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IOWA MEN'S GYMNASTICS
HAWKEYES QUALIFY FOR 2005 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

IOWA CITY, IA – The seventh-ranked Iowa men's gymnastics team has qualified for the 2005 NCAA men's championships with a qualifying score of 218.65. The Hawkeyes enter the competition ranked seventh, behind Ohio State (224.15), Illinois (222.905), Oklahoma (222.88), Michigan (220.925), Penn State (219.89) and California (219.18).

The NCAA championships consists of 12 teams divided into two pre-qualifying sessions. The two pre-qualifying sessions will be conducted April 7 at Holleeder Center on the campus of the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, NY. All six Big Ten schools qualified for the championships.

The top three teams from each pre-qualifying session will advance to the finals session. Also advancing to the finals session are the top three all-around competitors not on one of the qualifying teams, plus the top three individuals on each event not already qualified on a team or as an all-around competitor. Final competitions will take place April 8-9, also in West Point.

The Hawkeyes are coming off a fifth place finish at the 2005 Big Ten championships. Junior **Michael Reavis** was crowned Big Ten floor exercise champion and is currently ranked second nationally in the event. In 2004, the Hawkeyes took seventh at the NCAA championships and had three all-Americans. Senior **Linas Gaveika** will look to repeat as an all-American on parallel bars and horizontal bar. He is currently ranked fifth on horizontal bar and fifth in the all-around. Reavis was an all-American on vault in 2004.

For more information regarding the National Collegiate Men's Gymnastics Championships, log on to <http://www.ncaasports.com>.

NCAA National Qualifier:

Team	Qualifying Score
Ohio State	224.150
Illinois	222.905
Oklahoma	222.880
Michigan	220.925
Penn State	219.890
California	219.180
IOWA	218.650
Stanford	216.230
Minnesota	215.935
Nebraska	215.755
Army	214.235
William & Mary	210.200

