IOWA FIELD HOCKEY



Penn State & Michigan State Iowa City, IA



2009 SCHEDULE (4-7, 1-2)

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8/29 #2 Wake Forest ^ L, 2-3
8/30 #4 North Carolina ^ L, 0-5
9/5 at #17 Massachusetts L, 3-4
9/7 Boston (N) W, 3-1
9/11 Virginia Commonwealth L, 2-3
9/13 StanfordL, 2-3 (OT)
9/19 Saint Louis W, 12-0
9/25 at Michigan*! W, 3-2
10/2 Indiana* L, 1-2
10/4 California W, 3-2
10/11 at #20 Ohio State* L, 0-2
10/16#8 Michigan State* 4 pm
10/18 Penn State*! 1 pm
10/23 at #18 Northwestern*3 pm
10/25#15 Louisville1 pm
10/30#11 James Madison (N)1 pm
10/31 at American Universitynoon

11/5-8.. Big Ten Tournament (East Lansing)

11/14-15 at NCAA (1st & 2nd Rds.) 11/20-22 at NCAA (Final Four)

All games listed are central time N=Neutral

^ Big Ten/ACC Challenge

* Big Ten Conference Games

! Televised by Big Ten Network

NFHCA RANKINGS

14. 15. 16. 17. 18.	Drexel Stanford* Duke Louisville* Old Dominion Delaware Northwestern*
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	Ohio State* 09 Opponents

	ROSTER			
No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Hometown/High School
1	Geena Lesiak	MF	Fr.	Voorhees, NJ/Eastern Regional
4	Becca Spengler	F/MF	So.	Lititz, PA/Warwick
5	Sarah Drake	MF	Fr.	Ann Arbor, MI/Pioneer
8	Jessica Barnett	В	Fr.	North Vancouver, CN/Handsworth Secondary
13	Jess Werley	MF/F	Sr.	Allentown, PA/Emmaus
15	Meghan Beamesderfer	B/MF	Sr.	Lititz, PA/Warwick
16	Sarah Pedrick	B/MF	Fr.	New Castle, DE/Archmere Academy
19	Grace Dolfi	MF	Fr.	Chapel Hill, NC/East Chapel Hill
20	Hailey Chadbourne	F	Fr.	Pittston, ME/Gardiner Area
21	Tricia Dean	MF	Sr.	Bear, DE/William Penn
22	Sarah Pergine	F	Jr.	Collegeville, PA/Perkiomen Valley
24	Chelsea Miller	B/MF	Jr.	Dallas, TX/Hockaday School
25	Leslie Pyle	В	So.	Lafayette Hill, PA/Plymouth Whitemarsh
28	Kelsey Boyce	GK	Fr.	Califon, NJ/Voorhees
31	Kathleen McGraw	GK	Fr.	Atherton, CA/Saint Francis
32	Tori Garifo	GK	So.	Red Lion, PA/Red Lion
Head Coach: Tracey Griesbaum Associate Head Coach: Lisa Cellucci Assistant Coach: Caroline Blaum Volunteer Assistant Coach: Lauren Pfeiffer				

THIS WEEK

Points

1192

1144

1050 939 939

> 907 894

771

681 593

485

468

425 364 316

305 216

170

164 138 The University of Iowa field hockey team returns to Iowa City this weekend for a two-game home stand. The Black and Gold will face No. 8 Michigan State Friday at 4 p.m. The Hawkeyes will then face Penn State Sunday at 1 p.m. Both matches will he held at Grant Field. Admission is free.

HAWKEYES ON THE BIG TEN NETWORK

The lowa field hockey team appeared on the Big Ten Network more than any other conference school last season - six times. This season, lowa's game at Michigan Sept. 25 was televised by the Big Ten Network.

Sunday's match against the Nittany Lions will be shown as a taped-delayed broadcast in Big Ten Network (HD). The match can be seen Oct. 19 at 7 p.m. central time.

ALL-TIME SERIES

The Black and Gold are 45-9-1 all-time (16-5 at home) against Michigan State. Additionally, lowa is 22-17-1 against the Nittany Lions and 10-1-1 against them in lowa City.

IOWA HAWKEYE FIELD HOCKEY

BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Conf.	Over.
Michigan State	2-0	11-3
Ohio State	2-1	9-4
Michigan	2-1	6-8
Northwestern	1-2	12-4
Indiana	1-2	8-5
IOWA	1-2	4-7
Penn State	1-2	4-9

THIS WEEK IN BIG TEN

Tuesday	Bucknell at Penn State
Wed.	Louisville at Ohio State
Friday	Michigan State at IOWA
Saturday	Michigan at Ohio State N'western at Indiana
Sunday	Michigan at Miami (OH) Penn State at IOWA

SPORTS INFORMATION

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MEDIA INFORMATION

PRACTICE ATTENDANCE - All practices are open to the media, and interviews may be conducted 15 minutes prior to or at the completion of practice. However, media must inform Patrick Sojka of their intention to attend practice. The Hawkeyes practice daily from 2:30-5:00 p.m. at Grant Field.

PLAYER INTERVIEWS - All player interviews are coordinated through Patrick of the sports information office. Please contact Patrick (319-335-9411) so that he may set a time which does not interfere with the student-athlete's academic or practice schedules.

THE LAST TIME

The Hawkeyes and Nittany Lions met during the regular season in 2008. Iowa lost at Penn State, 2-1, Oct. 10.

lowa and Michigan State faced off three times in 2008. Both teams were ranked in the top ten in each matchup.

The Black and Gold won at Michigan State in overtime during the regular season, 4-3. lowa then defeated the Spartans, 3-2, in overtime of the second round of the Big Ten Tournament. The Hawkeyes went on to win their third-straight conference tournament.

The two teams met for a third time in the second round of the NCAA Tournament. Iowa won 1-0 in East Lansing, MI, in a game delayed due to snow, sending the Hawkeyes to the NCAA Final Four.

SCOUTING THE SPARTANS

Michigan State is 11-3 overall and 2-0 in conference play. Additionally, they are 3-0 at home. They are ranked eighth in the latest NFHCA rankings.

Michigan State is coached by Rolf van de Kerkhof. In his fourth year as head coach, he is 52-27 all-time.

SCOUTING THE NITTANY LIONS

Penn State is 4-9 overall and tied with the Hawkeyes at 1-2 in conference play. They are 0-6 on the road this season.

The Nittany Lions are coached by Charlene Morett. In her 23rd year at Penn State, she is 355-129-8 all-time. Morett is the longest tenured coach in the Big Ten and the seventh longest in Division I.

IN THE RANKINGS

The Hawkeyes are receiving votes in the latest NFHCA rankings. Iowa will play nine of the current NFHCA top 20 this season. In addition, the Hawkeyes will play seven of the teams receiving votes in the latest poll.

The Big Ten Conference currently has three teams ranked in the top 20. Michigan State sits at eighth in the latest rankings. Joining the Spartans is Northwestern (No. 18) and Ohio State (No. 20). All Big Ten teams are at least receiving votes as Indiana, Penn State and Michigan are also receiving votes.

HAWKEYES DOMINATE BILLIKENS

The Hawkeyes defeated Saint Louis at Grant Field, 12-0, on Sept. 19. The 12 goals are the most scored by Iowa since 1997 when the Hawkeyes defeated Saint Louis, 13-0.

Six Hawkeyes recorded at least one goal in the contest. Seniors Tricia Dean and Jess Werley each recorded their first career hat tricks. In addition, freshman Geena Lesiak (1), sophomore Becca Spengler (1), freshman Sarah Drake (2) and senior Meghan Beamesderfer (2) tallied goals.

lowa accumulated 26 total points in the contest, tied for second most in a game this season in the Big Ten. Additionally, the 12 goals are tied for the most scored this season by a Big Ten team.

FRESHMEN SEE ACTION

All eight freshmen have seen action this season for the Hawkeyes. Geena Lesiak, Sarah Drake, Jess Barnett, Grace Dolfi, Hailey Chadbourne, Sarah Pedrick, Kelsey Boyce and Kathleen McGraw all have seen game action.

Lesiak recorded her first career goal Aug. 30 against Wake Forest. McGraw saw her first career game action in goal Aug. 31 against North Carolina, playing the second half. McGraw recorded her first career win at Boston Sept. 6.

Drake is tied for the team lead in goals scored with six. She recorded her first career goals with two Sept. 5 at UMass and added another Sept. 6 against the Terriers. She was named Big Ten Freshman of the Week for her efforts.

Dolfi recorded her first career goal against VCU Sept. 11. Boyce recorded her first career game action Sept. 19 against Saint Louis. She played the second half and recorded two saves.