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Upcoming Matches:



Mar. 11-12, 2011

at 2011
NCAA DII
Championships
Kearney, Neb.

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 vs. Waldorf vs. UW-LaCrosse	W, 33-6 W, 42-12 W, 21-13
Dec. 11	Holiday Inn/Husky Open	No Team Scores
Jan. 1	at Grand Canyon vs. Chadron State vs. Mesa State vs. Nebraska-Kearney vs. Kutztown	8 a.m. W, 34-9 W, 37-6 W, 26-9 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*	W, 25-9
Feb. 27	at NCAA Regional	1st place
Mar. 11-12	NCAA DII Championships Kearney, NE	

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2010-11 SCSU Wrestling News

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HUSKIES HEADLINERS:

- #3 St. Cloud State University (19-2, 6-1 NSIC) will be sending eight wrestlers to the 2011 NCAA Division II championships, which will be held on March 11-12 in Kearney, Neb. The tournament is being hosted by the University of Nebraska-Kearney. For complete information on the tournament, check out the NCAA website at <http://www.ncaa.com/championships/wrestling/d2>
- THE CHAMPS! St. Cloud State captured its first NCAA Regional title with a first place finish at the 2011 NCAA DII Super Regional #3 on Feb. 27 in Sioux Falls, S.D. SCSU led the tournament with 131.0 points, while Augustana placed 2nd at 120.0. Mankato (99.0), Upper Iowa (99.0), UW-Parkside (74.0), Moorhead (49.0), Indianapolis (42.5), SW Minnesota State (38.5), Northern State (34.0), Mary (21.5) and Newman (16.0) completed the field.
- SCSU sophomore Shamus O'Grady earned top honors at the NCAA Regional at 174-pounds and was named the tournament's MVP. He was joined on the top step of the award stand by SCSU junior Tad Merritt, who won first at 165-pounds and sophomore Jake Kahnke claimed first at 285-pounds.
- SCSU wrestlers who earned bids to the upcoming NCAA championships are Eric Ellington (133), Gabe Suarez (141), Jacon D. Horn (149), John Sundgren (157), Tad Merritt (165), Shamus O'Grady (174), Lucas Munkelwitz (197) and Jacob Kahnke (285). This marks the fourth consecutive NCAA bids for Suarez and Sundgren. SCSU wrestlers making their third consecutive NCAA appearances are Munkelwitz and Merritt, and second time NCAA wrestlers for SCSU are O'Grady and Kahnke. This will mark Horn's first trip to the NCAA tournament. Last year, Kahnke, Merritt, Suarez and O'Grady all gained All-America status for the Huskies, who placed 7th as a team in 2010.
- The 19 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.
- The Huskies were ranked #2 in the final DII Coaches' Poll behind Nebraska Omaha. Here is a run-down of SCSU's nationally ranked wrestlers in 2010-11: Gabe Suarez (#6 at 141-pounds), Jacob D. Horn (#5 at 149-pounds), John Sundgren (#4 at 157-pounds), Tad Merritt (#2 at 165-pounds), Shamus O'Grady (#3 at 174-pounds) and Jake Kahnke (#1 at 285-pounds).
- Junior Tad Merritt continues to lead the Huskies this season with 35 victories (35-3) and 12 pins. Merritt is ranked #2 in the nation. Of note, the team record for wins in a season is 38.
- The Huskies have already shattered the team's dual match point record for a season. SCSU has 599 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 164 dual match points this winter. SCSU set a team record by allowing just 7.81 points per dual match this season. The old 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). The 4 All-Americans ties a team record for the Huskies, as SCSU also brought home 4 All-America honors in 1983 and 1975.



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 120-53-2 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 58-23. 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	2010-11 SCSU Honors:
Trent Herold	RsSo	125/133	East Bethel	St. Francis	Cyclone Open Champion: Gabe Suarez (141-pounds)
Jacob D. Horn	RsJr	149	Ephrata, Wash.	Ephrata	NSIC Wrestler of the Week - Gabe Suarez, Nov. 16, 2010
Jacob R. Horn	So.	149	St. Michae	St. Michael-Albertville	Auggie Open Champion: Tad Merritt (165-pounds), Shamus O'Grady & Kurt Salmen (co champs at 174-pounds)
Josh Howk	Fr.	141/149	Oak Grove, Mo.	Blue Springs	Husky Open Champion: Tad Merritt (165-pounds), Lucas Munkelwitz (197-pounds) and Jake Kahnke (285-pounds)
Charlie Janssen	Fr.	157	Forest Lake	Forest Lake	NSIC Wrestler of the Week - Jake Kahnke, Dec. 13, 2010
Joshua Joriman	RsSo	157	Lino Lakes	Centennial	NSIC Wrestler of the Week - Shamus O'Grady, Jan. 3, 2011
Jacob Kahnke	RsSo	197/285	Shakopee	Prior Lake/ Old Dominion U.	2011 NWCA DII National Duals - 3rd place
Alex Kontz	RsSo	149	Canby	Canby	NSIC Wrestler of the Week - Jake Kahnke, Feb. 7, 2011
Chad Kubasch	RsSr	149/157	New Germany	Watertown-Mayer	2011 NCAA DII Super Region #3 Team Champions
Matt Leibforth	Fr.	141	Lemont, Illinois	Lemont	2011 NCAA DII Super Region Tournament MVP - Shamus O'Grady
Tyler Mathison	Fr.	133	Fremont, Neb.	Oakland-Craig	2011 NCAA DII Super Region Individual Champions - Tad Merritt (165), Shamus O'Grady (174), Jake Kahnke (285)
Dustin McKinney	Fr.	141/149	Luck, Wis.	Unity	2011 NCAA DII National Qualifiers: Eric Ellington (133), Gabe Suarez (141), Jacob D. Horn (149), John Sundgren (157), Tad Merritt (165), Shamus O'Grady (174), Lucas Munkelwitz (197), Jake Kahnke (285)
Ben McPhail	Fr.	174/184	Pine Island	Pine Island	
Tad Merritt	RsJr	165	Canby	Canby	
Cullan Morrissey	Fr.	133/141	Lena, Wis.	Oconto Falls	
Lucas Munkelwitz	RsJr	197	Forest Lake	Forest Lake	
Shamus O'Grady	RsSo	174	Coon Rapids	Coon Rapids	
Cody Paulsen	Fr.	125	Brooklyn Center	Totino Grace	
Mathew Piersak	RsSo	149	Shoreview,	Mounds View	
Erik Rogness	RsSr	197	Buffalo	Buffalo	
Kurt Salmen	Jr.	165	Dassel	Dassel-Cokato H.S./ Ridgewater C.C.	
Chad Schultz	RsSo	141	Mauston, Wisc.	Mauston	
Derek Skala	RsSr	184	Owatonna	Owatonna	
Zach Stewart	RsFr	125/133	Green Bay, Wisc.	Ashwaubenon	
Gabriel Suarez	RsSr	141	Las Vegas, NV	Cimarron-Memorial	
John Sundgren	RsSr	157	Blaine	Blaine	
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. North Carolina-Pembroke 32 11th
2. Augustana 64	2. St. Cloud State (Minn.) 146 3rd	18. Mercyhurst (Pa.) 20 20th
3. Minnesota State 37	3. Newberry (S.C.) 143 4th	19. Kutztown (Pa.) 13 NR
4. Upper Iowa 24	4. Augustana (S.D.) 139 2nd	20. Adams State (Colo.) 12 17th
5. SW MN State 14	5. Nebraska-Kearney 118 T8th	Others receiving votes: Central Missouri, Chadron State (Neb.), Fort Hays State (Kan.), Limestone (S.C.).
5. MSU Moorhead 14	6. Pittsburgh-Johnstown 110 6th	HUSKY NOTE: SCSU is 448-248 in matches this season and the Huskies have charted 108 pins this year...Tad Merritt leads the Huskies with 12 pins this season, while Shamus O'Grady has 11 to his credit...in the 2010-11 NSIC standings, the Huskies placed 2nd with a 6-1 conference record.
6. Northern St. 12	7. Western State (Colo.) 104 13th	
7. Mary 8	8. Central Oklahoma 102 5th	
	9. Grand Canyon (Ariz.) 96 7th	
	10. Minnesota State 95 T8th	
	11. Ashland (Ohio) 91 12th	
	12. Upper Iowa 82 10th	
	13. San Francisco State 63 14th	
	14. Findlay (Ohio) 48 15th	
	15. Gannon (Pa.) 42 16th	
	16. Wisconsin-Parkside 38 19th	

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	NA	
Antonneau, Josh	Jr	197	8-10	0-1	1	NA	NA	DNP	7th	CO-5th	NA	NA	NA	DNP	NA	
Barnes, Jack*	So	165	2-2	0-0		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	DNP	NA	
Berg, Mic	RFr	184	19-18	9-12	4	NA	NA	DNP	1st	3rd	NA	NA	NA	NA	4th	
Brassell, Chris	RFr	285	12-5	5-1	5	NA	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	NA	
Cullen, Michael	RSo	157	0-2	0-0		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	DNP	NA	NA	
Ellington, Eric	Jr	133	17-9	8-5	4	NA	NA	4th	2nd	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2nd	
Falde, Joey*	Fr	165	13-9	0-0	1	NA	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	NA	
Herold, Trent*	So	125	0-0	0-0		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Horn, Jacob D.	RJr	149/157	25-9	12-4		NA	NA	DNP	5th	2nd	NA	NA	NA	NA	3rd	
Horn, Jacob R.	So	149/157	23-11	6-2	5	NA	NA	DNP	2nd	8th	NA	NA	2nd	3rd	NA	
Howk, Josh*	Fr	149/157	15-9	0-0	10	NA	NA	DNP	5th	DNP	NA	NA	NA	5th	DNP	
Janssen, Charlie*	Fr	157/165	3-8	0-0	1	NA	NA	DNP	NA	DNP	DNP	NA	DNP	NA	NA	
Joriman, Joshua	RSo	157/165	7-4	4-0	1	NA	NA	NA	DNP	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	DNP	
Kahnke, Jacob	RSo	285	26-1	15-0	4	NA	NA	3rd	NA	1st	NA	NA	NA	NA	1st	
Kubasch, Chad	RSr	149/157	7-8	0-1	1	NA	NA	NA	2nd	DNP	NA	NA	NA	7th	NA	
Leibforth, Matt*	Fr	141/149	14-8	0-0	1	NA	NA	NA	3rd	DNP	3rd	4th	NA	5th	NA	
Mathison, Tyler*	Fr	133/141	12-16	0-0	2	NA	NA	NA	NA	DNP	6th	4th	DNP	8th	DNP	
McKinney, Dustin*	Fr	141/149	10-5	0-0	1	NA	NA	NA	1st	DNP	CO-1st	NA	NA	DNP	DNP	
McPhail, Ben*	Fr	174	25-15	0-0	7	3rd	DNP	DNP	3rd	DNP	2nd	DNP	5th	5th	DNP	
Merritt, Tad	RJr	165	35-3	19-1	12	NA	NA	4th	1st	1st	NA	NA	NA	NA	1st	
Morrissey, Cullan*	Fr	141/149	16-9	0-0	7	NA	NA	DNP	3rd	DNP	CO-1st	4th	4th	DNP	NA	
Munkelwitz, Lucas	RJr	197	19-8	14-6	2	NA	NA	NA	1st	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	4th	
O'Grady, Shamus	RSo	174	28-7	15-5	11	NA	NA	DNP	CO-1st	2nd	NA	NA	NA	NA	1st/OW	
Paulsen, Cody*	Fr	125/133	7-11	0-0	3	NA	NA	NA	NA	DNP	2nd	DNP	DNP	DNP	NA	
Piersak, Matt	RSo	157/165	1-3	0-0	1	NA	NA	DNP	NA	DNP	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Rogness, Erik	RSr	184/197	1-8	0-0	1	NA	NA	DNP	DNP	DNP	NA	NA	NA	DNP	NA	
Salmen, Kurt	RSo	174	13-4	1-0	2	NA	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	NA	
Skala, Derek	RSr	184	0-0	0-0		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Stewart, Zach	RFr	125	15-7	8-4		NA	NA	NA	6th	2nd	NA	NA	NA	NA	DNP	
Suarez, Gabe	RSr	141/149	25-8	14-6	4	NA	NA	1st	2nd	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	3rd	
Sundgren, John	RSr	157	12-3	10-2	3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2nd	
Tabbert, Jacob	RJr	149	8-6	1-0	7	NA	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	NA	
Wright, Dylan	Fr	125/133	9-9	5-4	1	NA	NA	NA	8th	DNP	NA	NA	NA	NA	DNP	
TOTALS			449-249	152-57	106	1	4	18	14	8	4	3	9	1	9	
WIN PERCENTAGE			0.643	0.727												
* - Indicates - Wrestling Unattached													NWCA Natnl. Duals - 3rd			
DNP - Indicates - Did Not Place			NA - Indicates - Not Active			Dual Record: 19-2, 6-1							NSIC - 2nd, Super Region 3 - 1st			

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2011 NCAA Division II Championships

March 11-12, 2011 at Kearney, Neb.
Hosted by U. of Nebraska-Kearney

NCAA Championships Website

www.ncaa.com/championships/wrestling/d2

SCSU - The 2011 NCAA Division II Super Region #3 Team Champions!