

# 2012 MIAC Men's Soccer Preview and Preseason Coaches' Poll

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ST. PAUL, Minn. -- The rich drama of the 2011 Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) men's soccer season lasted until the final horn of the regular season, and continued through an unforgettable MIAC Playoff tournament. However, with a number of talented players back and a bevy of talented teams gunning for the conference title, the 2012 season is set to pick up right where MIAC men's soccer left off.

After the dust settled from a hectic regular season a year ago, there was a tie atop the standings and another deadlock for the fourth and final postseason bid, serving as an indication of the conference's strength and depth. Northfield rivals St. Olaf and Carleton shared the league's regular season crown and Augsburg and Macalester finished tied for the No. 4 spot, which the Auggies claimed via tiebreaker criteria.

The dramatic regular season was somehow topped in the Playoffs, as both semifinal games were decided by a lone goal, and the two co-champs and cross town rivals met in an epic championship game. The Oles won 3-2 in double overtime, providing a fitting conclusion to a great season of MIAC soccer, and then represented the league by advancing to the second round of the 2011 NCAA Division III Men's Soccer Tournament.

This year, the Oles return with high expectations as the No. 16-ranked team in the nation, but the rest of the field certainly won't be far behind as they engage in a two-month battle for the MIAC title.

## Oles atop MIAC Coaches' Poll

After a stellar season in 2011, it's no surprise that the reigning MIAC Coach-of-the-Year, Kurt Anderson, and his St. Olaf squad would top the 2012 MIAC Preseason Coaches' Poll as the favorite to claim a second-straight championship. The Oles received six of the 11 first-place-votes, and sit atop the ranking with 93 total points.

However, several teams are expected to challenge the Oles for MIAC supremacy, including rapidly-improving Gustavus, 2011 co-champ Carleton, Playoff qualifier Augsburg and always-tough St. Thomas. The Gusties had a remarkable regular season a year ago with only two losses on their record, and Mike Middleton's team took second with two first-place votes and 83 points. The Knights - who shared the 2011 conference crown with their cross-town rivals, check in at No. 3 with one first-place-vote and 78 points. Augsburg is predicted to join the playoff field once again with 75 points, and St. Thomas grabbed the other two first-place votes and rounded out the top five with 70 points.

Macalester just missed a trip to the Playoffs a year ago, tying for fourth and losing the tiebreaker, and they're picked sixth with 55 points this season. Saint John's is just five points behind the Scots at No. 7 with 50 points. Bethel was much-improved a year ago, and came in eighth in the poll with 41 points. Saint Mary's (25), Hamline (18) and Concordia (17) round out the bottom three spots in the coaches' rankings.

## What's new?

What's new in the MIAC in 2012? From a coaching stand point ... a lot. There was a ton of movement in the offseason with three completely new coaches in the conference and two others with different roles than they had a year ago. The changes star at Bethel, where second-year man Jeremy Iwaszkowicz will get to focus his efforts on just the Royals' men's program after serving as head coach for both genders in 2011. A similar situation played out in Moorhead, as Dan Weiler relinquished men's head coaching duties and now will spend all his time with the women's program. Ben Schneweis is the Cobbers' new men's head coach and takes the reins from Weiler.

Meanwhile, another coaching change impacted two MIAC schools. Jon Lowery accepted the head men's soccer coaching gig at St. Thomas, moving across town from his old post leading the Hamline program. To replace Lowery, the Pipers have called on alum Alex Morawiecki as their new head men's coach. Macalester made it 3-for-3 in St. Paul schools with coaching changes, hiring Stanford University's Gregg Olson to replace departed head coach Ian Barker.

With one other MIAC coach in his second season (Saint Mary's Pete Watkins) and two more entering their third year (Gustavus' Mike Middleton and Saint John's John Haws), that means eight of the 11 teams in the MIAC have had a coaching change in the span of just three years.

## Who's back?

With all the coaching movement, there are still a few familiar faces in the MIAC coaching ranks. Anderson, the reigning Coach-of-the-Year, is the dean of MIAC men's soccer coaches as he enters his 24th season. His cross town counterpart in Northfield, Carleton's Bob Carlson, is starting his 16th season leading the Knights, and 2010 MIAC Coach-of-the-Year Greg Holker will be on the Augsburg bench for his ninth year as head coach.

When it comes to returning talent on the field, the MIAC is rich with stars in 2012, including the last two MIAC Player-of-the-Year honorees and a two-time conference goal-scoring champ. St. Olaf's David Rosenthal headlines the returning talent after racking up a conference-best 37 points last season en route to the top individual honor in the conference, All-MIAC recognition and a spot on the All-America First Team. Also back is two-time All-Conference defender Chad Gilmer from Augsburg, the 2010 MIAC Player-of-the-Year, and Macalester's Taylor Rasmussen who has led the MIAC in goals each of the past two seasons while earning All-MIAC and All-Region honors.

Rosenthal isn't the only star back for the Oles. All-MIAC defender Stephen Johnson also returns, as does goalkeeper Harry Ullman, who

allowed just 0.81 goals per game while racking up 70 saves and seven shutouts last season. Gustavus also brings back a pair of All-MIAC stars in two-time selection Lucas Thompson and Brett Ylonen, who was a third-team All-Region selection after receiving All-MIAC Honorable Mention honors.

Saint John's and St. Thomas both return two-time All-MIAC leaders to their squads in 2012. High-scoring Michael Coborn returns to lead the Johnnies after earning All-MIAC honors in 2010 and 2011, and third-team All-Region honors last season. Likewise, St. Thomas' Nick Rapisarda has been named to the All-MIAC First Team after each of the last two seasons.

Carleton's title team lost several key players to graduation, but welcome back All-MIAC Honorable Mention defender Neil Bartholomay, who headlines their returners. Bethel's Cody Walkup, Concordia goalkeeper Peter Runquist and Hamline midfielder Greg Northrop were all named to the All-MIAC Honorable Mention squad in 2011, and Saint Mary's will be led by senior forward Jacob Bina.

Circle these dates

The 2012 MIAC men's soccer schedule is full of important dates and impact games. The first games of the new campaign will begin on Aug. 31, with Sept. 12 signaling the start of conference play and the regular season coming to a close on Oct. 27. This year's MIAC Playoffs will feature semifinals on Oct. 31 and the championship on Nov. 3, but here are some can't-miss games for MIAC soccer fans throughout the fall.

The first marquee game that comes to mind is the Northfield showdown between the 2011 conference co-champs, who also met in the MIAC Playoff championship game. Fans will have to wait until the final day of the regular season for this matchup, as St. Olaf travels across town to Carleton for a 1 p.m. game on Oct. 27. The final-day schedule features numerous great games, including Gustavus at Macalester at 1 p.m. and Saint John's hosting Concordia under the Clemens Stadium lights at 7:30 p.m.

The other two MIAC Playoff teams from 2011 will meet two weeks earlier as Augsburg hosts Gustavus in Minneapolis on Oct. 13 at 1 p.m. Auggie head coach Greg Holker is a Gustavus alum to add another fun wrinkle to one of the most-anticipated matchups of 2012. An old St. Paul rivalry also gets a new twist on Sept. 29 when Hamline hosts St. Thomas and former head coach Jon Lowery. Another great matchup should be a battle of teams on the rise, when Bethel hosts Saint Mary's at 3 p.m. on Sept. 22.

A closer look

The rest of the 2012 MIAC Men's Soccer Preview contains more details and information about each team to provide a closer look at each MIAC squad as the season draws near. Scroll down to see complete results from the 2012 MIAC Men's Soccer Preseason Coaches' Poll, Playoff information, helpful links and team-by-team previews along with links to each team's men's soccer home page. This season, the team previews - provided by each school's sports information director - received a facelift to give fans a more user-friendly way to prepare for the upcoming season.

Continue to visit the MIAC Web site throughout the season for updated scores, standings, stats and more, and for additional updates and interaction connect to the MIAC on its social media pages, including [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).

2012 MIAC Men's Soccer Preseason Coaches' Poll

Coaches voted for every team in the conference except their own team. Points were assigned for each vote (10 for first, nine for second, etc.) Teams are ranked in order of highest point total to lowest with vote totals listed and first-place votes shown in parentheses.

2012 MIAC Men's Soccer Preseason Coaches' Poll		
Rank	Institution	Total
1	St. Olaf (6)	93
2	Gustavus (2)	83
3	Carleton (1)	78
4	Augsburg	75
5	St. Thomas (2)	70
6	Macalester	55
7	Saint John's	50
8	Bethel	41
9	Saint Mary's	25
10	Hamline	18
11	Concordia	17

2012 MIAC Men's Soccer Playoffs

The 2012 MIAC Playoffs will feature the top four teams in the conference standings playing in a high-seed-host, single-elimination postseason tournament. The two semifinal games will be held Oct. 30, with the championship set for Saturday, Nov. 3. The winner will

receive the MIAC's automatic bid to the 2012 NCAA Division III Men's Soccer Tournament.

| [MIAC Men's Soccer Playoffs Websites](#) | 2011 | 2012 |

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**AUGSBURG** | [Auggies' men's soccer home page](#) |

### Head Coach

- Greg Holker (Ninth season)

### A Year Ago

- 6-3-1 MIAC | 10-5-3 Overall

### In the 2011 Postseason

- MIAC Playoff Semifinals – L 2-1 at St. Olaf

### Top Returners

- Chad Gilmer (SR, D | 3 goals in 2011, 12G-6A-30P in career; All-MIAC 2011 and 2010, All-MIAC honorable mention in 2009; NSCAA All-North Region 1st team in 2011 & 2010; NSCAA Scholar All-America 2nd team in 2011)
- Will Morlock (JR, GK | 5-2-1, 0.59 GAA, 5 shutouts in 2011, 14-6-2, 0.82 GAA, 13 shutouts in career; All-MIAC honorable mention in 2011)
- Tyler Heaps (SR, D | 2 assists in 2011; played in 88.0 percent of team's minutes in 2011; Capital One Academic All-District in 2011)

### Key Losses

- Peter Loyd (D | 3 goals, 2 assists, 8 points in 2011, 9G-3A-21P in career; All-MIAC in 2011, 2010 and 2009, All-MIAC honorable mention in 2008; NSCAA All-North Region 2nd team in 2011, 3rd team in 2010)
- Peter Osborn (MF | 3 assists in 2011, 8 assists in career; All-MIAC honorable mention in 2011)
- Ahmed Gobana (F | 2 goals, 5 assists, 9 points in 2011, 10G-11A-31P in career; All-MIAC honorable mention in 2011 and 2010)

### By the Numbers

- 0.64 & 10: Augsburg's team goals-against-average and shutouts last season, both figures second-best among MIAC teams in overall statistics. Augsburg's 0.56 shutouts per-game average was tied for 21st among NCAA Division III teams nationally in 2011, while its 0.64 GAA was 22nd.
- 4: Appearances in the MIAC Playoffs for the Auggie men's soccer team (2006, 2008, 2010, 2011) in the last six years.
- 13 & 10: Career goalkeeping shutouts for Augsburg junior goalkeepers Will Morlock and Clayton Lynch, respectively. The goalkeepers are third and fourth on Augsburg's career shutout list. Pascaul Venter (2005-09) holds the Auggie shutout record with 27.

### Did You Know?

- Greg Holker became Augsburg's all-time winningest head coach in men's soccer in 2011, surpassing Rolf Eriksen (81-32-19 from 1971-73, 1976-81). Holker enters his ninth season at Augsburg with an 82-52-19 record. His 82 wins are more than the 21 years for the Auggies prior to his arrival (81 wins from 1983 to 2003).

### Off the Field

- Augsburg earned National Soccer Coaches Association Team Academic Award honors in 2011 with a 3.29 team grade-point average. It marks the sixth straight year that Augsburg's men's soccer team has earned NSCAA Team Academic Award honors.
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**BETHEL** | [Royals' men's soccer home page](#) |

### Head coach

- Jeremy Iwaszkowicz (Second season)

#### **A Year Ago**

- 4-5-1 MIAC | 9-6-3 Overall

#### **Top Returners**

- Cody Walkup (Jr., D | All-MIAC Honorable Mention, 2012 Captain)
- Martin Manocchio (Jr., F | 4 G, 2 A, 10 Pts., 18 SOG)
- Kolten Fischer (Jr., M | 1 G, 1 A, 4 Pts., 9 SOG)

#### **Key Losses**

- David Kim (Sr., MF | 9 G, 18 Pts., 53 Shots, 4-4 PK. All-MIAC, NSCAA 3rd Team All-Region)
- Leif Sundberg (GK | 1.36 Goals Against Avg., 94 Saves, 7 Shutouts, All-MIAC Honorable Mention)
- Nate Manthey (D/M | 1,617 Min., 2 A, 6 SOG)

#### **By the Numbers**

- 9: The nine wins under first year Head Coach Jeremy Iwaszkowicz in 2011 were the second highest total since 2005 for the Royals' men's soccer program. The Royals also recorded nine shutouts on the season, which was the third highest total in the MIAC. The Royals were also issued just nine yellow cards, which was the second fewest in the conference.
- 4: The Royals were a perfect 4-of-4 on penalty kicks in 2011, while their opponents were just 1-4.
- 129: Bethel goalkeepers made 129 saves, second only to Concordia (131), in 2011.

#### **Did You Know?**

- In 2011 the Bethel University men's soccer team proved to be quick starters on the season and in shots as well as goals in the first period. The Royals won their first four matches of the season and were 7-1-2 in their first 10. They outshot opponents 125-123 in the first period and were outscored 14-13 in total goals throughout the opening period.

#### **Off the Field**

- While the Royals' men's soccer team had one of their most successful seasons on the field in recent history, they also had great success in the classroom with eight Academic All-Conference honorees. 2011 seniors Brady Anderson, Nathan Manthey and Leif Sundberg along with juniors David Kim, Zachary Larson, Brent Neihart and sophomores Kolten Fischer and Cody Walkup all have maintained cumulative GPA's of 3.5 or higher. The eight student-athletes was the second highest total of all Bethel athletics teams, second only to football (12).



## **CARLETON** | [Knights' men's soccer home page](#) |

#### **Head coach**

- Bob Carlson (16th season)

#### **A Year Ago**

- 7-2-1 MIAC (T-1st) | 12-6-2 Overall

#### **In the 2011 Postseason**

- MIAC Playoffs: defeated Gustavus Adolphus (1-0) in semifinals, lost to St. Olaf (3-2 2OT) in championship

#### **Top Returners**

- Neil Bartholomay (Jr., Defender | All-MIAC Honorable Mention, anchored No. 3 defense in the MIAC 0.87 GAA)
- Will Corcoran (Jr., Midfielder | 4 goals, 5 assists (both figures ranked third on team) and factored in 5 game-winning goals)
- Tyler Bechtel (Sr., Defender | Started every game over first two seasons, limited to only 9 games last year due to injury)

#### **Key Losses**

- Tim Wills (Forward | First Team All-Region, All-MIAC; led team in scoring all four years; school record holder in career goals (35), assists (33) & points (103))
- Ryan Cammarota (Midfielder | First Team All-Region, All-MIAC; 3 goals, team-best 8 assists, tied for MIAC lead in assists)
- Miles Silbert (Forward | All-MIAC, 7 goals, 3 assists, 4 game-winning goals)

#### **By the Numbers**

- 4: Carleton has won at least a share of the MIAC crown in 4 of the last 5 seasons
- 5: Carleton has advanced to the postseason five straight years, the longest active streak in the MIAC
- .774: Over the past five years, Carleton has compiled a 39-10-4 record (.774) at home,

#### **Did You Know?**

- The Knights have gone an amazing 42-7-5 overall (.824) in MIAC play since October 14, 2006.

#### **Off the Field**

- Carleton posted the Division III's sixth-best cumulative team GPA (3.38) in earning the NSCAA Team Academic Award for the 15th consecutive time in 2011. Leading the way was Scholar All-American Ryan Cammarota.
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## CONCORDIA | [Cobbers' men's soccer home page](#) |

### Head Coach

- Ben Schneweis (First season)

### A Year Ago

- 5-10-3 MIAC | 1-7-2 Overall

### Top Returners

- Peter Runquist (Jr., GK, 2011 MIAC All-Conference Honorable Mention)

### Key Losses

- Riley McGlynn (F, 3-Time MIAC All-Conference, 2010 All-Region)

### By the Numbers

- 7: Concordia returns seven starters from the 2011 squad
- 90: Cobber junior goalie Peter Runquist has had 90 saves in each of his first two seasons

### Did You Know?

- Cobber All-MIAC Honorable Mention goalie Peter Runquist was second in total saves in the MIAC in 2011.



## GUSTAVUS | [Gusties' men's soccer home page](#) |

### Head coach

- Mike Middleton (Third Season)

### A Year Ago

- 6-1-3 MIAC | 14-2-3 Overall

### In the 2011 Postseason

- *MIAC Playoffs First Round* - No. 3 seed Gustavus fell to No. 2 seed Carleton in the opening round of the 2011 MIAC Playoffs.

### Top Returners

- Zach Brown (So., F, Eau Claire, Wis.) - 2011 All-Conference Honorable Mention...Led Gustavus is scoring last season with 28 points (7th/MIAC) on 12 goals (2nd/MIAC) and four assists...Had a five-match scoring streak during which he tallied 11 points (5G, 1A).
- Lucas Thompson (Sr., D, Sioux Falls, S.D.) - Two-time All-Conference performer in 2010 and 2011...Key starter in the Gustavus backfield the past three seasons...Scored a goal and an assist last season...Has played in all 55 matches of his collegiate career...A member of a Gustavus defensive unit that led the league in goals allowed and goals against average the past two seasons.
- Brett Ylonen (So., G, Lake Elmo, Minn.) - 2011 NSCAA All-Region Third Team...All-MIAC Honorable Mention...Led the MIAC in goals against average (0.58) and save percentage (.854)...Went 12-2-3 overall and averaged 3.00 saves per match...Recorded nine shutouts while ranking 13th in the country in goals against average.

### Key Losses

- Justin Eglseider `12 (D, Eden Prairie, Minn.) - D3soccer.com First Team All-American...NSCAA All-Region First Team...Two-time All-Conference performer in 2008 and 2011...Scored eight goals and three assists for 19 points (3rd/team) last season...Played in all 74 matches of his collegiate career, registering a total of 14 goals and six assists for 34 points.
- Doug Frey `12 (F, Duluth, Minn.) - 2011 All-Conference...Finished fourth on the team in scoring with six goals and three assists for 15 points...Finished career with 43 points on 15 goals and 13 assists...Played in career 66 games.

### By the Numbers

- 4 - Gustavus' NCAA Division III ranking in goals against average last season. The Gusties allowed just nine goals for a goals against average of just 0.48, ranking them first in the MIAC.
- 2 - The number of times Gustavus has scored more than 50 goals in a season over the past decade. The Gusties led the MIAC and ranked 21st in the nation with 57 goals in 2011.
- 85 - The number of fouls Gustavus committed during conference play last season, ranking them 10th in the league. The Gusties averaged a league-low 7.79 fouls per game.

### Did You Know?

- Since 1990, Gustavus holds a .735 (133-41-22) winning percentage at the Gustie Soccer field in St. Peter, Minn.

## Off the Field

• Gustavus had four men's soccer student-athletes earn Academic All-MIAC honors in 2011, including Ben Ceder '12 (Oregon, Wis.), Ben Kolis '12 (Eau Claire, Wis.), Evan Odean (Sr., Duluth, Minn.), and Sean Sendelbach (Jr., Sioux Falls, S.D.). Ceder also earned a spot on the CoSIDA Academic All-America First Team after maintaining a cumulative GPA of 3.88 in biology. He later received a prestigious postgraduate scholarship from the NCAA.

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**HAMLIN** | [Pipers' men's soccer home page](#) |

## Head coach

- Alex Morawiecki (First season)

## A Year Ago

- 2-5-2 MIAC | 4-11-2 Overall

## Top Returners

- Michael Murphy (Jr., D, Mahtomedi, Minn.), led team in scoring in 2011 (4G, 1 A)
- Sam Slagle (Jr., D, Appleton, Wis.), led team in assists with four - three-year starter
- Greg Northrop (Jr., MF, Arden Hills, Minn.), Honorable mention All-MIAC last year despite playing just six MIAC games due to injury

## Key Losses

- Spencer Von Behren (GK, 1.89 GAA, 13 starts)
- Ibou Wone (F, two-year starter up front)
- Kevin Gjersvig (D, transferred)

## By the Numbers

- 518:combined number of minutes goalies **Eric Feil** and **Derrick Mora** have played in college. They all belong to Feil, who played in 2010 but did not see action in 2011.
- 13: number of returning players from 2011 team
- 2: number of Division I teams where new head coach **Alex Morawiecki** served as an assistant

## Did You Know?

- Hamline was the only MIAC men's soccer team to win its final game of the season in 2011. They scored a season high for goals in a 4-1 win over St. John's.
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**MACALESTER** | [Scots' men's soccer home page](#) |

## Head coach

- Gregg Olson (First season)

## A Year Ago

- 6-3-1 MIAC | 10-7-1 Overall

## Top Returners

- Taylor Rasmussen (Sr., F | 14 goals, two-time MIAC goal-scoring champ, All-MIAC, All-North, Academic All-America)
- Robin Forslund (Jr., MF | 4 goals, 6 assists, All-MIAC)
- Paul Lund (Jr., D | honorable mention All-MIAC)

## Key Losses

- Reid Usedom (MF | All-MIAC, started 78 matches at Macalester)

## By the Numbers

- 25: Macalester hasn't suffered a losing record over the past 25 years. Since 1987 the Scots have 24 winning campaigns and one .500 year.
- 32: Two-time MIAC goal-scoring cham Taylor Rasmussen has netted 32 career goals at Macalester, seventh on the school's all-time chart.
- 38: Macalester has 38 players on its 2012 roster.

## Did You Know?

- Macalester has made 10 appearances in the NCAA playoffs and has won the MIAC crown 10 times.

#### Off the Field

- Three starters for the Scots were named to the NSCAA Scholar All- North/Central Region team: midfielder Reid Usedom, forward Taylor Rasmussen and midfielder Robin Forslund.
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### SAINT JOHN'S | [Johnnies' men's soccer home page](#) |

#### Head coach

- John Haws (Third season)

#### A Year Ago

- 4-6 MIAC | 9-8 Overall

#### Top Returners

- Michael Coborn (Jr., M | 10 goals and 10 assists in 17 starts, 2011 NSCAA All-North Region third team, 2-time All-MIAC first team)
- Joe Balder (Jr., D | 2 goals and 3 assists in 17 matches)
- Joe Laue (Jr., D | 2 goals in 31 career matches)

#### Key Losses

- Sam Hautman (D | 2 goals in 14 starts, 2011 All-MIAC second team)
- Mike Sikich (GK | 5-2 record, 2 shutouts, 1.68 GAA, .793 save pct.)

#### By the Numbers

- 3:39: The amount of total time SJU trailed the MIAC's top three teams, posting a 1-2 record, last fall. SJU defeated MIAC Playoff Champion St. Olaf 1-0 and fell to Carleton (2-1) in overtime and Gustavus Adolphus (2-1) in double overtime.
- 6: The Johnnies return their top six scorers, and seven of their top nine, from last season.
- 2: SJU lost two players lost to graduation from last year's team.

#### Did You Know?

- Due to construction of Haws Field, the new soccer field at Saint John's University, the Johnnies' soccer team will play all seven of its home soccer matches in Clemens Stadium this fall. Five of the matches will be played at night under the lights, which were installed in late March. Back in February, Coborn's Inc. announced a \$400,000 gift to Saint John's for a new soccer field in honor of Pat Haws, retired SJU head soccer coach. Key features of the new Haws Field will include a natural grass playing surface (sand-peat topsoil blend) and permanent team dugouts, as well as berms around the field for spectators to watch the game from.

#### Off the Field

- Senior defender Ryan Fuchs (St. Michael, Minn./Rogers), a 2010 Academic All-District pick, is a biochemistry (pre-medicine emphasis) major with a 3.80 GPA. The hopeful, future physician is a Chemistry tutor and works in Campus Ministry, while spending time with the campus' snowboard and ski club, at SJU. Fuchs studied abroad in South Africa during Spring 2012, where he played soccer with teammate Andrew Johnson for Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University. He also volunteered at Pendla Primary School as a teaching assistant and helped construct a reading area for the children.
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### SAINT MARY'S | [Cardinals' men's soccer home page](#) |

#### Head coach

- Pete Watkins (Second season)

#### A Year Ago

- 1-9-0 MIAC | 2-13-2 Overall

#### Top Returners:

- Jacob Bina (6-2, 165, Sr., Forward | 17 GP, 3 G, 1 A, 7 Pts)
- Gunnar Knutson (6-3, 170, Sr., Defender | 17 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 Pts)
- Kameron McKeeth (5-7, 145, Sr., Midfield | 14 GP, 9 G, 4 A, 4 Pts)

#### Key Losses:

- Juamaine Venter (17 GP, 3 G, 0 A, 6 Pts)

- Bryan Neu (17 GP, 0 G, 2 A, 2 Pts | Honorable-mention All-MIAC)
- Chris Williams (16 GP, 1.66 GAA, 80 Saves, .755 Save %)

#### By The Numbers:

- 13: Thirteen of the Cardinals' 17 games in 2011 were decided by one goal or less — including five • contests that went into overtime.
- 4: Kameron McKeeth (Woodstock, Ga.) recorded assists on a team-leading four of SMU's 10 goals. The four assists were a single-season career high and gave McKeeth six assists in his three-year SMU career.
- 9.10.11: The Cardinals' 1-0 victory over Grinnell on Sept. 10 was the first for Pete Watkins as SMU's head coach.

#### Did You Know?:

- Four of SMU's five overtime games went to the second OT — a 2-1 loss at Lake Forest and a 1-0 loss vs. Macalester, and a pair of 0-0, double-overtime stalemates against Viterbo and North Central.

#### Off The Field:

- As part of their preseason camp, the 2012 Cardinals are volunteering with Feed My Starving Children, a non-profit Christian organization committed to feeding God's children hungry in body and spirit.

**ST. OLAF**



**ST. OLAF** | [Oles' men's soccer home page](#) |

#### Head coach

- Kurt Anderson (24th season)

#### A Year Ago

- 7-2-1 MIAC | 17-4-1 Overall

#### In the 2011 Postseason

- 2011 MIAC Playoff Champion - Defeated Augsburg (2-1) in semifinals, Carleton (3-2, 2 OT) in championship
- 2011 NCAA Division III Men's Soccer Championship - Defeated Carroll University (Wis.) 3-1 in first round, lost to Luther College (1-0) in second round.

#### Top Returners

- David Rosenthal - Jr., Forward | All-MIAC, MIAC Player of the Year, First Team All-America. Tied for first in MIAC with 14 goals, led team with nine assists, lead conference with 37 points.
- Stephen Johnson - Jr., Defender | All-MIAC, started all 22 games, tallied two goals and three assists.
- Harry Ullmann - Sr., Goalkeeper | Started all 22 games, conceded just 18 goals in 22 games (0.81 GA), made 70 saves, posted seven shutouts.

#### Key Losses

- Blake Dressen - Forward | All-MIAC and Third Team All-Region, second on team with 10 goals and 22 points, scored four game-winning goals.
- Sean Legler - Midfielder | Started all 22 games, scored one goal, game-winner against UW-Platteville, 17 shots.
- Max Lund - Defender | Team captain, started all 22 games, scored one goal and had one assist, 20 shots.

#### By the Numbers

- 5: Last year's MIAC regular season title was the fifth in school history for St. Olaf and the first since 2004.
- 1: The Oles defeated Carleton 3-2 in double overtime to clinch the first MIAC Playoff title in school history.
- 14: David Rosenthal's 14 goals last season are the most for St. Olaf in at least 12 seasons.

#### Did You Know?

- Last year, the Oles outscored their opponents 50-18 in the 22 games they played, for an average margin of +1.45 goals per game (2.27 goals scored to 0.82 goals against).



**ST. THOMAS** | [Tommies' men's soccer home page](#) |

#### Head coach

- Jon Lowery (First season)

#### A Year Ago

- 7-6-2 MIAC | 4-4-2 Overall

#### **Top Returners**

- Nick Rapisarda, JR, F, nine goals on two-year career; 2X All-MIAC
- Kit Weaver, JR, Def., HM All-MIAC

#### **Key Losses**

- Mike Hutton, F, 35 career goals; 4X All-MIAC; T&F 800 meters NCAA indoor champ, NCAA outdoor runner-up
- Angel Riera, F, 24 career points; 3X All-MIAC

#### **By the Numbers**

- 33-3-1: Tommie men's soccer record over last four seasons when they score two or more goals
- 7-0: Tommie record last two seasons when Nick Rapisarda scores a goal
- 45: Career games played by senior defender Josh Pozner

#### **Did You Know?**

- New head coach Jon Lowery (Hamline) and assistant coach Ryan Servaty (Bethel, Augsburg) have each coached in the MIAC for several recent seasons.

#### **Off the Field**

- Freshman defender Shane Marshall (Minneapolis Southwest) recently completed a service trip with the Tony Sanneh Foundation lending a helping hand in the rebuilding efforts in Haiti during the weeks leading up to preseason camp.
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