in 65 innings of work. Posted 26 strikeouts to just nine walks, and held opponents to a .282 batting average. Earned wins last year against MVC foes Southern Illions and Drake.

1997...Finished with a team-leading winning percentage of .700, going 7-3 on the year. Also collected the team's only save in '97, and struck out 31 batters while walking only nine.

High School...An honorable mention all-league selection junior year and a first team choice senior year at Central Catholic High School. Was picked to play in the Oregon Senior All-Star Game senior season. Won two letters in high school in softball.

Personal...The daughter of Jim and Mary Fromherz. A communications major.

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6 Melissa Navntoft

Junior * P * B/T: R/L
Burlington, IA * Burlington H.S.

1999 Outlook...Navntoft should see plenty of action in the outfield for the second consecutive season, and is expected to be a member of the Panther pitching rotation, as well. Throws left-handed, offering another dimension to the pitching staff. Had a strong fall at the plate, starting in all 13 games and hitting .333.

1998... Took on a more offensive-dominated role for UNI, pitching in just two games but logging 110 at-bats. Hit .245 with 13 RBI while playing the outfield and starting in 37 games. Allowed four earned runs in her 9.1 innings of work on the mound.

1997...Finished with a 6-7 record and 3.29 earned run average in 20 appearances. Gave up a team low 70 hits and only allowed 29 earned runs in 61.2 innings of work. Two wins came against ranked opponents in the Florida State Invitational, Louisiana Tech and Michigan State.

High School...Five years of playing experience at Burlington (IA) High School. Earned all conference and all-state honors in softball. Played on the same squad in high school as Panther teammate Jackie Paulus.

Personal...The daughter of Ivan and Janet Navntoft. A physical education major.

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**Kylie Sloan**

**Junior * SS * B/T: R/R**

**Carlisle, IA * Carlisle H.S.**

1999 Outlook...Sloan is projected to be the team's starting shortstop for the third straight season. A reliable defensive player (33 errors in 105 career games) with a strong arm and quick bat. Has started every game at shortstop in UNI career. Batted .231 while playing in every game this past fall season.

1998...Hit .245 with 22 runs driven in as a sophomore. Started all 48 games at shortstop, committing 17 errors for a .919 fielding percentage. Also totaled seven doubles and five stolen bases. Led the Panthers in assists (137) for the second consecutive year.

1997...Batted .236 with four doubles and 17 runs batted in for the season. Collected 14 runs and 13 walks. Defensively, led the team with 135 assists, and was second on the team with six double plays.

High School...All-conference and all-state selection at Carlisle High School. Earned 16 letters in golf, basketball, volleyball and softball.

Personal...The daughter of Kurt and Jeani Sloan. A biology major.

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**Jeannine Soncini**

**Junior * P * B/T: R/R**

**Flossmoor, IL * Homewood-Flossmoor**

1999 Outlook...Soncini should contend with Heidi Fromherz for the team's No. 1 pitching role as a junior. Finished with a solid spring on the mound, walking just four batters in 29.1 innings and recording a 3-1 overall record. May play a position role if needed. Won three games with a 2.39 ERA during the fall season.

1998...Was the Panthers' No. 2 starter, going 8-8 with a 2.82 ERA in 22 appearances. Struck out a career-high 51 while completing 10 games, two of which were shutouts. Batted .136 in 22 at-bats with three RBI offensively for UNI.

1997...Finished with team-highs in wins (9) and ERA (2.26) while making 23 appearances her first year. Also led the team with five shutouts, and had 49 strikeouts. Compiled a 5-4 record against Missouri Valley Conference opponents, including two wins against in-state rival Drake.

High School...An all-conference selection for three years and an all-area pick for two at Homewood-Flossmoor High School. Was picked to play in the Illinois High School Super 60 Classic. Made the varsity squad eight times for volleyball, basketball and softball.

Personal...The daughter of Carl and Barbara Soncini. A political science major.
Northern Iowa Softball

4  Stephanie Staveley
Sophomore  *  OF  *  B/T: R/R
Independence, IA  *  Independence H.S.

1999 Outlook...Staveley could see a more extensive role in this year's lineup as one of the team's several outfielders. Speed and quickness will be used to cover much ground for UNI. Finished the fall season with a .250 batting average.

1998...Saw limited playing time, mostly as a pinch runner. Scored five runs and picked up two stolen bases. A walk-on player and former cross country and track runner for the Panthers.

High School...Played on the Independence softball team before transferring to Cedar Falls High School her senior year. All conference and all-state selections for softball as a third baseman and outfielder. Earned letters softball, basketball, track and cross country.

Personal...The daughter of Ellis and Patricia Staveley. A secondary mathematics major.

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20  Heidi Freitager
Sophomore  *  C  *  B/T: R/R
Mounds View, MN  *  Ironside H.S.

1999 Outlook...Freitager will be UNI's starting catcher this spring. After a productive fall campaign (.280 batting average), expects to become one of the team leaders behind the plate.

1998...Rotated as starting catcher, playing in, and starting, 23 games. Hit .212 with a home run and six runs driven in. Recorded 106 putouts, third on the team.

High School...All-metro, all-conference, all-region and all-state pick at Ironside High School. Was a Minnesota High School Heisman Award nominee. Earned a total of 11 letters in softball, tennis and basketball.

Personal...The daughter of John and Florence Freitager. Undecided on major.

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Beth Scheetz

Sophomore * OF * B/T: R/R
Oxford, IA * Clear Creek Amana H.S.

1999 Outlook...Scheetz is expected to start in left field. She has a strong bat and solid arm, and plays consistent defense. Recorded a .250 batting average during the fall year.
1998...Started in 20 games, batting .213. Drove in two runs and drew seven walks overall.
High School...Southeast Iowa Conference player of the year in 1996. Named to Iowa's All-Elite Team twice. First team all-conference selection for Clear Creek-Amana three years. Lettered five times in softball, while earning 10 letters in swimming, basketball and track.
Personal...The daughter of Joe and Deb Scheetz. Majoring in criminology.

Candice Brooks

Freshman * P * B/T: R/R
Kansas City, Mo. * Winnetonka H.S.

1999 Outlook...Brooks will join Jeannine Soncini, Heidi Fromherz and Melissa Navnroft in the pitching rotation, and should see immediate action. Pitched in one game this past fall and expects to add depth to the group.
High School...All-conference, all-metro and all-state honors. Earned four letters in softball.
Personal...The daughter of Steve and Julie Brooks. Undecided on major.

Jacque LaFleur

Freshman * OF * B/T: R/R
Jefferson, S.D. * Heelan H.S.

1999 Outlook...LaFleur is a walk-on that should provide depth and energy to an experienced outfield. Saw limited action in the fall, playing in four games.
High School...LaFleur was voted best defensive player for Heelan both junior and senior seasons. Softball team advanced to the state tournament in 1996. Earned letters in volleyball and softball.
Personal...The daughter of Dan and Debbie LaFleur. Undecided on major. Has a cousin on the Panther wrestling team and brother, Jon, plays football for the University of Iowa.
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19
Kelli McCoy
Freshman * OF * B/T: R/R
Eldridge, Iowa * Eldridge-North Scott

1999 Outlook...McCoy is another Panther walk-on that should see playing time in the outfield. Did not play in the fall.
High School...Won 10 letters at Eldridge-North Scott High School, participating in softball, basketball and track.
Personal...The daughter of William and Kay McCoy. Undecided on major.

3
Teri Sabey
Freshman * 2B * B/T: R/R
Waverly, IA * Waverly-Shell Rock H.S.

1999 Outlook...Sabey, a walk-on, will start the season as a backup to Paulus at second base. Did not play in the fall season.
High School...Was first team all-conference and named to the all-tournament team four times. Won three letters in softball.
Personal...The daughter of Gary and Karen Sabey. Undecided on major.

13
Stacey Sampson
Freshman * 1B * B/T: R/R
Urbandale, Iowa * Urbandale H.S.

1999 Outlook...Sampson will join the team after missing fall play. A walk-on that is expected to backup Angie Schreurs at first base. Was not with the team this past fall.
High School...A starter for Urbandale, earning 3A second team all-state honors senior year. Hit .376 for career.
Personal...The daughter of Tim and Marilyn Sampson. Veterinary medicine major. Sister, Amber, lettered four times for the UNI softball team from 1995-98.
Lindsay Wood 9

Freshman * 3B * B/T: L/R
Eldridge, IA * Eldridge-North Scott H.S.

1999 Outlook... Wood will back up Heather Blair at third base. A scholarship player that may be used in other roles, as well. Hit .250 with two stolen bases and six runs driven in during the fall.

High School... Was 1998 3A Player of the Year in Iowa, and an Elite-Team pick. A first team all-state pick at Eldridge-North Scott High School. Also named to all-state teams sophomore and junior seasons. First team all-conference in 1996 and 1998. Batted above .500 sophomore and junior year.

Earned 13 letters in softball, track, volleyball and basketball.

Personal... The daughter of Frank and Peggy Wood. Majoring in special education.

Lindsey Wright 14

Freshman * OF * B/T: R/R
Kirkwood, MO * Kirkwood H.S.

1999 Outlook... Wright is one of five outfielders battling for playing time. Contributed significantly this past fall, and should see the field immediately.

High School... A first team all-conference, all-metro and all-district selection. Batted .436 at Kirkwood High School, which produced former Panther catcher Kristen Dalrymple. Earned nine letters in softball, basketball and soccer.

Personal... The daughter of Will and Kathy Wright. Majoring in business administration.

Leanne Zintak 5

Freshman * C * B/T: R/R
Alsip, IL * Mother McAuley H.S.

1999 Outlook... Zintak is targeted as the team's back-up catcher this spring. Hit .222 as a back-up to catcher Heidi Freitager this past fall.

High School... All-conference and all-area standout at Mother McAuley High School in Alsip, IL. Earned a letter in softball all four years.

Personal... The daughter of Joe and Karen Zintak. Majoring in elementary education.
## Alphabetical Roster

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*Letters Earned

## Depth Chart

- **Leftfield**
  - Beth Scheetz
  - Melissa Navntoft
- **Centerfield**
  - Jody Dean
  - Lindsey Wright
- **Third Base**
  - Heather Blair
  - Lindsay Wood
- **Shortstop**
  - Kylie Sloan
- **Second Base**
  - Jackie Paulus
  - Teri Sabey
- **Pitcher**
  - Jeannine Soncini
  - Heidi Fromherz
  - Melissa Navntoft
  - Candice Brooks
- **Catcher**
  - Heidi Freitager
  - Leanne Zintak
- **Rightfield**
  - Stephanie Staveley
  - Kelli McCoy
  - Jacque LaFleur
- **First Base**
  - Angie Schreurs
  - Stacey Sampson
The Northern Iowa Panthers surprised many in 1998, finishing with an 11-7 conference record, their highest win total in the MVC. The 26-22 Panthers wrapped up the season with their second-highest conference tournament finish, losing in the championship to Southwest Missouri State.

Head coach Meredith Bakley, who completed her 19th season with a record at or above .500, was excited but not shocked by her team’s performance on the year.

"To say I was surprised would be wrong. I knew this team had the talent and determination to do well this season. After the disappointing end to the 1997 season, this year’s team had something to prove to the Missouri Valley Conference. I think this season sent a message to the MVC that Northern Iowa softball is a tough opponent," stated Bakley.

The Panther schedule was one of the toughest in recent years, including an opening tournament which hosted three nationally-ranked teams in Minnesota, Missouri and Kansas, along with Western Illinois. UNI opened the year 0-5 with close losses to Missouri and Kansas. Bakley wasn’t discouraged by the opening setbacks.

"I knew going into the tournament that it would be tough, but the only way to test yourself is to face the best opponents," Bakley said. "We came away from the Metrodome Invitational knowing what we had done well, and what we needed to work on to get better."

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-Bakley on the 1998 squad

The Panther bats came alive in a doubleheader sweep of Tennessee-Martin to ease the 0-5 start, as UNI combined for 35 runs and 31 hits in the wins. UNI took a 2-7 mark with it on a pivotal road trip to Florida on spring break. First was the Florida State Invitational, where the Panthers once again faced the nation’s best teams. UNI opened with a 3-0 loss to Florida State and a 10-6 loss to Penn State. The team rebounded with two wins before losing to Louisiana State. UNI picked up two more wins at North Florida before heading back to Missouri for the Missouri Invite. However, snow forced the cancellation of the tournament.

"It seemed like, at the beginning, we would pick up momentum only to lose it because of bad weather or something else that was out of our hands. We needed to take this adversity, as a team, and turn it into a positive rather than dwelling on the negative," commented Bakley.

A 3-1 finish in the Southern Illinois Invitational and a doubleheader sweep of Missouri-Kansas City led to a five-game winning streak entering the MVC season. The Panthers started with a doubleheader split on the road against Wichita State and Southwest Missouri State and a home split with Creighton. UNI took two from Drake at home before splitting with Evansville and dropping two against Southern Illinois. After a non-conference split with Minnesota, the Panthers split with Illinois State before going on a four-game winning streak to finish fourth in the MVC regular season race.

UNI started the MVC tournament with a five-inning, 8-0 win over Wichita State. UNI went on to beat Illinois State—which had upset the top seed, Creighton—2-1 on a RBI single by Jeannine Sconcini. The Panthers dropped their first game of the tournament to Southwest Missouri State 6-2. UNI then beat host Evansville 1-0 on a homer by Jody Dean, her third of the tournament, tying a MVC record. In the championship game, SMS outlasted the Panthers 2-1 to claim its third straight conference tournament title.

"We had a great run at the conference tournament. We went into the weekend with a winning streak, and tried to ride the energy. With this type of tournament, whoever gets on a streak can win it. We did it before in 1990, and hoped to do it again, but came up a little short," stated Bakley.

Four Panthers earned all-conference honors, including senior Shelby Worms and junior Angie Schreurs making the second team, while juniors Dean and Jackie Paulus were selected to the first team. The latter pair earned other post-season honors. Paulus was named to the GTE District VII all-academic team, and Dean was a third team all-American selection, only the sixth MVC player to earn that honor.

Dean, Paulus and Schreurs led the powerful Panther bats in every offensive category. Dean tied her school and MVC record with 12 home runs, along with leading the squad with a .393 average. 11 doubles, 106 total bases and 21 walks. Paulus led the MVC and UNI with 45 runs scored and led the team with 164 at bats, 56 hits and 10 stolen bases. Schreurs led UNI with 39 RBIs, 21 walks and 11 doubles.

Four Panther seniors wrapped up outstanding careers at UNI in 98. Worms was 14-9 with a 1.41 ERA and 97 strikeouts. She went 6-3 in the MVC and was 3-1 at the conference tournament. Outfielder Amber Sampson ended her four years once again on top of the MVC in triples, picking up eight this year. She also tallied five doubles and seven stolen bases to go with a .971 fielding percentage. Catcher Kristen Dalrymple posted a .261 batting average and four home runs, two coming in one game versus Bradley. She was second on the team with 14 walks and committed one error in 99 chances behind the plate. Utility player Maggie Sellers started in 10 games this year, her first starts as a Panther, collecting her first hit against St. Louis, where she was 3-4 with a RBI, also a career first.
## Minnesota-Metrodome Invitational (at Minneapolis, Minnesota)

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**Mar. 7**
*vs. Tennessee-Martin* 21-3 W (5inn.) 21-19-0/3-3-5 Heidi Fromherz (1-1) 40

**Mar. 7**
*vs. Tennessee-Martin* 14-2 W (5inn.) 14-12-0/2-3-1 Jeannine Soncini (1-2) 40

**Mar. 8**
at Southeast Missouri State 4-6 L 4-6-2/6-6-1 Shelby Worms (0-3) 55

**Mar. 8**
at Southeast Missouri State 5-6 L 5-7-2/6-8-0 Jeannine Soncini (1-3) 50

## Florida State-Seminoke Invitational (at Tallahassee, Florida)

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**Mar. 16**
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## Southern Illinois-Saluki Invitational (at Carbondale, Illinois)

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*Missouri Valley Conference games*  
**games played at Cape Girardeau, Missouri**

**Overall Record:** 26-22  
**Missouri Valley Conference Record:** 11-7  
**Non-Conference Record:** 7-4  
**Tournament Record:** 8-11 (Metrodome Invitational 0-5; Seminole Invitational 2-3; Saluki Invitational 4-1; MVC Tournament 3-2)

**Record in Extra-Inning Games:** 2-1  
**Record When Scoring 3+ Runs:** 20-10  
**Record in Shortened Games:** 5-2  
**Record When Holding Opponent to 3 or Less Runs:** 24-7  
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For the second-straight year, Amber Sampson led the Missouri Valley Conference and most of NCAA Division I softball in triples, finishing with eight, which placed her first in the MVC and 10th in the nation. In '97, she led the MVC and finished tied for ninth in Division I with nine triples.
A commitment to excellence, both in the classroom and athletic arena, has been a trademark of the Missouri Valley Conference since its inception in the winter of 1907. Built firmly on a solid foundation, the Missouri Valley Conference has made great strides and streamlined its resources and skills to become one of the nation's most progressive athletics conferences.

Athletics accomplishments on the men's athletics side include four national basketball championships, 17 trips to the NCAA Final Four and a 1989 national baseball championship.

Obviously, the inclusion of women's programs under the Missouri Valley banner -- the oldest athletic conference west of the Mississippi River -- has provided an immediate boost. The Gateway Collegiate Athletic Conference -- which began in 1982 -- merged with the Missouri Valley Conference and was unveiled as part of the new MVC on July 1, 1992.

The St. Louis-based Missouri Valley Conference began its fine tradition long ago. Initiated as a basketball conference in 1907, the MVC has produced many individual and team national champions in basketball and other sports.

Seeds for the creation of the conference were planted by eight administrators representing five institutions who gathered at the Midland Hotel in Kansas City, MO, on January 12, 1907. The five schools which formed the Missouri Valley Intercollegiate Athletic Association were Washington University of St. Louis, and the state universities of Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska. Two months after the initial meeting, two more institutions -- Drake University and Iowa State College -- were admitted to the league.

In the fall of 1907, basketball became the first competitive sport. Today, the Missouri Valley Conference sponsors the following sports: baseball, men's and women's basketball, men's and women's cross country and track (indoor and outdoor), men's and women's golf, men's and women's soccer, softball, men's and women's swimming, men's and women's tennis and women's volleyball.

MVC student-athletes and coaches have been household names during the conference's illustrious history, both during their collegiate careers and, for some, professional careers which have followed stardom in the Missouri Valley Conference. Individual basketball greats such as Wichita State's Antoine Carr, Bradley's Hersey Hawkins, Creighton's Benoit Benjamin and Southern Illinois' Ashraf Amaya and Chris Carr are still active on NBA rosters, while past stars such as Larry Bird, Oscar Robertson, Chet Walker, Walt Frazier, Wes Unseld, Paul Silas and many others are still to be found in the Missouri Valley's record books.

Missouri Valley Conference student-athletes also have had their share of success in the classroom. Peter Bednekoff, a track athlete from Tulsa, was a 1988 Rhodes Scholar, and Creighton's Bill O'Dowd, a 4.0 student who earned a master's degree in four years, was named one of the top 20 undergraduates in the country by USA Today in 1990. In 1995-96, two MVC student-athletes were named national academic Players of the Year in their respective sports (Drake's Tricia Walkley in women's basketball and Southern Illinois' Christine Knotts in softball).

Some 31 institutions in 13 states have at one time or another been a part of what is now the Missouri Valley Conference. Membership has been stabilized in the past decade, and now a league that has survived in what has been a volatile environment for the past few years continues its evolution with women's athletics maintaining its ascent. A listing of current members is below.

Doug Elgin is in his 11th year as MVC commissioner. A 1973 graduate of Lafayette College, Elgin previously served as assistant commissioner at the Sun Belt Conference for five years after three years as the University of Virginia's sports information director. A native of Hagerston, MD, Elgin received his master's from Ohio University in 1975.
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() finish in Missouri Valley Conference Tournament  
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### Missouri Valley Conference Honors

**First Team**

- **Pitcher:** Nora Cagwin  
- **Catcher:** Brook Hattermann  
- **1st Base:** Tina DeWeese  
- **2nd Base:** Jackie Paulus  
- **3rd Base:** Heather Stella  
- **Shortstop:** Valerie Downen  
- **Outfield:** Jody Dean

**At-Large First Team**

- **Pitcher:** Carissa Winters  
- **2nd Base:** Heidi Geier  
- **Outfield:** Marta Viehhaus  
- **Utility:** Marie Gieron

**Second Team**

- **Pitcher:** Mattie Ross  
- **Catcher:** Amy Thompson  
- **1st Base:** Erin Fraser  
- **3rd Base:** Jessica Lilja  
- **Outfield:** Jackie Anderson  
- **Utility:** Katie Kiss

**Coach of the Year**

- Brent Vigness

**Player of the Year**

- Heather Stella

**Rookie of the Year**

- Marta Viehhaus

### All-Midwest Region Team

**Northern Iowa Selections**

- First Team: Jody Dean, Junior, Outfielder

**All-American Team**

- Third Team: Jody Dean, Junior, Outfielder

### Missouri Valley All-Academic Team

**Northern Iowa Selections**

- First Team: Jackie Paulus, Junior

**Honorables Mention**

- Amber Sampson, Senior
- Maggie Sellers, Sophomore
- Jeannine Soncini, Sophomore

### GTE District VII Academic All-District Team

**Northern Iowa Selections**

- Jackie Paulus, Junior

**Outfielder Deena Chipp was a two-time selection in 1991-92 and third baseman Chris Ehlert was a three-time pick from 1987-89.**
# Northern Iowa Softball

## All Games

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Jen Dean (top left) holds the NCAA Division I national record for consecutive stolen bases with 64. Dean also owns six Northern Iowa records, including 44 runs batted in and 22 stolen bases in 1994 and 48 runs scored in 1996. However, the Dean legacy doesn't end there, as the younger Jody Dean (bottom left) has solidified a place in the history books. She is only the sixth player in Missouri Valley Conference history to earn third team all-American honors after tying her own record for home runs in a season with 12. Three of them came in the MVC tournament, also a record. She holds six Panther records, including the career marks for home runs (29) and runs batted in (117).

Despite their domination in the record books, the Dean duo are outdone by former Panther pitchers Sarah O'Byrne and Krista Fosbinder, who own 24 records in their combined five years at UNI. O'Byrne (top right) owns most of the season marks in pitching, including most wins (21), complete games (34) and consecutive scoreless innings (46). Fosbinder (bottom right) owns all but six of the career records at UNI. She owns records in games (122), complete games (101), lowest ERA (1.11), strikeouts (407) and innings pitched (766). She also is one of only two pitchers in Missouri Valley Conference Tournament history to record a complete game no-hitter, shutting out Indiana State en-route to the conference crown in 1990.
Northern Iowa Softball

Results prior to 1974 are not available

1974 (15-3)
Luther 14-2, 2-0
Graceland 2-3, 27-1
Grand View 18-4, 9-1
Iowa State 6-5, 7-3
Luther 6-3, 7-6
Iowa 13-0, 34-1
Warburg 4-3, 5-4
I AIW Championships (3rd)
Graceland 9-2
Buena Vista 11-1
Luther 1-2
Iowa State 1-4
Head Coach: Jane Mertzdorf

1975 (20-4)
Luther 3-0, 5-6
Iowa 10-0, 6-4
Iowa State 7-1, 10-2
Graceland 8-3
Kansas State 3-4 (8)
Warburg 15-1, 9-1
IAIW District
Championships (1st)
Warburg 5-1
Luther 4-0, 4-0
I AIW State
Championships (1st)
Graceland 12-3
Iowa Wesleyan 10-0
Iowa State 2-1, 3-2
Women's College
World Series (2nd)
Oklahoma 5-0
Michigan State 4-3
Kansas 4-1
Nebraska-Omaha 0-1
Michigan State 7-3
Nebraska-Omaha 11-1, 4-6
Head Coach: Jane Mertzdorf

1976 (23-3)
Iowa 11-0
Luther 3-0
Warburg 3-2, 8-1
Iowa State 7-4, 1-0
Luther 1-0
Graceland 8-0, 15-0
Warburg 5-0, 1-0
Luther 1-0, 3-4
Mankato State 10-0
Minnesota 10-0
Moorhead State 11-0
I AIW Championships (1st)
William Penn 10-0
Drake 11-0
Warburg 2-0
Iowa State 9-1
Luther 7-2
Women's College
World Series (top 6)
Iowa 13-0, 3-1
Northern State College (SD) 3-1
Arizona State 0-2
Indiana State 10-2
Texas 0-0
Northern Colorado 0-1
Head Coach: Jane Mertzdorf

1977 (30-2)
Warburg 4-3, 9-1
Nebraska-Omaha 9-3, 7-2
Iowa 6-5, 7-0
Grand View 12-0, 12-2
Mt. Mercy 6-1, 7-1
IAIW District
Championships (1st)
Upper Iowa 13-0
Luther 3-2
Iowa State 2-0, 1-0
Warburg 9-0, 10-3
#Waldorf 12-0, 9-0
Luther 0-1, 13-0
IAIW State
Championships (1st)
Mt. Mercy 9-0
William Penn 2-0
Iowa State 2-1, 4-2
IAIW Region 6
Championships (1st)
North Dakota State 4-0
Tarkio 1-0
SW Missouri State 3-2, 6-1
Women's College
World Series (1st)
Southern Illinois 3-0
Kansas 4-0
Michigan State 7-3
Arizona 1-0 (8), 0-1 (9), 7-0
Head Coach: Jane Mertzdorf

# Exhibition games

1978 (21-11)
Warburg 2-1, 5-3
Luther 4-3, 0-1
Grand View 4-3, 5-1
Iowa 1-5
Luther 1-4
William Penn 5-3, 5-4
Drake 13-3, 10-3
Iowa State 2-4, 9-7
Loras 2-4, 0-5
Loras (Default 2)
Minnesota 9-2, 0-3
IAIW District
Championships (1st)
Upper Iowa 13-4
Luther 7-5
Warburg 7-3, 7-0
IAIW State
Championships (5th)
Central 4-2
Mt. Mercy 4-2
Grand View 1-2
Iowa State 1-2
IAIW Region 6
Championships (4th)
Minnesota 0-4
South Dakota 11-2
Luther 8-3
Kansas 0-5
Nebraska 2-5
Wayne State 5-4
Emporia State 1-6
Drake 1-0 (9), 5-1
St. Cloud State 6-3, 6-5
Minnesota 5-7
Minnesota JV 2-3
Iowa State 0-1, 4-3 (10)
Luther 15-5 (5), 5-4
Mt. Mercy 2-3, 10-6
Loras 1-0, 8-2
IAIW District
Championships (1st)
Luther 7-2
Upper Iowa 5-2
Warburg 8-2, 3-1
Grand View 1-3, 2-1
IAIW State
Championships (2nd)
Iowa Wesleyan 8-0
Iowa State 5-0
William Penn 3-1
Drake 0-1 (12)
William Penn 6-5 (8)
Drake 1-2
Head Coach: Meredith Bakley

1980 (31-15)
Hawaii-Hilo Invitational (2nd)
Texas Women's 0-1
Utah State 0-2
Northern Colorado 1-0
Golden West State 1-0, 4-5
Northern Colorado 1-5
Hilo Comets 1-0, 0-1, 10-0
Northern Colorado 5-3
Texas Women's 2-3
Utah State 1-0
Minnesota Invitational (3rd)
Iowa State 0-3
Northwestern 7-2
Iowa 6-0
Minnesota 2-6
Northwestern 6-0
Warburg 10-0, 4-0
Iowa 7-1, 1-0
Nebraska-Omaha 8-1
Nebraska 1-5
Northwest Missouri State 8-5
South Dakota 5-2
Wayne State 2-3
Grand View 2-0, 2-6
Luther 5-0, 2-0
Loras 2-0, 11-0
Central 7-0, 7-0
Mt. Mercy 5-3, 8-6
Upper Iowa (Forfeits 2)
Drake 6-3, 2-4
Clarke College 18-0 (5), 9-0
IAIW State
Championships (3rd)
Westmar 3-1
Northwestern College 1-0 (9)
William Penn 0-3
Drake 1-5
Head Coach: Meredith Bakley

1981 (28-15)
Texas-Arlington 0-1 (9), 2-1
Texas Women's 1-4, 2-3
Iowa State 1-2
South Carolina 4-5
Western Michigan 2-3
North Texas State 9-0
Oklahoma City 6-1
Texas Women's 1-3
Warburg 12-2 (5)
Grand View 0-1 (6)
William Penn 3-2, 4-1
Mt. Mercy 4-1, 12-0 (6)
St. Ambrose 3-2 (8), 3-1
Iowa 5-4, 4-1
Iowa State 3-0, 1-2
Colorado State 3-0
Wyoming 5-2
Nebraska-Omaha 4-3
William Penn 6-2, 7-2
Luther 7-1, 13-0 (5)
Ellsworth 4-0, 1-0
Loras 1-4, 12-0 (5)
IAIW Sectionals (3rd)
Grand View 4-0
Drake 2-1
Northwestern College 1-5
Drake 1-5
IAIW State
Championships (3rd)
St. Ambrose 0-2
Loras 9-1
St. Ambrose 3-0
Grand View 0-5
IAIW Region 6
Championships (4th)
Moorhead State 7-0
South Dakota 2-1
Northeast Missouri State 0-1
St. Cloud State 6-0 (8)
Grand View 0-1
#Exhibition games
Head Coach: Meredith Bakley

1982 (35-15-1)
Oklahoma Baptist 3-6, 13-5 (5)
Southern Illinois 3-4 (8)
Oklahoma 0-6
Oklahoma City 7-3
Texas-Arlington 1-6
Oklahoma City 11-2 (5), 1-6
Southwest Missouri State 2-7
Southern Illinois 1-0 (10)
Minnesota 1-9
William Penn 3-1, 3-2 (9)
St. Ambrose 3-0, 4-2
Grand View 0-4, 12-3
Iowa 5-0, 0-3
Iowa State 0-1 (8), 5-5 (5)
Missouri Western Invitational (2nd)
Wayne State 4-0
Missouri Western 2-0
Nebraska-Omaha 2-0
Northeast Missouri State 3-0
Missouri Western 0-3, 0-2
William Penn 0-2, 7-2
1983 (31-15)
Central State (OK) Invitational (2nd)
West Texas State 4-1
Wichita State 3-1
South Dakota State 8-1
Central State 8-1
Northwest Louisiana 2-1
Texas Wesleyan 1-2
Oklahoma Baptist 2-0, 3-9
Oklahoma State 0-8, 1-8
Missouri 3-9
Wyoming 9-4
Oklahoma City 9-1, 8-0
Wartburg 10-1, 4-3
Iowa 1-2 (10)
St. Ambrose 3-1, 7-6
Minnesota 3-2, 3-5
William Penn 7-1, 6-0
Iowa State 2-3, 2-0
Missouri Western Invitational
Warshburn 4-0
Kearney State 2-3 (8)
Oklahoma Baptist 1-0, 4-3 (9)
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Drake 1-0, 4-5 (9)
Iowa State 3-1
Illinois State Invitational (1st)
Southern Illinois 3-0
Western Illinois 2-1
Kent State 6-2
Indiana State 7-1
Central Michigan 3-1
Grand View 2-3, 3-1
Loras 1-9, 9-8
Minnesota 3-5, 0-4
Gateway Conference
Indiana State 2-3 (10)
Wichita State 0-1 (9)
Head Coach: M. Bakley

1984 (23-22-1)
Central State (OK) Invitational
Texas Wesleyan 3-2
Central State 2-5
Friends 1-0
Pittsburg State 5-2
Oklahoma Baptist 0-3
Arizona 0-1 (11)
Indiana 0-2
Oklahoma City 0-0 (26)
Pittsburg State Invitational
Nebraska-Omaha 3-2
Missouri Southern 9-2
Texas Wesleyan 0-1
Warburg 13-0, 3-4
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*Indiana State 1-0, 2-1
Iowa 8-7, 2-7
Mankato State 1-0, 4-0
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*Bradley 2-9, 0-1
St. Ambrose 4-0, 2-0
Miller Medical-UNI Tournament
South Dakota 0-0, 1-0
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St. Xavier 2-0
Iowa State 4-5, 5-0
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Iowa 1-7, 1-3
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Gateway Conference Tournament
Bradley 0-7, 0-5
Eastern Illinois 0-5
*Gateway Conference Games
Head Coach: Meredith Bakley

1985 (24-30)
Sooner Invitational
Kansas 1-2
Arizona 1-6
Central Michigan 1-2
Indiana 2-7, 1-2
Central Michigan 1-3
Missouri 0-3
Southern Illinois-
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Creighton 0-2
Colorado State 2-0
Central Michigan 2-0
Drake 3-0
Nebraska-Omaha 6-3
Central Michigan 0-1 (8)
St. Ambrose 6-1, 4-3
Iowa State 0-5, 3-7
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Indiana State 2-3 (11)
Southern Illinois 2-3 (11)
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Head Coach: Meredith Bakley

1986 (20-29)
Sooner Invitational
Oklahoma State 1-5
Baylor 0-1 (9)
Creighton 0-1
Oklahoma City 1-3
Missouri 1-2
Oklahoma City 2-3 (8)
Missouri State 3-2
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Creighton 0-1
Bowling Green (OH) 0-5
Illinois at Chicago 1-0
Nebraska-Omaha 2-3 (11)
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Drake 1-0
Illinois State 2-1
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Southwest Missouri 1-2 (8)
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Head Coach: Meredith Bakley

1987 (29-23)
Sooner Invitational
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New Mexico 0-4
Missouri 1-3

Iowa 7-2
Oklahoma 1-8 (8)
Oklahoma City 1-0 (9)
Creighton 0-1 (8)
North Texas State 8-4, 6-4
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*Illinois Central 3-0
Ball State 3-2
Southern Illinois 0-3
Bradley 0-3
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St. Cloud State 1-0
Nebraska-Omaha 2-0
North Dakota State 3-2 (9)
Kearney State 5-0
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North Dakota 7-9 (8)
St. Ambrose 1-0, 3-4
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Warburg 1-0 (8), 8-0 (6)
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1988 (33-25)
Sooner Invitational
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Texas-Arlington 0-11
Baylor 2-1 (8)
Creighton 4-5 (10)
Oklahoma 10-2
Wichita State 3-1
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Creighton 1-8 (6)
Mankato State 1-0 (8), 4-1
Iowa State 1-2, 3-5
UNI-Dome Classic
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Drake 8-0 (6)
Wisconsin-Green Bay 8-0 (6)
Missouri 3-2
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**Gateway Conference Games**

#### 1990 (29-30)

- **Gateway Conference Games**
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  - Florida A&M: 5-4 (8)
  - Georgia State: 2-3 (10)
  - Indiana State: 1-0 (10)
  - Missouri State: 1-6
  - Samford: 8-2
  - Missouri State: 0-6
  - Princeton: 3-1, 8-0
  - Florida State: 1-0, 2-4

#### 1991 (24-40)

- **Gateway Conference Games**
  - Missouri State: 2-7
  - Minnesota-Duluth: 2-0
  - Concordia: 9-8
  - Minnesota: 1-2
  - Indiana: 1-8
  - Creighton: 1-6
  - Florida A&M: 3-0
  - DePaul: 5-4
  - Furman: 0-1
  - Miami of Ohio: 4-6, 1-8
  - Florida A&M: 6-4 (9), 1-5

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- **Gateway Conference Tournament** Southwest Missouri State 2-4

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- 1987: 4 - Jenny Schultz
- 1986: 6 - Laura McInroy
- 1985: 13 - Laura McInroy
- 1984: 8 - Marshall Clark
- 1983: 14 - Betty Davis

#### Appearances
- 1998: 24 - Shelby Worms
- 1997: 23 - Two tied with
- 1996: 31 - Kandy Keiper
- 1995: 32 - Kandy Keiper
- 1994: 27 - Kandy Keiper
- 1993: 27 - Desiree Bebout
- 1992: 43 - Desiree Bebout
- 1991: 34 - Connie Fangmann
- 1990: 47 - Sarah O'Byrne
- 1989: 33 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1988: 32 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1987: 32 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1986: 25 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1985: 26 - Linda Whannel
- 1984: 20 - Lori Cook
- 1983: 23 - Jennifer Berger

#### Strikeouts
- 1998: 97 - Shelby Worms
- 1997: 85 - Shelby Worms
- 1996: 108 - Shelby Worms
- 1995: 84 - Kandy Keiper
- 1994: 67 - Dana Happel
- 1993: 63 - Desiree Bebout
- 1992: 84 - Desiree Bebout
- 1991: 52 - Desiree Bebout
- 1990: 118 - Sarah O'Byrne
- 1989: 100 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1988: 113 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1987: 80 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1986: 114 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1985: 64 - Linda Whannel
- 1984: 72 - Jennifer Berger
- 1983: 125 - Jennifer Berger

#### Earned Run Average
- 1998: 1.41 - Shelby Worms
- 1997: 2.26 - Jeannine Soncini
- 1996: 1.63 - Kandy Keiper
- 1995: 2.56 - Shelby Worms
- 1994: 1.15 - Desiree Bebout
- 1993: 1.76 - Desiree Bebout
- 1992: 2.16 - Desiree Bebout
- 1991: 0.75 - Heather Daters
- 1990: 1.82 - Sarah O'Byrne
- 1989: 1.21 - Sarah O'Byrne
- 1988: 1.22 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1987: 0.96 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1986: 0.63 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1985: 1.07 - Gena McCormick
- 1984: 1.50 - Lori Cook
- 1983: 0.80 - Lori Cook

#### Wins
- 1998: 14 - Shelby Worms
- 1997: 9 - Jeannine Soncini
- 1996: 19 - Kandy Keiper
- 1995: 12 - Kandy Keiper
- 1994: 16 - Dana Happel
- 1993: 14 - Desiree Bebout
- 1992: 19 - Desiree Bebout
- 1991: 11 - Two tied with
- 1990: 21 - Sarah O'Byrne
- 1989: 17 - Sarah O'Byrne
- 1988: 18 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1987: 14 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1986: 11 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1985: 12 - Linda Whannel
- 1984: 10 - Lori Cook
- 1983: 15 - Jennifer Berger

#### Walks Allowed
- 1998: 36 - Jeannine Soncini
- 1997: 44 - Shelby Worms
- 1996: 87 - Shelby Worms
- 1995: 62 - Shelby Worms
- 1994: 29 - Kandy Keiper
- 1993: 23 - Desiree Bebout
- 1992: 38 - Dana Happel
- 1991: 66 - Desiree Bebout
- 1990: 55 - Mindy Sindlinger
- 1989: 47 - Sarah O'Byrne
- 1988: 66 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1987: 44 - Two tied with
- 1986: 28 - Two tied with
- 1985: 34 - Linda Whannel
- 1984: 20 - Jennifer Berger
- 1983: 35 - Jennifer Berger

#### Innings Pitched
- 1998: 143.2 - Shelby Worms
- 1997: 125.0 - Shelby Worms
- 1996: 193.2 - Kandy Keiper
- 1995: 175.2 - Kandy Keiper
- 1994: 151.0 - Dana Happel
- 1993: 151.0 - Desiree Bebout
- 1992: 223.2 - Desiree Bebout
- 1991: 192.0 - Connie Fangmann
- 1990: 277.2 - Sarah O'Byrne
- 1989: 203.0 - Krista Fosbinder
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#### Earned Runs Allowed
- 1998: 41 - Shelby Worms
- 1997: 47 - Shelby Worms
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- 1983: 25 - Jennifer Berger

#### Shutouts
- 1998: 5 - Shelby Worms
- 1997: 5 - Jeannine Soncini
- 1996: 8 - Kandy Keiper
- 1995: 3 - Kandy Keiper
- 1994: 6 - Kandy Keiper
- 1993: 4 - Kandy Keiper
- 1992: 5 - Desiree Bebout
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- 1990: 7 - Sarah O'Byrne
- 1989: 8 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1988: 9 - Sarah O'Byrne
- 1987: 7 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1986: 5 - Krista Fosbinder
- 1985: 5 - Linda Whannel
- 1984: Not Available
- 1983: Not Available
### Team Records
- **Most Games:** 64 (1991)
- **Most Wins:** 40 (1994)
- **Most Losses:** 40 (1991)
- **Most Consecutive Wins:** 11 (1989)
- **Most Consecutive Losses:** 9 (1985)
- **Longest Game:** 26 innings (1984)
- **Lowest Staff ERA:** 1.02 (1983)

### Season Records
**Team Batting**
- **Highest Batting Average:** .679, 31-15 (1983)
- **Most Games:** 1641 (1991)
- **Most Runs Scored:** 292 (1997)
- **Most Runs Per Game:** 5.03 (1997)
- **Most Hits:** 455 (1997)
- **Most Hits Per Game:** 8.0 (1992)
- **Most Doubles:** 82 (1997)
- **Most Triples:** 31 (1992)
- **Most Home Runs:** 34 (1997)
- **Most Runs Batted In:** 261 (1997)
- **Most Stolen Bases:** 88 (1996)
- **Most Walks:** 142 (1997)
- **Most Strikeouts:** 266 (1997)

**Individual Batting**
- **Most Games:** 64, Jennifer Peters, Heather Daters (1991)
- **Highest Batting Average:** .413, Deena Chipp (1993)
- **Most At Bats:** 207, Cindy Franzen (1991)
- **Most Runs Scored:** 48, Jen Dean (1997)
- **Most Hits:** 66, Jody Dean (1997)
- **Longest Hitting Streak:** 14, Laura Novotny (1992)
- **Most Doubles:** 18, Vicki White (1990)
- **Most Triples:** 11, Laura Novotny (1992)
- **Most Home Runs:** 12, Jody Dean (1997), Jody Dean (1998)
- **Most Runs Batted In:** 44, Jen Dean (1994); Stacy Weber (1994); Jody Dean (1997)
- **Most Runs Batted In Game:** 7, Stacy Weber (1993), Jackie Paulus (1998)
- **Most Stolen Bases:** 1,574, Shelby Worms (1995-98)
- **Most Walks:** 209, Sarah O'Byrne (1989-90)
- **Most Strikeouts:** 43, Deena Chipp (1990)
- **Most Sacrifices:** 33, Jenny Schultz (1988)
- **Most Hit By Pitches:** 1,574, Shelby Worms (1995-98)
- **Most Total Bases:** 226, Shelby Worms (1995-98)

**Individual Pitching**
- **Most Games:** 47, Sarah O'Byrne (1990)
- **Most Victories:** 21, Sarah O'Byrne (1990)
- **Most Losses:** 20, Sarah O'Byrne (1990)
- **Most Complete Games:** 38, Sarah O'Byrne (1990)
- **Most Innings Pitched:** 277.2, Sarah O'Byrne (1990)
- **Lowest Earned Run Average:** 1.01, Connie Fangmann (1991)
- **Highest Strikeouts:** 125, Jennifer Berger (1983)
- **Most Shutouts:** 6, Kandy Keiper, Desiree Bebout (1993)
- **Most Games:** 41, Vicki White (1989-92)
- **Most Wins:** 34 vs. Iowa (1974)
- **Most Losses:** 8.0 (tie) (1977)

**Individual Fielding**
- **Most Putouts:** 539, Cindy Franzen (1989)
- **Most Assists:** 202, Holly Harrison (1991)
- **Most Assists by an Outfielder:** 16, Jenny Schultz (1988)
- **Most Errors:** 43, Deena Chipp (1990)
- **Highest Fielding Pct.:** .322, Sarah O'Byrne (1989-90)

### Career Records
**Batting**
- **Most Games:** 233, Vicki White (1989-92)
- **Highest Batting Average:** .347, Deena Chipp (1990-93)
- **Most At Bats:** 679, Paula Evers (1985-88)
- **Most Runs Scored:** 209, Chris Ehlers (1986-89)
- **Most Doubles:** 41, Vicki White (1989-92)
- **Most Triples:** 24, Laura Novotny (1990-93)
- **Most Home Runs:** 29, Jody Dean (1996-98)
- **Most Run Batted In:** 117, Jody Dean (1996-98)
- **Most Consecutive Wins:** 65, Jen Dean (1994-97)
- **Most Consecutive Losses:** 49, Heather Daters (1991-94)
- **Most Sacrifices:** 85, Jenny Schultz (1987-90)
- **Most Total Bases:** 331, Deena Chipp (1990-93)
- **Highest Slugging Pct.:** .511, Deena Chipp (1990-93)

**Pitching**
- **Most Games:** 122, Krista Fosbinder (1986-89)
- **Most Victories:** 60, Sarah O'Byrne (1987-90)
- **Most Losses:** 50, Krista Fosbinder (1986-89)
- **Most Complete Games:** 108, Sarah O'Byrne (1987-90)
- **Most Shutouts:** 101, Krista Fosbinder (1986-89)
- **Most Innings Pitched:** 766, Krista Fosbinder (1986-89)
- **Lowest Earned Run Average:** 1.1, Krista Fosbinder (1986-89)
- **Most Strikeouts:** 28, Krista Fosbinder (1986-89)
- **Most Shutouts:** 407, Krista Fosbinder (1986-89)
- **Most Wins:** 626, Sarah O'Byrne (1987-90)
- **Most Home Runs Allowed:** 11, Krista Fosbinder (1986-89)
- **Most Runs Allowed:** 284, Sarah O'Byrne (1987-90)
- **Most Earned Runs Allowed:** 199, Kandy Keiper (1993-96)
- **Most Walks Allowed:** 226, Shelby Worms (1995-98)

**Fielding**
- **Most Putouts:** 1,574, Cindy Franzen (1989-91)
- **Most Assists:** 436, Paula Evers (1985-88)
- **Most Assists by an Outfielder:** 34, Jenny Schultz (1987-90)
- **Highest Fielding Pct.:** .983, Cindy Franzen (1989-91)

**MVC Records**
- **Home Runs, Season:** 12, Jody Dean (1997, 1998)
- **Home Runs, Career:** 7, Sarah O'Byrne (1990-93)
- **Putouts, Season:** 539, Cindy Franzen (1989)
- **Putouts, Career:** 1,574, Cindy Franzen (1989-91)
- **Team Home Runs:** 34, 1997
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### ALL-TIME BESTS
**Established Before 1983**

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The University of Northern Iowa is known for its academics as well as its athletic program. UNI's academic reputation has proven a key factor in its selection to U.S. News and World Reports rankings. The school was named among the Midwest's finest institutions. In 1996, UNI was the only public institution among the magazine's top 15 regional universities. Other issues have named UNI the Midwest's most efficient regional university and first in "best value," "up and coming," and "most efficient."
A campus-wide commitment to great teaching lies at the heart of the University of Northern Iowa. Founded in 1876, the University has a reputation for providing exceptional undergraduate education, as well as complementary programs at the master's, specialist's and doctoral levels. Building on its historic excellence in teacher education, UNI has developed outstanding programs in business, natural sciences, humanities and fine arts, and social and behavior sciences.

Realizing the value of a liberal arts education, the University has implemented a rigorous General Education curriculum that equips students with a broad understanding and knowledge of how to apply and acquire new information throughout life.

UNI is a university that values teaching. That means full-time faculty members teach in the classroom. The University fosters one-on-one working relationships between faculty and students, with more than 90 percent of UNI's classes having 50 or fewer students. UNI's heritage and philosophy place great value 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.

Throughout the years, UNI's academic reputation has proven a key factor in landing recognition as one of the top undergraduate institutions in the region.

U.S. News and World Report ranked the University among the best values and most efficient of regional universities in the Midwest in its 1997 America's Best College Guide. In past years UNI has been cited by the magazine in other categories such as "best," "best buy," "up and coming" and "#1 in academic reputation."

The book, Crime at College: The Student Guide to Personal Safety, credits UNI with having the safest campus/community in the country.

Enrollment on the 860-acre campus stands at about 13,000 students from every county in Iowa, 40 states and 48 foreign countries.

The school was founded in 1876 as the Iowa State Normal School. In 1909, it became Iowa State Teachers College. In 1961, the name was changed to State College of Iowa, and in 1967, the Iowa Legislature acted to change the status of the institution to that of a university under its present name.

UNI's attractive, park-like walking campus is located in Cedar Falls, a pleasant and historic community of about 35,000. Together with neighboring Waterloo, the metropolitan area has a culturally diverse population of 115,000 people. Cedar Falls/Waterloo is a center for industry, finance, commerce, recreation and cultural activities for northeast Iowa.
The Northern Iowa softball team found its home on the UNI campus in the 1978 season with the construction of its own diamond after previously playing all home games at a softball complex in nearby Waterloo. Ground-level dugouts have been added since that time to afford protection for the athletes from the possibility of inclement weather. These were remodeled in 1995 to provide a better playing atmosphere.

However, if the weather dictates that games can no longer be played outdoors, the Panthers have the advantage of being able to play indoors in the UNI-Dome, a unique, multi-purpose athletic facility built in 1976, that has gained a reputation as one of the finest collegiate facilities in America.

The Dome combines the features of a fieldhouse, football stadium, and large auditorium. In addition to Panther football, basketball, softball, wrestling and track events, it has played host to the NCAA Division I-AA football playoffs, the 1997 NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships, gymnastics and wrestling championships, high school football and basketball and the Iowa high school football playoffs.

The turf was replaced five years ago with a new Astroturf manufactured by Balsam Corporation, the same material that lasted 16 years prior to the installation of the new. It's a primer surface utilized by every Dome facility in North America with the exception of one, and offers the best durability and playability of any material on the market. This past summer, the Dome roof got a new facelift, exchanging its air-supported Teflon roof with a more permanent one.

Approximately 16,400 spectators can be seated for football games and track meets, and although normal capacity is 10,000 for basketball, seating can be expanded to over 20,000.

UNI softball has hosted 10 tournaments in the Dome, placing two fields opposite each other on the turf. The tourney field has included nationally-ranked teams, including Nebraska, as well as Missouri Valley Conference members Drake and Bradley and strong teams such as Augustana of South Dakota, Wisconsin-Parkside and last year's Division II champion, Mankato State.

Northern Iowa Media Information

Press facilities are very limited at the UNI Softball Field. The field has no enclosed press box at this time. If you are covering a game, prepare for inclement weather. There are few electrical outlets for use, and there are no phone lines. If you need to use the fax machine or a phone after the second game of a doubleheader, please contact Eric Pratt, student assistant in charge of softball, in the Media Relations Office at (319) 273-6354 or at home at (319) 277-8278 before the day of a game.

The UNI Softball Field is located behind the UNI-Dome and to the northwest. Free parking is available and there is no admission charge for games. Head coach Meredith Bakley, assistant coach Gene Bruhn and players are available for interviews on most occasions after the second game of a doubleheader. Interviews may be arranged with Bakley at (319) 273-2520.

If media or any member of an opponent's sports information office are unable to attend a game, please call before the day of a game to request statistics and/or box scores of the game. These will be available approximately one hour after the second game of a doubleheader. These are available through Missouri Valley Fax-on-Demand System by following the directions below.

To Access, call: (201) 461-4256
Missouri Valley Directory Request Number: 6000
Missouri Valley Release/Game Notes Request Number: 6048
Northern Iowa Softball Updated Stats Request Number: 6747
Northern Iowa Softball Release/Game Notes Request Number: 6748
Northern Iowa Softball Box Score from Home Games Request Number: 6749
Northern Iowa Softball

President Dr. Robert Koob

Robert Koob, a Northern Iowa alumnus, is in his third year as UNI's eighth president. A 1962 graduate of what was then State College of Iowa, Koob was named president July 1, 1995 by the Iowa State Board of Regents.

Koob had been a senior vice president and vice president for academic affairs at California Polytechnic State University at San Luis Obispo, CA, since 1990.

Prior to his position at Cal Poly, Koob was vice president of academic affairs at North Dakota State from 1985-90 and served a one-year term as interim president from 1987-88.

At Cal Poly, Koob was director and chair of the Cal Poly Foundation and served on a number of CSU system committees, including the CSU Commission on Telecommunications Infrastructures.

He began his teaching career at North Dakota State in 1967 as an assistant professor of chemistry, advancing to professor of chemistry in 1972. He served that institution in several capacities before assuming the vice presidency. He was chair of the chemistry department for six years, and acting chair of the physics department one year, as well as dean of the College of Science and Mathematics from 1981-84.

Koob graduated from State College of Iowa with a bachelor's degree in chemistry and earned his doctorate in chemistry from Kansas in 1967. He and his wife, Yvonne, have seven grown children.

"It's an honor for me, as a UNI graduate, to return as president," he said. "I can't imagine anyone being more honored in the State of Iowa."

Athletic Director Chris Ritrievi

Chris Ritrievi is in his seventh year as Northern Iowa Director of Athletics. Since the day he joined the department, he has worked to develop a competitive Division I athletics program.

A former Division I athlete himself, Ritrievi earned three varsity letters at Princeton, where he received a bachelor's degree in Economics in 1979. He earned his master's in Business Administration from Lehigh in 1983.

His career in intercollegiate athletics began as a graduate assistant at Lehigh. He has served in administrative and coaching positions at the Eastern College Athletic Conference, Bowling Green State, Princeton, Pennsylvania and Stanford prior to coming to UNI.

During his tenure at UNI, he has reorganized the management of the department to make it more effective and has set priorities to increase the competitiveness of Panther teams. Emphasizing increased operating budgets for all sports and increased scholarships for women's sports, the department has enjoyed its best performances since joining Division I in 1980. Since 1992, the Panthers have celebrated their first Missouri Valley Conference championships in men's cross country, indoor and outdoor track and field and volleyball. Football has won five Gateway Conference titles and has enjoyed the highest attendance, including many UNI-Dome football sellouts. The department successfully has hosted NCAA football playoff games and volleyball matches. In 1997, the UNI-Dome hosted one of its biggest events in the NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships.

Increased emphasis on athletics performance has not diminished the positive public image the program enjoys. The department operates on a balanced budget and student-athletes graduate at rates equal to or better than the student body as a whole.

Ritrievi served as vice president of the MVC athletic directors in 1994-95 and has chaired the league's long-range planning and Gateway finance committees. He was president of the Division I-AA Football Athletic Directors Association for the 1996-97 year.

A native of Levittown, PA, he is married to the former Stephanie Homeyer, who grew up in Wellsburg, IA.

Nancy Justis, Athletic Media Relations Director

Justis is a member of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) and served as chair of that organization's Career Enhancement Committee for several years. She joined the UNI staff in 1974 as an assistant editor in the Office of Public Relations after working one year as a reporter for the Fort Collins (CO) Coloradoan. In 1976, she was named the first fulltime assistant SID at UNI and was named director in 1979. Her publications have received several awards from CoSIDA.

She was a member of the press operations corp at the 1984 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles and the 1987 Pan American Games in Indianapolis. She assisted with the 1993 NCAA Midwest Regional Basketball Championship held in St. Louis. She also is a member of Women in Communications, Inc. and the United States Basketball Writers Association. She's a 1973 graduate of the University of Iowa. A native of Cedar Rapids, IA, she and her husband, Bob, who announces home Panther football and men's basketball games, have a daughter, Nicole.
Northern Iowa has shown it is a softball powerhouse in the State of Iowa. UNI holds a 175-74-1 record against in-state colleges, including a 28-26-1 record versus Big 12 member Iowa State and a 20-16 mark versus Big 10 power Iowa, which has finished third and fourth at the College World Series in 1996 and 1997, respectfully.

In the Missouri Valley Conference, UNI holds a 456-409 overall mark since 1983.
Northern Iowa Softball

Bradley Lady Braves
Location: Peoria, IL
Founded: 1897
Enrollment: 6,000
President: Dr. John R. Brazil
Athletic Director: Ken Kavanaugh
Softball SID: Bret Seymour
Office Phone: (309) 677-2627
Fax: (309) 677-2626
Email: www.bradley.edu/athletics

Creighton Lady Jays
Location: Omaha, NE
Founded: 1878
Enrollment: 5,720
President: Rev. Michael Morrison
Athletic Director: Bruce Rasmussen
Softball SID: Bobby Parker
Office Phone: (402) 280-2488
Fax: (402) 280-2949

Drake Bulldogs
Location: Des Moines, IA
Founded: 1881
Enrollment: 3,500
President: Robert Ray
Athletic Director: Lynn King
Softball SID: Brad Gust
Office Phone: (515) 271-3012
Fax: (515) 271-3015
Email: bradgust@drake.edu

Evansville Aces
Location: Evansville, IN
Founded: 1854
Enrollment: 2,600
President: Dr. James Vinson
Athletic Director: Laura Tietjen
Softball SID: John Painter
Office Phone: (812) 488-1152
Fax: (812) 479-2090
Email: jp23@evansville.edu

Illinois State Redbirds
Location: Normal, IL
Founded: 1857
Enrollment: 20,150
President: Dr. David Strand
Athletic Director: Rick Greenspan
Softball SID: Julie Thompson
Office Phone: (309) 438-3598
Fax: (309) 438-5634
Email: www.infosys.ilstu.edu/Redbirds

April 24 at Cedar Falls IA, Noon
Head Coach: Stefanie Jones
Career Record: 63-105
Record at Bradley: 63-105
Assistant Coach: Dirk Welch
Office Phone: (309) 677-2692
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 14/2
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/2
1998 Record: 14-34
1998 MVC Record/Finish: 3-11/9th

April 18 at Omaha NE, Noon
Head Coach: Brent Vigness
Career Record: 286-190-1
Record at Creighton: 138-119
Assistant Coach: Danielle Fitzgerald
Office Phone: (402) 280-2949
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 12/4
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2
1998 Record: 33-15
1998 MVC Record/Finish: 16-2/1st

April 17 at Des Moines IA, Noon
Head Coach: Megan Bryant
Career Record: 329-282-2
Record at Drake: 266-242-2
Assistant Coach: Emily Rottinghaus
Office Phone: (515) 271-2046
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/3
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/2
1998 Record: 19-24
1998 MVC Record/Finish: 8-10/7th

May 2nd at Evansville IN, Noon
Head Coach: Gwen Lewis
Career Record: 169-192
Record at Drake: 169-192
Assistant Coach: Peg Boardman
Office Phone: (812) 479-2620
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 10/3
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/1
1998 Record: 34-23
1998 MVC Record/Finish: 8-10/7th

April 10 at Cedar Falls IA, Noon
Head Coach: Melinda Fischer
Career Record: NA
Record at Illinois State: NA
Assistant Coaches: Mary Jo Firnbach, Bill Kennedy
Office Phone: (309) 438-5807
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 6/7
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/4
1998 Record: 20-30
1998 MVC Record/Finish: 7-11/8th
Indian State Sycamores
Location: Terre Haute, IN
Founded: 1865
Enrollment: 10,934
Colors: Royal Blue and White
President: Dr. John W. Moore
Athletic Director: Andrea Myers
Softball SID: Rob Ervin
Office Phone: (812) 237-4161
Fax: (812) 237-4157
Email: athervin@sci-fac.indstate.edu

Southern Illinois Salukis
Location: Carbondale, IL
Founded: 1869
Enrollment: 22,252
Colors: Maroon and White
President: Dr. Ted Sanders
Athletic Director: Jim Hart
Softball SID: Bryan McGowan
Office Phone: (618) 453-5465
Fax: (618) 536-2152
Email: tribefan@siu.edu

SW Missouri State Lady Bears
Location: Springfield, MO
Founded: 1905
Enrollment: 18,207
Colors: Maroon and White
President: Dr. John H. Keiser
Athletic Director: Bill Rowe
Softball SID: Robert Rodgers
Office Phone: (417) 836-5402
Fax: (417) 836-4868
Email: rox913r@mail.smsu.edu

Wichita State Shockers
Location: Wichita, KS
Founded: 1895
Enrollment: 14,337
Colors: Black and Yellow
President: Donald Begg
Athletic Director: Bill Belknap
Softball SID: Kelly Nelson
Office Phone: (316) 978-3265
Fax: (316) 978-3336
Email: nelson@twusuvm.uc.twsu.edu

Non-Conference Opponents
Eastern Illinois Panthers
Location: Charleston, IL
Affiliation: NCAA I
Conference: Ohio Valley
1998 Record: 26-21
1998 Conf. Record/Finish: 9-8/3rd
Head Coach: Lloydene Searle
Overall Record: 535-391
Record at Eastern Illinois: 26-21
Starters Returning/Lost: 9/1
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 11/4
Softball SID: Brian Reed
Office Phone: (217) 581-6408
Fax: (217) 581-6434
Email: cujb2@pen.eiu.edu

April 11 at Cedar Falls IA, Noon
Head Coach: TBA
Career Record: 0-0
Record at Indiana State: 0-0
Assistant Coaches: TBA
Office Phone: (812) 237-4385
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 13/1
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/1
1998 Record: 14-36
1998 MVC Record/Finish: 2-16/10th

May 1 at Carbondale IL, Noon
Head Coach: Kay Brechtelsbauer
Career Record: 595-418-3
Record at Southern Illinois: 595-418-3
Assistant Coaches: Kerri Blaylock and Mark Cosgrove
Office Phone: (618) 453-5466
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 15/1
Starters Returning/Lost: 9/0
1998 Record: 32-17-1
1998 MVC Record/Finish: 12-6/3rd

April 4 at Cedar Falls IA, Noon
Head Coach: Holly Hesse
Career Record: 260-243
Record at SW Missouri State: 260-243
Assistant Coaches: Sue Frederick and Beth Perine
Office Phone: (417) 836-8384
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 11/4
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/4
1998 Record: 31-22
1998 MVC Record/Finish: 9-9/5th

April 3 at Cedar Falls IA, Noon
Head Coach: Jim Maynard
Career Record: 292-291-1
Record at Wichita State: 292-291-1
Assistant Coaches: Jill Most and Heather Siegel
Office Phone: (316) 978-3260
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 12/4
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4
1998 Record: 30-32
1998 MVC Record/Finish: 9-9/5th

March 26 at Carbondale IL, 10 a.m.
Head Coach: Lloydene Searle
Overall Record: 535-391
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**Florida A&M Rattlerettes**  
Location: Tallahassee, FL  
Affiliation: NCAA I  
Conference: Mid-Eastern Athletic  
1998 Record: 38-35  
1998 Conf. Record/Finish: 20-4/1st

- Head Coach: Veronica Y. Wiggins  
- Overall Record: 213-218  
- Record at Florida A&M: 213-218  
- Starters Returning/Lost: 7/3  
- Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 12/7  
- Softball SID: Azize Kilpatrick  
- Office Phone: (850) 561-2701  
- Fax: (850) 599-3206  
- Email: NA

**Florida State Seminoles**  
Location: Tallahassee, FL  
Affiliation: NCAA I  
Conference: ACC  
1998 Record: 51-21  
1998 Conf. Record/Finish: 7/2

- Head Coach: Dr. JoAnne Graf  
- Overall Record: 964-260-5  
- Record at Florida State: 964-260-5  
- Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2  
- Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 11/3  
- Softball SID: Mandy Copeland  
- Office Phone: (850) 644-5656  
- Fax: (850) 644-3820  
- Email: acc6664@garnet.acns.fsu.edu

**Iowa State Cyclones**  
Location: Ames, IA  
Affiliation: NCAA Div. I  
Conference: Big 12  
1998 Record: 36-20  
1998 Conf. Record/Finish: 5-3/2nd

- Head Coach: Ruth Crowe  
- Overall Record: 135-154  
- Record at Iowa State: 33-51  
- Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2  
- Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 12/4  
- Softball SID: Jaclyn Kelley  
- Office Phone: (515) 294-3372  
- Fax: (515) 294-0558  
- Email: jkelley@iastate.edu

**Loyola-Chicago Ramblers**  
Location: Chicago, IL  
Affiliation: NCAA I  
Conference: Midwestern Collegiate  
1998 Record: 12-29-1  
1998 Conf. Record/Finish: 6-13/8th

- Head Coach: Donna DiBiase  
- Overall Record: 28-63-1  
- Record at Loyola: 28-63-1  
- Starters Returning/Lost: 5/3  
- Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 13/4  
- Softball SID: John Fitzgerald  
- Office Phone: (773) 508-2496  
- Fax: (773) 508-3884  
- Email: jfitzg4@luc.edu

**Minnesota Golden Gophers**  
Location: Minneapolis, MN  
Affiliation: NCAA I  
Conference: Big Ten  
1998 Record: 14-9/T-3rd

- Head Coach: Lisa Bernstein  
- Overall Record: 240-182-1  
- Record at Minnesota: 240-182-1  
- Starters Returning/Lost: 8/2  
- Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 12/3  
- Softball SID: Bruce Wolfe  
- Office Phone: (612) 624-3335  
- Fax: (612) 624-8018  
- Email: wolfe021@tc.umn.edu

**Missouri Tigers**  
Location: Columbia, MO  
Affiliation: NCAA I  
Conference: Big 12  
1998 Record: 36-20  
1998 Conf. Record/Finish: 5-13/9th

- Head Coach: Jay Miller  
- Overall Record: 572-306  
- Record at Missouri: 421-200  
- Starters Returning/Lost: 9/4  
- Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 12/4  
- Softball SID: Emma Leighton  
- Office Phone: (573) 882-0712  
- Fax: (573) 882-4720  
- Email: c597193@showme.missouri.edu

**Missouri-Kansas City Kangaroos**  
Location: Kansas City, MO  
Affiliation: NCAA I  
Conference: Mid-Continent  
1998 Record: 6-32  
1998 Conf. Record/Finish: 2-10/4th

- Head Coach: Galen Struve  
- Overall Record: 55-82  
- Record at UMKC: 15-61  
- Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3  
- Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 8/8  
- Softball SID: Michelle Copeland  
- Office Phone: (816) 235-5838  
- Fax: (816) 235-1035  
- Email: copelandm@umkc.edu

**SE Missouri State Otahkians**  
Location: Cape Girardeau, MO  
Affiliation: NCAA I  
Conference: Ohio Valley Conference  
1998 Record: 38-13-1  
1998 Conf. Record/Finish: 16-2/1st

- Head Coach: Lana Richmond  
- Overall Record: 213-218  
- Record at SE Missouri State: 213-218  
- Starters Returning/Lost: 7/3  
- Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 12/7  
- Softball SID: Marlin Curnutt  
- Office Phone: (573) 651-2937  
- Fax: (573) 651-2810  
- Email: d723spt@semovm.semo.edu

**Western Illinois University Westerwinds**  
Location: Macomb, IL  
Affiliation: NCAA I  
Conference: Mid-Continent Conference  
1998 Record: 23-24  
1998 Conf. Record/Finish: 9-2/2nd

- Head Coach: Kathy Veroni  
- Overall Record: 635-423  
- Record at Western Illinois: 635-423  
- Starters Returning/Lost: 8/2  
- Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 8/2  
- Softball SID: Jason Kaufman  
- Office Phone: (309) 298-1133  
- Fax: (309) 298-2060  
- Email: Athletics@ccmail.wiu.edu
Front row, l-r: Jody Dean, Heather Blair, Jackie Paulus, Susan Shenk.
Third row, l-r: Kelli McCoy, Jeannine Soncini, Stephanie Staveley, Jacque LaFleur, Teri Sabey.
Fourth row, l-r: Candice Brooks, Lindsey Wright, Leanne Zintak, Lindsay Wood.
Not Pictured: Angie Scheurs, Stacey Sampson

Jody Dean
1999 Co-Captain

Angie Schreurs
1999 Co-Captain

Jackie Paulus
1999 Co-Captain
Feb. 20  Univ. of Missouri Quadrangular at Columbia
   vs. St. Louis  10 am
   vs. Missouri  4 pm
Feb. 21  TBD  10 am
Mar. 6  SE Missouri St. Invitational at Cape Girardeau
   vs. SE Missouri State  noon
   vs. Harvard  4 pm
Mar. 7  vs. SW Missouri State  10 am
   vs. Western Illinois  noon
Mar. 12  Florida State Invitational at Tallahassee
   vs. Georgia State  1 pm
   vs. Princeton  5 pm
Mar. 13  vs. Penn State  10 am
Mar. 14  TBD  1 pm
Mar. 15  at Florida A&M (2)  5 pm
Mar. 17  at West Florida (2)  TBD
Mar. 19  Univ. of Missouri Invitational at Columbia
   vs. Tulsa  noon
   vs. Butler  2 pm
Mar. 20  vs. Loyola  2 pm
   vs. Northwestern (LA) St.  4 pm
Mar. 26  Southern Illinois Invitational at Carbondale
   vs. Eastern Illinois  10 am
   vs. Southern Illinois  2 pm
Mar. 27  vs. SE Missouri State  10 am
   vs. St. Louis  2 pm
April 3  Wichita State (2)  noon
April 4  SW Missouri State (2)  noon
April 6  at Iowa State (2)  3 pm
April 10  Illinois State (2)  noon
April 11  Indiana State (2)  noon
April 15  at Minnesota (2)  3 pm
April 17  at Drake (2)  noon
April 18  at Creighton (2)  noon
April 19  Missouri-Kansas City (2)  3 pm
April 24  Bradley (2)  noon
April 25  Western Illinois (2)  noon
May 1  at Southern Illinois (2)  noon
May 2  at Evansville (2)  noon
May 6-8  Missouri Valley Tournament
   at Wichita, KS  TBD

*Home games in **bold.**
*All times are CST.
*(2) = doubleheader