Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference



2024 MIAC Men's Soccer Season Preview

Men's Soccer

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BLOOMINGTON, Minn. - Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) men's soccer teams are ready for the 2024 season to get underway.

For the first time in history, the MIAC is home to the defending NCAA Division III men's soccer champion, as St. Olaf College won the national title last December. The quest to repeat will begin this weekend, as the Oles are among ten MIAC teams to begin regular season play this Friday, August 30.

Several MIAC squads will be close to home in Minnesota while others will travel for non-conference contests in Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Colorado. The 2024 slate of conference games is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, September 17.

At the conclusion of the regular season, the top six teams in the conference standings will advance on to the 2024 MIAC Men's Soccer Playoffs. Quarterfinal contests are scheduled for Monday, November 4, followed by semifinals on Thursday, November 7, and the MIAC Playoff Championship on Saturday, November 9. The winner of the MIAC Playoffs will receive the conference's automatic bid to the 2024 NCAA Division III Men's Soccer Tournament. The 2024 NCAA Division III Men's Soccer National Championships are scheduled for December 5-7, 2024 at Peter Johann Memorial Field in Las Vegas.

2023 FINAL STANDINGS

St. Olaf (20-3-3, 8-0-2)*#%! Carleton (15-2-2, 8-1-1) Gustavus (11-4-7, 5-2-3) Macalester (11-3-5, 5-2-3) Augsburg (8-4-6, 4-1-5) Saint John's (7-7-4, 4-4-2) Hamline (8-6-3, 2-5-3) Saint Mary's (6-6-5, 2-5-3) Bethel (5-8-4, 2-5-3) Concordia (4-11-2, 1-7-2) St. Scholastica (2-14-1, 0-9-1)

*MIAC Regular Season Champion #MIAC Playoff Champion %NCAA Championship Participant INCAA National Champion

RULE CHANGES

The NCAA Men's and Women's Soccer Rules Committee and the Playing Rules Oversight Panel approved several rule changes for the 2024 and 2025 seasons last spring. The NCAA has changed its postseason overtime to a sudden-victory (golden goal) format for conference and NCAA Championship postseason play, while regular season games will continue to end in a tie if there is not a score difference at the end of regulation. Beginning this season, the clock will also be stopped on substitutions made by the leading team, or if the game is tied, in the final 15 minutes of regulation play and all of overtime. The NCAA also established its annual points of emphasis for the season, which include coaching and team area decorum, proper implementation of substitution rules, and correctly identifying violent behavior and fighting infractions.

The MIAC Sports Network powered by Hudl launched last August and will be back again as the streaming home of all MIAC-hosted games, events, and championships. The

MIAC Sports Network is available on the web (https://miacsportsnetwork.com/) along with streaming apps for television and mobile devices, including Android TV, Apple TV, Amazon Fire, Roku (TV), iOS, Android (mobile), and Amazon Fire Tablet. The app can be found and installed free of charge by searching for the MIAC Sports Network.

MIAC APP

The MIAC mobile app remains free to fans and can be downloaded on both the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store for Android devices. The app includes news, standings, and links to follow scores and stats in real-time.

The 2024 MIAC Men's Soccer All-Conference honors will be voted on by MIAC coaches at the conclusion of the regular season. In addition to a 22-player All-MIAC squad, coaches will also select individual recipients for the MIAC Offensive, Defensive, Rookie, and Coach of the Year awards.

Throughout the regular season, the MIAC will recognize top individual performances with the MIAC Men's Soccer Offensive and Defensive Players of the Week awards. Athlete of the Week awards will begin on Tuesday, September 3 and be announced each Monday after, through the end of the regular season. During the week following the MIAC Playoffs, participating coaches will also select an 11-player All-Playoff Team in recognition of outstanding performances throughout the conference tournament.

LOOKING AHEAD

ccer Coaches Preseason Rankings: No. 1 St. Olaf, No. 22 Carleton, RV Gustavus

First Non-Conference Game Date: Friday, August 30 First Conference Game Date: Tuesday, September 17

MIAC Playoffs: Monday, November 4 (Quarterfinals), Thursday, November 7 (Semifinals), Saturday, November 9 (Championship)

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