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## Upcoming Matches:



Feb. 17, 2011

vs. #8 Minnesota St., 7 p.m.

### 2010-11 SCSU Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Nov. 5	Black/Red Classic	R 19, B 13
Nov. 13	at Cyclone Open	No Team Scores
Nov. 20	Auggie/Brute / Addidas Open	No Team Scores
Dec. 4	at UW-L Duals	
	vs. UW-Stevens Point	W, 33-6
	vs. Waldorf	W, 42-12
	vs. UW-LaCrosse	W, 21-13
Dec. 11	Holiday Inn/Husky Open	No Team Scores
Jan. 1	at Grand Canyon	8 a.m.
	vs. Chadron State	W, 34-9
	vs. Mesa State	W, 37-6
	vs. Nebraska-Kearney	W, 26-9
	vs. Kutztown	W, 52-0
Jan. 8-9	at NWCA Duals	TBA
Jan. 8	vs. Limestone	W, 32-6
Jan. 8	vs. UNC-Pembroke	W, 27-9
Jan. 9	vs. Augustana	L, 18-15
Jan. 9	vs. Newberry	W, 25-9
Jan. 14	at St. John's	W, 24-12
Jan. 15	at UW Eau Claire	W, 37-6
Jan. 21	at Nebraska - Omaha	W, 19-18
Jan. 22	at SW Minnesota State*	W, 32-8
Jan. 27	at Augustana College*	L, 18-13
Jan. 30	MSU Moorhead*	W, 38-3
Feb. 4	Northern State*	W, 39-0
Feb. 5	Mary*	W, 40-3
Feb. 13	at Upper Iowa*	W, 21-12
Feb. 17	MSU Mankato*	7 p.m.
Feb. 27	at NCAA Regional	Noon
Mar. 11-12	NCAA DII Championships	Kearney, NE

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## 2010-11 SCSU Wrestling News

Release Date: Feb. 17, 2011

### HUSKIES HEADLINERS:

- #3 St. Cloud State University (18-2, 5-1 NSIC) will complete its 2010-11 regular season on Feb. 17 with a 7 p.m. home match against #8 Minnesota State (9-4, 5-1 NSIC).
- WATCH ON THE WEB! The upcoming matches vs. SCSU and Minnesota State can be viewed on the web by going to this website: <http://pennatlantic.com>
- The Feb. 17 match will mark Senior Night for the Huskies. SCSU wrestlers who will be honored at the match include Westy Hanson, Chad Kubasch, Erik Rogness, Gabe Suarez and John Sundgren.
- The Huskies now own an 18-2 record this season thanks to a 21-12 victory over #11 ranked Upper Iowa on Feb. 13 in Fayette, Iowa. The 18 wins is a team record for most dual wins in a season for the Huskies. The old record of 16 wins in a season was set in 1970-71 by the Huskies under the leadership of coach John Oxton. At Upper Iowa, SCSU gained wins by Gabe Suarez (141), Jacob D. Horn (149), John Sundgren (157), Tad Merritt (165), Lucas Munkelwitz (197) and Jacob Kahnke (285).
- The Huskies were ranked #3 in the latest DII Coaches' Poll behind Nebraska Omaha. Here is a rundown of SCSU's nationally ranked wrestlers in 2010-11: Gabe Suarez (#8 at 141-pounds), Jacob D. Horn (#6 at 149-pounds), John Sundgren (#2 at 157-pounds), Tad Merritt (#2 at 165-pounds), Luke Munkelwitz (#6 at 197-pounds) and Jake Kahnke (#1 at 285-pounds). The poll was released on Feb. 16.
- Junior Tad Merritt continues to lead the Huskies this season with 30 victories (30-3) and 12 pins. Merritt is ranked #2 in the nation. Of note, the team record for wins in a season is 38.
- SCSU grapplers in the 20 win club this winter include Jacob D. Horn (20-8), Jacob R. Horn (23-11), Jacob Kahnke (22-1), Shamus O'Grady (23-7) and Gabe Suarez (21-7).
- The Huskies have already shattered the team's dual match point record for a season. SCSU has 574 points in dual matches this season, which breaks the old team record of 515 points set in 2009-10. In contrast, SCSU has allowed only 159 dual match points this winter. SCSU is allowing just 7.95 points per dual match this season. The team record of 8.06 points allowed per dual match was set in 1963-64.
- SCSU placed 3rd at the 2011 NWCA Division II National Duals on Jan. 8-9. The third place finish is the best in team history for the Huskies at the DII National Duals.
- The St. Cloud State University wrestling team (14-7, 5-2 NSIC/3rd) captured 7th place at the 2010 NCAA Division II wrestling championships on March 12-13, in Omaha, Neb. This marks the Huskies best NCAA finish since capturing 7th place in 1983. This also marked the best finish for the Huskies at the NCAA tournament since Steve Costanzo took over as head coach in 2006-07. This marked the 8th time since 1975 that SCSU has charted a top-10 place at the NCAA championships. The 7th place finish is the best ever for the Huskies at the NCAA DII level. SCSU placed eighth at the nationals in 2009, 1986 and 1976. SCSU also placed third at nationals during the 1963 and 1965 seasons as an NAIA affiliate.
- The Huskies qualified 8 wrestlers for the NCAA championships in 2010. SCSU wrestlers earning All-America status at the meet were Jacob Kahnke (4th place at 285), Tad Merritt (5th place at 165), Shamus O'Grady (6th place at 174) and Gabe Suarez (8th place at 141). This marked the first All-America finish for Kahnke, O'Grady and Suarez, while Merritt is now a two-time All-America award winner for the Huskies. The four All-Americans ties a team record for the Huskies, as SCSU also brought home four NCAA All-America honors in 1983 and 1975.
- The Huskies will have two major targets on the wrestling room wall this season. First up is the 2011 NCAA Regional championships on Feb. 27 in Sioux Falls, S.D. This tournament serves as a qualifier for the other big date - March 11-12, which is the 2011 NCAA DII championships.



**SCSU COACH STEVE COSTANZO:** Steve Costanzo is in his 5th season as the Husky head wrestling coach. Overall, this marks Costanzo's 12th season as a head college wrestling coach. He has a career record of 119-53-2 while coaching 98 National Qualifiers, 41 All-Americans, 2 National Champions and 36 NWCA All-Academic recipients. His record at St. Cloud State now stands at 57-23. An All-American wrestler at Nebraska-Omaha (1996 graduate), Costanza previously coached at Dana College from 1999 to 2006. Costanza led Dana to a national title in 2006.



**2010-11 St. Cloud State Wrestling Roster**

Name	Year	Weight	Hometown	High School	Head Coach: Steve Costanzo (Fifth Season)
Joe Andersen	RsJr	157/165	Bemidji	Bemidji	Assistant Coach: Derek Sikora (First Season)
Josh Antonneau	Jr.	197	Hartland, Wis.	Arrowhead H.S./ UW Milwaukee	Graduate Assistant Coach: Cy Wainwright (Second Season)
Jack Barnes	So.	165	Inver Gr. Hgts.	Simley/Rochester CC	Volunteer Assistant Coach: Jeremy Lang (Fifth Season)
Mic Berg	RsFr	184/197	IGH	Simley	Volunteer Assistant Coach: John Peterson (Third Season)
Chris Brassell	RsFr	285	Park Ridge, IL	Maine South	Volunteer Assistant Coach: Tony Mack (First Season)
Josh Conrath	RsSo	184/197	Waseca	Waseca	Student Assistant Coach: Brad Padgett (Second Season)
Michael Cullen	RsSo	157	Coon Rapids	Coon Rapids/ UW La Crosse	Student Managers: Kristine Schiller (4th Season)
Eric Ellington	Jr.	133	Fairview Hgts, IL	East St. Louis H.S./ Rend Lake C.C.	Student Manager: Linette Shoemaker (1st Year)
Joey Falde	Fr.	165	Maple Plain	Orono	Athletic Trainer: Curtis Simondet (2nd Year)
Westy Hanson	RsSr	133/141	Crookston	Crookston	<b>2010-11 SCSU Honors:</b>
Trent Herold	RsSo	125/133	East Bethel	St. Francis	<b>Cyclone Open Champion:</b> Gabe Suarez (141-pounds)
Jacob D. Horn	RsJr	149	Ephrata, Wash.	Ephrata	<b>NSIC Wrestler of the Week -</b> Gabe Suarez, Nov. 16, 2010
Jacob R. Horn	So.	149	St. Michae	St. Michael-Albertville	<b>Auggie Open Champion:</b> Tad Merritt (165-pounds), Shamus O'Grady & Kurt Salmen (co champs at 174-pounds)
Josh Howk	Fr.	141/149	Oak Grove, Mo.	Blue Springs	<b>Husky Open Champion:</b> Tad Merritt (165-pounds), Lucas Munkelwitz (197-pounds) and Jake Kahnke (285-pounds)
Charlie Janssen	Fr.	157	Forest Lake	Forest Lake	<b>NSIC Wrestler of the Week -</b> Jake Kahnke, Dec. 13, 2010
Joshua Joriman	RsSo	157	Lino Lakes	Centennial	<b>NSIC Wrestler of the Week -</b> Shamus O'Grady, Jan. 3, 2011
Jacob Kahnke	RsSo	197/285	Shakopee	Prior Lake/ Old Dominion U.	<b>2011 NWCA DII National Duals -</b> 3rd place
Alex Kontz	RsSo	149	Canby	Canby	<b>NSIC Wrestler of the Week -</b> Jake Kahnke, Feb. 7, 2011
Chad Kubasch	RsSr	149/157	New Germany	Watertown-Mayer	<b>2009-10 SCSU Honors:</b>
Matt Leibforth	Fr.	141	Lemont, Illinois	Lemont	<b>NSIC Wrestler of the Week -</b> Tad Merritt on Nov. 16, 2009
Tyler Mathison	Fr.	133	Fremont, Neb.	Oakland-Craig	<b>NSIC Wrestler of the Week -</b> John Sundgren on Dec. 8, 2009
Dustin McKinney	Fr.	141/149	Luck, Wis.	Unity	<b>NSIC Wrestler of the Week -</b> Shamus O'Grady on Feb. 23, 2010
Ben McPhail	Fr.	174/184	Pine Island	Pine Island	<b>John Oxtan Award (MVP at 2009 Husky Open) -</b> Tad Merritt - 165 pounds
Tad Merritt	RsJr	165	Canby	Canby	<b>Regional Champion:</b> Derek Skala at 184-pounds
Cullan Morrissey	Fr.	133/141	Lena, Wis.	Oconto Falls	<b>NCAA Qualifiers:</b> Shane McQuade (133), Gabe Suarez (141), John Sundgren (157), Tad Merritt (165), Shamus O'Grady (174), Derek Skala (184), Lucas Munkelwitz (197) and Jacob Kahnke (285)
Lucas Munkelwitz	RsJr	197	Forest Lake	Forest Lake	<b>NCAA All-Americans:</b> Jacob Kahnke (285 - 4th), Tad Merritt (165 - 5th), Shamus O'Grady (174 - 6th), Gabe Suarez (141 - 8th)
Shamus O'Grady	RsSo	174	Coon Rapids	Coon Rapids	<b>NWCA Division II All-Academic:</b> John Sundgren (1st team), Joe Anderson (HM), Westy Hanson (HM), Jacob Horn (HM), Josh Joriman (HM), Alex Kontz (HM), Adam Minnette (HM), Erik Rogness (HM)
Cody Paulsen	Fr.	125	Brooklyn Center	Totino Grace	<b>All-NSIC:</b> Derek Skala (1st team), Gabe Suarez (2nd team), John Sundgren (2nd team), Tad Merritt (2nd team), Shamus O'Grady (2nd team), Lucas Munkelwitz (2nd team) and Jake Kahnke (2nd team).
Mathew Piersak	RsSo	149	Shoreview,	Mounds View	<b>2009-10 TEAM HONORS:</b>
Erik Rogness	RsSr	197	Buffalo	Buffalo	<b>2009 Midlands Tournament:</b> 34th Place
Kurt Salmen	Jr.	165	Dassel	Dassel-Cokato H.S./ Ridgewater C.C.	<b>2010 NWCA Duals:</b> 7th Place
Chad Schultz	RsSo	141	Mauston, Wisc.	Mauston	<b>2010 NSIC:</b> 3rd Place
Derek Skala	RsSr	184	Owatonna	Owatonna	<b>2010 NCAA Regional:</b> 2nd Place
Zach Stewart	RsFr	125/133	Green Bay, Wisc.	Ashwaubenon	<b>2010 NCAA Championships:</b> 7th Place
Gabriel Suarez	RsSr	141	Las Vegas, NV	Cimarron-Memorial	<b>2009-10 Overall Record:</b> 14-7
John Sundgren	RsSr	157	Blaine	Blaine	<b>2009-10 NSIC Record:</b> 5-2
Jake Tabbert	RsJr	149	IGH	Simley	
Brayden Wienke	Fr	157	Clear Lake, Wis.	Clear Lake H.S.	
Dylan Wright	Fr	125	IGH	Simley	

2010-11 NSIC Preseason Coaches' Poll:	Current 2010-11 NWCA Division II Poll	
1. SCSU 67	1. Nebraska-Omaha 160 1st	17. Adams State (Colo.) 20 17th
2. Augustana 64	2. Augustana (S.D.) 152 2nd	18. Fort Hays State (Kan.) 22 19th
3. Minnesota State 37	3. St. Cloud State 144 3rd	19. Wisconsin-Parkside 15 18th
4. Upper Iowa 24	4. Newberry (S.C.) 136 4th	20. Mercyhurst (Pa.) 12 NR
5. SW MN State 14	5. Central Oklahoma 119 5th	Others receiving votes: Central Missouri,
5. MSU Moorhead 14	6. Pittsburgh-Johnstown 117 6th	Colorado School of Mines, Kutztown (Pa.) and
6. Northern St. 12	7. Grand Canyon (Ariz.) 114 7th	MSU Moorhead.
7. Mary 8	T8. Minnesota State 99 8th	
	T8. Nebraska-Kearney 99 9th	<b>HUSKY NOTE:</b> Tad Merritt has 30 wins this
	10. Upper Iowa 89 11th	winter. The team record for wins in a season is
	11. North Carolina-Pembroke 83 10th	38, set by several SCSU wrestlers over the years
	12. Ashland (Ohio) 69 12th	- including Merritt in 2008-09...SCSU is 411-
	13. Western State (Colo.) 68 13th	234 in matches this season and the Huskies
	14. San Francisco State 65 14th	have charted 102 pins this year.
	15. Findlay (Ohio) 44 15th	
	16. Gannon (Pa.) 41 16th	

## 2010-11 St. Cloud State Wrestling Results

NAME	YEAR	CLASS	WL RECORD	DUAL WL	FALLS	RCTC	ISU	AUGGIE	HUSKY	RCC	WO/OO	GVO	NC	UWE	REGION
Andersen, Joe	RJr	157	0-0	0-0		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Antonneau, Josh	Jr	197	8-10	0-1	1	NA	DNP	7th	CO-5th	NA	NA	NA	DNP	DNP	
Barnes, Jack*	So	165	2-2	0-0		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	DNP	NA	
Berg, Mic	RFr	184	15-13	9-11	4	NA	DNP	1st	3rd	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Brassell, Chris	RFr	285	12-5	5-1	5	NA	NA	3rd	5th	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Conrath, Josh	RSo	197	12-6	0-0	1	NA	NA	NA	CO-5th	2nd	NA	NA	3rd	5th/6th	
Cullen, Michael	RSo	157	0-2	0-0		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	DNP	NA	
Ellington, Eric	Jr	133	13-8	7-5	3	NA	4th	2nd	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Falde, Joey*	Fr	165	13-9	0-0	1	NA	NA	DNP	4th	2nd	4th	NA	5th	NA	
Hanson, Westy	RSr	133/141	7-6	5-3	3	NA	NA	NA	6th	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Herold, Trent*	So	125	0-0	0-0		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Horn, Jacob D.	RJr	149/157	20-8	11-4		NA	DNP	5th	2nd	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Horn, Jacob R.	So	149/157	23-11	6-2	5	NA	DNP	2nd	6th	NA	NA	2nd	3rd	NA	
Howk, Josh*	Fr	149/157	15-9	0-0	10	NA	DNP	5th	DNP	NA	NA	NA	5th	DNP	
Janssen, Charlie*	Fr	157/165	3-8	0-0	1	NA	DNP	DNP	NA	DNP	DNP	NA	DNP	NA	
Joriman, Joshua	RSo	157/165	7-4	4-0	1	NA	NA	NA	DNP	NA	NA	NA	NA	DNP	
Kahnke, Jacob	RSo	285	22-1	13-0	3	NA	3rd	NA	1st	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Kubasch, Chad	RSr	149/157	7-8	0-1	1	NA	NA	2nd	DNP	NA	NA	NA	7th	NA	
Leibforth, Matt*	Fr	141/149	14-8	0-0	1	NA	NA	3rd	DNP	3rd	4th	NA	5th	NA	
Mathison, Tyler*	Fr	133/141	12-16	0-0	2	NA	NA	NA	DNP	6th	4th	DNP	8th	DNP	
McKinney, Dustin*	Fr	141/149	10-5	0-0	1	NA	NA	1st	DNP	CO-1st	NA	NA	DNP	DNP	
McPhail, Ben*	Fr	174	25-15	0-0	7	3rd	DNP	3rd	DNP	2nd	DNP	5th	5th	DNP	
Merritt, Tad	RJr	165	30-3	18-1	12	NA	4th	1st	1st	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Morrissey, Cullan*	Fr	141/149	16-9	0-0	7	NA	DNP	3rd	DNP	CO-1st	4th	4th	DNP	NA	
Munkelwitz, Lucas	RJr	197	17-5	14-5	2	NA	NA	NA	1st	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
O'Grady, Shamus	RSo	174	23-7	14-5	11	NA	DNP	CO-1st	2nd	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Paulsen, Cody*	Fr	125/133	7-11	0-0	3	NA	NA	NA	DNP	2nd	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	
Piersak, Matt	RSo	157/165	1-3	0-0	1	NA	DNP	NA	DNP	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Rogness, Erik	RSr	184/197	1-8	0-0	1	NA	DNP	DNP	DNP	NA	NA	NA	DNP	NA	
Salmen, Kurt	RSo	174	13-4	1-0	2	NA	NA	CO-1st	4th	NA	NA	NA	2nd	DNP	
Schultz, Chad	Rso	141	0-0	0-0		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Skala, Derek	RSr	184	0-0	0-0		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Stewart, Zach	RFr	125	15-7	8-4		NA	NA	6th	2nd	NA	NA	NA	NA	DNP	
Suarez, Gabe	RSr	141/149	21-7	13-6	3	NA	1st	2nd	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Sundgren, John	RSr	157	9-2	9-2	2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Tabbert, Jacob	RJr	149	8-6	1-0	7	NA	DNP	NA	DNP	NA	NA	NA	DNP	NA	
Wienke, Brayden*	Fr	157	0-0	0-0		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Wright, Dylan	Fr	125/133	7-6	5-3	1	NA	NA	8th	DNP	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>411-234</b>	<b>145-54</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	
<b>WIN PERCENTAGE</b>			0.628	0.728											
* - Indicates - Wrestling Unattached													NWCA Natnl. Duals - 3rd		
DNP - Indicates - Did Not Place			NA - Indicates - Not Active			Dual Record: 18-2, 5-1									

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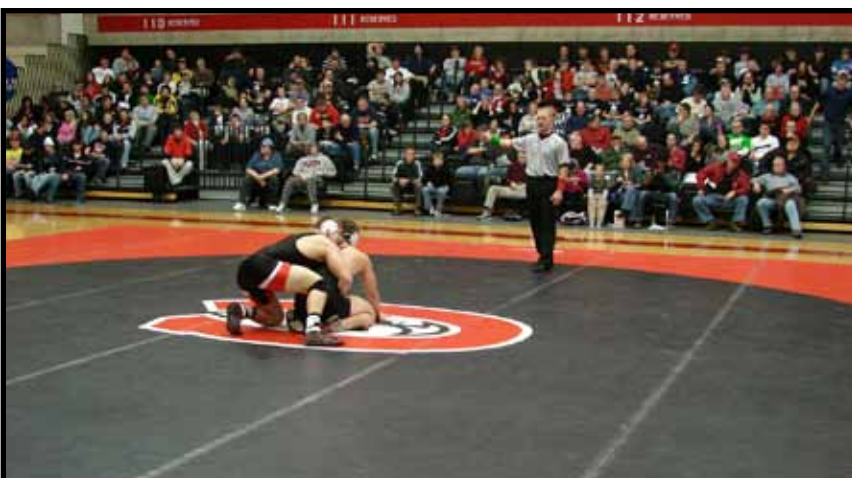
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## SCSU SENIOR NIGHT vs. Minnesota State

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