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# St. Cloud State University HUSKY ATHLETICS

Athletic Media Relations - Wrestling Update

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

@ Dragon Open - 12/1

0-0-0 Overall, 0-0-0-NCC

## 2007 SCSU Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Nov. 10	Black/Red Classic	7 p.m.
Nov. 17	Cobber Open	No Team Scores
Dec. 1	Dragon Open	9 a.m.
Dec. 8	*Husky Open	9 a.m.
Dec. 15	Terry Haws Duals	9 a.m.
Jan. 4	Midwest Classic	10 a.m.
Jan. 5	Midwest Classic	10 a.m.
Jan. 10	Northern State	7 p.m.
Jan. 11	UW-Eau Claire	7 p.m.
Jan. 18	Augustana	7 p.m.
Jan. 25	St. Olaf	7 p.m.
Jan. 26	%Nebraska-Omaha	2 p.m.
Feb. 1	MSU Moorhead	7 p.m.
Feb. 2	SW Minnesota State	7 p.m.
Feb. 8	^Saint John's	7 p.m.
Feb. 10	#Upper Iowa	2 p.m.
Feb. 16	U-Mary	2 p.m.
Feb. 22	Minnesota State	7 p.m.
March 2	North Regions - Mankato	
March 14	NCAA Division II Championships	
March 15	NCAA Division II Championships Cedar Rapids, Iowa	

\*Parent's Day  
%Alumni Night  
^Prep Night  
#Senior Night

### 2007 SCSU Coaches

**Head Coach:** Steve Costanzo

**Graduate Assistant Coaches:**

Matt Lowers  
Severin Walsh

**Volunteer Assistant:** Jeremy Lang

**Student Assistant:** Tom Messerli

**Student Manager:** Brooke Winter

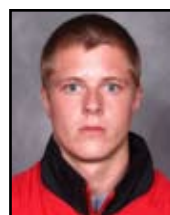


## 2007 SCSU WRESTLING TEAM NEWS

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**HUSKIES HAVE STRONG SHOWING AT COBBER OPEN:** The 2007-08 edition of Husky Wrestling got off to a great start at this past weekend's Cobber Open in Moorhead. Gabe Suarez (Las Vegas, Nev.) and John Sundgren (Coon Rapids) both took home championships, as Suarez won the 141 lbs. title and Sundgren cruised through the 157 lbs. bracket



to take his title. Sundgren gave up just three points on the day while recording one major decision victory and one fall. Suarez, like Sundgren, also recorded a major decision and a fall en route to a championship. Several other Huskies placed as Brad Padgett (Buckley, Wash.) took second at 184 lbs. and Tom Anderson (Belview) recorded a third place finish at 165 lbs. Rounding out the Husky Placers were Westy Hanson (125 lbs., Crookston), Nick Wasche (133 lbs., Cedar), Chad Kusbach (157 lbs., New Germany) and Nick Wilkes (197 lbs., Onamia)

### NORTH IOWA OPEN DROPPED; HUSKIES TO COMPETE AT

#### DRAGON OPEN:

SCSU recently made a change on its schedule as they added a trip to the Dragon Open in Moorhead on Dec. 1 to the slate. The squad was originally scheduled to travel to Cedar Falls, Iowa to duel at the North Iowa Open, but opted to stay closer to home by traveling to the MSU Moorhead-hosted event. First matches are scheduled for 9:00 a.m. that day.

### HEAD COACH STEVE COSTANZO

Steve Costanzo enters his second season as head wrestling coach at St. Cloud State. He is the 13th coach in the 58-year history of the program.

In Costanzo's first season, the Huskies finished with a 4-7 dual record, qualifying Nick Wilkes for the Division II National Championships. SCSU ranked 14th nationally with a 3.029 GPA as Tom Messerli, Tom Anderson, Adam Hill and Matt Jackson were named to the Division II All Academic Team

Prior to coming to the Granite City, Costanzo spent seven seasons at Dana College in Blair, Neb. where he led the 2006 squad to NAIA tourney and dual national championships. Costanzo's teams improved their dual record every year he was with the program, as he accumulated a 61-30-2 record. Costanzo's success earned him NWCA and NAIA Coach of the Year honors in 2006 along with Region Coach of the Year honors in 2005 and 2006. Costanzo's recruiting squads while at Dana College, recognized by Wrestling USA Magazine, finished 15th in 2001, 4th in 2004 and 1st in 2005 for non-NCAA Division I programs. Costanzo's 2006 SCSU class recorded the tenth spot in that same publication for non-NCAA Division I programs. This past summer, Costanzo's coaching staff was recognized by Intermat as having one of the top NCAA Division II recruiting classes for 2007.



Costanzo graduated from the University of Nebraska-Omaha in 1996 where he was a three-time All-American. He finished his career fifth on the all-time wins list at UNO after winning NCC Championships in 1994 and 1995. His decorated career earned him a place in the Nebraska Wrestling Hall of Fame, to which he was inducted in 2006.

Costanzo is currently pursuing his Masters Degree through Emporia State studying physical education. He and his wife Nancy have four children: Cassandra, Sam, Katie and Brock.

For the latest on SCSU Athletics, check out the Husky Homepage

[www.StCloudState.edu/athletics](http://www.StCloudState.edu/athletics)

**2007 SCSU ROSTER**

Name	Weight	Yr.	Hometown
Joe Andersen	149/157	FY	Bemidji
Tom Anderson	165	Jr.	Belview
Logan Atkins	285	FY	Magnolia, Ohio
Nolan Boucher	285	Jr.	Grand Rapids
Joe Casey	165	FY	Shakopee
Jordan Foy	133	FY	Ellsworth, Wis.
Westy Hanson	125/133	So.	Crookston
Adam Helgeson	141	FY	Sauk Centre
Adam Hill	184	Jr.	Sauk Rapids
Jake Horn	141	FY	Ephrata, Wash.
Matt Jackson	141	Jr.	Oakdale
Grant Johnson	149	So.	Cold Spring
Justin Jones	157	Jr.	Onamia
Chad Kusbach	149/157	RFr.	New Germany
Michael Markey	149	Jr.	Auburn, Wash.
Brandon McVey	133	FY	Mound
Tad Merritt	157/165	FY	Canby
Lucas Munkelwitz	174	FY	Forest Lake
Brad Padgett	184	Jr.	Buckley, Wash.
Andrew Peralta	285	FY	Thief River Falls
Jacob Roberts	149	So.	Jordan
Eric Rogness	184	RFr.	Buffalo
Robert Ross	197	RFr.	St. Peter
Ted Saatzer	184	Jr.	Mound
Jairo Sandoval	184	Sr.	Miami, Fla.
Chris Schiewe	285	Jr.	Chicago, Ill.
Jon Schiewe	141	FY	Chicago, Ill.
Ben Sheeley	157	FY	Plymouth
Sonny Silva	141	Jr.	Kimberly, Idaho
Derek Skala	174	RFr.	Owatonna
Matt Steffenson	165	Sr.	Onamia
Aaron Stolp	125	FY	Becker
Gabriel Suarez	133/141	RFr.	Las Vegas, Nev.
John Sundgren	157	RFr.	Coon Rapids
Jake Tabbert	141	FY	Inner Grove Heights
Mark Thoele	125	FY	Gaylord
Nick Wasche	133	Jr.	Cedar
Nick Wilkes	197	Sr.	Onamia
Josh Williams	133/141	Jr.	Banks, Ore.
Albert Yarmeto	149	FY	Brooklyn Park

**ROSTER BREAKDOWN**

By Class	#
Seniors	3
Juniors	12
Sophomores	3
Redshirt Fr.	6
First Year	16
Transfers	12
JUCO	8
4-Year	4
Newcomers:	23
Returners:	17

By Home State	
Minnesota:	29
Washington:	4
Illinois:	2
Florida:	1
Idaho:	1
Nevada:	1
Ohio:	1
Oregon:	1
Wisconsin:	1



**Cobber Open SCSU Results**

- 125 lbs.**
- 4. Westy Hanson
  
- 133 lbs.**
- 3. Nick Wasche
  
- 141 lbs.**
- 1. Gabe Suarez
  
- 157 lbs.**
- 1. John Sundgren
- 4. Chad Kusbach
  
- 165 lbs.**
- 3. Tom Anderson
  
- 184 lbs.**
- 2. Brad Padgett
  
- 197 lbs.**
- 5. Nick Wilkes

**Themat.com Division II Pre-Season Poll**

Rk.	Team	Pts.	'07
T1.	Central Oklahoma	155	1st
T1.	Nebraska-Kearney	155	2nd
3.	Minnesota State-Mankato	143	4th
4.	Adams State (Colo.)	134	5th
5.	Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.)	122	7th
6.	Upper Iowa	119	8th
7.	Nebraska-Omaha	112	3rd
8.	Western State (Colo.)	09	10th
9.	Wisconsin-Parkside	88	20th
10.	Chadron State (Neb.)	80	6th
11.	Indianapolis (Ind.)	77	11th
12.	Ashland (Ohio)	74	19th
13.	Newberry (S.C.)	62	25th
14.	Mercyhurst (Pa.)	43	15th
15.	MSU Moorhead	38	18th
16.	Findlay (Ohio)	37	12th
17.	Limestone (S.C.)	33	T28th
18.	Fort Hays State (Kan.)	24	14th
19.	Northern State (S.D.)	23	T28th
20.	Truman State (Mo.)	17	22nd

Others receiving votes: Augustana (S.D.), Carson-Newman (Tenn.), Central Missouri, Gannon (Pa.), Shippensburg (Pa.), West Liberty State (W. Va.).

**2006-07 INDIVIDUAL RETURNER RESULTS**

Wrestler	Overall	Dual	Falls
Tom Anderson	7-16	1-2	0
Westy Hanson	13-20	4-8	3
Adam Hill	4-18	0-2	2
Matt Jackson	6-17	0-1	1
Grant Johnson	13-14	0-0	6
Chad Kusbach*	14-13	N/A	0
Eric Rogness*	2-6	N/A	0
Jairo Sandoval	14-21	1-10	2
Sonny Silva	19-13	5-2	2
Derek Skala*	2-4	N/A	0
Matt Steffenson	13-15	3-5	3
Gabe Suarez*	22-10	N/A	2
John Sundgren*	14-10	N/A	6
Nick Wasche	11-14	2-2	2
Nick Wilkes	18-8	8-2	3

\*Wrestled unattached

**2006-07 DUAL RESULTS**

Date	Opponent	Score
Jan. 9	MSU Moorhead	L, 19-17
Jan. 10	at St. Olaf	W, 50-3
Jan. 13	Northern State	W, 27-16
Jan. 19	at Nebraska-Omaha ^	L, 37-12
Jan. 20	at Augustana ^	L, 27-12
Jan. 23	at SW Minnesota State	W, 30-9
Jan. 28	at Augsburg	L, 47-0
Feb. 2	at Upper Iowa	L, 31-10
Feb. 9	at St. John's	L, 25-13
Feb. 15	Minnesota State ^	L, 38-13
Feb. 16	Mary	W, 31-12

^North Central Conference Match

