



# University of Iowa Volleyball

vs. Tennessee - Sept. 5, 6 p.m.  
at Denver - Sept., 6, 1:30 p.m.  
vs. Virginia - Sept. 6, 6 p.m.

**Week Two**

**September 2, 2008**

## University of Iowa Hawkeyes

1-2

VS.



Tennessee  
Lady Volunteers  
3-0  
Sept. 5, 6 p.m.  
Hamilton Gymnasium  
Denver, CO

Denver Pioneers  
2-1  
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Hamilton Gymnasium  
Denver, CO

Virginia Cavaliers  
3-0  
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Hamilton Gymnasium  
Denver, CO

**This Week** • The University of Iowa volleyball team travels to Denver, CO, this weekend to compete in the Pioneer Classic. The Hawkeyes will face Tennessee Friday at 6 p.m. before taking on host-school Denver Saturday at 1:30 p.m. and Virginia Saturday at 6 p.m. All matches will be held at Hamilton Gymnasium on the campus of Denver University. All times listed are central.

**Hawkeyes on the Web** • Fans can follow Hawkeye volleyball on [hawkeyesports.com](http://hawkeyesports.com), where Gametracker, live audio and video will be available throughout the season.

Live audio coverage will begin Sept. 12-13 at the Iowa State Tournament and will be available for the remainder of matches. Live streaming video can be found on [hawkeyesports.com](http://hawkeyesports.com) for all 13 home matches. Gametracker will be available for all 13 home matches and for select road matches. Check [hawkeyesports.com](http://hawkeyesports.com) for live stats availability.

Audio, video and Gametracker links can be found on the volleyball schedule page of [hawkeyesports.com](http://hawkeyesports.com).

**Scouting Tennessee** • The Tennessee Lady Volunteers are 3-0 after picking up wins over Chattanooga, Houston and Marquette last weekend.

Milan Clarke leads the team with 34 kills while Kylie Marshall has 25 kills with a .323 attack percentage. Michaela Hanakova has a team-best 67 assists. Chloe Goldman has a team-high 38 digs while Leah Hinkey leads the team with 20 total blocks.

The all-time series is tied, 1-1. Iowa lost its last meeting against Tennessee in four sets during the 1997 season

**Scouting Denver** • The Denver Pioneers are 2-1 overall after defeating Eastern Washington and Arkansas, but falling to Colorado State.

Holly Benson has a team-best 29 kills and also leads the team with 31 digs. Clare Maxwell is the team's primary setter, contributing 97 assists, while Jacqueline Paul paces the team with 11 total blocks.

The all-time series is tied, 1-1. The two teams last met in 2004, with Iowa winning in three sets.

### 2008 Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
<b>8/29-30</b>	<b>at Hampton Inn Bama Bash (Tuscaloosa, AL)</b>	
8/29	vs. Nicholls State	W, 25-12, 25-20, 25-19
8/30	vs. Western Kentucky	L, 24-26, 26-24, 17-25, 17-25
8/30	at Alabama	L, 24-26, 25-17, 17-25, 14-25
<b>9/5-6</b>	<b>at Pioneer Classic (Denver, CO)</b>	
9/5	vs. Tennessee	6 p.m.
9/6	at Denver	1:30 p.m.
9/6	vs. Virginia	4:30 p.m.
<b>9/12-13</b>	<b>at Iowa State Tournament (Ames, IA)</b>	
9/12	at Iowa State	6:30 p.m.
9/13	vs. Drake	10 a.m.
9/13	vs. Xavier	4:30 p.m.
<b>9/19/20</b>	<b>Hawkeye-Holiday Inn Challenge (Iowa City)</b>	
9/19	vs. Portland	7 p.m.
9/20	vs. DePaul	12:30 p.m.
9/20	vs. Tulsa	7 p.m.
9/26	vs. Wisconsin	7 p.m.
9/27	vs. Northwestern	7 p.m.
10/3	at Purdue	6 p.m.
10/4	at Illinois	7 p.m.
10/10	vs. Penn State	7 p.m.
10/11	vs. Indiana	7 p.m.
10/15	at Minnesota	7 p.m.
10/18	vs. Michigan State	7 p.m.
10/24	at Michigan	6 p.m.
10/26	at Ohio State	1 p.m.
10/31	at Indiana	6 p.m.
11/1	at Penn State	6 p.m.
11/7	vs. Illinois	7 p.m.
11/8	vs. Purdue	7 p.m.
11/14	at Northwestern	7 p.m.
11/16	at Wisconsin	1 p.m.
11/21	vs. Ohio State	7 p.m.
11/22	vs. Michigan	7 p.m.
11/26	vs. Minnesota	7 p.m.
11/28	at Michigan State	5 p.m.

all times listed are central



## Big Ten Standings

	Conf.	Overall
T1. Illinois	0-0	3-0
Michigan	0-0	3-0
Minnesota	0-0	3-0
Penn State	0-0	3-0
Purdue	0-0	3-0
Wisconsin	0-0	3-0
7. Ohio State	0-0	2-1
8. Northwestern	0-0	1-1
T9. Indiana	0-0	1-2
<b>IOWA</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1-2</b>
11. Michigan State	0-0	0-3

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## Iowa on the Web

Updated statistics, rosters, game notes, schedules and more can be found at the University of Iowa Athletic Department's website. The address is:

***hawkeyesports.com***

## 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 Aaron Blau of their intention to attend practice. The Hawkeyes practice daily from 3:30-6:30 p.m. at Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

**PLAYER INTERVIEWS** - All player interviews are coordinated through Aaron Blau of the Iowa Sports Information Office. Please contact Aaron (319-335-9268) so that he may set a time for an interview which does not interfere with the student-athlete's academic or practice schedules.

**Scouting Virginia** • The Virginia Cavaliers are 3-0 after knocking off Murray State, New Hampshire and James Madison to open the season last weekend.

Beth Shelton has a team-high 36 kills while Lauren Dickson has 31. Marlow Bruneau has 95 assists and Brittani Rendina has 30 digs. Sydney Hill leads the team with 10 total blocks.

This is the first meeting between the two teams.

**Iowa Goes 1-2 in Alabama** • The **Sharon Dingman** era began last weekend as the Hawkeyes went 1-2 at the Hampton Inn/Bama Bash, hosted by the University of Alabama.

Dingman notched her first win in Black and Gold with a 3-0 victory over Nicholls State to open the 2008 campaign. Senior **Catherine Smale** and junior **Megan Schipper** led the team with eight kills while senior **Kiley Fister** had 23 assists, five kills and a .714 attack percentage.

The Hawkeyes then lost a hard-fought, four-set match to Western Kentucky. Smale once again had a strong outing with 20 kills and a career high .514 attack percentage. Fister added 44 assists while sophomore **Megan Eskew** had 14 digs.

Iowa faced host-school Alabama and lost another tough, four-set match to close the tournament. Schipper tallied 17 kills while senior **Laura Kremer** and Smale each had 11.

**Schipper Named to all-Tournament Team** • Junior **Megan Schipper** was named to the Hampton Inn/Bama Bash all-tournament team after putting up some impressive numbers over the weekend.

Schipper collected 35 kills with a .244 attack percentage and also led the team with 24 digs, seven total blocks and three service aces.

The Aplington, IA, native shined in Iowa's loss to Alabama, recording a double-double with 17 kills and 11 digs. Schipper also had a double-double against Western Kentucky with 10 kills and 11 digs.

**Freshmen See Time** • All four of Iowa's freshmen saw the court this weekend.

**Joanna Giampoli** saw action in all three matches, collecting a weekend-best three kills and one block assist against Nicholls State. **Paige Stevens** also played in all three matches, collecting one kill, one dig and one service ace against Alabama. **Mallory Husz** played against both Nicholls State and Alabama, tallying one kill and one block assist against the Colonels. **Tiffany Nilges** saw the court against Nicholls State and recorded one kill.

**Hawkeyes Like the Second Set** • Iowa claimed victories in the second set of each match this weekend.

Iowa took care of Nicholls State, 25-20, Western Kentucky 26-24 and Alabama, 25-17.



## Head Coach Sharon Dingman



Sharon Dingman was hired as the eighth coach in Iowa volleyball history March 21, 2008.

Dingman comes to Iowa after serving as head coach at Illinois State from 2000-07, where she compiled a 147-98 record. In 2007, Dingman led the Redbirds to their first at-large berth into the NCAA Tournament since 1997 after reaching the championship match

of the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament and finished with a 21-12 overall record.

Illinois State produced winning seasons in seven of the eight seasons under Dingman and never finished lower than fifth in the Missouri Valley Conference. The Redbirds also reached at least the semifinals of the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament in six of her eight seasons. Dingman produced 21 all-Missouri Valley Conference selections, including Player of the Year, Libero of the Year and two Freshman of the Year honorees. Two players also garnered all-district and all-region honors.

Redbird teams under Dingman were also strong in the classroom. Eleven players were named to the league's scholar-athlete squad in her eight seasons and in 2004, four volleyball student-athletes earned perfect 4.00 grade-point-averages and the team recorded a 3.32 GPA. In 2005, her volleyball team won the academic award for the highest GPA in the athletic department.

Dingman started her head coaching career in 1991 at Auburn, where she led the Tigers to a 22-13 record in her only season at the helm. Her 1991 squad became the first Auburn volleyball team to receive votes in the national poll and Auburn's fourth place finish in the SEC that season marked the highest finish ever for Auburn at the time. Two student-athletes earned all-SEC honors, including Jenifer Kleyn, who was named the SEC Scholar-Athlete of the Year and was an NCAA post-graduate scholarship recipient who carried a 4.0 GPA.

She then moved to Butler in 1992, where she served as head coach for eight seasons. Dingman led the Bulldogs to four 20 win seasons and three postseason tournaments, including an appearance in the NCAA Tournament in 1997 after capturing the Midwestern Collegiate Conference title. She was named MCC Coach of the Year in 1997 after compiling a 28-7 record. Dingman guided three student-athletes to MCC Player of the Year honors, seven to all-region accolades and five to "Top 100 Student" honors at Butler.

Prior to becoming a head coach, Dingman spent seven seasons as an assistant coach at three Division I programs. After one season at Northern Michigan (1984), she assisted at Texas Tech for three seasons (1985-87). Dingman then spent three seasons at Kentucky (1988-90) and helped the Wildcats to an SEC Championship in 1988 along with three-straight regional finals appearances in the NCAA Tournament.

**Tough Schedule in '08** • Six Iowa opponents are ranked in the latest CBS College Sports Network/AVCA Division I Coaches Top 25 poll. Two additional teams are also listed as receiving votes. Iowa will also square off against 10 teams that qualified for the NCAA Tournament in 2007.

Opponents ranked include Penn State (No. 1), Wisconsin (No. 10), Minnesota (No. 12), Purdue (No. 18), Illinois (No. 19) and Michigan (No. 25). Teams receiving votes are Iowa State and Western Kentucky.

The 10 teams who played in the NCAA Tournament last year are Western Kentucky, Alabama, Iowa State, Xavier, Minnesota, Purdue, Wisconsin, Michigan, Michigan State and Penn State, who also won the 2007 Big Ten and NCAA championship.

**Climbing the Records Ladder** • Below is a list of where current Hawkeyes rank in different career school records. The number in parentheses is the next place.

### Kiley Fister

Assists	3,514	4th	(3rd, 4,128)
Service Aces	83	T-14th	(13th, 86)

### Catherine Smale

Kills	974	15th	(14th, 1,000)
Digs	816	19th	(18th, 820)

### Becky Walters

Attack Percentage	.265	2nd	(1st, .276)
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### Emily Hiza

Digs	1,522	4th	(3rd, 1,536)
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**Hilgenberg Transfers to Iowa** • Sophomore setter **Mara Hilgenberg** transferred to the University of Iowa from Indiana University this summer.

The Lake Forest, IL, native played in all 117 sets for Indiana as freshman in 2007. She led the team with 1,402 assists.

**New Rules For '08** • The NCAA has implemented some new rules that will go into effect for the 2008 season that reflect international volleyball rules.

The term "game" has been changed to "set." Matches will still be the best of five "sets."

The first four "sets" will also be played to 25 points instead of 30 points. The fifth set will still be played to 15 points.



## Iowa's Record When...

## 2008 SEASON INFORMATION

### Iowa's Single Game Match Information

Longest Winning Streak:.....	1
Longest Losing Streak:.....	2
Current Streak: .....	Lost 2
Most Kills (Three Set): .....	30 (vs. Nich. St.)
Most Kills (Four Set): ....	51 (vs. W. Kentucky)
Most Kills (Five Set): .....	--
Highest Attack % (Three Set): ..	.363 (vs. Nich. St.)
Highest Attack % (Four Set): ...	.280 (vs. W. Kent.)
Highest Attack % (Five Set): .....	--
Most Assists (Three Set): .....	31 (vs. Nich. St.)
Most Assists (Four Set): .....	49 (vs. W. Kent.)
Most Assists (Five Set): .....	--
Most Aces (Three Set): .....	5 (vs. Nich. St.)
Most Aces (Four Set): .....	2 (vs. W. Kent.)
Most Aces (Five Set): .....	--
Most Digs (Three Set): .....	23 (vs. Nich. St.)
Most Digs (Four Set): .....	53 (vs. W. Kent.)
Most Digs (Five Set): .....	--
Most Blocks (Three Set): .....	2 (vs. Nich. St.)
Most Blocks (Four Set): .....	8 (vs. Alabama)
Most Blocks (Five Set): .....	--
Highest Home Attendance: .....	--

### Iowa's Individual Leaders

Matches Played: .....	3 ( Eight Players)
Matches Started: .....	3 (Four Players)
Sets Played: .....	11 (Four Players)
Kills: .....	39 (Smale)
Kills per Set: .....	3.55 (Smale)
Attack Percentage: .....	.341 (Smale)
Assists: .....	110 (Fister)
Assists per Set: .....	12.22 (Fister)
Service Aces: .....	3 (Schipper)
Service Aces per Set: .....	0.33 (Hilgenberg)
Digs: .....	24 (Schipper)
Digs per Set: .....	2.4 (Hiza)
Block Solos: .....	2 (Schipper and Kennedy)
Block Assists: .....	5 (Schipper and Kremer)
Total Blocks: .....	7 (Schipper)
Blocks per Set: .....	0.64 (Schipper)

Three-Set Match:.....	1-0
Four-Set Match:.....	0-2
Five-Set Match:.....	0-0
Iowa Wins First Set: .....	1-2
Opponent Wins First Set: .....	0-2
Iowa Wins Second Set: .....	1-2
Opponent Wins Second Set: .....	0-0
Iowa Wins Third Set:.....	1-0
Opponent Wins Third Set: .....	0-2
Iowa Wins Fourth Set: .....	0-0
Opponent Wins Fourth Set: .....	0-2
Iowa To Eight First in Fifth Set: ..	0-0
Opponent To Eight First in Fifth Set: ..	0-0
At Home: .....	0-0
On the Road: .....	0-1
At Neutral Site: .....	1-1
Day Match: .....	1-1
Night Match: .....	0-1
vs. Ranked Opponents: .....	0-0
Iowa Has More Kills: .....	1-0
Opponent Has More Kills: .....	0-2
Iowa Has Higher Attack %: .....	1-0
Opponent Has Higher Attack %: .....	0-2
Iowa Has More Assists: .....	1-0
Opponent Has More Assists: .....	0-2
Iowa Has More Aces: .....	0-0
Opponent Has More Aces: .....	0-2
Equal Number of Aces: .....	1-0
Iowa Has More Digs: .....	1-2
Opponent Has More Digs: .....	0-0
Iowa Has More Blocks: .....	0-0
Opponent Has More Blocks: .....	0-2
Equal Number of Blocks: .....	1-0
Wearing White/Black Uniforms: .....	1-0
Wearing Black/Gold Uniforms: .....	0-2
In Eastern Time Zone: .....	0-0
In Central Time Zone: .....	2-0
In Mountain Time Zone: .....	0-0
On Big Ten Network: .....	0-0
In Iowa: .....	0-0
In Alabama: .....	1-2
In Colorado: .....	0-0
In Indiana: .....	0-0
In Illinois: .....	0-0
In Minnesota: .....	0-0
In Michigan: .....	0-0
In Ohio: .....	0-0
In Pennsylvania: .....	0-0
In Wisconsin: .....	0-0
On Wednesday: .....	0-0
On Friday: .....	1-0
On Saturday: .....	0-2
On Sunday: .....	0-0

## 2008 Hawkeye Roster

No.	Name	Ht.	Cl.	Pos.	Hometown/Previous School
1	Laura Kremer	6-0	Sr.	MB	LaMotte, IA/Dubuque Senior
2	Catherine Smale	6-1	Sr.	OH	St. Charles, IL/Rosary
3	Kiley Fister	5-10	Sr.	S	St. Charles, IL/St. Francis
4	Christina Meister	5-9	Jr.	S/DS	West Des Moines, IA/Valley
5	Emily Hiza	5-7	Sr.	L	Swink, CO/Swink Academy
6	Paige Stevens	6-1	Fr.	S	Naperville, IL/Neuqua Valley
7	Katie Kennedy	6-1	So.	MB	Iowa City, IA/City High
8	Mallory Husz	6-0	Fr.	MB	Council Bluffs, IA/Lewis Central
10	Becky Walters	6-3	So.*	MB	Parkersburg, IA/Aplington-Parkersburg
11	Samantha Brannigan	5-7	So.	DS	Palos Heights, IL/Amos Alonzo Stagg
12	Tiffany Nilges	5-11	Fr.	OH	Tripoli, IA/Tripoli
13	Aimee Huffman	6-0	So.	RS/S	Poth, TX/Poth
14	Megan Eskew	5-9	So.	OH	Schererville, IN/Marist
15	Megan Schipper	5-11	Jr.	OH	Aplington, IA/Aplington-Parkersburg
16	Signe Mueller	5-7	So.	DS	Iowa City, IA/City High
21	Mara Hilgenberg	5-9	So.	S	Lake Forest, IL/Indiana University
24	Katie Wessels	5-11	So.	OH	Manchester, IA/West Delaware
33	Joanna Giampoli	6-1	Fr.	MB	Hinsdale, IL/Hinsdale South

\* indicates redshirt

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