



St. Cloud State University HUSKY ATHLETICS

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Upcoming Meets:

March 11 - 14

NCAA Championships

Campus Recreation & Wellness Center Natatorium
Houston, Texas



SCSU Women - 8th in the Nation

SCSU Men - 14th in the Nation

2008-09 SCSU Schedule

Date	Meet	Time/Result
Oct 11	Alumni Meet	2:00 pm
Oct 17	at MSU Moorhead Northern Michigan (women only)	161-81, W 200-38, W
Oct 18	at MSU Moorhead Northern Michigan (women only)	202-97, W 237-61, W
Oct 24	at UW-Eau Claire UW-Stevens Point	Ind. scores
Oct 25	at UW-Eau Claire UW-Stevens Point	Ind. scores
Nov 1	Minnesota State	W) 165-97, W M) 163-137, W
Nov 14	at UW-Green Bay	W) 99.5-141.5, L M) 98-138, L
Nov 15	at UW-Green Bay	W) 93-145, L M) 104.5-135.5, L
Nov 15	St. John's/St. Ben's Inv.	W) 5th/7 M) 4th/5
Nov 21	at South Dakota	W) 148-95, W M) 132-111, W
Dec 5-6	TYR/College Swimming.com Classic	W) 1st/8 M) 2nd/7
Dec 5-6	Falcon Invitational (at University of Minnesota)	Ind. scores
Dec 31-Jan 12	Training Trip (San Juan, Puerto Rico)	TBA
Jan 16	St. John's / St. Ben's	W) 134-95, W M) 135-99, W
Jan 17	St. Olaf	W) 135.5-73.5, W M) 113-130, L
Jan 23	St. John's/St. Ben's Invite	ind. scores
Jan 24	Carleton Minilinvite	W) 2nd/3 M) 1st/3
Feb 6-7	at Minnesota Challenge	Ind. scores
Feb 18-21	Northern Sun Champ. (at Nebraska-Omaha)	W) 1st/6 M) 1st/3
Mar 11-14	NCAA DII Championships (at University of Houston)	W) 8th M) 14th

All home meets are at Halenbeck Hall Aquatic Center
unless otherwise noted.
Admission is FREE for all home meets.

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JIMERSON IS NATIONAL CHAMPION AGAIN!!!!: Senior diver Nate Jimerson claimed his third career National Title on Mar. 13, as well as his second straight on the one-meter board. Jimerson led wire-to-wire for the title, in his final career event. After prelims, he was in first place with a mark of 483.35, and in the finals eliminated all competition when he posted a 522.95 to finish as the only diver over 500 points, and over 30 ahead of his closest competitor.

THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: The Huskies sent a school record 20 athletes to the NCAA Championships in 2008-09, and had one of their best showings as a result. The SCSU women finished in the top-10 for just the second time in school history, placing eighth, and were 12 spots better than last year's 20th place finish. Their 158 total points are also the second best mark in school history, settling behind the 2000 team that finished fifth with 259 points. The Husky men had their best showing this decade, finishing in 14th with 102.5 points. The 14th place tally is tied with the 1999 team for the second best finish in school history, behind only the ninth place 1981 team. However, the 102.5 points is the highest total in team history, breaking the record of 98 set by last years 15th place team.

DII FESTIVAL: This year, the SCSU swimmers and divers were part of the first ever NCAA DII winter championship festival. Swimming and diving joined wrestling and track and field at the University of Houston for the week long championship event.

ALL-AMERICAN DIVERS: Along with his national title, Jimerson posted a runner-up finish on the three-meter board with a score of 495.05, earning two All-America honors while leading an impressive showing for the SCSU divers at the NCAA Championships. On the women's side Kelsey Berkeland added two more All-America accolades as she posted to runner-up finishes with a 446.05 on the three-meter and a 437.85 on the one-meter. Her one-meter score was less than three-points away from first place. Ross Eiden finished fifth on both the one (432.10) and the three-meter (431.60), earning two more All-America's as well. Cassi Mrozek and Allison Tracy placed 12th (341.55) and 13th (339.00) respectively on the three-meter, each earning Honorable Mention All-American for the first time.

ALL-AMERICAN SWIMMERS: Four Huskies earned Honorable Mention All-American in the pool, swimming in individual events at Nationals. The Headliner was Alisha Blaydes, whose ninth place finish in the 50 free (50.99), was just one spot away from being an All-American. Anthony Buhr in the 100 breast (56.46) and Cathy Haen in the 100 back (57.04) each finished in 12th place and Katie

Brueggemann was the final individual Honorable Mention All-American with her 16th place tally in the 100 breast (1:05.66).

ALL-AMERICAN RELAYS: The Huskies sent 10 total relay teams to the NCAA Championships, and all 10 came home as All-Americans. The women's 200 medley and 200 freestyle relays each finished in the top-eight to earn All-American status, while the rest of the relays finished in the top-16 and received Honorable Mention honors.

RECORDS BROKEN: The Huskies broke 10 men's and 11 women's records during the 2008-09 season, while also setting records in 10 brand new events. On the women's side records fell in the 50, 100, 200 and 1650 free, the 100 and 200 back, the 200 and 400 freestyle relays, the 200 and 400 medley relays, and 11 dive one-meter diving. For the men, new standards were set in the 50 and 100 free, 100 breast, all five relay's, five optional/one voluntary one-meter diving, and 11 dive one-meter diving. New events that saw records set by both the men and women were the 50 backstroke, breaststroke, and butterfly and six-optional one and three-meter diving.

NORTHERN SUN CHAMPS: The Husky women led wire-to-wire while the men closed the gap on the leader day-by-day. Either way, when it was all said and done the Huskies came home from the Northern Sun Championships with a pair of titles. The women racked up 1032 points to win by more than 100 points over second place Minnesota State who had 931. In third was host Nebraska-Omaha with 878 points, and fourth was South Dakota with 863. Finally in fifth and sixth were MSU Moorhead (808) and Northern State (234) respectively. The SCSU men tallied 734 points to squeak by Minnesota State who finished with 726. Rounding out the men's team scores was South Dakota in third place with 609.

INDIVIDUAL CHAMPS:

Alisha Blaydes: 100 free (51.51)
Kelsey Berkeland: 1-meter (400.85), 3-meter (452.80)
Anthony Buhr: 50 free (20.72), 100 breast (57.87)
Kyle Cordry: 100 free (45.65)
Cathy Haen: 100 back (57.17)
Nate Jimerson: 1-meter (499.70), 3-meter (489.65)
Kirsten Koetter: 50 free (23.57), 100 fly (56.87)
Women 400 Freestyle Relay
- Koetter, Lopez, Vieau, Blaydes (3:30.02)
Men 200 Freestyle Relay
- Cordry, Dickson, Rotramel, Buhr (1:23.94)
Men 400 Freestyle Relay
- Rotramel, Buhr, Cordry, Green (3:03.86)

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More Notes

DUAL MEET RECORD: In dual meets the women posted an 8-2 record losing only to Division I UW-Green Bay on Nov. 14 and 15. The SCSU men were 3-3 in dual meets this winter, with losses coming to the same Division I UW-Green Bay team as well as national power and 2009 DIII fourth place finisher St. Olaf. Wins during the season included the Huskies Nov. 1 sweep at home over rival Minnesota State, and their big road sweep over Division I South Dakota on Nov. 21.

FAREWELL SENIORS: The Huskies bid farewell to 13 seniors in 2008-09. The senior women include Kelsey Berkeland, Sarah Burnell, Becky Johnson, Elizabeth Lopez, Annie McNallan, Laura Seidenkranz, and Jordan Wolfrum, while the senior men are Anthony Buhr, Mitch Dickison, Ross Eiden, Nate Jimerson, Brad Nesheim, and Alex Olp.

MEN'S NATIONAL QUALIFIERS:

Anthony Buhr: 50 free / 100 breast / 200, 400 FR
Kyle Cordry: 50,100 free / 200, 400 FR
Mitch Dickison: 200 FR
Ross Eiden: 1, 3-meter
Kyle Green: 100 back / 200 IM / 400 FR
Nate Jimerson: 1, 3-meter
Robb Rotramel: 50, 100, 200 free / 200, 400 FR

WOMEN'S NATIONAL QUALIFIERS:

Amber Alexander: 100 breast / 200, 400 MR
Kelsey Berkeland: 1, 3-meter
Alisha Blaydes: 100, 200 free / 200, 400 FR / 200, 400 MR
Katie Brueggemann: 100, 200 breast / 200 IM
April Greene: 50, 100 free / 100 back / 200 FR
Cathy Haen: 50 free / 100, 200 back / 200, 400 MR
Kirsten Koetter: 50, 100 free / 100 fly / 200, 400 FR
Elizabeth Lopez: 100, 200 back / 400 FR
Cassi Mrozek: 1, 3-meter
Becky Newgren: 50 free / 200 FR / 200 MR
Alison Tracy: 1, 3-meter
Kelly Vieau: 50, 100 free / 200, 400 FR / 200 MR
Alison Weske: 100 fly / 400 MR

BLAYDES IS WINS LEADER: Alisha Blaydes won 25 events during the season, the edge out Anthony Buhr for the team lead. Buhr finished as the men's leader with 24 wins on the year.

INVITING SOME WINS: Along with the dual meet wins during the season, the Huskies posted impressive wins at invitational meets as well. In Dec. 6, the SCSU women won at the TYR/CollegeSwimming.com Classic at Carthage College for the fifth straight time. The SCSU men were second place to host Carthage at the meet. Later in the season, the SCSU men took home top honors when they won the Carleton Minilnvite on Jan. 24. The Husky women were second to host Carleton.

TEAM CAPTAINS: Serving as captains for the SCSU women this were seniors Kelsey Berkeland, Sarah Burnell, Becky Johnson, and Jordan Wolfrum. Captaining the men's team were seniors Mitchell Dickison, Brian Jacobs, and Nate Jimerson, and junior Jim Schlup.

Northern Sun Championship Award Winners

Jeff Hegle
Women's Head Coach of the Year
Co-Men's Head Coach of the Year

Tracy Torgerson
Diving Coach of the Year

Kelsey Berkeland
Female Diver of the Year

Nate Jimerson
Male Diver of the Year

Kirsten Koetter
Freshman of the Year

Women's Division II (Final)

Table with 2 columns: Rank, School, Score. Lists 33 schools including Drury University (618.5), Wayne State (453.5), UC San Diego (425.0), Truman State (333.0), West Chester (233.0), Ouachita Baptist (223.0), Clarion (210.5), St. Cloud State (158.0), Grand Valley State (153.5), Henderson State (146.0), Indianapolis (137.0), Tampa (109.0), Delta State (105.0), California (Pa.) (101.0), Minnesota State (97.0), Incarnate Word (96.0), Bridgeport (90.0), Southern Conn. State (47.0), Nebraska-Omaha (46.0), CW Post/LIU (37.0), Kutztown (31.0), Alaska (28.0), Gannon (25.0), MSU Moorhead (21.0), Limestone (20.0), Indiana (Pa.) (10.0), Northern Michigan (9.0), Shippensburg (8.0), Lock Haven (8.0), Le Moyne (7.0), Findlay (4.0), Wingate (3.0), Nebraska Kearney (1.0).

Men's Division II (Final)

Table with 2 columns: Rank, School, Score. Lists 31 schools including Drury University (543.0), Wayne State (504.5), Missouri S&T (320.5), Limestone (279.5), Ouachita Baptist (259.0), Wingate University (230.0), UC San Diego (221.5), Tampa (199.0), Grand Valley State (191.0), West Chester (172.0), Incarnate Word (159.0), Minnesota State (124.5), Clarion (112.5), St. Cloud State (102.5), Indianapolis (94.5), Delta State (88.0), Henderson State (71.0), Ashland (67.0), Southern Conn. State (62.0), Truman State (52.0), St. Rose (27.0), Lewis University (22.0), Le Moyne (16.0), Indiana (Pa.) (12.0), Catawba College (11.0), Rollins College (10.0), Bentley College (4.0), Adelphi (1.0).