Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference



2022-23 MIAC Golf Season Preview

Golf

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BLOOMINGTON, Minn. - Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) golf teams will be in action early and often with the 2022 MIAC Championships only a month away.

Augsburg and Saint Benedict are set to host respective men's and women's invitationals this weekend to open the 2022-23 season, while Bethel will host a men's invite on September 10-11 and MIAC women's teams will split between meets at Wartburg and UW-Eau Claire that same weekend. Saint John's will hold its fall invitational on September 17-18 while Gustavus will do the same on the women's side. St. Catherine is set to host a two-day women's tournament on September 24-25 the last weekend before the MIAC Golf Championships, while Gustavus will host a three-day men's tournament on September 24-26 to close out the pre-championship portion of the fall schedule.

The first MIAC championships of the year will be held October 1-3 at Bunker Hills Golf Club in Coon Rapids. Men's teams are set to tee off at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 1, with women's teams scheduled to follow around 10:00 a.m. All teams will play the East-West courses this year. Bethel and St. Scholastica are slated to host.

The winners of the Men's and Women's MIAC Golf Championships will earn the conference's automatic qualifiers to the 2023 NCAA Division III Golf Championships. The Women's Championships will be played May 9-12, 2023 at Mission Inn Resort and Club in Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla., while the Men's Championships will follow on May 16-19, 2023 at Keene Trace in Nicholasville, Ky.

2021-22 CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

MIAC Men's Golf
*%Saint John's (706)
%Gustavus (712)
Carleton (758)
Concordia (760)
Augsburg (769)
Bethel (771)
St. Olaf (786)
Macalester (809)
St. Scholastica (839)

*MIAC Champion %NCAA Championship Participant MIAC Women's Golf
"%St. Catherine (764)
Gustavus (779)
Bethel (784)
Carleton (795)
Saint Benedict (798)
St. Scholastica (833)
Augsburg (839)
St. Olaf (847)
Macalester (851)
Concordia (882)

BULE CHANGES

MIAC membership established a Golf Championship Director position last year to oversee championship decisions. Longtime coach in the MIAC and Minnesota PGA tournament rules official Jim Deutsch has been selected to serve in this role beginning with the 2022 MIAC Championships. MIAC coaches also voted to increase the number of coaches' carts allowed per program from one to two for the upcoming championship meet.

NEW MIAC WERSITE & APP

The MIAC launched a <u>refreshed website</u> and new <u>mobile app</u> over the summer through a new multi-year partnership with SIDEARM Sports. The updated website design is intended to be more user-friendly and interactive for student-athletes, parents, alumni, and fans, featuring easy access to stories, schedules, results, standings, and championship information. The new mobile app is free to fans and can be downloaded on both the <u>Apple App Store</u> and the <u>Google Play Store</u> for Android devices. The MIAC's previous "Front Row" app will be retired and no longer update as of the 2022-23 academic year.

AWARD WATCH

The MIAC Men's and Women's All-Conference honorees will be announced in May and consist of 15 players for each sport. The top 10 finishers from the MIAC Golf Championships in October will automatically earn All-Conference distinction. Coaches will also vote for five additional All-Conference honorees based on their play in both the fall and spring segments of the season. In addition to All-Conference honors and any honorable mention selections, coaches will also vote for Player, Rookie, and Coach of the Year awards in the spring. To be eligible for Rookie of the Year honors, a student-athlete must be a true college first-year student (not a transfer from another institution or an academic sophomore/junior/senior who has not used eligibility.

Throughout the regular season, the MIAC will recognize top individual performances with the MIAC Golf Athlete of the Week awards. Golf Athlete of the Week awards will be issued throughout the academic year when at least three MIAC teams have competed in a given week and nominations for outstanding performances have been submitted.

LOOKING AHEAD
First Match Date: Thursday, September 1
MIAC Championships: Saturday, October 1-Monday, October 3
Men's Season Links: Schedule | News | Statistics | Athletes of the Week | Championships | Record Book
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