

55 LUKA GARZA

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2020-21 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	Date	GS	MIN	Total		3-Pointers		Free throws		Rebounds			PF	A	T/O	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG		
				FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-3FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT								AVG	
N.C. Central	11/25/2020	*	23:30	11-14	.786	0-1	.000	4-4	1.000	7	3	10	10.0	1	1	1	3	2	26	26.0	
Southern U.	11/27/2020	*	29:03	14-15	.933	3-3	1.000	10-12	.833	1	8	9	9.5	4	0	2	3	0	41	33.5	
Western Ill.	12/03/2020	*	25:14	13-21	.619	2-4	.500	7-10	.700	3	7	10	9.7	2	1	2	2	1	35	34.0	
North Carolina	12/08/2020	*	34:39	6-20	.300	0-1	.000	4-8	.500	7	7	14	10.8	4	2	1	4	1	16	29.5	
Iowa St.	12/11/2020	*	16:35	13-14	.929	6-7	.857	2-4	.500	3	0	3	9.2	3	1	1	0	0	34	30.4	
Northern Ill.	12/13/2020	*	19:38	8-10	.800	2-3	.667	5-7	.714	2	6	8	9.0	0	2	0	1	0	23	29.2	
vs Gonzaga	12/19/2020	*	37:02	13-18	.722	0-2	.000	4-7	.571	1	9	10	9.1	3	2	1	3	0	30	29.3	
Purdue	12/22/2020	*	31:07	7-14	.500	4-8	.500	4-6	.667	2	7	9	9.1	3	1	0	2	0	22	28.4	
at Minnesota	12/25/2020	*	38:53	11-27	.407	1-5	.200	9-12	.750	11	6	17	10.0	2	1	2	1	2	32	28.8	
Northwestern	12/29/2020	*	34:05	6-14	.429	0-3	.000	6-6	1.000	2	4	6	9.6	1	1	1	1	0	18	27.7	
at Rutgers	01/02/2021	*	35:16	9-11	.818	1-2	.500	6-7	.857	2	2	4	9.1	1	1	2	2	0	25	27.5	
at Maryland	01/07/2021	*	28:46	9-14	.643	2-4	.500	4-4	1.000	3	4	7	8.9	3	4	4	0	0	24	27.2	
Minnesota	01/10/2021	*	34:17	13-20	.650	1-2	.500	6-8	.750	0	5	5	8.6	2	3	2	1	0	33	27.6	
at Northwestern	01/17/2021	*	24:27	7-12	.583	1-3	.333	2-2	1.000	0	10	10	8.7	1	2	2	2	0	17	26.9	
Indiana	01/21/2021	*	34:50	10-22	.455	1-4	.250	7-9	.778	6	6	12	8.9	2	3	4	2	1	28	26.9	
Totals			15	447:23	150-246	.610	24-52	.462	80-106	.755	50	84	134	8.9	32	25	25	27	7	404	26.9

ARE YOU SERIOUS?! *Dick Vitale voice*

- If he averages 12.8 points per game in the remaining Big Ten schedule, he will become Iowa's all-time leading scorer during the regular season
- One of only two players in the country (Notre Dame's Nate Laszewski) to shoot at least 60 percent on FGAs and 46 percent on 3FGAs, with at least 20 made 3-pointers; Garza has more than double the field goals made and attempted as Laszewski
- Became Iowa's all-time leading scorer in Big Ten games after 33-point effort against #16 Minnesota; 1,161 points in regular season Big Ten games surpasses Roy Marble's 1,113
- Shooting a career-best 46.2 percent (24-of-52) from behind the 3-point arc this season
- Scored 444 points against AP Top 25 teams, the most of any player since the start of the 2019-20 season
- Since last season, Garza has topped 20 points 14 times in 16 games against AP Top 25 opponents
- Recorded 18 straight Big Ten games with 20+ points (not active) – the longest streak over three decades
- One of three major conference players in the last 25 years to have two games with at least 30 points on 90 percent shooting
- Garza's 34 points in 17 minutes against Iowa State were the most scored by a Division I player who has played less than 20 minutes over the last 25 seasons
- One of only two players (Doug McDermott, 2011-12) to shoot 60 percent from the field and 60 percent from 3 in his team's first five games of the season
- Only Division I player in the last 25 years to score 100+ points on 75 percent shooting over a three-game span (the last NBA player to put up equivalent numbers was Shaquille O'Neal in January, 1996)
- Garza's 102 points in his first three games are the most by any Division I player over his first three games of a season since Davidson's Stephen Curry had 106 in 2008-09
- Recorded 19 straight games of 20+ points to tie T.J Warren (N.C. State, 2013-14v) for the longest streak by a major conference player over the last 20 seasons
- Netted 20 points or more in 10 consecutive road contests, the longest streak in the Big Ten in the last 25 years

STATISTICAL RANKINGS

- Leads the NCAA with a 43.73 Player Efficiency Rating (PER)
- Leads the country in points per game (26.9) and 30-point games (6); no other player in the country has more than four 30-point games
- Ranks third in the Big Ten and 21st in the country in field goal percentage (.610), while ranking first in the country in field goals made (150) and ninth in field goals attempted (246)
- Ranks third in the conference in offensive rebounds (3.3) and overall rebounding (8.9)
- Tied for second in the conference in double-doubles (7) and tied for eighth nationally
- Ranks seventh in the NCAA in free throw attempts (106) and 11th in free throws made (80)
- Ranks fourth in the conference in blocks per game (1.8)

ACCOLADES

- Headlines the Wooden Award Mid-Season Top 25 List
- Earned two Big Ten Player of the Week honors in first month of the 2020-21 season (Nov. 30; Dec. 14)
- Fourth Hawkeye in program history and first since 1968 to be named Player of the Year in the Big Ten
- First player in Iowa history to be named National Player of the Year (six national news outlets)
- Voted 2020 USBWA District VI Player of the Year and to its 10-player all-district team
- Winner of the 2020 Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Award Center of the Year and Pete Newell Big Man of the Year
- 2020 Big Ten Player of the Year; Iowa's first honoree for the top conference honor since 1968 (Sam Williams)
- Finalist for the 2020 Wooden Award; Naismith Trophy; Oscar Robertson Trophy; Lute Olson Award
- Named to 2020 Las Vegas Invitational All-Tournament Team

SEASON / CAREER STATS

POINTS

SEASON: 41 VS. SOUTHERN (11/27/20)
CAREER: 44 AT MICHIGAN (12/6/19)

REBOUNDS

SEASON: 17 AT MINNESOTA (12/25/20)
CAREER: 18, 2X, LAST VS. WISCONSIN (1/27/20)

ASSISTS

SEASON: 4 AT MARYLAND (1/7/21)
CAREER: 4, 2X, LAST AT MARYLAND (1/7/21)

BLOCKS

SEASON: 4 VS. NORTH CAROLINA (12/8/20)
CAREER: 5, 2X, LAST VS. CINCINNATI (12/21/19)

STEALS

SEASON: 2, 2X, LAST AT MINNESOTA (12/25/20)
CAREER: 4 VS. PURDUE (3/3/20)

MINUTES

SEASON: 39 AT MINNESOTA (12/25/20)
CAREER: 40 AT ILLINOIS (3/8/20)

FIELD GOALS MADE

SEASON: 14 VS. SOUTHERN (11/27/20)
CAREER: 17 AT MICHIGAN (12/6/19)

FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED

SEASON: 27 AT MINNESOTA (12/25/20)
CAREER: 32 AT MICHIGAN (12/6/19)

3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE

SEASON: 6 VS. IOWA STATE (12/11/20)
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3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED

SEASON: 8 VS. PURDUE (12/22/20)
CAREER: 9 VS. ILLINOIS (2/2/20)

FREE THROWS MADE

SEASON: 10 VS. SOUTHERN (11/27/20)
CAREER: 11 VS. MICHIGAN (1/17/20)

FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED

SEASON: 12, 2X, LAST AT MINNESOTA (12/25/20)
CAREER: 14 VS. PENN STATE (1/4/20)

CAREER STATS

YEAR	G/GS	FG-A	PCT	3-PT	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	REB	AVG	PF-FO	AST	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
Fresh.	33/26	146-262	.557	16-46	.348	92-135	.681	211	6.4	80-2	35	35	32	11	400	12.1
Soph.	32/30	156-294	.531	21-72	.292	86-107	.804	144	4.5	74-1	28	42	17	10	419	13.1
Junior	31/31	287-530	.542	39-109	.358	127-195	.651	305	9.8	78-1	36	57	55	26	740	23.9
Senior	15/15	150-246	.610	24-52	.462	80-106	.755	134	8.9	32-0	25	25	27	7	404	26.9
TOTALS	111/102	739-1,332	.555	100-279	.358	385-543	.709	794	7.2	264-3	124	159	131	54	1,963	17.7



MORE GARZA STATS AND FACTS

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STATISTICAL SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Recorded NCAA-leading sixth 30-point game of season in win over #16 Minnesota, no other Division I player has more than four such games in 2020-21
- Registered seventh double-double of the year, and second straight, versus Indiana (28 points, 12 rebounds)
- Posted sixth double-double (17 points & 10 rebounds) of the season and 26th of his career in convincing win over Northwestern; scored all 17 points in the first half, playing only 24 total minutes in the rout of the Wildcats
- In final collegiate game near his hometown of Washington, D.C., Garza scored 24 points (9-14 FG, 2-4 3FG, 4-4 FT), including eight straight in the first half, along with seven boards and four assists
- Scored game-high 25 points against #14 Rutgers to pass Aaron White for second on Iowa's all-time scoring list; scored 15 points in the second half without missing a shot (5-5 FG, 5-5 FT)
- Recorded 32 points and season-high 17 rebounds against Minnesota for his fifth double-double of the season and 25th of his career; also extended his streak of 20+ points against Big Ten opponents to 18 straight games -- the longest streak in over three decades
- Sank four triples and scored a game-high 22 points vs. Purdue to become Iowa's third all-time leading scorer
- Posted fourth 30-point game of the season against #1 Gonzaga, recording 30 points on 13-of-18 shooting
- Garza's 34 points against Iowa State are the most points scored by a Hawkeye in the Cy-Hawk Series
- Scored 21 straight points, spanning 5:15 in the second half of the Iowa State game, including four consecutive 3-pointers on four straight possessions
- Scored 30 or more points in the first half in back-to-back games (Southern, Western Illinois)
- Garza's 41 points against Southern (Nov. 27) are the most points scored by a Hawkeye in a single-game in Carver-Hawkeye Arena and his 36 first-half points (12-12 FG, 10-12 FT) are believed to be the most points scored by a Hawkeye in a half in program history
- Garza's efficient performance (14-15 FG; .933) against Southern was the best single-game field goal percentage by a Big Ten player since 1984 and became the only player in the last decade to score 40 points and shoot 90% with 41-point performance

HISTORICAL MILESTONES

- Has made 100 career 3-pointers
- Scored 1,161 career points in Big Ten regular season games, the most in program history
- Second (1,963) on Iowa's all-time career scoring list, trailing only Roy Marble (2,116)
- Eleven career 30-point games are second most in school history, trailing only John Johnson's 13
- His 27 career double-doubles tie Acie Earl and Ed Horton for fifth most in Hawkeye history
- Only Hawkeye in program history with 1,900+ points and 750+ rebounds
- Fourth Hawkeye in program history and first since Sam Williams in 1968 to win Big Ten MVP honors
- Iowa's single-season scoring record holder; the only Hawkeye to score over 700 points in a single season
- Only player in the country to amass 700+ points, 300+ rebounds, 50+ blocks and 35+ 3-pointers last season; the last three D-I players to do that in a season: Frank Kaminsky (2014-15); Michael Beasley (2007-08); Kevin Durant (2006-07)
- One of two players in Hawkeye history to score 40+ points in two career games (John Johnson, 49 and 46)
- His 740 points are the most points by a junior in Iowa single-season history, shattering B.J. Armstrong's previous benchmark of 592 points scored in 34 games during the 1988 season
- His 44 points at Michigan last season were the most in a single-game by an Iowa big man, third most in a single-game in program history, most scored by a Hawkeye in a single-game since guard John Johnson (49) in 1970, and most scored by a visiting player in Crisler Center history

MISCELLANEOUS STATS (2019-20)

- Averaged 26.7 points, 11.1 rebounds, and 1.7 blocks in 12 games against AP Top-25 teams
- Recorded 11 straight 20-point games against AP Top-25 teams -- the longest streak by any player in the country over the last 15 seasons
- Became fourth Big Ten player since 1993 to average 23 points or better (Shawn Respert, Carson Edwards, Glenn Robinson)
- His scoring average of 26.2 points per game in 20 Big Ten games is the highest by any player since Glenn Robinson in 1994 (31.1 ppg) and highest by a true center since Minnesota's Tom Kondla (28.3 ppg) in 1967
- No player averaged more than 26 points per game in Big Ten play since Purdue's Glenn Robinson in 1994 (31.1 ppg); Garza finished the 20-game schedule averaging 26.2 points per contest



PRODUCTION TRACKER

	Season	Career
Scored 10+ Points:	15	85
Scored 15+ Points:	15	70
Scored 20+ Points:	12	49
Had 5+ Assists:	0	0
Had 3+ Blocks:	4	16
Had 3+ Steals:	0	2
Made 3+ 3-Pointers:	3	6
Led Team in Scoring:	12	49
Led Team in Rebounding:	12	54
Led Team in Assists:	0	4
Led Team in Steals:	2	12
Led Team in Blocks:	10	47
Double-Double:	7	27

- AP Unanimous Preseason All-American
- Blue Ribbon First Team Preseason All-American
- CBS Sports First Team Preseason All-American
- USA Today First Team Preseason All-American
- Dick Vitale Preseason Player of the Year
- Big Ten Preseason Player of the Year
- Naimsmith Trophy Player of the Year Watch List
- Wooden Award Top 25 Mid-Season Watch List
- Unanimous All-Big Ten Preseason Team
- Kareem Abdul Jabbar Center of the Year Watch List
- Big Ten Player of the Week (Nov. 30; Dec. 14, 2020)

EFFICIENCY AT ITS FINEST

Notable Player Efficiency Ratings since 2009-10

	PER	Year
Luka Garza	43.73	2020-21
Zion Williamson	40.84	2018-19
Anthony Davis	35.13	2011-12
Frank Kaminsky	34.43	2014-15
Luka Garza	34.36	2019-20
Ethan Happ	31.47	2016-17
Cody Zeller	31.30	2011-12
A.J. Hamons	30.98	2015-16

HEAR FROM THE EXPERTS

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT LUKA GARZA

Seth Davis (1/17/21)

How do you solve a problem like Garzilla? Apparently you don't. He's the nation's leading scoring. He's 6'11", averaging almost 10 boards a game, and he's making 49 percent from 3. **That should be against the rules."**

Jay Bilas (1/7/20)

"I don't know who can take National Player of the Year away from (Luka Garza). I don't think anybody can. It's going to be Garza and everybody else for that award.

Dan Dakich (1/7/20)

"What he's done off the court to get ready to have those numbers is other-worldly. A lot of kids want to be great, but very kids prepare to be great. **Nobody works harder than Luka Garza for crying out loud. I mean nobody."**

Gonzaga Head Coach Mark Few (12/19/20)

"He's a handful. He's a wonderful player. He about fouled our whole team out."

Jim Jackson (12/13/20)

"The National Player of the Year conversation **starts with Luka Garza**. His game is so dynamic. He can beat you inside, outside can get to the free throw line, and he can finish."

Jess Settles (12/13/20)

"It's almost an impossible task trying to guard Luka Garza. It doesn't matter if there are three defenders trying to put a body on him. **He is stronger than everybody else. He works harder than everybody else. He is more skilled than anyone else in the game and that is rare to stay about a center."**

North Carolina Head Coach Roy Williams (12/7/20)

"(Luka Garza) is really good. **He's the real deal**. He has gotten better every year. Luka is expected to be one of the best players in the country, **if not the best."**

"**And you look at the numbers that he's put up and I think it boils down to one thing is he's got probably tons more sweat than a lot of the guys have, and that's something I really have always admired."**

Western Illinois Head Coach Rob Jeter (12/3/20)

"You can watch film on Luka all you want, until you have to guard him. I think **our guys have a different appreciation for him and how tough he is."**

Seth Greenberg (12/4/20)

"**Luka Garza is the hardest playing player in all of America**. The dude is relentless. He plays every single possession like it is his last of his career."

Stephen Bardo (12/23/20 & 12/26/20)

"**Luka Garza is the best player in the country**. He is so good and so efficient. He is one of the best players this conference has seen in quite a while."

