

# THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA



# HAWKEYE ROWING

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## Schedule

### Fall 2007

10/07 at Head of the Rock  
 V8+ (4th, 6th), V4+ (4th, 5th),  
 V2- (2nd, 10th, 11th, 17th, 21st)

10/20-21 at Head of the Charles  
 V8+ (22nd), 8+ (6th)

10/28 Head of the Iowa  
*(Cancelled)*

### Spring 2008

3/21-23 at Longhorn Invitational  
*Friday (0 wins)*  
*Saturday (4 wins)*  
*Sunday (4 wins)*

4/5 at Minnesota  
*(9 wins)*

4/11 at GW Invitational  
*Friday (2 wins)*  
*Saturday (5 wins)*

4/19 at Double Dual  
*(4 wins)*

5/3 at Big Ten Championships  
*(6th)*

**5/17-18 at South/Central Regionals**  
**Oakridge, TN**

5/30-6/1 at NCAA Championships  
*TBA*

## Iowa Quick facts

Head Coach:.....Mandi Kowal  
 Assistant Coaches:.....Carrie Callen  
 .....Chuck Rodosky  
 2008 Big Ten Finish:.....6th

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## HAWKEYES COMPETE IN SOUTH-CENTRAL REGIONALS

**THIS WEEK:** The University of Iowa women's rowing team travels to Oakridge, TN for the Aramark South-Central Regional Championships.

**RANKINGS:** Four of the seven Big Ten teams are ranked among the top 20 Division I Varsity Eights. Michigan State (fifth), Ohio State (11th), Michigan (13th), and Minnesota (16th) are scattered throughout the recent poll from the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association/ USRowing.

**2007 ARAMARK CENTRAL REGION SPRINTS:** Iowa qualified in all five events for the second day of competition. The Hawkeyes placed fourth in heat two of the open 4+ and the V4+ to advance to Final C. The N8+ moved to the semifinals placing fifth, and advanced to Final B. Iowa made a strong statement the second day, winning both V8+ and the 2V8+ races in Final C, and the open 4+ in Final C as well.

**LAST TIME OUT:** Iowa placed sixth, ahead of Indiana, with a total point tally of 40 at the Big Ten Championships. The Hawkeyes qualified in one of the six grand finals, while the other five qualified for the petite finals. Iowa won in the N8+ petite final finishing over Ohio State after Ohio State posted a faster time than Iowa in the morning sessions. Hawkeye boats placed second in the V8+ petite final, just behind Wisconsin. Iowa placed third in the 2V8+ (7:04.87), V4+ (818.01) and 2V4+ (9:16.51) petite finals. The lone Hawkeye medalist came in the 2N8+ grand final. Iowa beat out Michigan State for the bronze medal in the final second, finishing behind Wisconsin and Minnesota with a time of 7:21.32. Michigan State won the Big Ten Championships with a 150 total points.

**BIG TEN HONORS:** Senior **Brittany Keyes** was named to the all-Big Ten first team, and was a Big Ten sportsmanship honoree. Junior **Kristin Kelly** was named to the all-Big Ten second team.

**HEAD COACH:** **Mandi Kowal** is in her 14th year as head coach of the Hawkeyes. In the 1997 and 1998 NCAA Rowing Championships, she coached the Varsity 4+ teams to fourth and eighth-places finishes, respectively. Kowal began her rowing career at the University of Wisconsin in 1981. She was a two-time rowing World Champion in the Women's Lightweight 4- (1986-1987). She was named Female Athlete of the Year in 1987 by the US Rowing Association and was inducted into the United States Rowing Hall of Fame in 1997.

**QUOTING COACH KOWAL:** "As we work through finals we have moments in the day when we can think about the South-Central Regional Championships. We have been blessed with good weather which allows us to prepare well for this race. The team is very excited to finish out their academic year and head to Oakridge for the race they have been waiting for."