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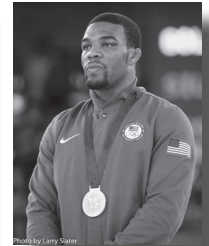
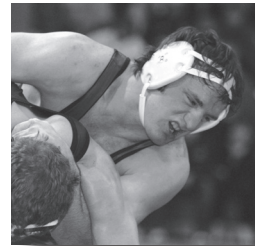
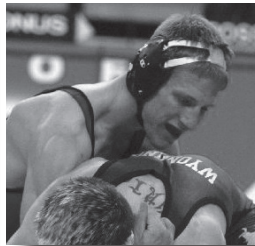
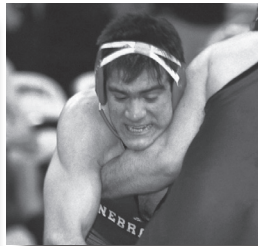
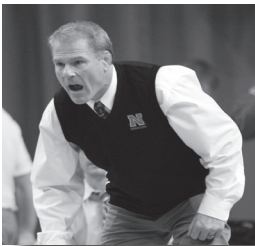
From 2007 to 2010 the University of Nebraska unintentionally reimbursed student-athletes for recommended textbooks as well as required textbooks through a failure to properly administer and monitor book scholarships. Only reimbursement for required books is permissible under NCAA rules. As a result, the NCAA placed the University of Nebraska on two-year probation, beginning in January 2012. The NCAA did not impose additional penalties such as loss of scholarships, forfeiture of games, or a ban on postseason play. Rather, as a condition of probation, Nebraska will continue to educate student-athletes and staff thoroughly on NCAA bylaws and will notify prospective student-athletes of its probationary status.

# THIS IS NEBRASKA

Two years after celebrating its first season as a member of the Big Ten Conference, the Nebraska wrestling program will look to continue its excellence both on and off the mat. Coach Mark Manning has continued a tradition of success in his 13 years at the helm of the Huskers. With hard work and a dedication to excellence, Manning has developed a program that consistently competes with the nation's best in collegiate wrestling.

Since its inaugural season in 1910-11, Nebraska has earned more than 640 dual victories, including 175 wins in the past 13 years under Manning. Over the past 13 years, the Huskers have finished in the top eight at the NCAA Championships five times and racked up 34 All-America honors, including five individual national titles. In the classroom, the 2012-13 Huskers finished second in the nation by NWCA for the highest grade-point average (3.32). NU wrestlers have earned 45 NWCA All-Academic Team selections en route to seven CoSIDA Academic All-America awards.

One reason NU has been able to develop such a successful program is its top-notch facilities. In the fall of 2011, the Husker wrestling program moved into the state-of-the-art Hendricks Training Complex, which provides four full-sized practice mats, new office suites and new areas for both strength and conditioning and athletic medicine. The Hendricks Complex is attached to the Devaney Center, Nebraska's new home in 2013-14. With a wealth of support and a history of success, Nebraska wrestling expects to contend for conference and national championships every year.



*Above: The Nebraska wrestling program has been built on the strong support of coaches and wrestlers, including (from left): Coach Mark Manning, who has guided the Huskers to a 175-71-3 record since 2000; Justin Ruiz, a two-time All-American in 2002 and 2003 at 197 pounds; Matt Murray, an All-American in 2004 at 141 pounds; Jacob Klein, a two-time All-American in 2004 and 2006 at 165 and 174 pounds; Jordan Burroughs, gold medalist at the 2012 London Olympics at two-time NCAA champion.*

*Right: The 2008-09 Nebraska wrestling squad added to the Huskers' achievements by claiming a share of the Big 12 championship and finishing fourth at the NCAA Championships.*



## Nebraska Wrestling by the Numbers

**7**

CoSIDA Academic All-Americans

**6**

Olympic medals earned by Nebraska wrestlers

**10**

Huskers who have wrestled in the Olympics

**11**

Individual National Champions

**16**

USA medals won by NU wrestlers at the World Championships

**18**

Top-10 NCAA Team Finishes

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Members of the NWCA All-Academic Team

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Academic All-Big Ten selections

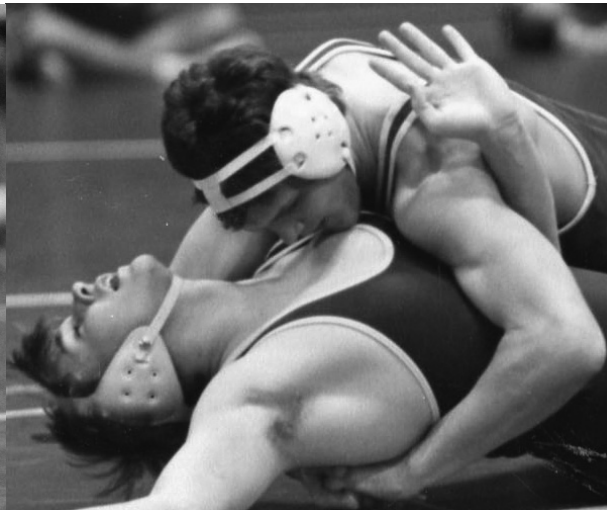
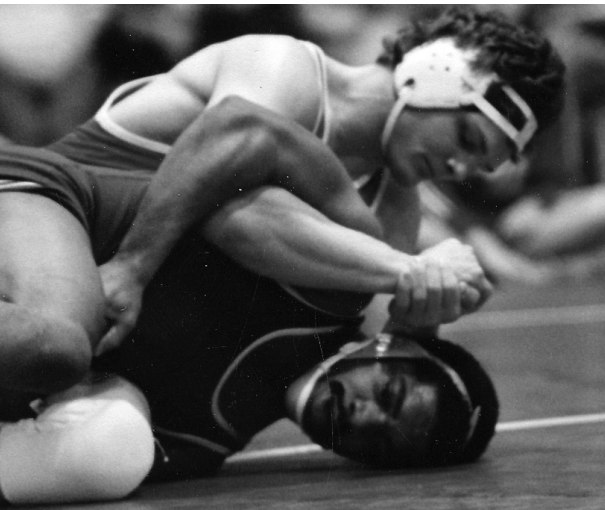
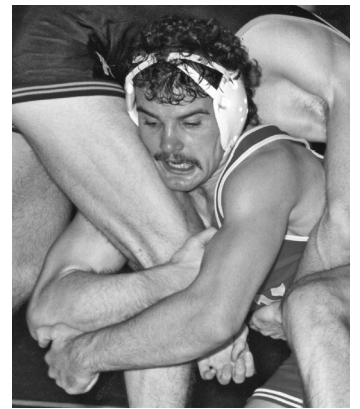
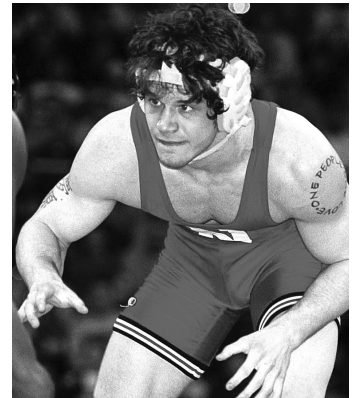
**93**

All-America Honors

# SUCCESS BEYOND WRESTLING

Nebraska coaches have always guided young men toward success on the mat while also teaching them to find success in life, and Mark Manning continues that with his coaching philosophies. Manning has helped young men grow into upstanding adults by teaching athletes that the values they learn on the mat can be transferred into their personal lives. Bryan Snyder (right), recently earned his Ph.D. in sociology after becoming NU's only four-time All-American. Snyder is now associate head coach for the Huskers.

**"Wrestling presents a lot of challenges, but also the ability to work through those challenges. Wrestling builds good character and good work ethic and I definitely built that at Nebraska." - Bryan Snyder**



A three-time All-American at Nebraska in the early 1990's, Scott Chenoweth (above) has coached his high school team to multiple state titles.

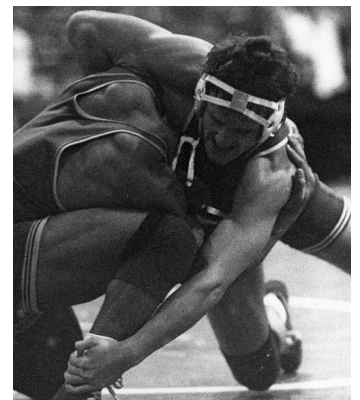
**"I learned the only thing holding me back was me. If I wanted a degree, there was no reason I couldn't get that degree."**

The Scherr brothers were both national champions at Nebraska in 1984, before continuing their prosperity on the mat into their personal lives. Bill (above left) earned the collegiate title at 190 pounds and went on to win five medals in the Olympics and FILA World Championships before turning his attention to a professional career. He now serves as the vice president of a global investment banking and securities firm.

**"Wrestling teaches you valuable life lessons like self-discipline and perseverance. It gives you a sense of pride and accomplishment. All of those translate into any sort of career you would want to pursue." - Bill Scherr**

Jim (above right) won the national title at 177 pounds with a victory over Iowa's Duane Goldman and also continued his wrestling career onto the international stage. Jim claimed three medals between the Olympics and FILA World Championships and continued his involvement with the Olympics through 2008.

**"[Nebraska] has a good core of dedicated faculty with great academic support in place. The sports department has tremendous personnel and resources. Nebraska was a great experience from both ends of the spectrum, athletically and academically." - Jim Scherr**



Two-time letterwinner John Myers (below) wrestled for NU in the late 1980's, before becoming executive producer of his own digital design and effects studio.

**"All of the greatest things in my life past and present, big and small, can be attributed to wrestling and everything that came with wrestling at Nebraska."**

## A sample of Husker wrestler accomplishments after graduation:

Name	Years Lettered	Major	Currently
Jason Powell	2001-04	Sociology	Strength coach for Nebraska Wrestling
Brad Canoyer	1995-98	Ag Economics	Assists with family-owned garden centers
Scott Chenoweth	1988-91	Speech Communications	Assistant principal and coach in Perry, Okla.
John Myers	1986, 87	Journalism	Founder of digital design and effects studio
Judd Norman	1979, 80, 82	Agriculture	Owns investment firm in Lincoln
Jim Owens	1955, 56	Electrical Engineering	Owner of keyed interlock business
Bill Scherr	1981-84	Education	Vice president of global investment firm
Jim Scherr	1981-84	Business	CEO 776 Original Marketing
Billie Selmon	1980, 82	Early Childhood Education	Runs more than 20 childcare businesses
Johnnie Selmon	1981, 82	Education	Dean of student affairs at Lake Michigan College
Bryan Snyder	1999-2002	Sociology/Communication Studies	Associate head coach for Nebraska Wrestling
Robert Thorpe	1961	Business/Economics	President of his own architecture firm

### Olympic Glory

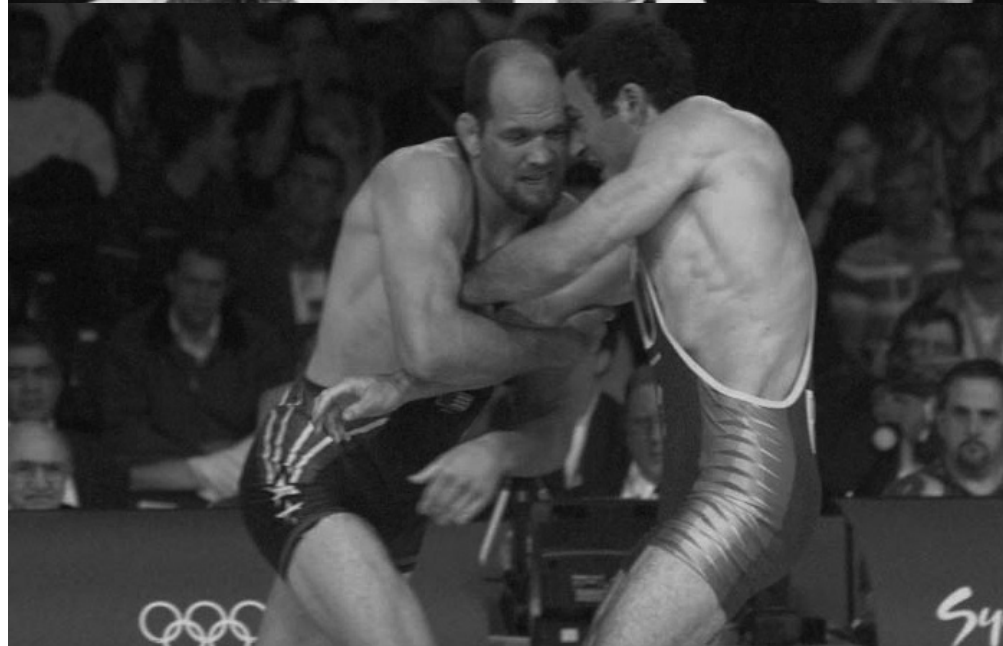
Nebraska wrestling has climbed its way into the Olympic spotlight during the past several Olympics. Former Huskers who have continued their careers on the international stage include 2012 freestyle gold medalist Jordan Burroughs and two-time Olympic medal-winner Rulon Gardner, who won a gold medal in 2000 and a bronze in 2004 in Greco-Roman. Overall, seven Nebraska wrestlers have participated on seven U.S. Olympic teams and claimed six medals.



A three-time All-American and two-time national champion for Nebraska, Jordan Burroughs (top) won the gold medal in freestyle at 163 pounds in the 2012 Olympics in London.



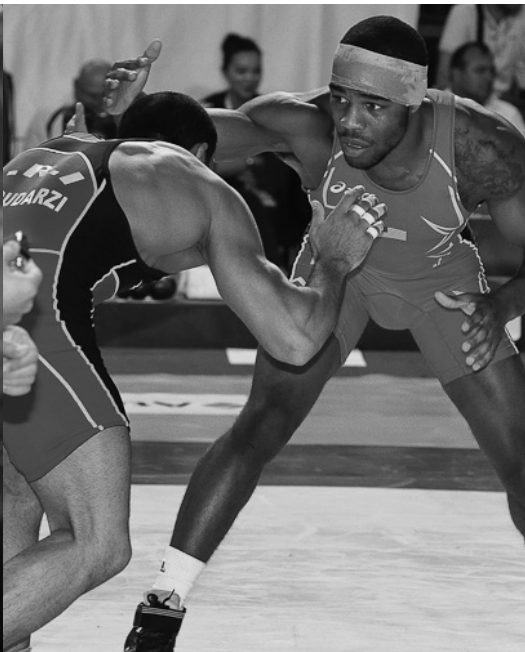
A 1993 All-American at heavyweight for Nebraska, Rulon Gardner (middle) pulled off one of the most remarkable upsets in sports history with his victory over previously undefeated Alexander Karelin of Russia in the gold medal match in the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia. Gardner also earned a bronze medal in the 2004 Olympics in Athens, Greece.



Matt Lindland (bottom) was a 1993 Big Eight champion for Nebraska and went on to earn a silver medal at the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia.

### Nebraska Olympians

Year	Name	Division	Weight	Place
1960	Dan Brand	Freestyle	Light Hwt	5th
1964	Dan Brand	Freestyle	Middleweight	Bronze
1988	Jim Scherr	Freestyle	198 lbs	5th
	Bill Scherr	Freestyle	220 lbs	Bronze
2000	Rulon Gardner	Greco-Roman	Hwt	Gold
	Matt Lindland	Greco-Roman	167 lbs	Silver
2004	Rulon Gardner	Greco-Roman	Hwt	Bronze
	Brad Vering	Greco-Roman	185 lbs	11th
2008	Brad Vering	Greco-Roman	185 lbs	DNP
2012	Jordan Burroughs	Freestyle	163 lbs	Gold



## International Excellence

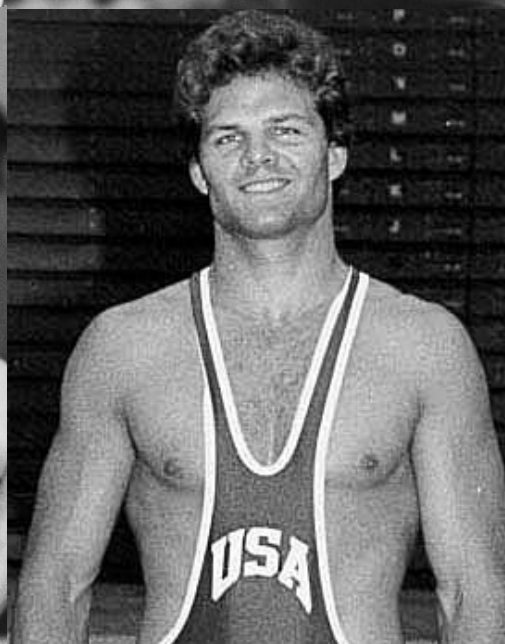
Numerous Nebraska wrestlers have continued their careers on the international stage after their time at NU. Huskers have won 16 medals at the FILA Championships, including titles by Bill Scherr in 1986, Rulon Gardner in 2001 and Jordan Burroughs in 2011 and 2013. Brad Vering was named the 2007 Greco-Roman Wrestler of the Year by USA Wrestling after his silver-medal performance at the 2007 FILA World Championships. Burroughs became the first American freestyle world champion since 2006. Burroughs (top) captured the world championship in 2011 and 2013 after finishing his career at Nebraska as the school's only two-time national champion.



Justin Ruiz (middle-left), a two-time All-American for the Huskers, earned a bronze medal in the 2005 FILA World Championships in Budapest, Hungary. He has represented the United States in the last four FILA World Championships.

Tolly Thompson (middle-right) claimed a national title for Nebraska in 1995 and was a three-time All-American before going on to earn a bronze medal at the 2005 FILA World Championships.

After winning national titles at Nebraska in 1984, the Scherr brothers, Bill (bottom left) and Jim (bottom right) continued their wrestling careers by winning seven medals between them at the FILA World Championships, including a title by Bill in 1985.



## NU at the FILA World Championships

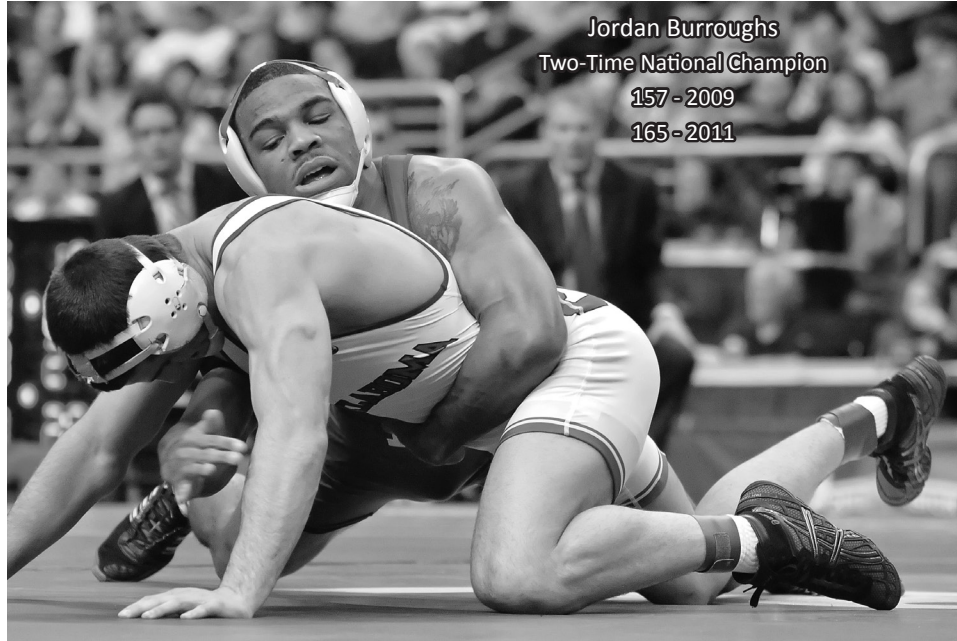
Year	Name	Division	Weight	Place
1962	Dan Brand	Greco-Roman	97 kg	3rd
1963	Jim Raschke	Greco-Roman	Hwt	3rd
1985	Bill Scherr	Freestyle	90 kg	1st
1986	Bill Scherr	Freestyle	100 kg	2nd
	Jim Scherr	Freestyle	90 kg	3rd
1987	Bill Scherr	Freestyle	100 kg	3rd
	Jim Scherr	Freestyle	90 kg	2nd
1989	Bill Scherr	Freestyle	100 kg	2nd
	Jim Scherr	Freestyle	90 kg	2nd
2001	Rulon Gardner	Greco-Roman	130 kg	1st
	Matt Lindland	Greco-Roman	85 kg	2nd
2005	Justin Ruiz	Greco-Roman	96 kg	3rd
	Tolly Thompson	Freestyle	120 kg	3rd
2007	Brad Vering	Greco-Roman	84 kg	2nd
2010	Justin Ruiz	Greco-Roman	96 kg	5th
2011	Jordan Burroughs	Freestyle	74 kg	1st
2013	Jordan Burroughs	Freestyle	74 kg	1st

### National Champions

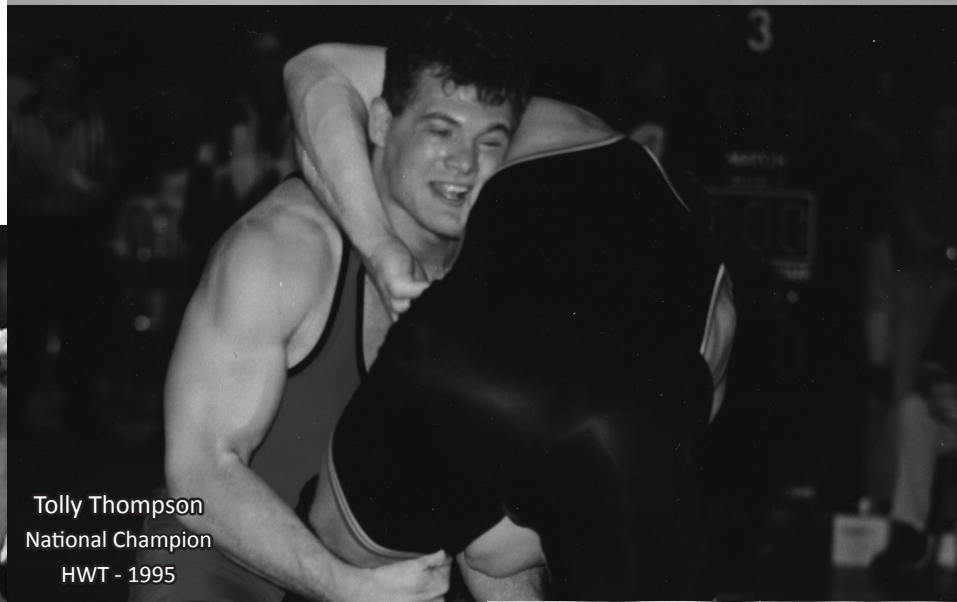
#### A Winning Tradition

Always one of the nation's premier wrestling programs, Nebraska has produced 11 national champions, including five in the last 12 years. In addition, Husker wrestlers have earned a total of 93 All-America honors in the history of the program, including 68 awards since 1990 and 34 since Coach Mark Manning took the reins of the program in 2000-01.

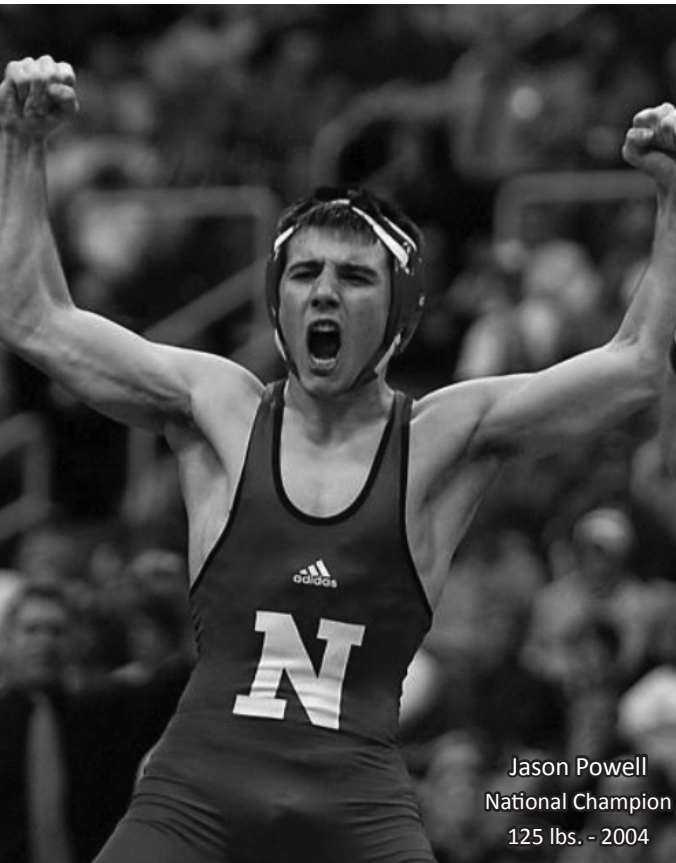
The school record holder for career wins, heavyweight Tolly Thompson (middle) won the 1995 national title with an 8-0 major decision over Justin Greenlee of Northern Iowa. Thompson was a three-time Big Eight champion and All-American at Nebraska. Jason Powell (below) capped a career that saw him earn three All-America honors with a national championship his senior year at 125 pounds in 2004. Powell, who ended his career 109-24, took third in 2003 and fifth in 2002 before becoming the eighth national champion in Husker history and the first national champion coached by Mark Manning at NU. Jordan Burroughs (above right) became Nebraska's only two-time national champion in 2011 at 165 pounds after winning the 157-pound title in 2009.



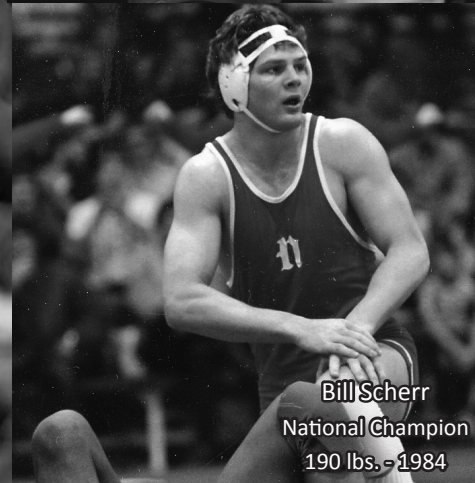
Jordan Burroughs  
Two-Time National Champion  
157 - 2009  
165 - 2011



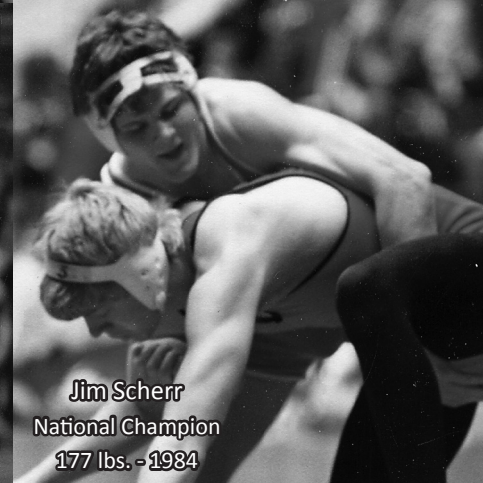
Tolly Thompson  
National Champion  
HWT - 1995



Jason Powell  
National Champion  
125 lbs. - 2004



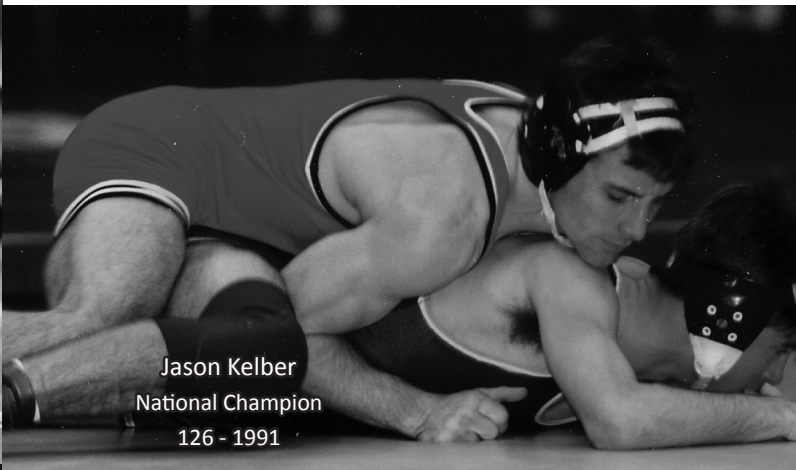
Bill Scherr  
National Champion  
190 lbs. - 1984



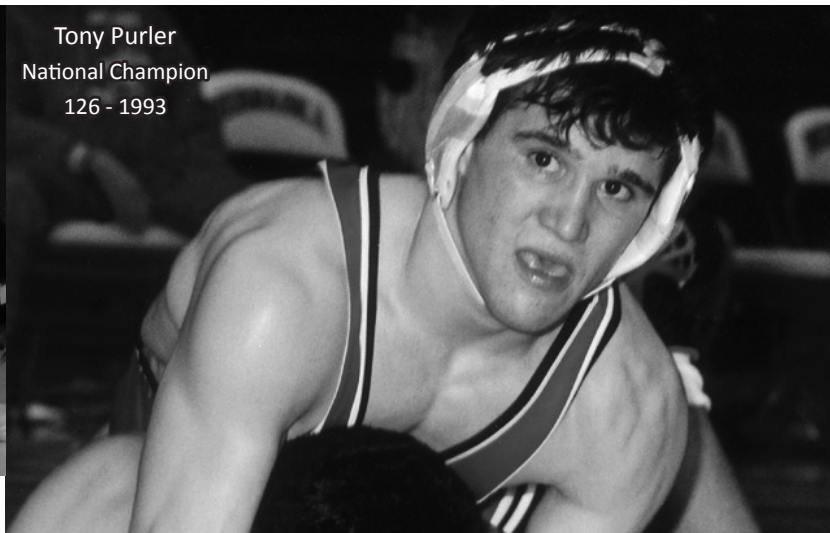
Jim Scherr  
National Champion  
177 lbs. - 1984

The Scherr brothers (above), Bill and Jim, were standouts for Nebraska from 1980 to 1984. Bill was NU's first three-time All-American and beat Jim Baumgardner of Oregon State in the finals of the 1984 NCAA Championships at 190 pounds to clinch his national championship with a 36-1 senior season at NU. He was also a three-time Big Eight champion. Jim earned the Huskers' second individual title with his win over Iowa's Duane Goldman at 177 pounds in 1984.

Mike Nissen (bottom right) became Nebraska's first national champion in 1963. Wrestling at 123 pounds, Nissen finished his senior season with a 19-1 record and closed his career with a perfect 36-0 dual mark. Tony Purler (top right) won the title at 126 pounds in 1993 by defeating Shawn Charles of Arizona State, avenging his only two losses of the season. Purler finished the season with an overall record of 35-2. Jason Kelber (top left) led the Huskers to a 10th-place NCAA finish in 1991 with his national title at 126 pounds. He ended his senior year with a 32-2 record by defeating Terry Brands in the NCAA finals. Paul Donahoe (middle right) won the 2007 national championship at 125 pounds.



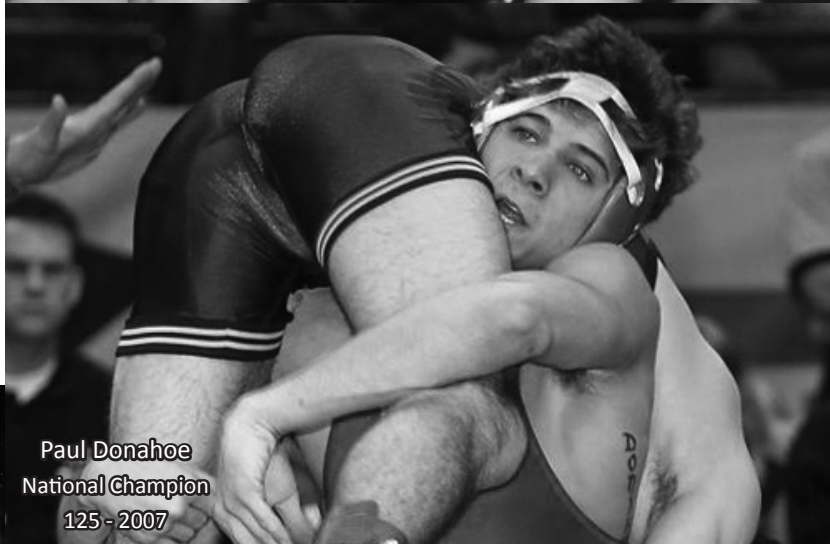
Jason Kelber  
National Champion  
126 - 1991



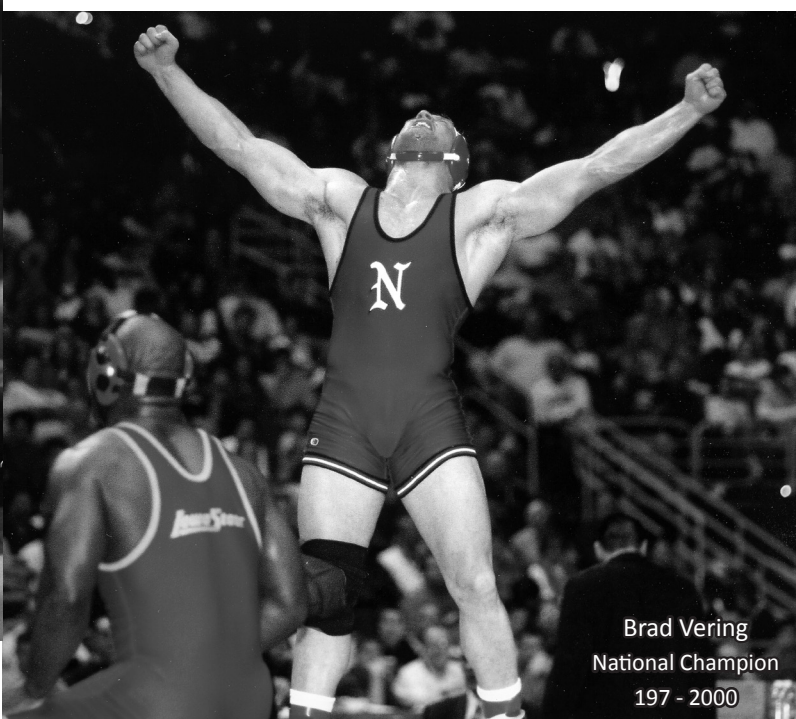
Tony Purler  
National Champion  
126 - 1993

### Nebraska's National Champions

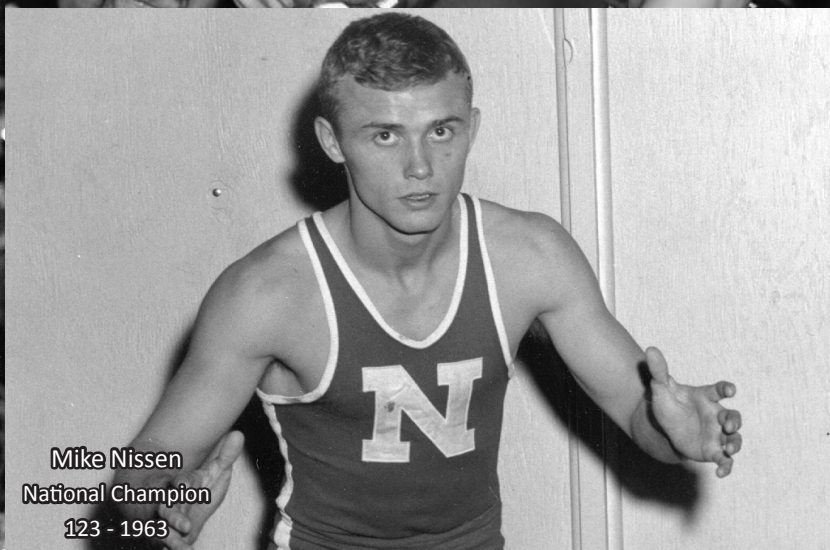
Name	Weight	Year	Record
Mike Nissen	123	1963	19-1
Jim Scherr	177	1984	34-2-1
Bill Scherr	190	1984	36-1
Jason Kelber	126	1991	35-2
Tony Purler	126	1993	35-2
Tolly Thompson	Hwt	1995	36-2
Brad Vering	197	2000	38-3
Jason Powell	125	2004	26-2
Paul Donahoe	125	2007	35-5
Jordan Burroughs	157	2009	35-0
Jordan Burroughs	165	2011	36-0



Paul Donahoe  
National Champion  
125 - 2007



Brad Vering  
National Champion  
197 - 2000



Mike Nissen  
National Champion  
123 - 1963

Fifth all-time on Nebraska's career win charts with a 124-26 mark in four years at Nebraska, Brad Vering (bottom left) became the seventh national champion in school history when he defeated Iowa State's Zack Thompson in a tiebreaker, 2-1, in the finals of the 197-pound bracket in 2000. Vering was a three-time All-American for the Huskers and won the Big 12 Conference championship once in his career.

### Wrestling Facilities

Nebraska Wrestling will have a new home in 2013-14 when the Huskers move to the Bob Devaney Sports Center. NU will host six duals this season at the newly renovated Devaney Center.

In addition to hosting duals, the Devaney Center and Hendricks Training Complex house the wrestling offices, locker room, weight room and wrestling room, all just steps from each other, providing an atmosphere conducive to elite training. The Hendricks Complex, which is inside the Devaney Center, includes a practice facility, coaches' offices as well as strength and conditioning and athletic medicine areas.

*Top Right: Nebraska will wrestle all of its home duals at the Devaney Center, which seats nearly 8,000.*

*Middle right: Opened in the fall of 2011, the Hendricks Training Complex is home to the wrestling team, along with the men's and women's basketball squads.*

*Bottom: During their time at the NU Coliseum, the Huskers hosted several major wrestling events, including the 2009 Big 12 Championships when the Huskers claimed a share of the conference title.*



## Hendricks Training Complex

The Nebraska wrestling program experienced some major facility improvements in the fall of 2011, starting with the addition of the Hendricks Training Complex.

The Hendricks Training Complex provides four full-sized practice mats, new office suites and new areas for both strength and conditioning and athletic medicine attached to the Bob Devaney Sports Center. The facility was completed in October of 2011.

*Top Right: The Husker wrestling locker room features 40 custom-made lockers with back-lit displays.*

*Middle right: The Hendricks Complex features a new 5,000-square foot strength complex. The strength complex includes five Transformers, which are unique to Nebraska. The Transformers are fully automated, which helps the student-athletes reach optimal training.*

*Bottom: The Nebraska wrestling room has four new mats that have a thicker underlayment, creating a safer environment for practice. The room also features an athletic medicine area and a cardio area adjacent to the mats.*



## CHAMPIONSHIP FACILITIES





Nebraska's top facilities are not limited to the wrestling program. Nearly every Husker sport enjoys a venue that ranks among the nation's best.

Nebraska provides its student-athletes top-notch game-day and practice atmospheres in every sport. In 2013-14, the Nebraska men's and women's basketball team move into the new Pinnacle Bank Arena in downtown Lincoln. The 15,200-seat arena will be the new home of both teams while also attracting the nation's top entertainers to Lincoln throughout the year. The nationally prominent Nebraska wrestling team moved into the Devaney Center in 2013, after the building received a \$20 million renovation.

The baseball, softball, men's and women's basketball, volleyball and wrestling programs have all benefitted from new practice facilities within the last two seasons.

*Top left: Memorial Stadium entered 2013 with a nation-leading 325 consecutive sellouts.*

*Middle: Nebraska's teams compete in some of the nation's finest facilities in front of large crowds. The Huskers are also committed to improving their facilities on an annual basis, including the Hendricks Training Complex, which opened in the fall of 2011, and Pinnacle Bank Arena (top right) is opening in 2013-14 for Nebraska men's and women's basketball. Memorial Stadium expanded by more than 5,000 seats for 2013, while adding an innovative academic/athletic research wing in the East Stadium.*

*Bottom left: Hawks Field at Haymarket Park provides the Huskers with the finest baseball stadium in the Big Ten Conference. Nebraska shares its home ballpark with the Lincoln Saltdogs, an independent minor league team.*

*Bottom (left and right): The Osborne Athletic Complex provides Nebraska student-athletes with top-notch training facilities. The main entrance to the Osborne Athletic Complex and Traditions Lobby features an impressive waterfall and a wall that honors those who contributed to the massive project, as well as memorabilia and trophies from all of Nebraska's bowl games.*





**“The University of Nebraska strength and development program is the model for others in the country.”**

**Phillip Hage, Editor,  
Physician and Sports  
Medicine Magazine**

*The model strength and conditioning program in the nation, Husker Power plays a major role in the continuing success of Nebraska athletics. Nebraska’s strength program was the first in the nation. With 13 staff members, Husker Power is one of the most comprehensive strength and conditioning organizations in the nation. Nebraska’s strength training facilities have set the standard in collegiate athletics since the early 1970s. The Ndamukong Suh Strength and Conditioning Center in the Osborne Athletic Complex has taken the Husker program to a whole new level in the past five years. The Hendricks Training Complex weight room is shown below.*

## HUSKER POWER

### Three Reasons for Success

**Program** - The Husker Power Strength and Conditioning Program is geared for maximum improvement of performance on the field. Each athlete receives their own individual computerized program each year.

**Supervision** - The Husker Power staff has nine full-time strength and conditioning specialists and four interns. Former Nebraska NCAA Champion Jason Powell works directly with the wrestling program to help Huskers prepare for success.

**Facilities** - The Hendricks Training Complex features a 5,000-square foot weight room for the wrestling program, along with the men’s and women’s basketball programs. The new weight room is designed similar to the Ndamukong Suh Strength Complex in the Osborne Complex.



## ATHLETIC MEDICINE

Providing expert care to more than 600 Husker student-athletes, Nebraska features one of the most well-trained and highly skilled athletic medicine staffs in the country.

Under the guidance of Director of Athletic Medicine Dr. Lonnie Albers and Head Athletic Trainer and Physical Therapist Jerry Weber, the 2013-14 Nebraska athletic medicine staff consists of five doctors, 11 athletic trainers and six graduate assistant athletic trainers.

Nebraska's team of orthopaedists is led by Chief of Staff Dr. Pat Clare, a nationally respected orthopaedic surgeon with more than 30 years of service to Husker athletics.



## NUTRITION



Nebraska's Sports Nutritionists Lindsey Remmers and Scott Trausch work with all 24 of Nebraska's sports by educating athletes on topics such as increasing lean body mass, losing body fat, staying hydrated, nutritional strategies for competition, maximizing recovery following workouts and supplement use. Athletes are given individualized nutrition plans that can be applied in Nebraska's Performance Buffet at the Lewis Training Table, which was remodeled and expanded in the 2010 season. In addition to utilizing the Lewis Training Table each day for lunch and dinner, student-athletes also have access to fueling stations near strength and conditioning areas to provide fluids and nutritional foods before and after workouts to maximize performance and recovery.

# ACADEMIC SUCCESS

The success of Nebraska student-athletes reaches far beyond athletic competition. More Husker student-athletes have been selected to CoSIDA Academic All-America teams (307) than any other school in the nation, and Nebraska has produced more NCAA Top Ten Award winners (16) than any other school. As it enters its third season of Big Ten Conference competition in 2013-14, Nebraska continues to set the standard for the approximately 1,400 NCAA member institutions.





The Husker football team leads all individual sport programs in the nation with 104 all-time CoSIDA Academic All-America awards. The Notre Dame football program ranks second among all sports nationally with 58 all-time academic All-Americans. In fact, Nebraska's 104 football academic All-Americans would rank among the top 25 schools (all sports, all divisions) in the nation in the number of total CoSIDA Academic All-Americans. The NU volleyball program has captured more academic All-America awards (37) than any other women's team in the nation, while the Husker softball program ranks second on that list with 29 selections. Nebraska also ranks among the top 10 schools in the nation in CoSIDA Academic All-Americans in baseball, women's basketball and men's and women's track and field/cross country. Over the past two years, the men's and women's track and field programs have produced 10 CoSIDA Academic All-Americans - the most in the nation during that span.

### Huskers Build on Academic Tradition in 2012-13

Husker student-athletes produced another outstanding year in 2012-13, continuing NU's tradition of academic success. The Huskers added eight CoSIDA Academic All-Americans to their nation-leading total (307) to become the first school in history to reach 300 academic All-Americans. Nebraska's eight academic All-Americans led the Big Ten Conference and ranked among the highest totals in the nation across all divisions.

### Academic All-Americans

All Sports as of August 2013

	<b>307</b>
	<b>231</b>
	<b>204</b>
	<b>182</b>

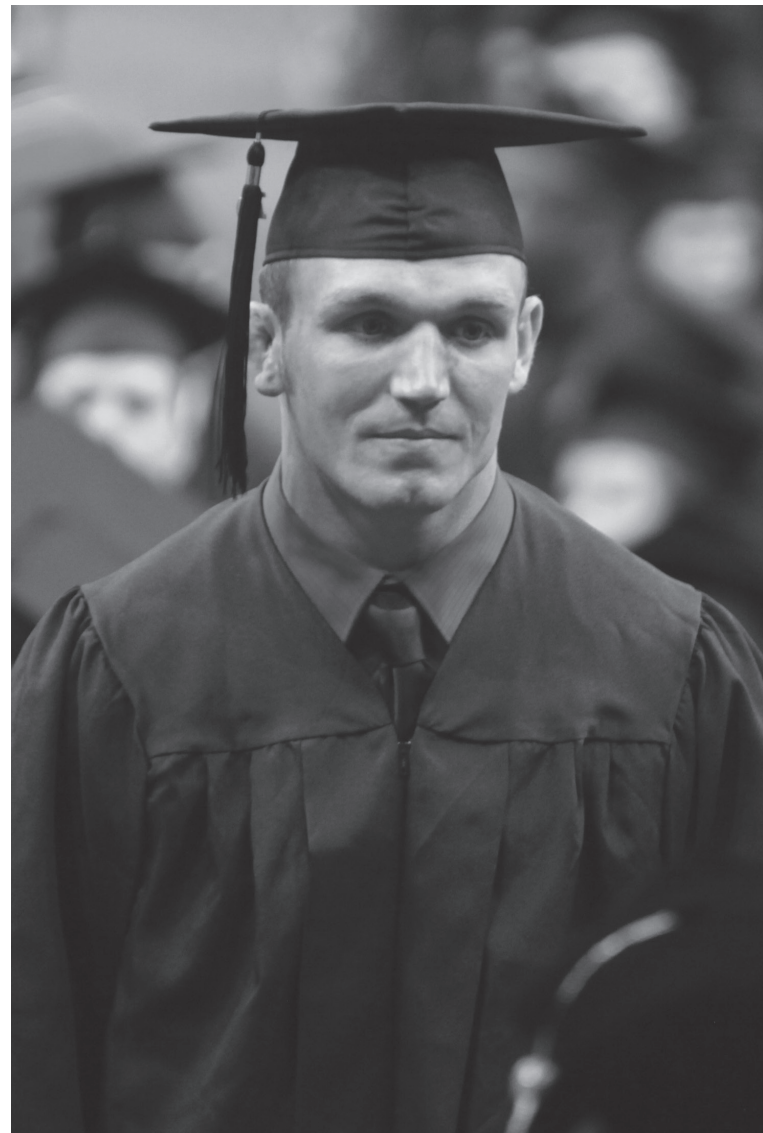
NU maintained its lead of 76 all-time CoSIDA Academic All-Americans over No. 2 Notre Dame. Since 2000, Nebraska has amassed a nation-leading 117 CoSIDA Academic All-Americans, which would rank in a tie for 13th over the more than 60 years of the academic All-America program. Nebraska has produced at least one academic All-American in 42 consecutive seasons.

Senior I-back Rex Burkhead captured first-team academic All-America honors for the second straight season, while senior linebacker Sean Fisher earned second-team honors for the second straight year. Fisher added a prestigious NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship.

While Burkhead and Fisher became the 25th and 26th two-time academic All-Americans in the history of the Husker football program, senior track and field student-athlete Bjorn Barrefors became the first four-time CoSIDA Academic All-American in school history. A six-time All-American as a multi-eventer, Barrefors was Nebraska's Male Student-Athlete of the Year and claimed an NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship. He was joined by 10-time All-American Mara Griva and Morgan Wilken in giving the track team a trio of academic All-Americans. All-America wrestler Josh Ihnen added his second straight academic All-America award, while eight-time gymnastics All-American Emily Wong captured the first academic All-America award of her career.

Gina Mancuso added a first-team CoSIDA Academic All-America award to the Husker volleyball team's nation-leading total of 37, while helping the Huskers to an NCAA Elite Eight appearance on the court.

Senior Mary Weatherholt also capped the most brilliant career on and off the court in Nebraska women's tennis history. NU's Female Student-Athlete of the Year earned All-America honors in both singles and doubles, while finishing as the runner-up at the NCAA Singles Championship. She added an Elite Eight finish with teammate Patricia



**Top: Nebraska Student-Athletes of the Year Bjorn Barrefors (left) of the track and field team and Mary Weatherholt (right) from the Husker women's tennis team earned multiple All-America awards in competition while leading two of Nebraska's strongest academic programs. Barrefors was an All-America multi-event competitor who became NU's first four-time CoSIDA Academic All-American. Weatherholt was the first Husker to earn All-America honors in both singles and doubles in 2013.**

**Middle and bottom: Three-time All-American Craig Brester was named the 2010 Nebraska Male Student-Athlete of the Year and graduated in May of 2010 with a degree in mechanized systems management.**



Veresova at the NCAA Doubles Championship, after leading the Huskers to their first-ever NCAA Sweet 16 as a team. For her performances on the court, in the classroom and in the community, Weatherholt claimed the ITA/Cissie Leary National Award for Sportsmanship, one of the top honors in collegiate tennis.

In addition to Nebraska's continued success in creating CoSIDA Academic All-Americans, the Huskers produced a record 705 Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll selections during the fall and spring semesters of 2012-13. A total of 188 Huskers were honored as academic All-Big Ten recipients, while 105 NU student-athletes earned degrees in 2012-13.

## Nebraska's 2012-13 Academic Highlights

- 307 All-Time CoSIDA Academic All-Americans across all sports (leads nation)
  - 104 Football Academic All-Americans (leads all sports, all time)
  - 37 Volleyball Academic All-Americans (leads all women's sports, all time)
  - 29 Softball Academic All-Americans (No. 2 among all women's sports, all time)
  - 35 Men's & Women's Track & Field Academic All-Americans (leads nation since 2002)
- Eight CoSIDA Academic All-Americans (4 first-team, 4 second-team)
  - First-Team: Rex Burkhead (Football), Bjorn Barrefors (Men's Track & Field), Gina Mancuso (Volleyball), Josh Ihnen (Wrestling)
  - Second-Team: Sean Fisher (Football), Mara Griva (Women's Track & Field), Morgan Wilken (Women's Track & Field), Emily Wong (Women's Gymnastics)
- Two NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Winners (\$7,500)
  - Sean Fisher (Football), Bjorn Barrefors (Men's Track & Field)
- Big Ten Postgraduate Scholarship Winners (\$7,500)
  - Conor McDermott (Football), Megan Southworth (Softball)
- Big Ten Medal of Honor Winners
  - Bjorn Barrefors (Men's Track & Field, Mary Weatherholt (Women's Tennis)
- Big Ten Sportsmanship Award Winners
  - Rex Burkhead (Football), Emily Wong (Women's Gymnastics)
- 188 Academic All-Big Ten Selections Across All Sports (3.0 GPA)
- School-Record 705 Student-Athletes Honored on the Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Fall and Spring Honor Rolls (3.0 GPA or above)
- 84 Student-Athletes Earned Perfect 4.0 GPAs in either the Fall or Spring Semester
- 105 Student-Athletes Earned Degrees from August 2012 through May 2013 (August 2012-11; December 2012-36; May 2013-58)
- Male Student-Athlete of the Year - Bjorn Barrefors, Men's Track & Field (Computer Science)
- Female Student-Athlete of the Year - Mary Weatherholt, Women's Tennis (Business Administration)
- Men's Herman Award Winner - Men's Golf (3.648 GPA in 2012)
- Women's Herman Award Winner - Women's Tennis (3.793 GPA in 2012)
- Life Skills Team Award Winners - Wrestling, Women's Swimming & Diving

*Top: U.S. Olympic freestyle gold medalist Jordan Burroughs earned his bachelor's degree from Nebraska in May of 2011, just weeks after winning his second NCAA title and embarking on an international career.*

*Bottom: Vince Jones was one of three All-Americans to earn his undergraduate degree in the spring of 2011.*



## THE NEBRASKA ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

From the day student-athletes decide the University of Nebraska is the right place to be, the athletic academic counseling unit provides personal and academic support to ensure that student-athletes will get the most out of their years as Huskers. Featuring one of the most innovative and comprehensive academic support systems in the country, Nebraska is dedicated to helping its student-athletes become outstanding leaders in their chosen fields. The academic support team is comprised of 13 full-time staff members and a tutorial staff of approximately 75 tutors addressing all subject areas.

### Academic Counseling

Eight academic counselors and three assistant academic counselors are in place to monitor daily academic progress, receive consistent course feedback, assist with the advising/registration process and monitor continuing eligibility and progress toward graduation. Essentially, academic counselors assist student-athletes in navigating the University of Nebraska system.

### Tutorial Support

A tremendous resource for all academic abilities, unlimited tutorial support is available from day one up to college graduation. Subject and mentor tutors help provide academic support and study strategies to be successful. Supplemental Instruction, a sub-component of the tutorial program, provides targeted group review sessions to help ease the transition to college academics while improving study strategies and building academic self-esteem.

### Study Hall

Nebraska's study hall program is housed in the D.J. Sokol Enrichment Center within the Dick and Peg Herman Family Student Life Complex. Student-athletes attend a supervised, flex-time study hall that features day, evening and weekend hours. Each student-athlete is required to complete a specific number of study hours each week as determined by their academic counselor and/or coach. In addition, weekly study hall reports are provided to the coaching staff. Additional performance-based or tutor-based study hall may also be determined by the academic counselor.

### Mentoring

Many student-athletes meet with a mentor on a weekly basis to assist in making a smooth transition from high school to college. Mentors collect syllabi, gather and report academic progress information and teach academic success strategies.

### Educational Assessments

Assessments are administered upon the request of the student-athlete, academic counselor, or coach to determine student strengths and areas for improvement. Results allow academic counselors to develop a personalized academic support program and to determine if more in-depth testing is warranted. When additional assessments are necessary, referrals are made to a consulting psychologist who conducts the assessments. If it is determined that a student-athlete has a learning disability, appropriate accommodations are made through the Office of Services for Students with Disabilities.

### Student-Athlete Orientation

The academic staff coordinates New Student-Athlete Orientation to help newcomers adjust to the multiple demands of being a college student-athlete. Presentations are made by academic counselors, compliance officials, NU faculty and administrators, business/community professionals and student-athletes.

### Personal Counseling

Student-athletes will find a supportive and caring environment at Nebraska. Transitional issues, stress management, time management, academic focus and problem resolution are all addressed in a proactive manner throughout the year. If necessary, counseling referrals are also made to designated practitioners.

### Computer Resources

Student-athletes enjoy a new state-of-the-art computer lab and technology center with 58 computers and professional supervision. Laptops are also available during team travel. Student-athletes have the benefit of ongoing education and assistance from a full-time computer technician.



*Nebraska's Dick and Peg Herman Family Student Life Complex (left page) opened after receiving an \$8.7 million expansion and renovation in 2010. The complex tripled the size of NU's previous academic support area for student-athletes. The Nebraska Life Skills program helps Husker student-athletes experience the benefits of service to others while learning to expand their own leadership skills. The Abbott Life Skills Center (below) is located within the Herman Family Student Life Complex.*

*In 2013, Caleb Kolb (left) and Ross Grande (below) both earned prestigious Nebraska Student-Athlete HERO Leadership Awards for their commitment to NU's award-winning Life Skills program. Director of Athletics Shawn Eichorst presented the awards.*



## NEBRASKA LIFE SKILLS - SERVING LEADERS

The Nebraska Life Skills program is committed to providing proactive education, resources and support throughout college and beyond, best preparing Husker student-athletes for life after sports. Services foster transition, retention, responsible decision-making, leadership, volunteerism and career development.

Nebraska has long been considered a pioneer in life skills support and programming. In 1998, Nebraska was one of five Division I schools nationally to win the prestigious Program of Excellence Award recognizing a strong commitment to total person development. In 2005, Keith Zimmer, Associate A.D. for Life Skills, was the recipient of the Dr. Gene Hooks Award recognizing him as the top life skills administrator in the country.

### Life Skills Components

#### Proactive Education

**Husker Life Seminar** – All incoming student-athletes complete a 13-week fall semester seminar addressing a variety of life skills topics ranging from leadership to money to relationships and study skills. **Team Workshops** – Campus and community experts facilitate team-specific life skills education workshops. **Student-Athlete Assemblies** – Meetings featuring remarks from Athletic Director Emeritus Tom Osborne and nationally recognized life skills trainers.

#### Personalized Support/Individual Sessions

**Resume Development** – Each student-athlete is assigned a Life Skills counselor who assists in the creation of a personalized resume for the student-athlete. Periodic follow-up meetings will take place through graduation to ensure a well-rounded college experience and marketability to realize career goals.

#### Community Outreach

Nebraska student-athletes combine to impact over 100,000 people statewide on an annual basis. **Team Service Requirement** – Each team participates in a minimum of two service projects per year. **School Outreach** – Individuals participate in numerous school outreach campaigns in both classroom and assembly settings. **Hospital Visits** – Huskers are frequent hospital visitors providing cheer and encouragement to a variety of patients. **Miscellaneous Outreach** – Outreach requests are received daily from the entire state requesting involvement from Husker student-athletes. **Mentoring Programs** – Typically requires one hour of service per week serving as a youth mentor.

#### Leadership/Citizenship

Life Skills promotes leadership development and provides recognition opportunities for extraordinary citizenship. **Student-Athlete Advisory Committee** – Elected team representatives from each of the 24 sports serve as the “voice” of the entire student-athlete population discussing student-athlete welfare, legislation and service events. **HERO Leadership Award** – Individual recognition to Huskers who have consistently went above and beyond serving as an exemplary role-model. **Heart and Soul Award** – Presented annually to the top senior student-athlete leaders for extraordinary service throughout their college careers. **Brook Berringer Citizenship Team** – Annual “Good Works” team honoring football players for dedicated service in memory of late Husker Brook Berringer. **Nebraska Football Uplifting Athletes** - A newly recognized UNL student organization initiated in 2012, Nebraska football players and UNL student leaders work collaboratively to raise funds and awareness for those with rare diseases. Nebraska running back Rex Burkhead was named the 2012 recipient of the National Rare Disease Champion Award for his mentoring of Jack Hoffman, who won a 2013 ESPY Award for his touchdown run in the Red/White Spring Game. **Life Skills Award of Excellence** – Presented to the single men’s and women’s team with the highest point total in the life skills team competition.

#### Career Commitment

In addition to the creation of a personalized resume and game plan, the following career resources are available to every Husker. **Student-Athlete Career Fair** – Attended by approximately 25 companies. **Networking Night** – Former Husker student-athletes and other professionals thriving in their chosen career fields share valuable insights with sophomore student-athletes. **Assessments** – On-line assessments to help individuals discover talents and match with a major and career. **Practical Experience** – Programs in place to facilitate shadowing and internship placements. **Job Preparation** – Expert advice on cover letter writing, interviewing skills and evaluating the job offer.

#### Postgraduate Assistance

Commitment to helping student-athletes pursue postgraduate plans and scholarships. **Career Nights** – Learn from the experts to gain valuable insight on timelines, application procedures, entrance requirements, personal essays and more. **Scholarships** – Seniors in their final season of athletic eligibility can apply for numerous postgraduate awards.

# LEADING THE WAY



As one of the nation's premier public institutions, the University of Nebraska is committed to undergraduate learning and world-class research. Quality instruction is emphasized in Nebraska's 157 undergraduate majors, which are spread through nine undergraduate colleges.

Nebraska, which officially joined the Big Ten Conference on July 1, 2011, is a member of the Committee on Institutional Cooperation, a consortium of Big Ten universities and the University of Chicago, which has generated unique opportunities for students and faculty by sharing expertise, leveraging resources and collaborating on programs.

The University of Nebraska was chartered by the Nebraska Legislature in 1869 as the state's public university and land-grant institution. Founded in Lincoln, the University of Nebraska was expanded in 1968 into a state educational system now comprising four campuses under the guidance of a Board of Regents and a central administration.

To discover more about the University of Nebraska visit [unl.edu](http://unl.edu). To learn more about Nebraska athletics, visit [Huskers.com](http://Huskers.com) and [ThisIsNebraska.com](http://ThisIsNebraska.com).



*Large photo: The Nebraska Student Union is the meeting place on campus where students can spend a little down time between classes. It has study areas and a food court.*

*Bottom left: Love Library is the main library at the University of Nebraska and sits on the southern edge of City Campus.*

*Bottom middle: The Esther L. Kaufmann Center houses the Jeffery S. Raikes School of Computer Science and Management.*

*Bottom right: The new, 30,000-square foot Jackie Gaughan Multicultural Center is the nation's largest multicultural center attached to a student union.*



# NEBRASKA'S NATIONAL POWER

One of the nation's premier athletic programs, Nebraska is dedicated to and successful in all 24 of its varsity sports. Nebraska has won a total of 25 team national championships since 1970, including five football titles, eight men's gymnastics championships, six bowling crowns, three volleyball titles and three women's track and field championships. In 2012-13, 12 Husker teams finished among the top 25 in their respective sports, including the Nebraska football team which posted its fifth straight nine-win season.

The Husker football team also led a list of 11 Husker squads that advanced to NCAA postseason competition in 2012-13, as Bo Pelini's team made a New Year's Day appearance in the 2013 Capital One Bowl. The national power Husker bowling team won its sixth national championship with a victory over top-ranked Vanderbilt. The NU softball team made its seventh trip to the Women's College World Series with a Super Regional win over No. 3 Oregon and finished the season ranked eighth in the final polls, its highest finish since 2002. The women's basketball team made its second NCAA Sweet 16 trip in four years, while the women's tennis team made its first-ever NCAA Sweet 16 appearance. Nebraska's volleyball team was one win away from reaching the Final Four, reaching the Sweet 16 for the 29th time in 31 seasons. During their first season of sand volleyball in the spring, the Huskers finished the year ranked seventh. Nebraska's wrestling team was one of six Big Ten teams to finish in the top 15 at the NCAA Championships, with the Huskers finishing 13th. The NU men's track and field team won its first Big Ten title in 2013 at the conference outdoor meet and then contributed a tie for 15th at the NCAA Outdoor Championships - its second straight top-15 finish. The rifle team finished seventh at the NCAA Championships and doubled its win total from 2012 under first-year Coach Stacy Underwood, while the men's gymnastics team finished 11th at the NCAA Championships.

With just one senior on the 2013 team, Nebraska's bowling team captured its fourth

national title in the past 10 seasons. After taking its program to new heights in 2012, the NU women's tennis team was even better in 2013. The Huskers won their first Big Ten title, and not only qualified for the NCAA Championships for the fourth-straight year but were selected as a women's tennis regional site for the first time in school history. Along with a trip to the Women's College World Series and a 45-win season, the fifth-most in school history, the softball team hosted a regional at Bowlin Stadium for the fifth time since the park opened in 2002. The Husker women's basketball team ran to the second-highest win total in school history with 25 victories, while also finishing second in the Big Ten with a 12-4 conference mark.

Individual success also highlighted a stellar 2012-13 for Nebraska Athletics. On the gridiron, Spencer Long was named a second-team All-American, marking the fourth-straight year that Nebraska has had either a first or second-team All-America selection. Mary Weatherholt rewrote Nebraska women's tennis history, as the fifth-year senior finished runner-up to defending NCAA champion Nicole Gibbs. After clinching Nebraska's bowling team national title, Kristina Mickelson won the X-Bowling Intercollegiate Singles title. Chad Wright nearly claimed a second straight national championship in the men's discus, with his personal-best throw of 209-1 resulting in a runner-up finish. Overall in 2012-13, 37 Husker student-athletes combined to capture 53 All-America awards across all sports. As a testament to Nebraska's national recruiting prowess, the All-Americans came to NU from 16 states and four foreign countries. The Cornhusker state showed its success in keeping the best and brightest of its future leaders at home, as nine All-Americans came from the state of Nebraska.



*All-American Mary Weatherholt had a historic run in the NCAA Singles Championship to cap her final year as a Husker. She stormed her way into the championship match with five straight wins before falling to two-time champion Nicole Gibbs of Stanford.*



*Top: Chad Wright won the shot put at the Big Ten Outdoor Championships and then finished second in the discus at the NCAA Outdoor Championships, after winning the NCAA discus title in 2012.*

*Bottom: The Nebraska men's track and field team captured the 2013 Big Ten Outdoor title. It was the 105th conference title in program history and Head Coach Gary Pepin's 69th conference title dating back to his first Big Eight win in 1981.*



## Nebraska's Top 25 National Finishes in 2012-13

Bowling	1st
Men's Gymnastics	7th
Rifle	7th
Volleyball	7th
Sand Volleyball	7th
Softball	8th
Wrestling	13th
Women's Gymnastics	14th
Men's Outdoor Track & Field	15th (Tie)
Women's Tennis	16th
Women's Basketball	18th
Football	25th

*Top left: The Nebraska women's bowling team captured its fourth NCAA title since it became an NCAA sport in 2003. Kristina Mickelson, the lone senior on the squad, clinched the title with a strike in the second-to-last frame of the sixth game victory over Vanderbilt. All-American Liz Kuhlkin earned NCAA Tournament MVP honors, while Mickelson went on to win the X-Singles National Championship.*



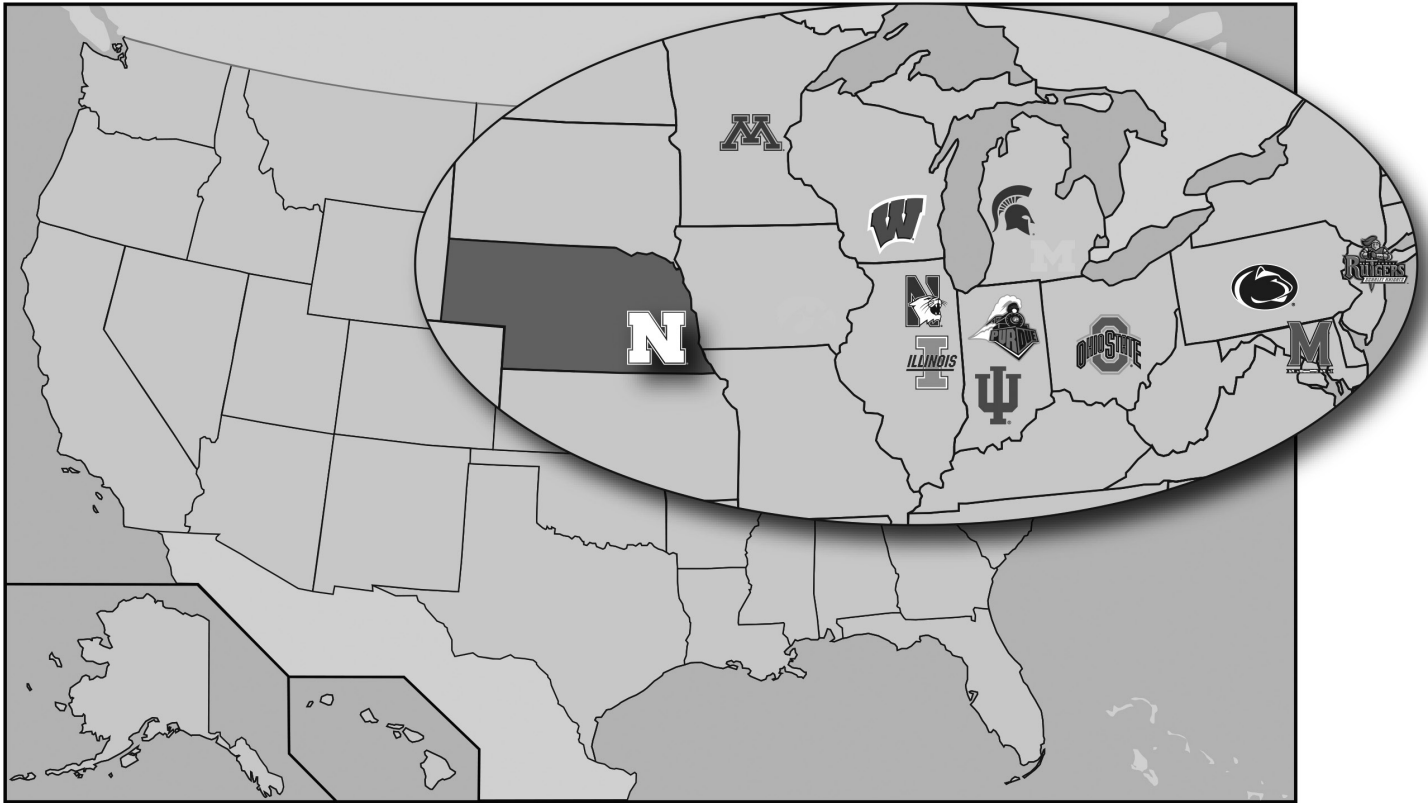
*Middle: Eight-time All-American Emily Wong led the Huskers to their third straight conference title and second straight Big Ten title. Wong was the 2013 Big Ten All-Around champion and added CoSIDA Academic All-America honors.*

*Top: Jordan Hooper earned All-America honors for the second straight season while helping the Huskers to their second NCAA Sweet 16 in the last four years. Hooper, who was a starter on the gold-medal winning USA Basketball Women's World University Games Team in 2013, returns for her senior season in 2013-14.*

*Bottom: All-America twin sisters Tatum (left) and Taylor Edwards (right) powered the Nebraska softball team to the Women's College World Series in 2013. Tatum earned All-America honors as a pitcher for the Huskers in 2013, while Taylor was an All-America catcher as a freshman in 2011. Both return to rewrite the Husker record books in 2014.*

*Bottom: Offensive lineman Spencer Long earned All-America honors from the Walter Camp Foundation in 2012, paving the way for record-setting Husker quarterback Taylor Martinez.*

# BIG TEN CONTINUES TO EXPAND NATIONAL REACH



On July 1, 2011, the University of Nebraska became an official member of the Big Ten Conference, increasing the Big Ten's membership to 12 institutions for the first time in conference history. The addition of Nebraska marked the Big Ten's first expansion since Penn State University joined the conference in June of 1990. The nation's oldest conference will continue to grow with the addition of Maryland and Rutgers in 2014-15. Currently, the Big Ten Conference is a union of 12 world-class academic institutions – who share a common mission of research, graduate, professional and undergraduate teaching and public service. The conference's 100-plus years of history, strong tradition of competitive intercollegiate athletic programs, vast and passionate alumni base, and consistent leadership in innovations position the Big Ten and its entire community firmly on the Big Stage.

The Big Ten has sustained a comprehensive set of shared practices and policies that enforce the priority of academics and emphasize the values of integrity, fairness and competitiveness in all aspects of its student-athletes' lives, with the ultimate goal of ensuring that each individual has the opportunity to live a Big Life.

## Big Ten Conference Highlights

- Big Ten universities provide approximately \$136 million in direct financial aid to nearly 10,000 men and women student-athletes who compete for 25 championships. Hockey will become the Big Ten's 26th official conference championship sport in 2013-14.
- Conference institutions sponsor broad-based athletic programs with 299 teams. Other than the Ivy League, the Big Ten has the most broad-based athletic programs in the United States.
- Big Ten fans are some of the nation's most supportive, with nearly 10 million patrons attending conference home contests for football, men's and women's basketball and volleyball during 2012-13. In 2012, the Big Ten set new records for overall football attendance and surpassed the six-million mark for all games for the second straight year. During 2012-13, the Big Ten led the nation in men's basketball and women's volleyball attendance, while ranking second nationally in football and women's basketball attendance.
- Over the last 34 seasons, the conference has ranked either No. 1 or No. 2 nationally in football, men's basketball and wrestling attendance.
- The Big Ten leads all conferences with more than 4.5 million living alumni and 320,000 undergraduate students.

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## Big Ten Wrestling Facts

- Every school in the Big Ten Conference fields a wrestling team. With the addition of Nebraska for the first time during the 2011-12 season, the Big Ten became a 12-team wrestling conference. The Big Ten will expand to 14 teams starting in 2014-15, with the addition of Rutgers and Maryland.
- Big Ten Conference schools have captured the last six NCAA championships. Penn State claimed its second straight title in 2012. Penn State broke Iowa's streak of three consecutive titles in 2011. Overall, the Big Ten has won 30 total team national championships, including 17 since 1990.
- Nearly half of the All-America honors awarded at the 2012 NCAA Championships were presented to Big Ten wrestlers, as the conference claimed 34 of 80 individual All-America awards. Nine of the 12 Big Ten teams produced at least one All-American in 2012, including Nebraska's Josh Ihnen and James Green.
- In 2012, seven Big Ten programs finished in the top 15 at the NCAA Championships, including the top three teams in the country - Penn State, Minnesota and Iowa. Ohio State added a fifth-place team finish, while Illinois (7th) and Northwestern (9th) to give the Big Ten six of the nation's top 10 teams. Michigan (11th), Nebraska (T-21st), Purdue (T-28th), Indiana (T-37th), Michigan State (T-37th) and Wisconsin (T-41st) placed all 12 of the Big Ten teams among the top 42 in the country at the 2012 NCAA Championships.



*The Big Ten Network brings unprecedented coverage to wrestling across the conference, including the Big Ten Championships. The Chicago-based network is also bringing increased national exposure to Nebraska student-athletes across all sports.*

## Big Ten Network

Headquartered in Chicago, the Big Ten Network is the first internationally distributed television network dedicated to covering one of America's premier collegiate conferences.



With more than 400 live sports events, and virtually all of them in high definition, the Big Ten Network is the ultimate destination for Big Ten fans and alumni across the country. The network is on the air 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

The network is available to an estimated 80 million households, through agreements with more than 300 cable/satellite affiliates. In 2011 and 2012, every Big Ten home football game was nationally televised. Including road and neutral games, 99 percent (95 of 96) of Big Ten games were televised nationally in 2012, while the other road game appeared on ESPN3.com.

## Big Ten Network Facts

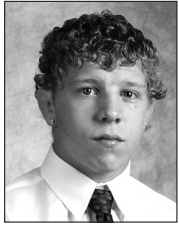
### MORE TELEVISION EXPOSURE

- The Big Ten's media agreements with CBS, ABC/ESPN, Fox and BTN provide the conference with its greatest television exposure ever.
- In 2006, the Big Ten created the first national conference-owned television network devoted to the athletic and academic programs of a single conference. The Big Ten Network launched on Aug. 30, 2007, and became the first new network in cable or satellite television history to reach 30 million homes in its first 30 days.
- Since the current media agreements began in 2007-08, every home football and men's basketball game has been produced while women's basketball has received more coverage than any other conference.
- The Big Ten's new media agreements have resulted in the broadcast of nearly 1,000 events nationally and regionally on an annual basis, compared to 300 events in the final year of the previous agreements.



*2013 NCAA Qualifier Austin Wilson and the Huskers will play host to four Big Ten Conference duals this year at the Devaney Center, including Northwestern, Indiana, Iowa and Michigan.*

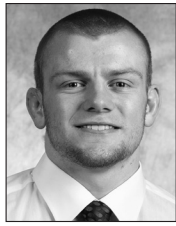
# 2013-14 Nebraska Wrestling



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Gage Anderson  
Rfr. - 149 lbs.



Micah Barnes  
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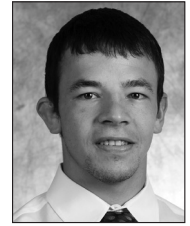
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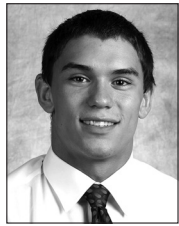
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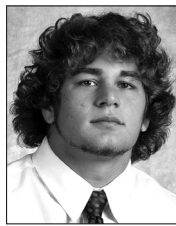
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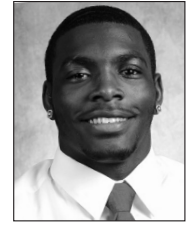
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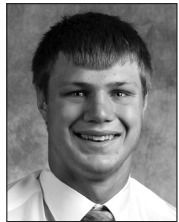
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Tyrell Galloway  
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James Green  
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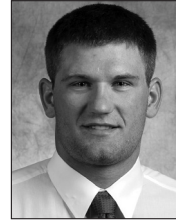
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Spencer Johnson  
Jr. - 197 lbs.



Adam Joseph  
Sr. - 141 lbs.



Robert Kokesh  
Jr. - 174 lbs.



Caleb Kolb  
Sr. - 197 lbs.



Tim Lambert  
Rfr. - 125 lbs.



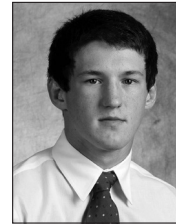
Mitchell Maginnis  
Fr. - 125 lbs.



Lukas Maki  
Fr. - 141 lbs.



Destin McCauley  
Fr. - 149 lbs.



Colton McCrystal  
Fr. - 133 lbs.



Alex Metzler  
Fr. - 149 lbs.



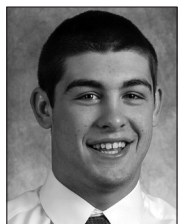
Eric Montoya  
So. - 133 lbs.



Ben Morgan  
Rfr. - 133 lbs.



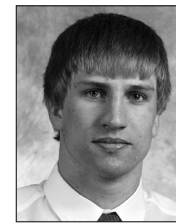
Shawn Nagel  
Sr. - 125 lbs.



McCoy Newberg  
Rfr. - 174 lbs.



Ian Ousley  
So. - 165 lbs.



Aaron Studebaker  
Rfr. - 184 lbs.



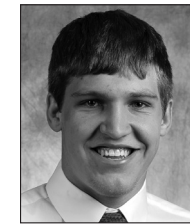
Jake Suefloh  
Jr. - 149 lbs.



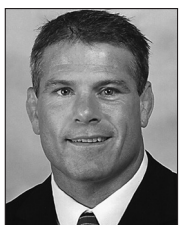
John Svoboda  
Jr. - 157 lbs.



Brandon Wilbourn  
Jr. - 157 lbs.



Austin Wilson  
So. - 165 lbs.



Mark Manning  
Head Coach



Bryan Snyder  
Associate Head Coach



Tony Ernsland  
Assistant Coach



Jason Powell  
Strength and  
Conditioning Coach



Matt Meuleners  
Volunteer Assistant