



2020 CONCORDIA BULLDOGS



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CONCORDIA MEN'S BASKETBALL

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2019-20 Schedule/Results 24-9 Overall, 12-8 GPAC (T-4th)

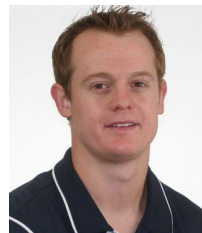
Date	Opponent	H/A	Score	W/L
10/25/2019	Dakota State (S.D.)	N	93-60	W
10/26/2019	Friends (Kan.)	H	74-69	W
11/1/2019	Dickinson State (N.D.)	H	90-62	W
11/2/2019	Benedictine (Kan.)	H	66-65	W
11/12/2019	Midland (Neb.) *	H	95-71	W
11/16/2019	Briar Cliff (Iowa) *	H	69-70	L
11/23/2019	Nebraska Christian	A	70-58	W
12/4/2019	Doane (Neb.) *	H	83-77(OT)	W
12/7/2019	Dakota Wesleyan (S.D.) *	H	57-77	L
12/11/2019	Morningside (Iowa) *	A	71-72	L
12/14/2019	Mount Marty (S.D.) *	A	70-97	L
12/21/2019	MidAmerica Nazarene (Kan.)	N	60-65	L
12/22/2019	Menlo (Calif.)	N	59-57	W
12/28/2019	Peru State (Neb.)	H	109-60	W
1/2/2020	Northwestern (Iowa) *	A	88-65	W
1/4/2020	Dordt (Iowa) *	H	91-79	W
1/8/2020	Hastings (Neb.) *	A	83-62	W
1/11/2020	Jamestown (N.D.) *	H	86-74	W
1/18/2020	Briar Cliff (Iowa) *	A	83-72	W
1/22/2020	Morningside (Iowa) *	H	72-85	L
1/24/2020	Concordia (Mich.)	N	79-57	W
1/25/2020	Concordia (Wis.)	N	92-55	W
1/29/2020	Northwestern (Iowa) *	H	86-82	W
2/1/2020	Dakota Wesleyan (S.D.) *	A	50-71	L
2/5/2020	Doane (Neb.) *	A	59-64	L
2/8/2020	Dordt (Iowa) *	A	76-86	L
2/12/2020	Hastings (Neb.) *	H	83-77	W
2/15/2020	Mount Marty (S.D.) *	H	98-74	W
2/19/2020	Midland (Neb.) *	A	89-83	W
2/22/2020	Jamestown (N.D.) *	A	101-92(OT)	W
2/26/2020	#Northwestern (Iowa)	H	74-63	W
2/29/2020	#Hastings (Neb.)	H	71-61	W
3/3/2020	#Dakota Wesleyan (S.D.)	A	68-66	W

*Conference game
#GPAC Tournament game

Coaching Staff



Head Coach
Ben Limback

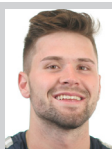


Assistant Coach
Lance Korell



Grad Asst. Coach
Brendon Boomsma

Concordia Starting Lineup



G • 3 • Brevin Sloup
5-9 • Sr. • Seward, Neb.

PTS	REB	FG%	3-PT%
16.0	4.3	43.1	39.9

- 2019-20 First Team All-GPAC; 2018-19 Second Team All-GPAC.
- Ranks 18th in program history with 1,238 career points.
- Twice named GPAC Player of the week during 2019-20 season.



G • 5 • Carter Kent
6-2 • So. • Crete, Neb.

PTS	REB	FG%	3-PT%
12.6	3.7	40.0	36.9

- 2019-20 Second Team All-GPAC; 2018-19 GPAC Freshman of the Year and Honorable Mention All-GPAC.
- Notched career high 28 points in win over Midland on Nov. 12, 2019.
- GPAC Player of the Week (1/7/20).



G • 10 • Justin Wiersema
6-3 • So. • Loveland, Colo.

PTS	REB	FG%	3-PT%
10.6	4.1	53.5	36.0

- 2019-20 Honorable Mention All-GPAC.
- Averaged 16.0 points per game during the team's seven-game win streak entering the national tournament.
- Career high 22 points in GPAC quarterfinal win over Northwestern.



F • 21 • Tanner Shuck
6-4 • Sr. • Grand Island, Neb.

PTS	REB	FG%	3-PT%
13.2	4.8	45.7	35.9

- Three-time Honorable Mention All-GPAC.
- 2020 CIT MVP.
- Ranks eighth in program history with 1,558 career points.
- Needs three more 3-point field goals for 300 in career.



F • 30 • Chuoel Biel
6-8 • Sr. • Grand Island, Neb.

PTS	REB	BLK	FG%
5.6	7.6	1.7	55.3

- Ranks ninth in program history in career blocked shots (91).
- GPAC leader with average of 1.70 blocks per game.
- Ranks third in the GPAC with average of 7.6 rebounds per game.

Student Managers: Kyler Hensel, Haden Richters, Brandon Timoney and Anthony Wolter

Quick Facts

Concordia University, Nebraska

Location.....Seward
Enrollment.....2,300
Nickname.....Bulldogs
School Colors.....Navy and White
Home Arena.....Walz Arena
Capacity.....2,000
President.....Russ Sommerfeld
Director of Athletics.....Devin Smith
Athletic Trainer.....Randy Baack
Conference.....Great Plains Athletic Conf.
Radio.....104.9 Max Country (KTMX-FM)

2019-20 Overall Record.....24-9
2019-20 GPAC Record.....12-8 (T-4th)
NAIA Tournament Appearances.....9
NAIA Tournament Record.....11-9
NAIA Fab Fours.....2
2019-20 Statistical Leaders
Points.....Brevin Sloup (16.0)
Rebounds.....Chuoel Biel (7.6)
Assists.....Brevin Sloup (3.06)
Steals.....Justin Wiersema (1.41)
Blocks.....Chuoel Biel (1.70)

Pronunciation Guide

#3 Brevin Sloup - Slope
 #4 Nick Cito - see-toe
 #10 Justin Wiersema - weers-muh
 #20 Tanner Wubbels - wubb-ulls
 #30 Chuol Biel - CHOLE Beel
 #44 Klay Uher - OOH-hair
 #55 Sammy Adjei - A-J (pronounce letters as written)

Concordia MBB NAIA All-Americans

2017: Chandler Folkerts
 2007: Jon Ziegler
 2005: Jason Jisa
 2004: Rick Dietze
 1996: Darin Englebart
 1995: Darin Englebart
 *Does not include honorable mentions



Limback Coaching Record

Concordia University, Nebraska (7 years)

2013-14 8-21, 3-17 GPAC
 2014-15 16-15, 9-11 GPAC
 2015-16 18-12, 10-10 GPAC
 2016-17 21-10, 10-8 GPAC
 2017-18 17-13, 8-10 GPAC
 2018-19 15-16, 7-13 GPAC
 2019-20 24-9, 12-8 GPAC
 TOTAL: 119-96 | 59-77 GPAC

- Also spent nine seasons as the head coach at Concordia University, Ann Arbor, where he won 115 games.
- Joins Grant Schmidt as the second head coach in program history to take the Bulldogs to the national tournament.
- Has led teams to five combined Concordia Invitational Tournament titles, including two at CU-Ann Arbor.
- Remains the program's all-time record holder for career steals with 229.
- Played at Concordia from 1996-99 and was a member of three national tournament teams under Coach Schmidt.

2019-20 Concordia Men's Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown/Previous School
2	Sam Scarpelli	G	5-9	Jr.	Portland, Ore./Clark College
3	Brevin Sloup	G	5-9	Sr.	Seward, Neb./Seward HS
4	Nick Cito	G	5-10	So.	Arvada, Colo./Mullen HS
5	Carter Kent	G	6-2	So.	Crete, Neb./Crete HS
10	Justin Wiersema	G	6-3	So.	Loveland, Colo./Thompson Valley HS
12	Jackson Hirschfeld	G	5-11	Fr.	Utica, Neb./Centennial HS
14	AJ Watson	G	5-8	Fr.	Bonner Springs, Kan./Bonner Springs HS
20	Tanner Wubbels	F	6-7	So.	Waverly, Neb./Waverly HS
21	Tanner Shuck	G/F	6-4	Sr.	Grand Island, Neb./Grand Island HS
30	Chuol Biel	F	6-8	Sr.	Grand Island, Neb./McCook CC
32	Ryan Holt	F	6-5	Jr.	Highlands Ranch, Colo./ThunderRidge HS
41	Gage Smith	G/F	6-5	So.	Elizabeth, Colo./Elizabeth HS
44	Klay Uher	F	6-5	So.	Crete, Neb./Crete HS
50	Thomas Young	G	6-1	Jr.	Clarks, Neb./High Plains HS
55	Sammy Adjei	F	6-7	Sr.	Accra, Ghana/Miramar CC

HEAD COACH BEN LIMBACK



Coaching Career

Concordia University, Nebraska | Head Coach
 2013 - present

Concordia University, Ann Arbor | Head Coach
 2003 - 2012

Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville | Assistant Coach
 2000 - 2003

Concordia University, Nebraska | Assistant Coach
 1999 - 2000

Playing Career

Played at Concordia University, Nebraska from 1995-99. As a senior during the 1998-99 season, he earned Nebraska-Iowa Athletic Conference Player of the Year honors and was named the Nebraska State College Player of the Year by the Omaha World-Herald. In addition, he twice received both NAIA honorable mention All-America (1998 and 1999) and NAIA Academic All-America (1998 and 1999) accolades. He was a member of Bulldog teams that advanced to the national tournament on three separate occasions.



2019-20 SEASON STATISTICS

CONCORDIA MEN'S BASKETBALL

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RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	24-9	13-3	7-5	4-1
CONFERENCE	12-8	7-3	5-5	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	12-1	6-0	2-0	4-1

#	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds				pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
					fg-fga	pct	3fg-fga	pct	ft-fa	pct	off	def	tot	avg								
02	Scarpelli, Sam	33-7	630	19.1	61-164	.372	36-97	.371	23-33	.697	5	63	68	2.1	27	0	59	42	0	18	181	5.5
03	Sloup, Brevin	32-31	940	29.4	179-415	.431	89-223	.399	65-85	.765	19	120	139	4.3	36	0	98	74	0	23	512	16.0
04	Cito, Nick	17-0	87	5.1	4-16	.250	2-11	.182	0-0	.000	3	9	12	0.7	5	0	10	2	1	2	10	0.6
05	Kent, Carter	33-33	958	29.0	130-325	.400	69-187	.369	88-125	.704	17	104	121	3.7	78	2	72	72	20	29	417	12.6
10	Wiersema, Justin	29-28	858	29.6	115-215	.535	32-89	.360	46-65	.708	40	80	120	4.1	52	1	80	52	11	41	308	10.6
11	Jennings, Jacob	6-0	18	3.0	1-4	.250	0-1	.000	1-2	.500	0	1	1	0.2	3	0	0	1	0	0	3	0.5
12	Wragge, Grant	2-0	30	15.0	2-5	.400	1-4	.250	0-0	.000	1	1	2	1.0	3	0	4	0	0	1	5	2.5
12	Hirschfeld, Jackson	3-0	9	3.0	0-3	.000	0-3	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	0.7	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0
14	Watson, AJ	26-0	269	10.3	36-87	.414	20-57	.351	9-13	.692	2	17	19	0.7	17	0	24	14	0	12	101	3.9
20	Wubbels, Tanner	8-0	30	3.8	5-6	.833	2-3	.667	3-4	.750	2	6	8	1.0	4	0	2	4	1	1	15	1.9
21	Shuck, Tanner	33-33	978	29.6	160-350	.457	66-184	.359	49-60	.817	40	117	157	4.8	69	1	60	51	17	32	435	13.2
30	Biel, Chuol	30-29	686	22.9	73-132	.553	0-0	.000	21-40	.525	76	151	227	7.6	63	1	30	32	51	18	167	5.6
32	Holt, Ryan	32-2	484	15.1	58-138	.420	20-65	.308	29-40	.725	29	82	111	3.5	49	0	15	22	10	18	165	5.2
41	Smith, Gage	25-1	285	11.4	42-102	.412	21-61	.344	13-24	.542	29	85	114	4.6	54	2	18	9	8	16	118	4.7
44	Uher, Klay	22-1	159	7.2	20-35	.571	3-12	.250	12-17	.706	8	13	21	1.0	29	0	9	13	3	5	55	2.5
50	Young, Thomas	16-0	59	3.7	8-18	.444	8-17	.471	4-4	1.000	0	4	4	0.3	5	0	3	4	0	4	28	1.8
55	Adjei, Sammy	22-0	180	8.2	29-52	.558	0-0	.000	7-18	.389	15	43	58	2.6	31	1	10	15	3	2	65	3.0
99	Wilke, Christian	4-0	17	4.3	4-6	.667	0-0	.000	2-4	.500	5	2	7	1.8	3	0	0	1	1	2	10	2.5
Total.....		33	6677		927-2073	.447	369-1014	.364	372-534	.697	321	971	1292	39.2	528	8	495	416	126	227	2595	78.6
Opponents.....		33	6667		849-2034	.417	234-720	.325	396-563	.703	290	902	1192	36.1	516	-	410	427	90	194	2328	70.5



RECALLING THE RUN OF 2005



2005 NAIA Division II National Runner Up

"The biggest thing that stuck out that year was how competitive we all were. We all totally hated to lose. When we got out on the court there were times when we got heated towards each other, but in a good way. We read each others' minds so well out there. We knew what each other was thinking. You don't find that too often. That team was very special."

--Jon Ziegler, Concordia's all-time leading scorer





Appearances: 10 | Record: 11-9 | Fab Fours: 2

1991, 1992, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2020



2005

1ST RD: W, 74-69 vs. Trinity Christian (Ill.)
2ND RD: W, 70-63 vs. Flagler (Fla.)
QUARTERFINALS: W, 71-68 vs. Cornerstone (Mich.)
SEMIFINALS: W, 62-56 vs. Cedarville (Ohio)
CHAMPIONSHIP: L, 81-70 vs. Walsh (Ohio)

2003

1ST RD: W, 73-62 vs. Dominican (Calif.)
2ND RD: W, 68-54 vs. Cardinal Stritch (Wis.)
QUARTERFINALS: L, 77-72 (OT) vs. Bethany (Kan.)

2001

1ST RD: W, 88-70 vs. Cardinal Stritch (Wis.)
2ND RD: L, 85-77 vs. Cornerstone (Mich.)

1998

1ST RD: L, 65-54 vs. Holy Names (Calif.)

1997

1ST RD: L, 79-66 vs. Urbana (Ohio)

1996

1ST RD: L, 74-66 vs. Northwest Nazarene (Idaho)

1995

1ST RD: W, 90-69 vs. Loyola (La.)
2ND RD: W, 100-84 vs. St. Ambrose (Iowa)
QUARTERFINALS: L, 91-68 vs. William Jewell (Mo.)

1992

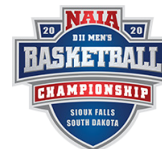
1ST RD: W, 75-63 vs. Northwest Nazarene (Idaho)
QUARTERFINALS: W, 102-90 vs. MidAmerica Nazarene (Kan.)
SEMIFINALS: L, 95-89 vs. Grace (Ind.)

1991

1ST RD: L, 80-77 vs. Oklahoma City

Glen Snodgrass





SCORING (1,000-point scorers)

1. Jon Ziegler (2004-07)	2,099
2. Tom Raabe (1967-71)	2,016
3. Chandler Folkerts (2013-17)	1,963
4. John Puelz (1989-92)	1,955
5. Devin Smith (1989-92)	1,659
6. Rick Dietze (2001-04)	1,625
7. Matt List (1988-91)	1,608
8. Tanner Shuck (2016-20)	1,558
9. Ben Buhr (2005-08)	1,479
10. Scott Ernstmeyer (1993-96)	1,417
11. Scott Beck (2003-06)	1,406
12. Porter Birtell (2009-13)	1,390
13. Ryan Kness (1993-95)	1,354
14. Tim Schroeder (1997, 99-01)	1,346
15. Darin Engelbart (1992-96)	1,335
15. Travis Wischmeier (1999-2002)	1,335
17. Bret Walter (1993-96)	1,248
18. Brevin Sloup (2016-20)	1,238
19. Josh Dahlke (1995-99)	1,221
20. Brent Cumber (1986-89)	1,210
21. Eli Ziegler (2013-17)	1,194
22. Robby Thomas (2012-16)	1,170
23. Ben Limback (1995-99)	1,158
24. Scott Hannon (2005-08)	1,149
25. Mark Cutler (1980-84)	1,126
26. Drew Olson (2000-03)	1,123
27. Jason Jisa (2003-05)	1,117
28. Tyler Byrd (2008-12)	1,113
29. Derek Engelbart (1998-2001)	1,105
30. Joel Haywood (2011-15)	1,091
31. Mike Works (1990-92)	1,039

Points, Single Game

1. Jon Ziegler (2/17/07)	47
2. Robert Buchholz Jr. (1928-29 season)	45
3. Tom Raabe (1968-69 season)	43
4. Al Buuck (1962-63 season)	41
5. Tom Raabe / Earl Westbrook	40

REBOUNDS

1. Matt List (1988-91)	928
2. Chandler Folkerts (2013-17)	868
3. Scott Beck (2003-06)	781
4. Jon Ziegler (2004-07)	762
5. Scott Ernstmeyer (1993-96)	730
6. Devin Smith (1989-92)	729
7. Porter Birtell (2009-13)	712
8. Sam Huebner (2008-11)	684
9. Robby Thomas (2012-16)	645
10. Glen Snodgrass (1995-98)	607
11. Ryan Kness (1993-95)	599
12. Elliot Rea (1994-97)	584
13. Ben Limback (1996-99)	505
14. Rick Dietze (2001-04)	496
15. Jared Calver (2000-03)	477
15. Jason Jisa (2003-05)	477
17. John Puelz (1989-92)	474
18. Tanner Shuck (2016-20)	461

ASSISTS

1. Darin Engelbart (1992-96)	657
2. Mike Works (1990-92)	496
3. Scott Beck (2003-06)	446
4. Ben Limback (1996-99)	388
5. Travis Wischmeier (1999-02)	340
6. Joel Haywood (2011-15)	334
7. Tyler Byrd (2008-12)	320
8. Jon Ziegler (2004-07)	287
9. Jason Boyd (1996-98)	278
10. Eli Ziegler (2013-17)	273
11. Matt List (1988-91)	272
12. Tanner Shuck (2016-20)	262
13. Brevin Sloup (2016-20)	248
14. Gary Spiller (1997-00)	237
15. Drew Olson (2000-03)	234

STEALS

1. Ben Limback (1996-99)	229
2. Jon Ziegler (2004-07)	223
3. Scott Ernstmeyer (1993-96)	213
4. Scott Beck (2003-06)	207
5. Mike Works (1990-92)	194
6. Matt List (1990-92)	193
6. Joel Wallschlaeger (1991-94)	193
8. Darin Engelbart (1992-96)	192
9. Devin Smith (1989-92)	164
10. Jason Jisa (2003-05)	159

BLOCKS

1. Robby Thomas (2012-16)	204
2. Glen Snodgrass (1995-98)	188
3. Scott Ernstmeyer (1993-96)	173
4. Chandler Folkerts (2013-17)	142
5. Marcus Wernke (2003-05)	109
6. Matt Hoffart (1991-94)	106
6. Sam Huebner (2008-11)	106
8. Jason Jisa (2003-05)	96
9. Chuol Biel (2018-20)	91



Jon Ziegler



GPAC Standings

School	GPAC	%	Overall	%
Morningside	18-2	.900	26-3	.897
Dakota Wesleyan	13-7	.650	23-9	.719
Dordt	13-7	.650	22-9	.710
Concordia	12-8	.600	24-9	.727
Northwestern	12-8	.600	20-11	.645
Mount Marty	10-10	.500	20-12	.625
Jamestown	9-11	.450	18-13	.581
Hastings	8-12	.400	16-16	.500
Briar Cliff	7-13	.350	16-14	.533
Midland	6-14	.300	10-17	.370
Doane	2-18	.100	7-23	.233

GPAC All-Conference

FIRST TEAM

C - Tyler Borchers, Sr.	Morningside
F - Garrett Franken, Jr.	Dordt
G - Trent Hilbrands, Jr.	Northwestern
C - Bart Hiscock, Sr.	Hastings
G - Ty Hoglund, Sr.	Dakota Wesleyan
G - Zach Imig, Jr.	Morningside
G - Chris King, Sr.	Mount Marty
G - Jackson Lamb, Sr.	Briar Cliff
G - Brevin Sloup, Sr.	Concordia
F - Jack Talley, Jr.	Jamestown

SECOND TEAM

G - Terrell Alfred, G	Jamestown
F - Cade Bleeker, Fr.	Dordt
G - Alex Borchers, Sr.	Morningside
G - Matt Hahn, Sr.	Morningside
G - Jesse Jansma, Jr.	Dordt
G - Coby Johnson, Sr.	Mount Marty
G - Carter Kent, So.	Concordia
G - Bo Sandquist, So.	Midland
G - Jay Small, Jr.	Northwestern

Player of the Year: Ty Hoglund, Dakota Wesleyan

Defensive Player of the Year: Tyler Borchers, Morningside

Freshman of the Year: Mason Walters, Jamestown

Coach of the Year: Jim Sykes, Morningside

GPAC Tournament Results

Quarterfinals - Feb. 26

- (8) Hastings def. (1) Morningside, 84-80
- (4) Concordia def. (5) Northwestern, 74-63
- (6) Mount Marty def. (3) Dordt, 75-74
- (2) Dakota Wesleyan def. (7) Jamestown, 90-75

Semifinals - Feb. 29

- (4) Concordia def. (8) Hastings, 71-61

Championship - March 3

- (4) Concordia def. (2) Dakota Wesleyan, 68-66

2019-20 GPAC at a Glance

Individual Leaders

Scoring

1. Jackson Lamb (BCU)	23.8
2. Ty Hoglund (DWU)	23.1
3. Chris King (MMC)	20.8
4. Bart Hiscock (HAS)	20.3
5. Trent Hilbrands (NWC)	17.5

Rebounding

1. Bart Hiscock (HAS)	8.4
2. Miguel Lopez (DOA)	7.7
3. Chuol Biel (CUNE)	7.6
4. Garrett Franken (DOR)	7.5
5. Jack Talley (UJ)	7.2

Assists

1. Zach Imig (MOR)	4.43
2. Jordan Johnson (MMC)	4.04
3. Isaiah Dobson (UJ)	3.57
4. Matt Hahn (MOR)	3.45

5. Brevin Sloup (CUNE) 3.06

Blocks

1. Chuol Biel (CUNE)	1.70
2. Samuel Maillous (MID)	1.15
3. Craig Sterk (NWC)	1.07
4. Mason Larson (DWU)	1.06
5. Tyler Borchers (MOR)	0.96

Field Goal Percentage

1. Tyler Borchers (MOR)	62.4
2. Zach Imig (MOR)	57.2
3. Colby Johnson (MMC)	56.4
4. Craig Sterk (NWC)	55.2
5. Bart Hiscock (HAS)	49.7

Free Throw Percentage

1. Isaiah Dobson (UJ)	89.5
2. Jackson Lamb (BCU)	88.6
3. Ty Hoglund (DWU)	88.6
4. Trent Hilbrands (NWC)	81.3
5. Colby Johnson (MMC)	80.0

3-Point Percentage

1. Nick Hoyt (BCU)	52.4
2. Jaden Kleinhesselink (BCU)	49.0
3. Ben Hoskins (MOR)	48.2
4. Colby Johnson (MMC)	47.3
5. Cade Bleeker (DOR)	45.1

Team Leaders

Scoring Offense

1. Jamestown	87.3
2. Briar Cliff	87.2
3. Dordt	86.1
4. Mount Marty	85.3
5. Morningside	84.9

Scoring Defense

1. Dakota Wesleyan	68.5
2. Morningside	68.9
3. Concordia	70.6
4. Dordt	76.1
5. Doane	76.5

Field Goal Percentage Offense

1. Morningside	52.8
2. Jamestown	49.4
3. Briar Cliff	48.6
4. Dordt	48.4
5. Northwestern	47.9

Field Goal Percentage Defense

1. Concordia	41.7
2. Dakota Wesleyan	42.3
3. Morningside	42.6
4. Northwestern	44.1
5. Dordt	44.4

Turnover Margin

1. Mount Marty	+5.6
2. Dakota Wesleyan	+1.5
3. Midland	+1.1
4. Morningside	+0.9
5. Concordia	+0.3

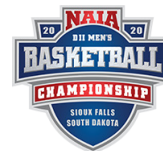
Rebound Margin

1. Morningside	+8.2
2. Jamestown	+7.6
3. Dordt	+6.1
4. Dakota Wesleyan	+4.3
5. Northwestern	+3.8

3-Point Field Goals Per Game

1. Mount Marty	13.2
2. Briar Cliff	12.5
3. Concordia	11.2
4. Northwestern	11.2
5. Midland	10.4





#2 SAM SCARPELLI



5-9 • Junior • Guard
Portland, Ore.
Clark CC

Previous College

Attended Clark College (Wash.) for two years and earned an associate's degree ... averaged 11.5 points per game.

High School

Prepped at Reynolds High School (Ore.) ... coached by Ted Aubin ... lettered three times and started for two years ... served as a team captain for two years ... two-time Raider award winner ... earned all-conference honors ... selected for school's Most Inspirational award ... played baseball for one year ... named Reynolds' 2016 Outstanding Chemistry Student.

Personal

Born in Portland, Ore., on January 30, 1999 ... son of Robert and Annette Scarpelli ... has four older siblings: Adam, Marisa, Rachel and Joseph ... enjoys hiking, playing baseball and coaching basketball.

SCARPELLI STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
19-20	33	19.2	5.5	2.1	1.8	0.6	37.2	37.1	69.7

#3 BREVIN SLOUP



5-9 • Senior • Guard
Seward, Neb.
Seward HS

High School

Prepped at Seward High School for head coach Mark Cidlik ... lettered for all four years and started for three while serving as team captain for three years ... was the Seward High School all-time career leading scorer with 1,179 points (first Seward High player to 1,000 points), also was the Seward High School single season scoring leader with 457 points his senior year, two-time Class B All-Stater his junior and senior year as well as three-time Central 10 Conference 1st team his sophomore, junior and senior year.

Personal

Born in Seward, Neb., on August 20, 1997 ... son of Nick and Andrea Sloup ... has two younger siblings Shane and Shelbi and two older siblings Natalie and Haylie ... enjoys being on the farm, working out and hanging out with friends.

SLOUP STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
16-17	22	8.5	3.8	0.9	1.2	0.3	50.0	48.5	84.6
17-18	30	12.8	4.5	0.8	0.8	0.1	44.5	38.8	91.7
18-19	31	32.0	16.4	3.7	3.3	0.7	43.5	40.8	86.5
19-20	32	28.8	16.0	4.3	3.1	0.7	43.1	39.9	76.5
Totals	115		1238	297	248	55	43.9	40.7	82.4

#4 | NICK CITO



5-10 • Sophomore • Guard
Arvada, Colo.
Mullen HS

High School

Nicholas played for Coach Bob Caton at J. K. Mullen High School in Denver, Colorado. Nicholas was a three time letter, two time starter for the Mustangs and helped his team advance to the state playoffs. He was voted team captain for two of those years. Nicholas also was awarded Team MVP, Centennial Honorable Mention, and Charles Memorial Basketball Award Most Outstanding Player. Nicholas also played one year of golf in high school.

Personal

Nicholas was born in Denver, Colorado to Margaret Carelli-Cito and Michael Cito. He has one older brother, Michael Carelli-Cito. Nicholas also enjoys video games and hanging out with friends.

CITO STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
18-19	14	5.4	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.1	30.0	28.6	16.7
19-20	18	4.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.1	25.0	18.2	0.0
Totals	32		19	19	19	3	26.9	22.2	16.7

#5 | CARTER KENT



6-2 • Sophomore • Guard
Crete, Neb.
Crete HS

High School

Carter Kent played for the Crete High School Cardinals, in Crete, Nebraska under Coach Brent Cole, David Novak, and Garrett Borchert. Carter was a four year letter, three year starter for the Cardinals. He was even voted team captain one year. Carter is the all-time leading scorer for Crete High School and earned all-conference three years, and added All-state to his list of accolades in his senior season. He helped his team compete into the state playoffs in his junior and senior season and even had the best record for his class. Carter also was a four year starter in baseball. He made first team All-State his senior season and holds the record for career ERA and season batting average at Crete High School. On top of being an exceptional athlete, Carter was the Valedictorian of his class and also received Academic All-state in Basketball and Baseball.

Personal

Born in Lincoln Nebraska, Carter is the son of Adam and Julie Kent. Carter enjoys Fishing, golfing and spending time with animals.

KENT STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
18-19	31	26.0	10.4	2.9	2.1	0.6	39.4	33.8	76.3
19-20	33	28.8	12.6	3.7	2.2	0.9	40.0	36.9	70.4
Totals	64		739	311	136	48	39.7	35.6	72.9



#10 | JUSTIN WIERSEMA



5-7 • Sophomore • Guard
Loveland, Colo.
Thompson Valley HS

High School

Justin played for Coach Joe Johnson at Thompson Valley High School. He was a three year letter, two year starter for the Eagles. He was voted captain for one year. He was awarded All-Conference for two years, All-Area for two years and All-area Player of the Year for one year. He also played soccer all four years of high school, started three of the four years. He was awarded All-conference and All-Area player of the Year for two years as well.

Personal

Justin was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan to Steve Wiersema and Jana Piers. He has five siblings: Madi, Rhyen, Andrew, Becca and Camy. Justin enjoys playing video games and hanging with friends.

WIERSEMA STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
18-19	27	19.0	5.4	2.1	1.6	0.6	46.2	38.7	76.7
19-20	29	29.7	10.6	4.1	2.8	1.4	53.5	36.0	70.8
Totals	56		453	176	123	56	51.1	37.1	72.6

#12 | JACKSON HIRSCHFELD



5-11 • Freshman • Guard
Utica, Neb.
Centennial Public School

High School

Prepped at Centennial High School ... coached by Cam Scholl ... lettered and started all four years ... served as team captain for two years ... earned all-state recognition three times and all-conference honors four times ... helped the Broncos to two state tournament appearances, including a fourth-place finish his senior year ... also starred on the football field and was a two-time all-state selection ... member of Bronco football teams that won a state title (2018) and placed as the state runner up (2017) ... qualified for the state track and field championships four times ... garnered honor roll status.

Personal

Born in York, Neb., on March 1, 2001 ... son of Aaron and Tricia Hirschfeld ... has two younger siblings: Kate and Alex ... grandfather Neal Koch played football at Concordia.

HIRSCHFELD STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
19-20									
	Appeared in four games								

#14 | AJ WATSON



5-8 • Freshman • Guard
Bonner Springs, Kan.
Bonner Springs HS

High School

Prepped at Bonner Springs High School (Kan.) ... coached by Dan Streit ... lettered all four years and started for three ... served as team captain for two years ... earned all-state honors ... twice named all-conference ... helped the Braves to a state tournament appearance and two conference championships ... played football as a senior and earned first team all-conference honors.

Personal

Born in Kansas City, Kan., on November 1, 2000 ... son of Bryan and Christal Watson ... has three older brothers: Neil, BJ and Tiawan ... enjoys fishing.

WATSON STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
19-20	26	10.3	3.9	0.7	0.9	0.5	41.4	35.1	69.2

#20 | TANNER WUBBELS



6-7 • Sophomore • Forward
Waverly, Neb.
Waverly HS

High School

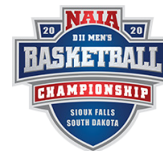
Prepped at Waverly High School by Coach Ryan Reeder...lettered and started all four years...was Captain for two years...was awarded All-Conference first team for three years and All-State Honorable mention for three years...also played football for two years, track for three years and baseball for one year.

Personal

Born on April 9th, 1999 in Lincoln, Nebraska...Son of Aaron and Heidi...Has five siblings: Austin, Wyatt, Savannah, Jordan and Lainey...enjoys cooking in spare time.

WUBBELS STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
18-19	25	12.3	3.8	2.6	0.6	0.2	52.2	33.3	77.8
19-20	7	4.0	2.1	1.0	0.3	0.1	83.3	66.7	75.0
Totals	32		110	73	16	6	54.7	44.4	77.4



#21 | TANNER SHUCK



6-4 • Senior • Forward
Grand Island, Neb.
Grand Island HS

High School

Prepped at Grand Island Senior High School for head coaches Jeremiah Slough and Jeff Hofeldt ... lettered for three years and started for two years while serving as team captain for one year ... won Second Team All-Heartland ... played football for all four years and won First Team All-Heartland ... also played golf for three years and participated in track and field for one year ... was ranked first in his class.

Personal

Born in Grand Island, Neb., on September 23, 1996 ... son of Kirk and Julie Schuck ... has two older brothers Drew and Ty ... enjoys camping, spending time with friends and reading.

SHUCK STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
16-17	31	26.3	10.2	3.1	2.1	0.8	48.8	46.3	83.3
17-18	30	32.1	13.0	2.9	2.0	0.8	44.6	37.3	72.0
18-19	31	31.2	13.5	3.9	2.5	1.3	40.7	36.1	82.3
19-20	33	29.6	13.2	4.8	1.8	1.0	45.7	35.9	81.7
Totals	125		1558	461	262	121	44.6	38.5	79.3

#30 | CHUOL BIEL



6-8 • Senior • Forward
Grand Island, Neb.
McCook CC

BIEL STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	BPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
18-19	28	23.0	6.5	5.8	0.5	1.4	56.4	20.0	68.8
19-20	30	22.7	5.6	7.6	1.0	1.7	55.3	--	52.5
Totals	58		348	390	45	91	55.9	20.0	59.7

#32 | RYAN HOLT



6-5 • Junior • Forward
Highlands Ranch, Colo.
ThunderRidge HS

Personal

Born in San Luis Obispo, Calif., on January 27, 1999 ... son of Mike and Jen.

HOLT STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
17-18	8	1.5	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	25.0	0.0	100.0
18-19	23	14.7	5.1	2.7	0.6	0.3	51.1	38.2	73.7
19-20	32	15.1	5.2	3.5	0.5	0.6	42.0	30.8	72.5
Totals	63		285	173	29	24	45.2	32.7	73.3

#41 | GAGE SMITH



6-5 • Sophomore • Forward
Elizabeth, Colo.
Elizabeth HS

High School

Gage played for Coach Mike Boss at Elizabeth High School. He was a three time letter, two time starter for the cardinals. He was voted captain for those two years. Gage was awarded All-League honorable mention, academic All-State, and First team state qualifier for two years.

Personal

Gage was born in Westminster, Colorado to Lance and Michelle Smith. Gage has three younger siblings, Kylee, Tristan and Haley. Gage loves to go camping, fish, play golf and baseball.

SMITH STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
18-19	20	6.2	2.3	1.3	0.4	0.4	48.5	35.0	77.8
19-20	25	11.4	4.7	4.6	0.7	0.6	41.2	34.4	54.2
Totals	45		164	139	26	23	43.0	34.6	60.6



PLAYER PROFILES

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#44 | KLAY UHER



6-5 • Sophomore • Forward
Crete, Neb.
Crete HS

High School

Prepped at Crete High School for coaches Garrett Borchert and Tony Jacobsen. Klay lettered all four years and was two-year basketball starter at the varsity level. He served as team captain for one year. Klay earned first team all-conference and honorable mention all-state accolades and helped the Cardinals basketball team to two state tournament appearances ... qualified for the track state championships as a senior, placing second as part of the 4x400 meter relay, fifth in discus and ninth in the 200 meters. Klay played football for four years, serving as a team captain and was a member of National Honor Society. He was tabbed academic all-state and graduated with honors.

Personal

Born in Crete, Neb., on April 5, 2000, Klay is the son of Jenn and Ken Uher. He has an older sister Kalie. Klay enjoys hanging with friends, spending time with family and playing video games.

UHER STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	BPG	SPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
18-19	16	9.8	2.6	1.2	0.3	0.2	44.1	41.7	50.0
19-20	22	7.3	2.5	1.0	0.1	0.2	57.1	25.0	70.6
Totals	38		96	40	7	8	50.7	36.1	68.4

#50 | THOMAS YOUNG



6-1 • Junior • Guard
Clarks, Neb.
High Plains HS

High School

Prepped at High Plains Community Storm for head coach Cameron Hudson ... lettered for three years and started for two ... was named First Team Crossroads Conference in 2015 and 2016 ... was named Crossroads Conference All-Tournament Team, First Team Class D1 Huskerland Prep Report, Second Team All-Heartland, All State Tournament Team Class D1, Second Team All-State and York News Times All-Area First Team in 2015 ... received Third Team All-Heartland, Second Team All-State and York News Times All-Area Second Team in 2016 ... missed his senior season due to an ACL injury.

Personal

Born in Aurora, Neb., on Oct. 17, 1998 ... son of Gary and Kassie Young ... has a younger sister Madison ... enjoys fishing, boating and hanging with friends.

YOUNG STATS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	SPG	APG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
18-19	Appeared in two games								
19-20	16	3.8	1.8	0.3	0.3	0.2	44.4	47.1	100.0
Totals	18		28	4	4	3	44.4	47.1	100.0

#55 | SAMMY ADJEI



6-7 • Senior • Forward
Accra, Ghana
Miramar CC

Previous School

Samuel played for Corban University and then moved to San Diego Miramar College. He averaged 9.0 Points per game.

High School

Samuel played for Coach Minister Triston at redemption Christian High School. He started all three years he played for the Lions. Samuel also played soccer in high school.

Personal

Samuel was born in Accra Ghana to Samuel Adjei Senior and Gloria Adjei. Sameul enjoys taking photos of sports outside of basketball

ADJEI STATS

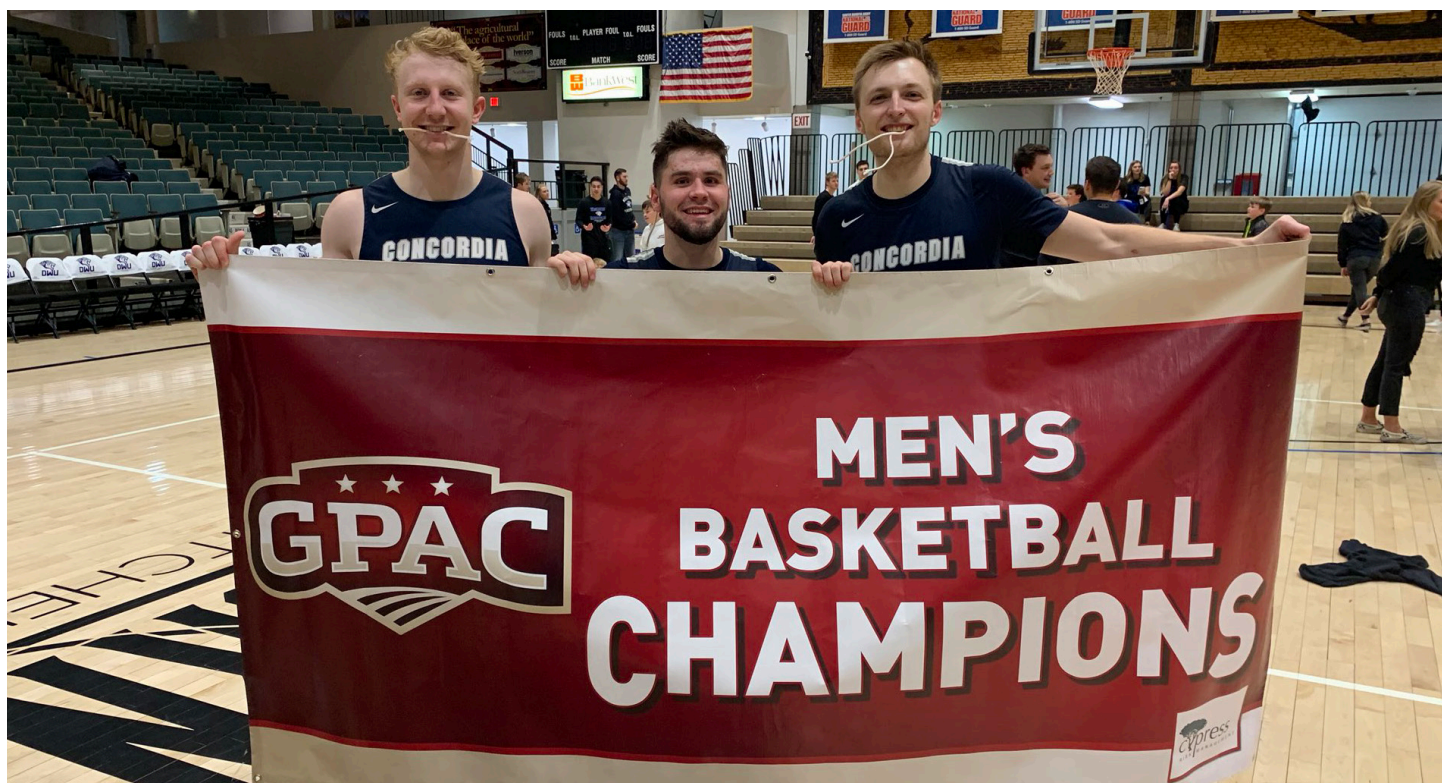
	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	SPG	APG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
18-19	17	16.9	7.9	5.2	0.4	0.4	60.4	0.0	75.0
19-20	22	8.2	3.0	2.6	0.1	0.5	55.8	--	38.9
Totals	39		5.1	3.7	0.2	0.4	58.7	0.0	62.0

2020 CIT MVP:
Tanner Shuck





PRIDEFUL PROGRAM MAKES RETURN TO MARCH MADNESS



By Jake Knabel, Director of Athletic Communications

Director of Athletics Devin Smith understands the history of the Concordia University men's basketball program about as well as anyone. His passion was obvious as he spoke to members of the 2019-20 national qualifying Bulldogs, who had just watched the national tournament selection show in the Walz conference room on Wednesday (March 4). Smith knows something about playing deep into March.

There was a shared feeling. It was time for this program to be back at the national tournament. After a 15-year hiatus, Concordia will make its long anticipated return to the national stage when the ball is tipped off next Thursday (March 12) in Sioux Falls, S.D.

Said Limback after a pulse pounding GPAC championship game on Tuesday night, "We're thrilled to still be playing."

There's been an outpouring of congratulatory social media posts and texts directed towards the current team that has ended the drought. A key figure on the first national tournament team in school history, Smith challenged the Bulldogs to think about doing more than just getting there. Meanwhile, standouts from the 2004-05 squad (the most recent to reach the national tournament) also weighed in. Tweeted all-time leading scorer Jon Ziegler, "Congrats boys. Keep this thing rolling at the National Tourney!"

That's exactly what Concordia will attempt to do. As the No. 7 seed in the Cramer Bracket of the NAIA Division II National Championship, the Bulldogs will take on second-seeded and fifth-ranked Ottawa University (Kan.) at 10:15 a.m. CT on March 12. The Sanford Pentagon in Sioux Falls will serve as the venue for the entire national tournament.

The layoff provides plenty of time for everything to sink in. As the NAIA coaches' poll was revealed on Wednesday in conjunction with the national qualifiers, it became apparent that Concordia would have been left out of the field had it not won at the Corn Palace in the GPAC tournament championship game. With everything on the line, the Bulldogs held off 11th-ranked Dakota Wesleyan, 68-66. Concordia made certain it could not be denied a seat at the table.

"It's just a crazy feeling accomplishing something that we have talked about since the end of last season," said sophomore Carter Kent. "I think the best thing during the game was just how we stuck together. DWU got on a run to begin the second half, and we just kept grinding away to stop that run. It feels great being able to go to the National tournament, and the biggest feeling is just that we still have goals ahead of us. We all are so happy with the win last night, but we are still fixed on what is to come."

The last time Concordia stepped on the court at a national tournament game, the likes of Ziegler and Jason Jisa had led a squad coached by Grant Schmidt to the national championship game. During a successful 23-year tenure, Schmidt guided the program to its first and only nine national tournament appearances. Smith played on the trailblazing teams of 1990-91 and 1991-92. The latter team reached the national semifinals.

Now a team spurred by seniors such as Tanner Shuck and Brevin Sloup has a chance to put its own stamp on Bulldog national tournament history. No matter how things shake out, this group will have the distinction of putting the program back at the level it feels like it belongs at. The GPAC championship game at Dakota Wesleyan will never be forgotten.



"Winning the GPAC title with this group of players and coaches is an unbelievable feeling," Sloup said. "The amount of joy and excitement I felt when the final buzzer sounded is indescribable. All the work this team has put in to get to this point is extremely satisfying. There was so much at stake last night with the conference title and national tourney berth on the line, it couldn't have ended any better. We aren't surprised because there was always belief within this team and we are excited to make a run in the National Tournament."

Limback himself starred on three national tournament teams while playing for Coach Schmidt. Limback is also well-connected to a large number of the program's alums.

Said Limback on Tuesday night, "My phone has been blowing up. There's a lot of pride in this program. I've heard from alums, teammates and from Coach (Grant) Schmidt too. The '05 team has been texting. Any time this happens it's fun to share it with the parents, the families and our alums."

Ottawa won the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference regular-season title and was the KCAC tournament runner up. The Braves (27-6) did not play any teams out of the GPAC this season. Ottawa has qualified for the national tournament for the first time since 2009. The winner between Concordia and Ottawa will play either third-seeded Union (Ky.) or sixth-seeded Saint Francis (Ind.) in the second round at 4 p.m. CT on Friday, March 13,

Five facts about Concordia at the national tournament

- The 2020 trip to nationals will mark the 10th all-time appearance on the national stage for the program. In the first nine appearances, all presided over by former head coach Grant Schmidt, the

Bulldogs have a combined record of 11-9. Current head coach Ben Limback played for the national qualifying teams of 1996, 1997 and 1998.

- Concordia has won its first-round game at the national tournament five times. Two teams in program history have reached at least the semifinals: the 1991-92 squad and the 2004-05 team (national runner up). The 1994-95 and 2002-03 squads advanced to the national quarterfinals.

- The 2004-05 team set a still-intact school record with 32 wins that season. On the way to reaching the national title game, the '04-5 group defeated Trinity Christian (Ill.), Flagler (Fla.), Cornerstone (Mich.) and Cedarville (Ohio) in Point Lookout, Mo. The Bulldogs then fell at the hands of Walsh (Ohio) in the program's lone national title game appearance.

- Concordia's Marcus Wernke remains the NAIA Division II national tournament record holder for most blocked shots in a game (nine) and most blocked shots in a single tournament (23). Both of those feats were accomplished in 2005. Jason Jisa was also honored with the Hustle Award at the '05 tourney.

- Schmidt led the Bulldogs to their first-ever national tournament appearance in 1991. At that time, the NAIA was still just one division for basketball (as it will be again starting in 2020-21). Four members of the 1990-91 squad have been inducted into the Concordia Athletic Hall of Fame: Matt List, John Puelz, Devin Smith and Mike Works. The latter three were also members of the 1991-92 squad that broke through with the program's first-ever national tournament win.





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