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**USA BASKETBALL EARNS GOLD MEDAL AT WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES**

**IOWA CITY, IA** - - The USA men's basketball team earned the gold medal at the World University Games with an 85-70 win over Ukraine Sunday afternoon in Izmir, Turkey.

Iowa senior Greg Brunner helped the USA team complete the competition with a perfect 8-0 record, contributing five rebounds, two points and two steals in the final win. In eight games Brunner totaled 33 points and 46 rebounds.

Six USA players scored in double figures in the gold medal win, with Craig Smith of Boston College leading the way with 16 points. Duke's Shelden Williams added 15 points and 14 rebounds as the USA team held Ukraine to 32.9% shooting from the field and won the rebounding battle by a 49-33 margin.

Brunner, a native of Charles City, becomes the third Hawkeye player to earn a gold medal at the World University Games. Kevin Boyle earned a gold medal in 1981 and Matt Bullard earned a gold medal in 1989. B.J. Armstrong earned a silver medal at the 1987 World University Games.

Brunner previously was a member of the 2001 United States gold medal winning Olympic Festival team. He is the first Iowa player to represent the USA since Reggie Evans was a member of the USA team that earned the gold medal at the 2001 World Championship for Young Men.

