



# THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

## SPORTS INFORMATION

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### CYRUS TATE EARNS CHRIS STREET AWARD

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IOWA CITY, IA - - Junior forward Cyrus Tate has been named recipient of the Chris Street Award for the 2007-08 basketball season. The award was announced Tuesday at the University of Iowa's recognition dinner.

The Chris Street Award, which is presented annually to a Hawkeye player, or players, who best exemplify the spirit, enthusiasm and intensity of Chris Street.

"Cyrus is proud to be a Hawkeye and to represent the University of Iowa," said Iowa Coach Todd Lickliter. "I know he will take pride in receiving this award in Chris' name. He's earned the honor through his team leadership and his performance on the court, especially during our Big Ten season."

Tate (6-8, 240) started 19 of the 31 games he played this season, averaging 8.3 points and 5.4 rebounds per game. He missed one game due to injury. He shot 66.7% from the field and had 18 steals and 12 blocked shots. The junior from Chicago, IL played one season at Northeast, NE Community College before joining the Iowa program for the past two seasons. He attended Homewood-Flossmoor High School.

Tate averaged 10.6 points and eight rebounds per outing in 18 Big Ten games. He led the Big Ten in field goal percentage (.702) in league games only and ranked third in rebounds. Tate was named Big Ten Player of the Week Feb. 25 for his play against Northwestern and Michigan State.

Tate had a career-best 26 points at Michigan State (10-13 FG, 6-7 FT) and nine rebounds. In a home win over Northwestern he had 18 points and 11 rebounds. Tate collected the fourth double-double of his career with 16 points and 11 rebounds in a season-ending loss to Michigan.

In addition to the Chris Street Award, Iowa's three seniors received a framed jersey as their Senior Award. Iowa's seniors in 2008 included Seth Gorney, Justin Johnson and Kurt Looby.

Johnson started all 32 games, averaging 11.8 points and 4.9 rebounds. His three-point shooting totals (93-269) both rank second at Iowa for a single season. He was named to the all-tournament team at both the South Padre Island Invitational and Iowa's Hawkeye Challenge. Johnson played two seasons at Iowa after attending Tyler, TX Junior College in his hometown.



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Gorney started 27 games, averaging 4.3 points and 5.2 rebounds per outing. Gorney led Iowa to a home win over NIT champion Ohio State when he collected 10 points, seven rebounds and four assists. He is a native of Vandalia, OH.

Looby played in all 32 games, with 12 starts. The native of St. John's, Antigua played two seasons at Iowa after attending Tyler, TX Junior College. Looby averaged 3.6 points and 4.6 rebounds this season and led the Hawkeyes with 43 blocked shots. Looby collected 96 blocks in two years and ranks seventh in career blocked shots.



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