



"The family atmosphere among the entire Hawkeye family makes this team so special, and from the first time we brought Wendy to camp at Iowa we felt it was the right choice. The great support from all the coaches, staff, players, parents, and Hawkeye fans makes the women's basketball program so special, and being from southwest Iowa, we are very proud to be part of the Hawkeye family."

**Gary & Sue Ausdemore**



"As parents we feel there is a lot of interaction between the parents, coaches, supporters and of all the team members and we get to know the parents and players very well. The coaches and teammates provide great support for each other and it is great group for our daughter to be a member of. We are proud that our daughter is a member of a traditionally highly successful basketball and overall athletic program at the University of Iowa, because they achieve success the right way."

**Gary & Nancy Emmert**



"There are so many things that makes being a part of the Hawkeye Family so special. The entire Hawkeye community is so supportive, loyal and enthusiastic. The sense of community and the warm atmosphere that is always extended to us whenever we are in town is greatly appreciated. There is always someone that greets us with a warm smile and a cheery 'hello'. We are extremely thankful to Coach Bluder and the coaching staff. At every game we see the passion for the game; the family loyalty and the loyalty of the staff and players. We are proud to be a Hawkeye!"

**Otha & Sarah Graham**



"What truly makes this program so special are the people involved. Lisa Bluder and her staff do an amazing job taking care of these girls. As parents it's comforting to know that your daughter is being taken care of even when she is far away from home. The players on the team are a class act. We have really enjoyed getting to know the players and their families through Lindsey, and we look forward to yet another great season!"

**Tom and Monnie Nyenhuis**



"We are so proud of Stacy and her accomplishments, and to see her dreams come true. She grew up an Iowa girl and wanted to play for an Iowa school. We were very excited when she decided to become a 'Hawkeye'. We really enjoy and respect Coach Bluder and her coaching staff. It's also close to home so it is easy for family and friends to come and enjoy the games. There are so many things she can experience both on and off the court by being a student athlete at the University of Iowa."

**Merle & Rhonda Schlapkohl**



"The people are what makes the University of Iowa and the women's basketball program so special. Even though we sent our daughter nine hours away we knew that she was in good hands. Everyone we met on our visit was friendly, kind and most of all genuine. Megan absolutely made the best choice for her."

**Mark & Kellee Skouby**



"When our daughter chose to attend Iowa, we were very excited for her. From the very first visit, we were amazed with everyone we met. From top to bottom the honesty and good faith was very real. The coaching staff's effort to find girls that not only can play basketball, but are good all around people, seems to make things comfortable for all. We feel our daughter is in good hands both on and off the court. Also, the support from the community is awesome, Iowa has some of the best fans in the country. The women's basketball program at Iowa is first class all the way. We are very proud to be apart of the family. GO HAWKS!"

**Drew & Lisa Smith**



"Sports have been a way of life in the Solverson family for many years. When you see a winner you want to jump on board. After we visited Iowa on our recruiting weekend, we all came away knowing Iowa was the place. It was a feeling you get when you know something is right for all the right reasons. Coach Bluder had taken us into her home, meeting her family and friends. Coach Jensen showed us around the campus and made us feel very comfortable. Family and togetherness is power for success and Iowa has those qualities. Johanna has grown and developed close relationships with her fellow players. The Iowa fans are the greatest. We are proud to be a Hawkeye!"

**Pete & Cindy Solverson**



"We are proud and fortunate to be part of the Iowa Women's Basketball family! The support and commitment from Coach Bluder and her staff, as well as the college professors has been outstanding. The academic promise for success that is available to student athletes is amazing. As parents we feel blessed to send our daughter to the University of Iowa. We are proud to have our daughter play for Coach Bluder and her staff. We have fond memories traveling around the Midwest and cheering on the Hawks with other team members' families."

**Steve & Barb VanderPol**



"We couldn't be happier with our family's choice to join the Hawkeyes. As parents, the selection of a college for our student athlete was one of the biggest decisions we have ever made. During the recruiting process, all schools make very similar pitches with regard to the campus, education, university support, the basketball program, and of course the staff. The University of Iowa stood apart instantly. It has been said many times, but deserves repeating here, the people at Iowa are truly head and shoulders above the rest. It shows in the coaches and staff, the players chosen and is reflected in our own daughter. We've been embraced by the Hawkeye family and know our daughter is receiving the best in education and an excellent college experience."

**Kevin & Lori VandeVenter**

# Hawkeyes in the WNBA

Iowa has had a long-standing history of having its student-athletes advance their playing careers professionally. The Hawkeyes have produced 12 WNBA players since the league formed in 1996. Iowa has had three players drafted the last six years.

Over 60 student-athletes from the Big Ten Conference have played in United States professional ranks. Iowa, Purdue and Penn State are the Big Ten leaders in having players drafted by the pros the last decade. Last season, Iowa had two players (Crystal Smith and Tangela Smith) on WNBA rosters.

Tangela Smith, (1994-98) was drafted by Sacramento and played seven seasons with the Monarchs before playing the last two years with Charlotte. In fact, this past season, Smith made her first All-Star game appearance. Last season, Smith started all 34 games and averaged 13.1 points, 5.1 rebounds and 1.3 assists. Smith scored a career-high 40 points at Cleveland in 2000. Seven years ago, she started during the championship series vs. the Houston Comets. In 1999, she finished eighth in the league with 38 blocks. Smith finished her career as the Hawkeyes all-time leader in blocked shots with 235 and is currently No. 7 on the career scoring list with 1,598 career points.

Crystal played her inaugural season with the Phoenix Mercury in 2006. She played in 23 games, collected 60 points, 22 rebounds and 22 assists.

Simone Edwards (1993-97) played in 28 games with the Seattle Storm in 2004. She is the Storm's all-time leader in games played, minutes and rebounds and second in points scored. Edwards averaged 4.5 rebounds and 8.6 points per game her senior season at Iowa.

Other Hawkeyes who played in the WNBA include:

National Player of the Year and Big Ten Player of the Year Michelle Edwards (1984-88), who retired from playing professional ball in 2002. She played her final two years with the Seattle Storm. Edwards ranks second on the Hawkeyes' all-time career assists leader charts (431) and third in career points (1,821).

Nadine Domond (1994-98) played with the Sacramento Monarchs in 1998 and averaged 3.0 points. Domond held the Iowa record for most three-point attempts before Lindsey Meder surpassed the record during the 2000-01 season.

Toni Foster (1989-93) was a member the Phoenix Mercury from 1997-99. Foster averaged 6.5 points in the 54 games she played for the Mercury. Foster, who finished her career as the Hawkeyes No. 4 scorer in school history with 1,606 career points, played in 10 games for the Mercury.

Angela Hamblin (1995-98) was signed by the Detroit Shock in 1998. She played in six games for the Shock. Hamblin finished her career at Iowa with 780 career points.

Tia Jackson (1990-95) played one season in the WNBA. Jackson played with the Phoenix Mercury in 1997. She ended her career ranked No. 9 in scoring, No. 8 in steals, and No. 11 in rebounds.

Franthea Price (1986-90) also played one season in the WNBA. Price played in 26 games for the Sacramento Monarchs. She is the Hawkeyes' No. 5 career scorer with 1,742 points.

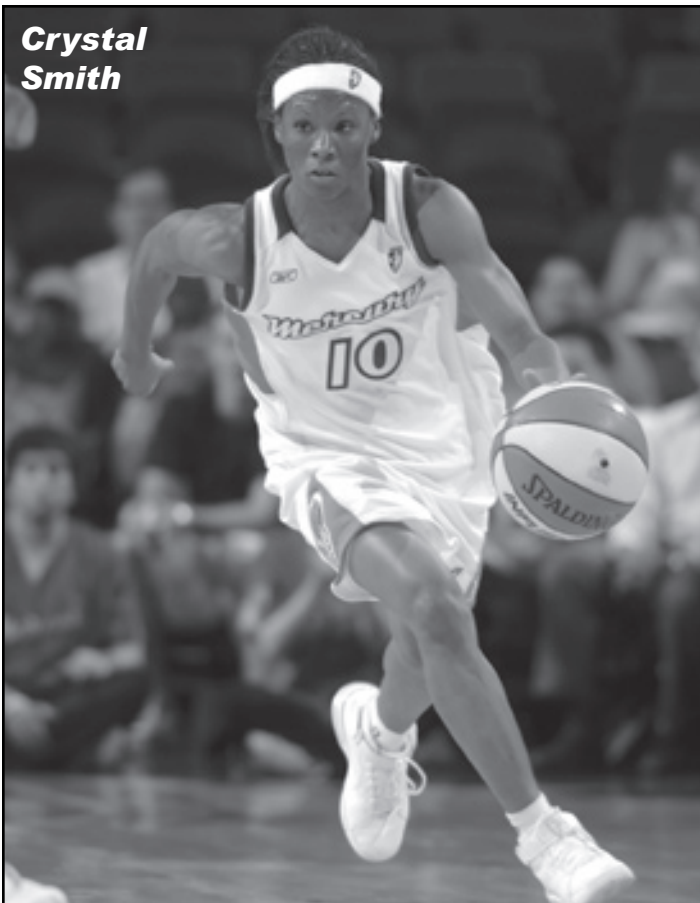
Amy Herrig (1995-99) was drafted by the Utah Starzz. Herrig played in 28 games. She posted a Carver-Hawkeye Arena record 42 points in her final home game of her career.

Lindsey Meder (1998-02) was drafted by the Minnesota Lynx. Unfortunately she suffered a knee injury during training camp and was unable to compete for Minnesota in 2002.

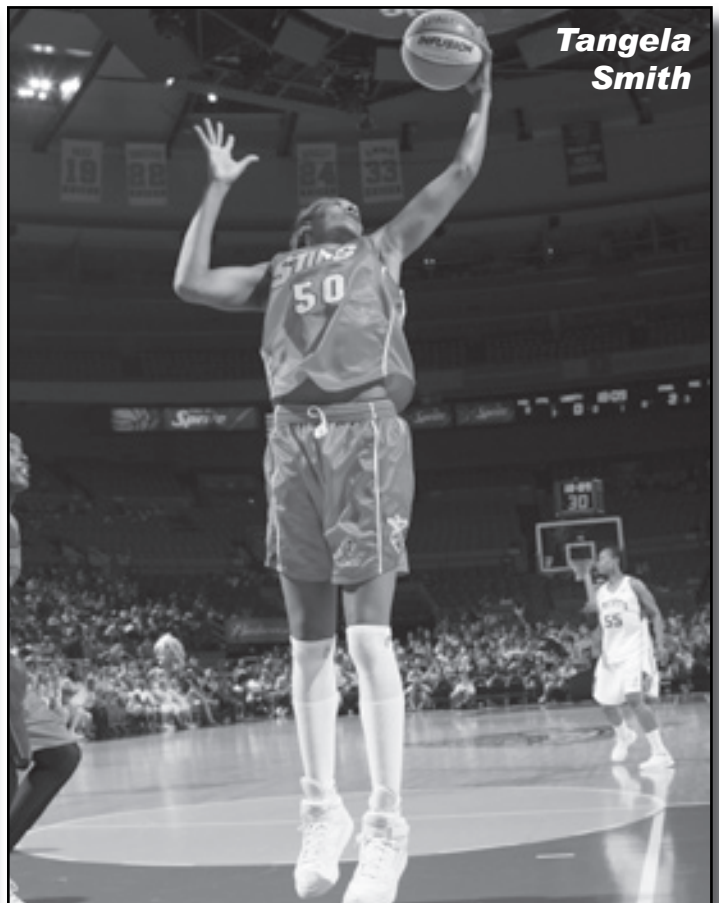
Cara Consuegra, (1997-01) played limited minutes in 15 games for the Utah Starzz in 2001. The point guard finished her career as Iowa's all-time assists leader (191).

In addition, Jerica Watson (1998-02) and Jaime Cavey (2001-05) are currently playing professionally overseas.

**Crystal  
Smith**



**Tangela  
Smith**



# 2005 San Francisco Trip



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The first stop on Iowa's 12-day Italy tour in 2003 was the historic Ancient Colosseum in Rome.

Not only do the Hawkeyes play in front of thousands of fans in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, but the Iowa women's basketball program also travels to exciting destinations to play in challenging tournaments. Over the past ten years, Iowa has competed in holiday tournaments in Alaska, Bahamas, California (2), Hawaii, New York, Florida (2), Massachusetts and South Carolina. The Hawkeyes have also traveled to Utah, Connecticut, Virginia and Colorado in their last four NCAA Tournament appearances.

During the summer of 2003 the entire Iowa basketball team and staff traveled overseas. The Hawkeyes spent 12 days in Italy touring the country and playing four exhibition games. Iowa visited the beautiful cities of Rome, Vatican City, Florence, Venice and Lake Como. The Hawkeyes' next big summer trip is planned for the summer of 2007 when Iowa will travel to the Greek Islands.

Iowa also hosts its own tournament every year. The Hawkeyes have won the KCRG-TV9 Hawkeye Challenge 16 times, including winning six of the last eight.

Playing in one of the most demanding conferences in the nation, the Hawkeyes continually play challenging non-conference games. Six years ago, Iowa played the most demanding schedule in the Big Ten and the 16th toughest in the nation. Three years removed, Iowa played the 14th most difficult schedule in the country.

Iowa has also been invited to play in the biggest and most important tournament, the NCAA Tournament 16 times, which is the second most among Big Ten teams (Penn State) and the WNIT twice.

Iowa will travel to Kansas City and New York in 2006. The Hawkeyes will open their season at the WBCA Classic, their first trip to Kansas City. In December, Iowa makes a return trip to New York when it visits Vivian C. Stringer and Rutgers. The game will be a re-match from last year's KCRG-TV9 Hawkeye Challenge championship game in which the Scarlet Knights won by six points.

After the 2006-07 season, the Hawkeyes will prepare for their big summer trip to the Greek Islands.

"We are very excited about our trip to Greece next year," said Head Coach Lisa Bluder. "We are planning on going in August, 2007 and spend 12 days there and play four games. Obviously, we want to do a lot of sightseeing. My philosophy on those trips is that you use the 10 days prior to leaving that the NCAA gives you to practice and you practice really hard for those 10 days. When you go on the trip, yes you want to compete and win those games, but more importantly I really want them to sightsee and be tourists, enjoy the experience and build team chemistry because truly those memories will last a life time. To be able to travel overseas with your best friends can be a life changing experience."



Sophomore Megan Skouby was a member of the 2006 Big Ten Foreign All-Stars Team that played four exhibition games in Denmark and Norway. The Mentor, OH, native concluded the international tour averaging 6.0 points, 4.8 rebounds and 1.5 blocks.

(1) In 2003, the Iowa Hawkeyes traveled to California and competed in the Loyola Marymount Thanksgiving Classic in Los Angeles. In addition to playing in the tournament the Hawkeyes were able to do a lot of sightseeing, including visiting Universal Studios (right). The holiday trip also included ESPN broadcaster Ann Myers inviting the entire Iowa women's basketball team over to her parent's house for Thanksgiving dinner.



(2) Head Coach Lisa Bluder led her team on a 12-day, four-game foreign tour to Italy, August 11-22, 2003. While abroad the Hawkeyes were fortunate to visit many cities and sites throughout Italy. Iowa toured Rome, the Vatican, Florence, Venice and Como. Some of the highlights from the trip include visits to the Ancient Colosseum (right), the Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica, the Spanish Steps and gondola rides.



(3) In 2004, the Iowa Hawkeyes enjoyed a week in the sun in the Bahamas during Thanksgiving week. Iowa won the four-team Junkanoo Jam. Away from the basketball floor, the Hawkeyes enjoyed shopping, a boat tour and also found plenty of time to relax on the beautiful sandy beaches of the Caribbean.



*One of the many benefits of playing for the Iowa Hawkeyes and playing in the Big Ten Conference is the popularity and amount of media coverage the sport generates in the state of Iowa and the Midwest. Whether its TV, radio, internet, podcasting, newspapers, etc. fans can access information, video and audio clips of the Hawkeyes in a number of different platforms. In addition to its extensive radio/internet broadcasts of every Hawkeye game, Iowa fans can watch up to four games on KCRG-TV9 and select games on Comcast SportsNet Chicago, ESPN, ESPN2 or ESPNU.*

## **Big Ten Channel**

Beginning August 2007, the Big Ten will launch its first television channel, which is the very first of its kind in collegiate athletics that will provide Iowa and the league's other 10 member institutions with national television exposure for more sports than ever before in Big Ten history. Programming will include, but is not limited to, 35-plus football games with each school having at least two games broadcast, at least 105 regular-season men's basketball games, at least 55 regular-season women's basketball games, a series of Olympic sporting events and a number of Big Ten championships.

"The Big Ten Channel moves women's basketball in the Big Ten Conference significantly forward by more than doubling the number of games televised - 55 games all available on a national basis... that's impressive on its own, but, importantly, this is accomplished without sacrificing the opportunity to continue what we have been doing on a local basis with KCRG Television," said Head Coach Lisa Bluder.

"I'm also excited for the parents of our student-athletes, our alumni and letterwinners, and the thousands of friends of the University of Iowa and fans of the Hawkeyes across the Midwest and the country. They soon will be able to enjoy more of their team and their league than ever before."

The Big Ten Channel will also broadcast "Classic" events from its library of archived programming including memorable regular season events and post-season bowl games, basketball tournament games and championship events, weekly coaches' shows and other programming produced by each institution, and 660 hours of non-athletic programming produced by the institutions.

The new Big Ten TV agreements also have a positive impact on Iowa financially. The UI Department of Intercollegiate Athletics will receive approximately \$7.5 million in additional revenue from the Big Ten in the first year of the new agreements.

## **TV Exposure**

In addition to Iowa's three games on Comcast SportsNet Chicago or selected games on ESPN, ESPN2 or ESPNU, the Hawkeyes are televised live in Eastern Iowa up to four times on KCRG-TV9. Six years ago, Iowa and KCRG reached an agreement to televise Hawkeye women's basketball and each year Hawkeye fans have been able to watch Iowa up to four or five times a year.

Over the past six seasons, Iowa has been televised 76 times: seven times on ESPN2, once on ESPN, 22 times on Comcast SportsNet Chicago, 23 times on KCRG, 17 times on opponent's local TV, four times on Mediacom Connections and once by NCAA Productions. Iowa was on the tube 12 times last season alone.

Iowa has been a part of history television history. On January 5, 1990, the Hawkeyes met Michigan State in East Lansing in a Big Ten Conference opener that was the first-ever regular season women's basketball game to be televised live nationwide. The game was aired on ESPN.

One year later, in 1991, Iowa and Carver-Hawkeye Arena played host to the Big Ten-SEC Challenge, the first regular season women's basketball doubleheader to be shown by one of the three major networks. The historic basketball extravaganza was shown on CBS.

## **Hawkeye Radio Network**

The University of Iowa Women's Basketball Radio Network is arguable the nation's best radio network for women's basketball coverage. With nighttime coverage blanketing parts of 40-states, the network is the envy of almost every program in the country.

The Hawkeye Radio Network is the only women's network in the Big Ten and one of only a handful in the country that can boast that its anchor station is a 50,000-watt clear channel station. WHO-AM (Des Moines) is Iowa's most-listened to radio station and its signal reaches parts of 40-states at night. WMT-AM (Cedar Rapids/Iowa City) is Iowa's second-most listened to station, and is Iowa's strongest daytime signal, hitting parts of five states.

That means during Hawkeye women's day contests, fans can hear the game from anywhere in Iowa. Fans can also listen to daytime Iowa women's basketball games via car radio in Chicago, Minneapolis, Kansas City, St. Louis, Omaha, and Sioux Falls, among other out-of-state cities.

More impressive is the reach of the Hawkeye Radio Network at night. Thanks to WHO's clear channel signal, Hawkeye women's basketball night games can be heard just about anywhere in the US. The basketball office received calls from Iowa fans who have heard our games in Tampa, Denver, Detroit, Albuquerque, Atlanta, Dallas, and Pittsburgh, among other big cities.

The Hawkeye Radio Network can also be heard live via the internet at [hawkeyesports.com](http://hawkeyesports.com). The basketball office also received e-mails from Hawkeye fans who have listened to contests on the worldwide web from England, China, and Australia, among other countries.

In addition to the internet, select Iowa conference games can be heard on XM Satellite Radio. In fact, the first ever Big Ten women's basketball game heard on XM Satellite Radio was Iowa vs. Ohio State on Feb. 13, 2005. Hawkeye fans were able to enjoy listening to over five Iowa games over satellite radio in 2005-06; more are expected in 2006-07.

"Hawk Talk With Lisa Bluder" is a weekly one-hour call-in show that is also carried on the Hawkeye Radio Network and [hawkeyesports.com](http://hawkeyesports.com). Iowa fans call in their questions to the head coach ever Monday night during the basketball season. The show originates from Bob's Your Uncle Pizza Cafe on the east side of Iowa City.

The women's basketball play-by-play announced for the Hawkeye Radio Network is Brent Balbinot, sports director at KXIC-AM. Balbinot will enter his third season covering the Hawkeyes in 2006-07. Providing color commentary on the Hawkeye Radio Network is Shelley Till. Till was a teammate of current Iowa coaches Jan Jensen and Jenni Fitzgerald at Drake University in 1987-88. She will begin her second season providing expert analysis in November 2006.

## Lisa Bluder TV Show

In addition to Iowa Women's Basketball's extensive radio coverage, eastern Iowa's local ABC affiliate, KCRG-TV9, produces a monthly television special called the "Lisa Bluder Show". The TV show includes head coach analysis on past and future games, student-athlete profiles, and behind-the-scene stories of the women's basketball program.

Not only can Hawkeye fans watch the monthly TV show on KCRG, but also over the internet on [hawkeyesports.com](http://hawkeyesports.com). Hawkeye fans who subscribe to "Hawkeye All-Access" can view the program, along with numerous other highlight packages and video and audio from all Iowa sports, year-round. All shows are archived and available for download.

The monthly TV show debuted in 2002 and returns for its fifth season in November 2006. The show is anchored by KCRG Sports Director John Campbell. Campbell has worked at KCRG over 25 years and was recently named Iowa Sportscaster of the Year by the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association. In addition to Campbell, Scott Saville assists in interviewing the Hawkeye student-athletes and coaching staff and spent hours developing and producing the stories.

In addition to the TV show, KCRG televises a minimum of four games each season that can be viewed live in eastern Iowa. No other Big Ten institution can claim that it shows select women's basketball games on a major network affiliate like the Hawkeyes and KCRG (ABC). The network has televised over 20 games since its first telecast, Iowa vs. Iowa State on Nov. 20, 2000, which was the second-highest watched program in the state of Iowa that night.

## Hawkeyesports.com

Media and fans can also obtain a wealth of up-to-date information about the Hawkeyes on the official web site of the University of Iowa -- [hawkeyesports.com](http://hawkeyesports.com). All Iowa games can be heard live and archived over the internet via "Hawkeye All-Access" (subscription service). Live stats, box scores, play-by-play, photo galleries, coach and bio information, video of Coach Bluder's press conferences and player interviews, podcasting, blogs and more can be found on the web site.

Furthermore, [hawkeyesports.com](http://hawkeyesports.com) has a fresh look this year after the site was redesigned and relaunched in September. The new and improved site is easier to navigate and has more information and video/audio for the diehard Hawkeye fan.

## Newspaper Coverage

Fans can also read about Hawkeye action in several newspapers/web sites throughout the state of Iowa. A few of the papers that cover the Hawkeyes on a regular basis include:

The *Des Moines Register*, the *Iowa City Press-Citizen*, the *Cedar Rapids Gazette*, the *Quad City Times*, *The Daily Iowan*, the *Voice of The Hawkeyes*, the *Burlington Hawkeye*, the *Waterloo Courier*, and the *Moline Dispatch*.

"We receive really amazing coverage from the local media. It is very easy for fans near and far to follow us through the papers, web sites, or listen to or watch our games on the radio or TV."

**Junior**  
**Abby Emmert**

"I am very impressed with the media coverage of our team. You can go home right after the game and read about it and look at pictures on the website. We have great people that work with our team and travel with us to get the most up-to-the-minute coverage."

**Junior**  
**Krista VandeVenter**



Megan Skouby (left) and Lisa Bluder (right) answer questions after Iowa's Big Ten Tournament contest against Michigan State in 2006.



John Campbell and Amy Herrig have been calling Iowa Hawkeye women's basketball games for six years.



Brent Balbinot (left) and Shelley Till (right) call every Iowa women's basketball game for the Hawkeye Radio Network.

# Carver-Hawkeye Arena

## **CARVER-HAWKEYE ARENA** **HOME OF HAWKEYE** **BASKETBALL**

Without question, the University of Iowa's Carver-Hawkeye Arena is one of the finest basketball facilities in the Midwest. Named for the late Roy Carver, a long-time supporter of the University, the arena opened in January 1983. The \$18-million arena is one of the 20 largest university-owned facilities in the nation. Three years ago it celebrated its 20th anniversary. It's the site for all Iowa home basketball, wrestling and volleyball contests, as well as some gymnastics meets. The arena hosted the Big Ten Wrestling and Women's Gymnastics Championships in 2005 and served as the site for the 2006 Men's Gymnastics conference championships.

A unique structure in itself, Carver-Hawkeye Arena became even more distinguished with the installation of a parquet-style playing court in July 1988. This past summer, four new scoreboards were installed in the arena. The north and south scoreboards are 48-feet, while the east and west measure at 80-feet. The east and west scoreboards feature state-of-the-art video quality.

The arena's weight and training facilities are arguably the most complete in the Big Ten Conference. The weight room includes state-of-the-art free-weight equipment while the spacious training and medical care area is prized by the members of the Iowa training staff.

Located on the western edge of the UI campus, Carver-Hawkeye is the centerpiece for a superlative athletics complex. Within walking distance are Duane Banks Field, Fieldhouse, Recreation Building, Football Practice Facility, Finkbine Golf Course, Pearl Field and Cretzmeyer Track and Field, as well as Kinnick Stadium, the 70,585-seat home for the football team.

Spectators enjoy an unobstructed view of the playing floor from all 15,500 seats while the most modern lighting and sound systems make covering the Hawkeyes a pleasure for the many members of the print and electronic media.

Carver-Hawkeye Arena also brings in some of the hottest music artists in the country. The Backstreet Boys (right), Red Hot Chili Peppers (far right), Foo Fighters, Tonic, Elton John and the Goo Goo Dolls are some of the bands that headlined the past couple years.





Carver-Hawkeye Arena has hosted games in the NCAA Women's Tournament 11 times and the WNIT twice.



The Hawkeyes had a season-high 11,036 fans inside Carver-Hawkeye Arena watch Iowa upset No. 13 Penn State, 79-64, in 2001.

Carver Hawkeye Arena has been recognized as one of the architectural wonders of the nation. The American Institute of Architects of Washington, D.C., singled out the arena's design as the winner of its 1984 Honor Award. In bestowing the honor, the AIA wrote the following:

*"The lacy quality of the roof structure effectively evokes the natural setting, which, in combination with glass block walls, gives the arena a lightness and attractiveness rare in such large structures."*

# Carver-Hawkeye Arena

## OUTSTANDING FANS

A basketball player at the University of Iowa not only enjoys the finest coaching and facilities available, but a student-athlete is also provided the opportunity to showcase their talents to some of the greatest fans in America.

Iowa's women's basketball team has ranked among the nation's leaders in attendance and has been one of the top draws in the Big Ten the past 18 seasons. In fact, in 1985 the Hawkeyes shattered the NCAA and Big Ten Conference attendance records when 22,157 fans squeezed into the 15,500 seat Carver-Hawkeye Arena, and in 1988 Iowa became the first school to sellout a regular-season women's basketball game over 30 hours prior to tip-off.

The last 17 years, the Hawkeyes ranked in the top 30 in average attendance, including ranking in the top 10 for nine seasons. In 1988, Iowa established the record for Big Ten attendance as an average 7,071 fans followed the team during league play.

During 1993-94 Big Ten fans set new national records for total attendance and per-game average. The conference shattered its own record (set in 1993) as 427,166 fans passed through Big Ten gates. Ohio State led the way and Iowa was second. The Hawkeyes averaged 7,131 fans per game, an all-time high, ranking sixth nationally.

In 1994-95, the Hawkeye loyalists filled the stands, averaging 6,147 fans per game, ranking seventh nationally in home attendance. In 1996-97, the Hawkeyes ranked 10th nationally in home attendance, while Iowa ranked 12th in the country during the 1995-96 campaign.

Iowa ranked 24th nationally in attendance in 2002-03 and 2003-04. Furthermore, the Big Ten, as a conference, ranked second in the country for five consecutive years. Six conference teams ranked in the top 25 the last four seasons.

## NO PLACE LIKE HOME WHEN YOU'RE WITH THE HAWKEYE FAMILY

Becoming a member of The University of Iowa basketball team means more than just being a player, you're a member of the "Hawkeye Family".

The Iowa coaching staff knows how important it is for their players to get the opportunity to play games close to home. Each year the basketball team travels to tournaments around the country to insure that friends and families can see their Hawkeye stars play.

While traveling on the road, Hawkeye players and the coaching staff join in a private dining area to enjoy their pregame meal.

Playing in Carver-Hawkeye Arena the Hawkeyes enjoy the enthusiasm and warmth of their fans.

The Hawkeyes reached a milestone victory in Carver-Hawkeye Arena four years ago. Iowa's 74-59 win over Ohio State on Feb. 18, 2001, served as its 200th win in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Since its opening in 1983, Iowa holds a 252-70 (.783) record in the friendly confines of Carver-Hawkeye Arena entering the 2006-07 season. Iowa's winning percentage ranks 49th nationally among active home collegiate arenas (minimum 150 games in the arena).

The Hawkeyes went a perfect 15-0 on their home court during 1992-93. Iowa also recorded undefeated seasons on its home court during the 1985-86, 1987-88, 1989-90 and 1995-96 seasons, registering a 14-0 mark each time.

The Hawkeyes have been dominant at home under Head Coach Lisa Bluder. The Hawkeyes are 62-24 (.721) in Carver-Hawkeye Arena during Bluder's tenure. Iowa went 12-2 during the 2000-01 season. Additionally, the Hawkeyes were one of only two Big Ten teams to run the table during its home conference schedule, winning all eight home contests. Iowa went 11-3 at home in 2005-06.

### IOWA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ATTENDANCE (1982-03)

Year	Home	Avg.	Away	Avg.	Home High	NCAA Rank
1982-83	3,800	380	4,955	450	1,363	---
1983-84	37,193	3,382	9,245	669	7,130	---
1984-85	52,360	4,363	20,709	1,294	22,157	---
1985-86	38,893	2,593	15,275	1,091	4,440	---
1986-87	46,658	3,110	26,525	1,658	10,159	---
1987-88	83,868	5,990	29,518	1,736	15,365	---
1988-89	62,001	4,429	27,056	1,503	10,461	---
1989-90	58,783	4,522	56,608	3,774	13,498	3rd
1990-91	56,098	4,007	45,036	2,815	10,216	3rd
1991-92	62,012	4,429	37,307	2,487	8,693	5th
1992-93	76,092	5,073	47,530	2,971	12,343	5th
1993-94	83,945	6,457	42,039	2,803	9,084	6th
1994-95	67,617	6,147	47,455	2,791	8,137	7th
1995-96	73,713	5,265	37,797	2,812	9,793	10th
1996-97	59,349	5,395	73,586	3,873	9,133	10th
1997-98	69,679	5,806	65,602	5,563	7,469	9th
1998-99	52,097	4,007	52,403	4,367	5,169	22nd
1999-00	41,776	3,214	51,848	3,654	6,256	29th
2000-01	70,190	5,014	48,211	3,709	11,036	14th
2001-02	57,940	4,457	66,181	5,515	6,172	18th
2002-03	65,629	3,861	57,020	5,184	9,445	24th
2003-04	53,744	4,134	76,538	4,956	8,262	24th
2004-05	59,547	3,970	66,152	3,855	5,753	26th
2005-06	54,881	3,920	60,895	4,298	7,005	25th

### ATTENDANCE RECORDS

	Attendance	Average	Year
SINGLE SEASON	125,984	4,499	1993-94
BIG TEN SEASON	95,064	5,281	1993-94
	Attendance	Opponent	Date
SINGLE GAME	22,157	Ohio State	2-3-85



Iowa has ranked in the top 25 in attendance  
14 of the last 16 years.



Iowa packed 22,157 fans into its game against Ohio State  
in 1985, which is a Big Ten record for attendance.



The Iowa locker room includes leather sofas, a big screen TV, satellite, computers and spacious lockers for the players.



The Hawkeye locker room has a trophy case that showcases Iowa's eight Big Ten Championships, two Big Ten Tournament Championships, one Final Four appearance and numerous holiday tournament trophies.



Iowa student-athletes have spacious lockers for their personal and game use.

"I love the leather couches in the locker room the most. It is fun to come in after class and take a little nap until practice. They are also very comfy for long film sessions, but be careful not to step on the Tigerhawk on your way there!"

**Junior**

**Krista VandeVenter**

"The thing I like most about our locker room is how we can come in there to relax, do homework, or even watch a little bit of TV. It's a comfortable place where we can just chill."

**Junior**

**Jeneé Graham**

The Iowa women's basketball locker room has been completely remodeled over the past couple years. Highlighting the changes is improvement to the player lounge. Players now enjoy the comfort of leather sofas, a big screen TV and computers with high-speed Internet access. The lounge also features plush carpeting and a high-quality sound system, helping make the Iowa locker room the envy of most women's collegiate basketball programs. The changes provide the Iowa players with an opportunity to relax before and after practices and games.

Iowa's locker area was also remodeled with large wooden lockers for each player's personal and game use. Additionally, Iowa's shower area was expanded to provide additional room.

# Academic Student Services

Since its inception in 1979, Athletics Student Services has evolved from a two-person, academic support service to a broad-based, nationally prominent student support services operation. Its purpose is to assist student athletes to become tomorrow's leaders by offering academic and personal support services to assist them in making timely and satisfactory progress toward their degrees.

Athletic Student Services focuses on four important areas — academic counseling and monitoring, educational and support programs, retention programs and compliance services — when working with student-athletes. Following are descriptions of some of the programs, services and opportunities available to student-athletes in those areas.

## **Athletics Learning Center**

The \$4.6 million Russell A. and Ann Gerdin Athletics Learning Center opened in September of 2003 and gives all Iowa student-athletes a state of the art facility to help them with their educations.

The Athletics Learning Center is a multi-level, 20,000 square foot facility that provides a computer center, study areas, classes and meeting places for all Hawkeye student-athletes.

The Learning Center features an auditorium that converts into two classrooms, separate study rooms for under and upper-class student-athletes that feature 28 study carrels, a computer lab, five tutorial rooms, the book loan repository, office space for Iowa's Student Services staff and a display area to recognize the academic accomplishments of Iowa's student-athletes.

## **Academic Counseling and Monitoring**

Athletics coordinators work closely with student-athletes and their university-assigned advisors from the time they arrive on campus until the time they leave the University. Along with focusing on academic planning matters such as goal-setting, plans of study, choosing majors and degree requirements, athletics coordinators also help student-athletes understand NCAA, Big Ten and University academic policies. They also solicit feedback from instructors on academic progress made by student-athletes.

## **Tutoring**

Tutoring is available free of charge to all student-athletes. Tutors, who are post-graduates and teachers, help with course content as well as study strategies and are available in virtually all general education program subjects.



## **Retention**

A full-time staff member directs the retention program, which identifies student-athletes who may need tailored academic assistance and structure, and implements individualized learning plans to help them succeed. Such plans may include daily and weekly planning sessions with athletics coordinators and retention staff, tutoring, study groups, mainstreaming into on-campus services like the writing center, math labs and services for students with learning disabilities.

## **Transition Seminar**

All new student-athletes attend an eight-week transition seminar during the fall semester that is geared toward helping them make the transition from high school to college successfully. Seminar topics include time management skills, learning and study strategies, the culture and rules of the university, and life skills concerning alcohol and other substances, relationships and intimacy, diversity, tolerance, values and character.

## **CHAMPS! Life Skills**

Life skills programs are conducted throughout the year with and for student athletes on quality of life issues critical to personal growth, such as personal accountability, responsible use and nonuse of alcohol, diversity and gambling.

## **Career Guidance and Development**

Planning a meaningful career and a fulfilling life is an ongoing process of expanding and narrowing choices, beginning when student-athletes arrive on campus and continuing throughout their college career and lifetime. The professional staff works with other career development professionals on campus to offer individual consultation, career development seminars, workshops, referrals to other campus offices and special events like the Senior Recognition Banquet for graduating student-athletes.

## **Minority Enrichment Program**

This program offers a culturally supportive environment in which minority student-athletes have the opportunity to develop friendships and a support network in the university. A core focus group of students and staff coordinate programs such as guest speakers, holiday celebrations, community service activities with the local neighborhood centers, events with Cultural Centers and networking with minority faculty, staff, professional and business leaders.

## **Compare the Numbers**

Iowa's student-athletes have outperformed the University's entire student population each year since the NCAA started requiring a report of student-athlete graduation rates.



(l-r): Morgan Kasperek, Jeneé Graham, Tiffany Reedy and Krista VandeVenter were Iowa's honorees to the 2006 Academic All-Big Ten team.

"I think that the success that we've had in the classroom shows Iowa's commitment to the student-athlete. With Lindsey Meder being one of the top-five academic players in America two straight years (2001-02) and having 15 student-athletes on the Academic All-Big Ten team the last three seasons combined speaks volumes about our commitment to academics. Our players have proven that they can do both at a school like Iowa. They can achieve success both academically and athletically."

**Lisa Bluder**  
Iowa Head Coach

"I guess that one of the things that has always stuck with me because of the people I have met, taught and worked with would be, 'when you honestly care about your students, they will sense and respond to it. This could be your greatest legacy.' The reason that this is an important quote is that no matter where I have been, or what I have done, I know that by doing what is right and putting my heart into teaching, no matter the arena, has led to doing something good for someone else."

**Melissa Dawson**  
Assistant Director, Athletics Student Services

*The University of Iowa women's basketball team not only has a rich tradition of success on the court, but in the classroom as well. The University of Iowa and its staff are committed to the student-athlete and prepares its athletes for life after college.*

*Lindsey Meder (1998-2002), who was a pre-medicine major, was selected to the Verizon Academic All-America First Team both her junior and senior years. She was the only junior selected to the five-member team.*

*Morgan Kasperek, Jeneé Graham, Tiffany Reedy and Krista VandeVenter were named to the Academic All-Big Ten Team last season. Three years ago, Iowa had a school record eight student-athletes named to the Academic All-Big Ten team -- the most of any other women's basketball team in the league. Twenty-seven different Hawkeyes have been named to the Academic All-Big Ten Team since 1985.*

*In addition, Jennie Lillis (2000-04) was one of only two recipients of the 2004 WBCA Scholarship Award.*



Jennie Lillis is congratulated by Robin Roberts after being one of only two recipients of the 2004 WBCA Scholarship Award.

## Iowa Academic All-Big Ten

**1985-86**  
Lisa Becker

**1986-87**  
Lisa Becker

**1987-88**  
Jody Ratigan  
Jolynn Schneider

**1988-89**  
Felecia Hall  
Jody Ratigan

**1989-90**  
Becky Shrigley  
Trisha Waugh  
Jody Ratigan

**1990-91**  
Trisha Waugh

**1991-92**  
Becky Shrigley

**1993-94**  
Karen Clayton

**1994-95**  
Karen Clayton  
Susan Koering

**1995-96**  
Karen Clayton  
Tiffany Gooden  
Susan Koering  
Shannon Perry

**1996-97**  
Tiffany Gooden  
Amy Herrig  
Susan Koering  
Shannon Perry

**1997-98**  
Tiffany Gooden  
Amy Herrig  
Shannon Perry

**1998-99**  
Cara Consuegra  
Amy Herrig  
Randi Peterson

**1999-00**  
Cara Consuegra  
Lindsey Meder  
Randi Peterson  
Laura Podolak

**2000-01**  
Cara Consuegra  
Leah Magner  
Lindsey Meder  
Randi Peterson

**2001-02**  
Kristi Faulkner  
Jennie Lillis  
Leah Magner  
Becca McCann  
Lindsey Meder

**2002-03**  
Jenna Armstrong  
April Calhoun  
Jamie Cavey  
Kristi Faulkner  
Jennie Lillis  
Becca McCann

**2003-04**  
Jenna Armstrong  
Jamie Cavey  
Kristi Faulkner  
Morgan Kasperek  
Jennie Lillis  
Becca McCann  
Tiffany Reedy  
Lindsay Richards

**2004-05**  
Jamie Cavey  
Morgan Kasperek  
Tiffany Reedy

**2005-06**  
Jeneé Graham  
Morgan Kasperek  
Tiffany Reedy  
Krista VandeVenter

# Strength and Conditioning



Wendy Ausdemore receives a Power Clean to teach absorption of rapid loading forces. The Power Clean also teaches explosive strength.



Nicole VanderPol completes a Glute Ham Raise with additional resistance above head to increase strength in the low back, glutes and hamstrings.



Kristi Smith performs repeat vertical jumps on a jump mat which gives feedback for ground contact time and jump height.

"Strength and conditioning's mission is to enhance athletic performance while reducing the risk of injury. This is accomplished by progression of multi-joint exercises through four phases of training: **work capacity** (medicine ball circuits, trunk stabilization, combination lifts and repeat sprints at 70%), **strength** (squats and presses), **power** (explosive lifts like power clean, snatch and jerk) and **speed** (high intensity jumps and short sprints). Each phase builds a foundation for the next level.

"Basketball is a game of high and rapid forces. The connective tissues of the body resist stretch depending on the rate of force loading. Explosive lifts expose the athlete to high force outputs and rapid loading while preparing the athlete for speed. The multi-joint movements improve muscle coordination, stabilizing muscle groups, body control and timing. These qualities facilitate success in basketball."

**Bill Maxwell**  
**Strength and Conditioning Coach**



Krista Vandeventer prepares for a Power Clean from the low block to improve acceleration.



Iowa's strength and conditioning facility in Carver-Hawkeye Arena is located just steps from the arena floor and the Hawkeye locker room.

## Mission Statement

The Big Ten Conference is an association of 11 world-class universities whose member institutions share a common mission of research, graduate, professional and undergraduate teaching and public service. Intercollegiate athletics has an important place within the mission.

Founded in 1896, the Big Ten has sustained a comprehensive set of shared practices and policies that enforce the priority of academics in student-athletes' lives and emphasize the values of integrity, fairness and competitiveness. Big Ten universities provide approximately \$90 million in athletic scholarship aid to more than 8,400 men and women student-athletes who compete for 25 championships, 12 for men and 13 for women. In 2005-06, the Big Ten distributed over \$117 million in revenues to its 11 member institutions. Conference institutions sponsor broad-based athletic programs with more than 270 teams.

## Big Ten Universities...

- are members of the nation's only conference whose constituency is entirely comprised of institutions that are members of the AAU, a prestigious association of major academic and research institutions in the United States and Canada.

- have student-athletes that graduated at 70 percent compared to 62 percent for all Division I student-athletes. As a conference, student-athletes tend to graduate at rates consistent with the general student body (71 percent). In 2006, the NCAA also introduced a new calculation—the Graduation Success Rate (GSR)—that accounts for transfer student-athletes. The Big Ten's GSR was 81 percent compared to the Division I average of 76 percent.

- have more than four million living alumni and over 300,000 undergraduate students attend Big Ten universities.

- recognized 1,992 Academic All-Big Ten honorees during the 2005-06 academic year, the highest total in the last decade. Over the past five years, the Conference has annually acknowledged nearly 1,700 student-athletes as Academic All-Conference honorees.

- house on their campuses eight of the nation's 30 largest academic libraries. Conference libraries hold more than 66 million book volumes and institutions freely share their materials with other league members.

## The Big Ten Conference...

- has, since 1992, created in excess of 2,000 new opportunities for women student-athletes and established 28 new women's teams.

- has claimed at least four team national championships in seven of the last nine full seasons, including six national titles during 1999-2000 alone, the most for the conference in more than a decade. Big Ten national championships in 2005-06 included Northwestern women's lacrosse and three national crowns for Wisconsin in men's cross country and men's and women's ice hockey. The conference has also produced team national crowns in the sports of basketball, fencing, field hockey, football, golf, gymnastics, soccer, softball, synchronized swimming, tennis, volleyball and wrestling over those nine seasons.

- led all conferences with nine institutions appearing among the top 30 in the 2005 Excellence in Athletics Cup, which was established in 2004 by the Laboratory for the Study of Intercollegiate Athletics at Texas A&M to recognize all-around achievement in athletics. The athletic departments for all NCAA Division I schools were evaluated based upon on-field success, graduation rate indicators, gender equity indicators and efficiency in using financial resources. While conferences were not ranked in the second annual study, the Big Ten was rated as the best among the six major conferences in the initial Excellence in Athletics Cup. The conference ranked among the top two in four categories including first in overall graduation rates and achieving gender equity and second in African-American student-athlete graduation rates and NCAA postseason competition.

- showcased more than 300 events that are televised nationally, regionally and locally last year, representing over 600 hours of programming.

- are among the national attendance leaders in football, men's and women's basketball and women's volleyball. During the 2005-06 season, more than 8.2 million fans attended Big Ten home contests in those sports.

The Big Ten sponsors championships or tournaments in the following sports:

### Men's Sports

Baseball  
Basketball  
Cross Country  
Football  
Golf  
Gymnastics  
Soccer  
Swimming & Diving  
Tennis  
Indoor Track & Field  
Outdoor Track & Field  
Wrestling

### Women's Sports

Basketball  
Cross Country  
Field Hockey  
Golf  
Gymnastics  
Rowing  
Soccer  
Softball  
Swimming & Diving  
Tennis  
Indoor Track & Field  
Outdoor Track & Field  
Volleyball



## Big Ten Conference Recent National Team Titles

### 2005-06

Men's Cross Country (Wisconsin)  
Men's Ice Hockey (Wisconsin)  
Women's Ice Hockey (Wisconsin)  
Women's Lacrosse (Northwestern)

### 2004-05

Men's Soccer (Indiana)  
Women's Ice Hockey (Minnesota)  
Women's Lacrosse (Northwestern)  
Softball (Michigan)

### 2003-04

Men's Gymnastics (Penn State)  
Men's Soccer (Indiana)  
Fencing (Ohio State)  
Women's Ice Hockey (Minnesota)  
Synchronized Swimming (Ohio State)

### 2002-03

Football (Ohio State)  
Men's Tennis (Illinois)  
Men's Ice Hockey (Minnesota)

### 2001-02

Field Hockey (Michigan)  
Wrestling (Minnesota)  
Men's Ice Hockey (Minnesota)  
Fencing (Penn State)  
Men's Golf (Minnesota)

### 2000-01

Men's Gymnastics (Ohio State)  
Wrestling (Minnesota)

### 1999-00

Men's Soccer (Indiana)  
Women's Volleyball (Penn State)  
Wrestling (Iowa)  
Men's Basketball (Michigan State)  
Fencing (Penn State)  
Men's Gymnastics (Penn State)

### 1998-99

Women's Basketball (Purdue)  
Fencing (Penn State)  
Men's Gymnastics (Michigan)  
Men's Soccer (Indiana)  
Wrestling (Iowa)

### 1997-98

Football (Michigan)  
Ice Hockey (Michigan)  
Fencing (Penn State)  
Wrestling (Iowa)

### 1996-97

Fencing (Penn State)  
Wrestling (Iowa)

### 1995-96

Fencing (Penn State)  
Men's Gymnastics (Ohio State)  
Ice Hockey (Michigan)  
Wrestling (Iowa)

### 1994-95

Fencing (Penn State)  
Men's Soccer (Wisconsin)  
M. Swimming & Diving (Michigan)  
Wrestling (Iowa)

### 1993-94

Men's Volleyball (Penn State)

### 1992-93

Men's Cross Country (Wisconsin)

### 1991-92

Wrestling (Iowa)

### 1990-91

Fencing (Penn State)  
Wrestling (Iowa)



The Iowa Hawkeye bench begins to celebrate as the final seconds tick away in its 75-70 Big Ten Tournament victory over Purdue in 2001.

The University of Iowa Hawkeyes play in one of the premiere conferences in the nation: the Big Ten. The 11-member institutions that compete in this highly competitive league consistently battle for national titles on an annual basis.

Women's basketball in the Big Ten is one of its most popular sports amongst its fans. Teams play a 16-game conference schedule, followed by one of the most watched and attended conference tournaments in the country.

The popularity of women's basketball continues to rise. For the past five seasons, the Big Ten Conference ranked No. 2 nationally in attendance, with six school's ranked in the top 25.

Two Big Ten Conference schools reached the NCAA Final Four in each of the past two seasons. In 2004, Minnesota advanced to the Final Four before falling to eventual national champion Connecticut in the semifinals. In 2005, Michigan State became the third league school to reach the championship game. Baylor defeated the Spartans for the national championship.

Iowa has won or shared the most regular season titles than any other Big Ten team with eight championship trophies (1986-'87, '87-'88, '88-'89, '89-'90, '91-'92, '92-'93, '95-'96 and '97-'98). The Hawkeyes have also won the Big Ten Tournament twice (1997 and 2001).

Six years ago, the University of Iowa and its basketball fans were treated to an unprecedented accomplishment. Both the men's and women's team's won its respective tournament. It marked the first time the same school won both the men's and women's conference tournament the same year. No other Big Ten school has accomplished that feat.

"It was an indescribable feeling when we won the Big Ten Tournament," said Head Coach Lisa Bluder. "To share that with the team and the fans, but then to watch our players genuinely get just as excited when our men won speaks volumes about the comradely between the two programs and the love for Iowa that is shared by everybody."

"The Big Ten is a very intense conference that has many great athletes. Playing against these teams weekly is extremely fun and challenging."

**Junior**

**Jeneé Graham**

"The Big Ten is one of the best, if not the best, conference in the US. The competition in the Big Ten is very competitive, which I love! Being able to play against and with the best players in the country is truly a dream come true! Being a Big Ten student-athlete is also an honor, we are given so many great opportunities, whether it's academically or basketball wise."

**Sophomore**

**Nicole VanderPol**

"Big Ten competition is very intense, and every time you step on the floor you have to be ready to take some bows. Being a Big Ten student-athlete is demanding, but well worth it because of the experiences and things you learn along the way."

**Sophomore**

**Wendy Ausdemore**

"You never get a night off in the Big Ten. Every team is tough and comes to play hard every night. Being a Big Ten student-athlete is a lot of hard work, but it is also a lot of fun. You have to balance your time between school, basketball, and the rest of your life, but it is worth it in the end."

**Junior**

**Krista VandeVenter**



The Iowa Hawkeyes celebrate after capturing its second conference tournament title after dethroning three-time defending champion Purdue in 2001.

The Big Ten Conference has held a league tournament every year since 1995, with every tournament but one being held in Indianapolis.

Fans have embraced the Big Ten Women's Tournament. A record-setting total attendance of nearly 39,000 watched in 2006 as Ohio State captured its first title marked by close games and stellar individual performances.

Conseco Fieldhouse has played host to the conference tournament the last five consecutive years and six overall. In fact, the Conference announced last summer that it has signed a five-year extension to Indianapolis and the Conseco Fieldhouse to serve as host of the men's and women's tournaments until the year 2012.

Purdue (5) has captured the most tournament titles, followed by Iowa (2) and Penn State (2). The Boilermakers boast the best winning percentage (.759) in the tournament, while the Hawkeyes rank fourth (.545).

Iowa currently holds tournament records for average points per game (80.7), field goals in a single game (37), free throw percentage in a single game (1.000, 13-13) and fewest turnovers per game (5).



Iowa played Michigan State in the 2004 and 2006 Big Ten Tournament Quarterfinals in the Conseco Fieldhouse. The Big Ten and Conseco Fieldhouse set an attendance record in 2006, with 38,638 fans watching exciting tournament action.

## ALL-TIME TOURNAMENT RESULTS

	W	L	Pct.	1st	2nd	Years Winner
Purdue	22	7	.759	5	3	'98-99-00-03-04
Penn State	19	10	.655	2	4	'95-96
Ohio State	18	11	.621	1	2	'06
<b>IOWA</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>.545</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>'97-01</b>
Michigan State	11	11	.500	0	0	'05
Indiana	11	11	.500	1	0	'02
Illinois	9	12	.429	0	2	
Michigan	7	11	.389	0	0	
Wisconsin	5	12	.294	0	0	
Minnesota	4	12	.250	0	0	
Northwestern	3	12	.200	0	0	

## YEAR-BY-YEAR ATTENDANCE

Year	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Session 5	Total	Avg. per Session
1995	3,782	4,293	5,006	4,240	4,590	22,001	4,400
1996	3,517	4,038	3,688	4,840	6,783	22,866	4,573
1997	4,548	5,755	4,285	4,725	5,490	24,803	4,960
1998	4,280	6,363	4,796	4,505	5,930	25,874	5,175
1999	4,961	<b>7,317</b>	4,948	6,123	6,459	29,808	5,962
2000	5,053	4,753	5,664	6,672	5,256	27,398	5,480
2001	5,340	2,796	5,566	7,948	5,369	27,019	5,403
2002	<b>5,630</b>	6,324	5,614	<b>9,358</b>	9,221	35,846	7,169
2003	4,854	5,318	5,743	6,898	7,847	30,658	6,132
2004	5,521	6,768	<b>7,405</b>	8,524	<b>#9,417</b>	37,635	7,527
2005	4,966	6,940	5,701	5,847	6,757	30,311	6,042
2006	6,015	7,493	7,681	8,780	8,669	*38,638	*7,728
Total	4,872	5,680	5,508	6,538	6,816	352,757	29,396 (year) 5,879 (session)

Site of Tournament: Indianapolis, IN from 1995-2000, 02-05, Grand Rapids, MI in 2001

\* Total and average attendance record

#single session attendance record

Figures in bold indicate session records



Members of the Iowa Hawkeyes watched former teammate Crystal Smith, who plays for the Phoenix Mercury, play in Chicago last summer.



Kristi Smith and Wendy Ausdemore.



Nicole VanderPol, Jenée Gram and Lindsey Nyenhuis.



Megan Skouby, Nicole VanderPol, Krista VandeVenter and Stacy Schlapkohl at the team's annual banquet.



The 2005-06 Iowa Hawkeyes.



Megan Skouby dons a Viking helmet during her tour with the Big Ten All-Star Team last July in Denmark.



Nicole VanderPol, Wendy Ausdemore, Kristi Smith and Lindsey Nyenhuis.



Nicole VanderPol and Lindsey Nyenhuis.



Iowa's stellar 2005-06 freshmen class: Lindsey Nyenhuis, Wendy Ausdemore, Nicole VanderPol and Megan Skouby.



The Hawkeyes eat dinner at a restaurant in Denver, the site of Iowa's NCAA Tournament game.



Wendy Ausdemore, Stacy Schlapkohl, Kristi Smith and Nicole VanderPol prior to an Iowa football game.



Abby Emmert, Jenée Graham, Krista VandeVenter and Stacy Schlapkohl.



The Roy G. Karro Athletics Hall of Fame and Visitors Center sits on the western edge of campus adjacent to the Iowa Soccer Complex/Grant Field and Finkbine Golf Course.



**Women's Basketball Display**

Since it opened its doors in September, 2002, the Roy G. Karro Athletics Hall of Fame and Visitors Center has served as a stop for Hawkeye fans on their way to Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Fans can browse through the history of not only Hawkeye basketball, but every competitive sport that the University of Iowa has to offer.

Exhibits of all 22 sports adorn the Hall of Fame walls. Fans can see everything from the men's and women's 2001 Big Ten Tournament trophies to a scorecard from the lowest round shot by a Hawkeye golfer. Fans of Hawkeye athletics can view old baseball uniforms and every national championship trophy won by the Iowa wrestling program.

Fans can get hands on experience in the interactive room by shooting baskets on the old Fieldhouse floor and kicking field goals while a crowd cheers in the background. The Hall of Fame also has computer screens throughout the building, showing historic moments in Iowa athletic history. There is also a theatre where fans can watch highlights from any one of Iowa's sports. Databases are available so friends and relatives of former athletes can relive their history as a Hawkeye.

The Hall of Fame is not just an attraction for fans. Meeting spaces are available and are used for business meetings and team activities.

"Teams use this building for luncheons and recruiting purposes," said Hall of Fame Director Dale Arens. "When potential athletes walk through, they realize the level of commitment that this university has to its athletic program. Not too many universities have a facility like this."

Athletics have always been a big part of the University of Iowa. The newly constructed Hall of Fame allows fans to view the history of the Hawkeyes and will let fans in the future revisit the success that is Iowa Hawkeye athletics.



**Interactive Room**

# ***UNIVERSITY OF IOWA***

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SOLVERSON**



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# The University of Iowa

## **An Exceptional Choice**

Since 1847, The University of Iowa has distinguished itself as a leader among public universities. Today its programs in health, business, engineering, education, law, the arts, communications, and the sciences are known worldwide for their excellence and innovation.

## **Outstanding Academic Opportunities**

Iowa offers degrees in 11 colleges: Business, Dentistry, Education, Engineering, Law, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Public Health, and the Graduate College. Undergraduates can choose from more than 100 areas of study.

## **A Fun Place to Call Home**

Iowa City is a classic university town where learning and creating truly matter. The city blends the vibrant University campus and the natural beauty of the Iowa River with nearby shopping, entertainment, and residential areas.

## **Commanding Resources**

The University operates one of the largest research library systems in the country. Iowa equips its classrooms and laboratories with the latest in computer technology. Students benefit from this technology-rich environment coupled with the high personal attention of University faculty and staff. Visit the University's web site at [www.uiowa.edu](http://www.uiowa.edu) to take a virtual campus tour or find out more about its programs of study.

## **More Than a Taste of the Arts**

Hancher Auditorium, the University's outstanding arts showplace, presents an amazing array of world-renowned performers, and students may purchase tickets to performances at reduced rates. Premier works of art are displayed not only at the Museum of Art but in most University buildings and plazas throughout campus. Students may participate in theater, music, and dance groups.



U.S. News & World Report ranked UI as the 21st best public university in the nation in 2004 and 2005.

## **Time and Space to Play**

Every year about 90 percent of Iowa's students make use of the University's recreational facilities. Each season offers a full schedule of intramural and club sports, ranging from rugby, tennis, and golf to volleyball, soccer, and swimming. Individual workouts are a part of many students' daily routines. Students also make use of campus walking and running trails, bikeways, ski trails, golf courses, and canoe and sailboat rentals to relax and enjoy leisure time.

## **What Distinguishes an Iowa Education?**

**Success.** Iowa's philosophy is that if students meet the entrance requirements, the University is going to do everything it can to help students to graduate. An Iowa degree spells success in the job market, giving students the skills to continue learning and growing throughout their careers.

**Excellence.** The faculty is stellar. Students are amazed not only at how much they know but at how enthused they are about sharing that knowledge and getting students excited about their subject.

## **Comfortable class sizes**

Here are average class sizes for some typical first-year courses:

Rhetoric .....	22 in class
Biology .....	600 in lecture
.....	24 in lab
Western Civilization .....	260 in lecture
.....	22 in discussion group
Calculus.....	25 in class
German .....	15 in class
First-year seminar.....	13 in class

## **Consider Iowa's Advantages:**

- ♦ According to the Fiske Guide to Colleges, the University of Iowa is a "Best Buy" for an outstanding, affordable education.

- ♦ Iowa celebrates diversity—the University attracts students from 100 countries and all 50 U.S. states.

- ♦ Iowa's students & faculty have an enthusiasm for learning and for having fun.

- ♦ Iowa is part of the Big Ten Conference, sharing academic and athletic traditions among a group of America's leading universities.

- ♦ Iowa's faculty members not only offer a full range of academic offerings for students, they actively engage in innovative research projects within their specialty areas.

- ♦ Students can easily travel a half day by car to a number of large American cities, including Chicago, Minneapolis/St. Paul, Kansas City, St. Louis and Omaha.

- ♦ Iowa City holds a cosmopolitan charm all its own as a gathering place for the world's writers, for world-renowned artists, and for noted visiting lecturers.

- ♦ The University's 400+ student organizations include fraternities, sororities, and many professional and cultural societies.

- ♦ The University's career and placement services match students with companies for internships and other professional experiences throughout their education.

- ♦ The University's graduates excel in their careers, often holding leadership positions within their professions and communities.

## THE COLLEGES

Freshmen who enroll at The University of Iowa are admitted to either the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences or the College of Engineering. The General Education Program allows students to sample courses in more than 100 areas of study. At Iowa, students are required to take electives, major courses, and general education course work.

### LIBERAL ARTS & SCIENCES

**Undergraduate Degrees Offered** - Bachelor of Arts (BA) and Science (BS) in 58 major fields; Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in Music (BM) and of Liberal Studies (BLS).

**Admission** - Freshmen and transfer students are to meet the college's admissions requirements.

### ENGINEERING

**Undergraduate Degrees Offered** - Bachelor of Science in Engineering (BSE) in six majors- biomedical, chemical, civil, electrical, industrial, and mechanical engineering.

**Admission** - Students must meet the college's high admissions requirements.

### BUSINESS

**Undergraduate Degrees Offered** - Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) in six majors: accounting, economics, finance, management, management information systems, and marketing.

**Admission** - Requires two years of pre-business study in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Details at [www.biz.uiowa.edu/upo/admissions/](http://www.biz.uiowa.edu/upo/admissions/).

### EDUCATION

**Teacher Education Programs** - Elementary Education, Art Education, English Education, Foreign Language Education, Mathematics Education, Music Education, Science Education, and Social Studies Education. Additional teaching minors in Coaching, ESL (English as a Second Language), Hearing Impaired, Journalism, and Talented and Gifted.

**Admission** - Review all admission requirements and program guides at [www.education.uiowa.edu/tess/](http://www.education.uiowa.edu/tess/)

### NURSING

**Undergraduate Degrees Offered** - Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)

**Admission** - Students complete one year of pre-requisite courses in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and apply for admission during the second semester of the first year. The College of Nursing has competitive admission. The BSN requires three years of study once the student earns admission.

### PHARMACY

**Professional Degree Offered** - Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)

**Admission** - Students must successfully complete required pre-pharmacy course work in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. These requirements may be met in two years but do not guarantee admission. Students must also complete the Pharmacy College Admission Test (PCAT).

## GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL DEGREES

Many student-athletes who have attended The University of Iowa and completed their undergraduate degrees continue their education at the University.

Student-athletes who attend graduate or professional school must first complete course work toward a bachelor's degree in their field of study. The University also offers undergraduates the opportunity to participate in research and overseas study programs, as well as internships that will help prepare them for graduate school.



The state-of-the-art Pappajohn Business Building.



The University Museum of Art houses 12,000 permanent works of art.

The University of Iowa Dental Science Program is one of the oldest in the nation.



The University of Iowa College of Law is one of the best and most respected law schools in the country.

## RESIDENCE

Each athletics team has its own rules regarding residence of incoming freshmen. Across the University, about 90 percent of freshmen choose to live on campus in one of the 10 residence halls. Most student-athletes live at least two years on campus.

The residence halls have full-service dining rooms, study lounges, laundry facilities, recreational facilities, vending, and bank machines. Each room has high-speed computer connections for e-mail and Internet access. Iowa also offers wireless networking in 52 buildings and several outdoor areas, providing more than 265 access points across campus.

## SAFETY

\* 11:55 p.m. - 2:10 a.m.: Free SafeRide buses take students home Fridays and Saturdays during the fall and spring semesters.

\* Special telephones with blue lights are stationed across campus with a direct link to the UI Department of Public Safety.

\* University of Iowa Police personnel educate students on safety during summer orientation.

\* The Rape Victim Advocacy Program cooperates with the UI Department of Public Safety and participates in Sexual Crime Awareness Week.

## LIBRARIES

The University of Iowa Libraries supports the academic achievement of all student-athletes with specialized courses, one-on-one consultations with librarians, 24/7 access to electronic resources through the web site ([www.lib.uiowa.edu](http://www.lib.uiowa.edu)), and extended hours, which can accommodate complicated practice and travel schedules. UI Librarians help students find answers, whether they're on a web site, in a book, journal, government document, or database. Librarians also plan and teach students how to find, evaluate, and use information from a variety of sources--skills they will use throughout their lives.

## COMPUTERS

There are 26 Instructional Technology Centers all over the campus which are filled with 1,200 computers. These facilities are open at least 50 hours a week. Some are open 24 hours. Also, the Information Arcade in the Main Library provides a variety of specialized computing tools.

The Computer Demo Center provides information for students who want to purchase computers and software.

## CAREER PLANNING

Finding and pursuing a career takes careful planning. The Pomerantz Career Center is extremely valuable for student-athletes and can help identify skills that transfer from athletics to the workplace. The program suggests a timeline each student-athlete may follow throughout his or her stay at Iowa. The components of the program include:

- \*Individualized career advising
- \*Career education programs
- \*Summer job/internship opportunities
- \*Resume and cover-letter development
- \*Portfolio development
- \*Preparing for life after college athletics

## SKILLS LABS

Many academic departments offer skills labs to help students improve skills necessary to succeed at Iowa, such as writing, speaking, math, science, and foreign language. Assistance with skills such as note-taking, time-management, and test-taking are available through resources such as the College Transition Seminar (a credit-bearing course offered through University College), University Counseling Services, and Athletic Student Services staff.



## HEALTH SERVICES

The University of Iowa provides the student-athlete with the most up-to-date and highest-quality medical care available. Students at Iowa can go to Student Health Service, which is open Monday through Friday. The service is supported by a fee paid by all full-time students. It offers students unlimited free office visits (there is a charge for other procedures done in the office, such as blood tests).

## CULTURAL CENTERS

Four cultural centers on campus provide a welcoming setting where students from various cultures can find cultural, academic, and personal support services: the Latino and Native American Cultural Center, the Afro American Cultural Center, the Asian Pacific American Cultural Center, and the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Resource and Education Center.

## CAMBUS

There are six primary bus routes throughout the Iowa campus. The University Cambus provides over three million free rides to class and to the dorms for students each year. Some routes run seven days a week, and some run until 2:30 a.m. Cambus also operates a specialized transportation service for persons with disabilities.



Iowa City is a diverse, highly cosmopolitan community of 60,000 set in the natural scenic beauty of Iowa's rolling hills and woods along the tree-lined banks of the Iowa River. Iowa City has all the art galleries, ethnic foods, historic architecture and vibrant atmosphere of a much larger city, but with the compactness and friendly feeling of a small town.

As a place to live, Iowa City keeps winning awards and accolades - Named one of the ten most enlightened towns in the country by *Utne Reader*, listed in the book *The 100 Best Small Art Towns in America* and selected the number-one place to live in the nation by *Editor & Publisher* magazine.

Economically, businesses such as Rockwell Collins, American College Testing and Procter & Gamble help keep the city booming. In Coralville, a branch office of Geico Auto Insurance has provided many residents with employment opportunities.

Culturally, Iowa City is alive with concerts, art exhibits, readings, plays and art events of all kinds. Located on the University of Iowa campus, Hancher Auditorium is a nationally-known performance center that brings in the best of Broadway, classical and jazz music, dance and other performances. The University of Iowa Theater Arts department also produces a full schedule of plays each year, featuring the work of student performers and directors. So whether you enjoy the arts as a spectator or as an outlet for your own creativity, Iowa City has the opportunities.

Residents of Iowa City are not only economically and culturally enriched, they also take advantage of the numerous recreational facilities offered around town. The area's more than 30 parks provide opportunities for year-round activities including boating, hiking, swimming, fishing and skiing.

The city's greatest charm, however, remains the sincere friendliness of its citizens, the cosmopolitan atmosphere and the successful partnership built between the community and the University.



Iowa City is located in eastern Iowa and is an easy trip to such cities as Des Moines (the capital of Iowa), Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, and Minneapolis. Also, Cedar Rapids, a city of more than 150,000, is just a short drive north of Iowa City. The Eastern Iowa Airport, which links residents to every major airport in the Midwest, nation and world, is only 20 minutes away.



The "Ped Mall" is a relaxed, no-cars-allowed outdoor plaza in the heart of downtown Iowa City which has cafes, boutiques, outdoor food vendors and street performers.



The Coral Ridge Mall is the largest shopping mall in Eastern Iowa.

## OLD CAPITOL

One of the most recognizable sites in Iowa City is the gold dome of the Old Capitol which is situated in the heart of downtown. Built in 1840, it is Iowa City's most historic building. The Old Capitol was the site of the first governor inauguration as well as the first six Iowa General Assemblies. It is also where the state's Constitution was drafted. When the capital was moved to Des Moines in 1857, the Old Capitol was dedicated to The University of Iowa, becoming the first building owned by the University.

## CORALVILLE LAKE

Just north of Iowa City is Coralville Lake, an outdoor recreational area that offers a variety of opportunities for the public. Coralville Lake offers picnic shelters, biking, hiking, fishing, boating, swimming, hunting, camping, snowmobiling, cross country skiing, golf and disc golf.

## PEDESTRIAN MALL

Located downtown and in walking distance of many of the University's dormitories is the Pedestrian Mall. It is a perfect place to sit outside and study or hang out with friends. During the fall, spring and summer months there are concerts and art festivals in the Pedestrian Mall.

## CORAL RIDGE MALL

The Coral Ridge Mall is a 1.2-million-square-foot shopping center located just minutes from the UI campus. The center combines a mix of over 120 specialty shops and strong department stores including Dillards, JC Penney, Sears, Target and Younkers. Coral Ridge also offers entertainment features such as an NHL-regulation-sized indoor ice arena, state-of-the-art 10-screen movie theatre and a large carousel along with a 1,000-seat food court with sit-down restaurants. Specialty stores include Abercrombie & Fitch, Barnes & Noble, Gap, Old Navy, Scheels All Sports and Pier 1 Imports.

### Information:

Iowa City/Coralville Convention & Visitors Bureau, 408 First Ave, Riverview Square, Coralville 52241; 319/337-6592 or 800/283-6592

# A Total Program

The University of Iowa Athletic Department, under the direction of Athletic Director Bob Bowlsby for the past 14 years, is regarded as one of the top intercollegiate programs in the nation. New Director of Athletics Gary Barta joined the Hawkeye staff in August, 2006.

The men's and women's departments, operating separately for over 25 years, merged in 2001 under Bowlsby's direction. It combined nationally recognized programs for both genders into one successful and progressive athletic unit.

Combining their successes on the playing fields with continued success and recognition in the classroom, UI student-athletes practice and perform in some of the best facilities in the nation, while knowing the support of their efforts and attendance by Hawkeye fans ranks among the best in the country.

While the Hawkeyes continue to compete with the best in the nation in a variety of sports, Iowa continues to boast some of the most impressive athletic facilities in the nation, operated by one of the most respected departments.

Several new projects are underway on the Iowa campus. Some of the latest additions to the UI campus are the Roy G. Karro Athletics Hall of Fame and Visitors Center and the Russell and Ann Gerdin Athletic Learning Center.

Kinnick Stadium received a major upgrading and renovation that was completed prior to the start of the 2006 football season. The \$88 million project includes the replacing of the south end zone stands and building a four-level press box that will house 47 guest



The 2005-06 Iowa Hawkeye men's basketball team won its second conference tournament title under Head Coach Steve Alford last March in Indianapolis.

suites, along with new scoreboards, video walls, concession stands and restrooms.

Additional priorities for the Iowa program include the establishment and development of endowments for all sports programs, the continued enhancement of graduation rates, and the implementation of a long-range plan to ensure Iowa's financial, academic and competitive future. As an example, all of Iowa's 13 scholarships for men's basketball are fully endowed.

The graduation rate of Iowa's student-

athletes has improved in each of the past 10 years and has consistently ranked above the graduation rate of all UI students. Hawkeye athletes have garnered more than 70 academic All-America honors since 1992. The 2005-06 school-year saw the University of Iowa produce 138 academic all-Big Ten athletes.

Iowa athletes have been recognized as all-Americans in their sport on 207 occasions during the past 15 years.

Iowa's athletic teams during the



Midfielder Heather Schnepf was a second-team all-American her junior year and was also named Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year in 2005.



Linebacker Chad Greenway was a second team all-America honoree in 2005 and was a first round draft pick of the Minnesota Vikings.



Nancilea Underwood re-wrote the Iowa record books and became the Hawkeyes' only five-time all-American after she placed fourth on three-meters at the 2006 NCAA Championships.



The Hawkeyes played in four consecutive January bowl games (2003-06), including returning to the Outback Bowl in 2006. Iowa is one of only four teams in the nation to play in four straight January bowls.

2005-06 athletic year continued its trend of success, on the playing fields and in academic pursuits.

The Hawkeye football team enjoyed another good year on the gridiron, going 7-5 and making it's fourth-consecutive January bowl game when it was selected to play the Florida Gators in the Outback Bowl.

Iowa followed its 11-2 mark of 2002 with a 10-3 record in 2003 and a 10-2 mark in 2004, finishing each of those seasons ranked eighth nationally.

Iowa's men's and women's basketball teams have advanced to post-season play in each of the last six seasons. The men's squad finished with a 25-9 record and won the Big Ten Tournament. They earned a No. 3 seed in the 2006 NCAA Tournament.

The women's team advanced to the NCAA Tournament for the 16th time, which is second-best among Big Ten teams.

The Iowa wrestling squad will be under new leadership this season as former Hawkeye three-time NCAA Champion and

Olympic Gold Medalist Tom Brands returns to his alma mater as head coach. He will be joined on his staff by the legendary Dan Gable, who led Iowa to 15 NCAA titles and 21 Big Ten Championships in his 21 seasons as head coach.

Iowa's men's and women's and gymnastics teams continue to rank among the nation's elite. The men's team again advanced to the NCAA Championships and the women's gymnastics squad has been in the NCAA meet two of the last four years.

The Hawkeye men's cross country team advanced to the NCAA Championships for the second-consecutive year in the fall of 2004, while sophomore Kineke Alexander won the NCAA Championship in the women's indoor 400-meters.

Iowa's softball team advanced to NCAA regional action for the 11th time in 13 seasons. Iowa has advanced to the softball World Series on four occasions over the past 12 seasons and Coach Gayle Blevins is one of three coaches to reach 1,000 career victories.

The women's tennis team enjoyed success in 2005-06 as it finished second in the Big Ten with a school-best 9-1 mark and also advanced to the NCAA Tournament for the second-straight year.

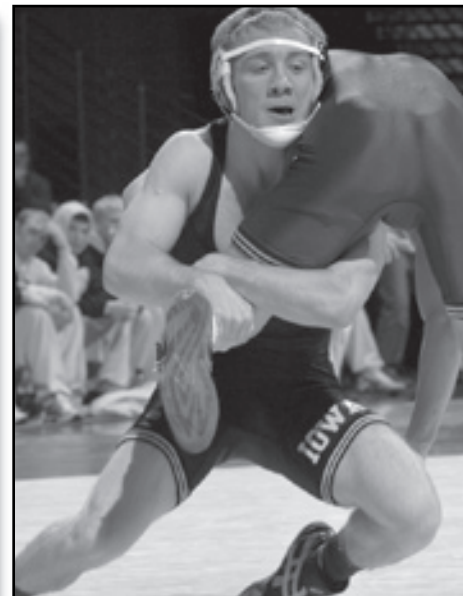
From the rankings on the courts and playing fields, to the rankings in the classroom, to the rankings in fan and community support, to the ranking as a program that boasts some of the best athletic facilities in the nation, it's easy to understand why Iowa fans everywhere truly believe, "It's great to be a Hawkeye."



Freshman pitcher Brittany Weil helped the Hawkeyes reach their 11th NCAA Regional in 13 seasons. Weil recorded seven shutouts and 270 strikeouts in her rookie campaign.



All-American Curtis Kleffman placed fourth on pommel horse at the NCAA Championships in 2006. Kleffman helped the Hawkeyes to a sixth-place finish at the NCAA Championships.



All-American Ty Eustice placed second at the 2006 NCAA Championships. As a team, Iowa finished fourth at the NCAA Championships.

## THE HAWKEYE NICKNAME

The University of Iowa borrowed its athletic nickname from the state of Iowa many years ago.

The name Hawkeye was originally the name of the hero in the fictional novel, *The Last of the Mohicans*, written by James Fenimore Cooper. Cooper had the Delaware Indians bestow the name on a white scout who lived with them.

In 1838, 12 years after the book was published, people in the territory of Iowa acquired the nickname, chiefly through the efforts of Judge David Rorer of Burlington and James Edwards of Fort Madison.

Edwards, editor of the *Fort Madison Patriot*, moved his paper to Burlington in 1843 and renamed it the *Burlington Hawkeye*. The two men continued their campaign to popularize the name, and territorial officials eventually gave it their formal approval.

## HERKY THE HAWKEYE

The Hawkeye nickname gained a tangible symbol in 1948 when a cartoon character, later to be named Herky the Hawkeye was hatched. The creator was Richard Spencer III, instructor of journalism at Iowa.

The impish Hawk was an immediate hit and acquired a name through a statewide contest staged by the athletic department. John Franklin, a Belle Plaine alumnus, was the man who suggested Herky.

Since his birth more than 45 years ago, Herky has symbolized Iowa athletics and epitomized University life. He even donned a military uniform during the Korean War and became the insignia of the 124th Fighter Squadron.

During the mid-1950s, Herky came to life at a football game as the Iowa mascot. Since that time, Herky has been a familiar figure at Iowa athletics events.



## SCHOOL FIGHT SONG

The Iowa Fight Song was written in 1950 by Mason City, Iowa, native Meredith Willson. Best known as the creator of Broadway's "The Music Man," Willson was awarded a 1963 University of Iowa Alumni Association Distinguished Service Award for "setting the spirit of Iowa to music." The lively cheer is sung hundreds of times during Iowa athletics events the year around.

*The word is  
Fight, Fight, Fight for IOWA  
Let every loyal Iowan sing;  
The word is  
Fight, Fight, Fight for IOWA  
Until the walls and rafters ring  
(Go Hawks!)  
Come on and  
cheer, cheer, cheer for IOWA  
Come on and cheer until you hear  
the final gun.  
The word is  
Fight, Fight, Fight for IOWA  
Until the game is won.*



## SCHOOL COLORS

For 40 years Iowa was without school colors, but in 1887 a group of 50 seniors met on the steps of the Old Capitol to decide what are now the school official colors. They chose Gold, the color of Iowa's vast corn fields and Black, the color of the rich soil.