

2022 MIAC Women's Outdoor Track & Field Championship Preview

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WINONA, Minn. – The 2022 Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) Outdoor Track & Field Championships are set to get underway on Friday, as twelve women's teams from around the league will compete in the two-day meet held at Saint Mary's University in Winona, Minn.

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The MIAC Outdoor Track & Field Championships officially kicked off last week with the [men's decathlon and women's heptathlon competitions](#) held at Carleton College. This weekend's action will begin on Friday afternoon with field events starting at 1:00 p.m. and track events beginning at 1:30 p.m. Saturday's events are scheduled for a noon start with the final set of events - the women's and men's 4x400 relay - running at 4:55 p.m.



FOLLOW THE ACTION

The MIAC has a [homepage](#) dedicated to the 2022 Outdoor Track & Field Championships, complete with [the event schedule](#), entries, heat sheets, and links to follow the action via [webcast](#) and [real-time results](#). Results and recaps of the Championships will be made available throughout the event.

General admission tickets are \$10 for adults and \$2 for students (with ID). Children ages 5 and under will be admitted free of charge. Tickets can be purchased at the venue.

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HANDING OUT THE HARDWARE

MIAC championship plaques will be presented to the first-place women's and men's teams at the conclusion of the meet on Saturday afternoon. The conference is guaranteed to crown two new track & field champions this year, as the University of St. Thomas - which departed for NCAA Division I last July - had won nine straight men's outdoor championships and 36 of the 39 women's titles in conference history. In addition to team awards, the top three individuals in each event and the first-place relay team will automatically earn All-Conference honors, while the 4th-through-6th place finishers in each open event and 2nd-through-6th place relay teams will all be named Honorable Mention.

Individual awards will be voted on by coaches following the meet and will be announced - along with the complete list of All-Conference and honorable mention recipients - next week.

POLL TALK

Gustavus is the highest-ranked MIAC women's team in the latest U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) [Track & Field Top 25 Rating Index](#), released on May 10. The Gusties are ranked 28th in the latest national poll, while Saint Benedict came in at No. 34 this week.

Gustavus also leads in the latest [USTFCCCA North Region Rankings](#), coming in at No. 6 in the region. Bethel is also ranked in the top-10 at No. 8.

NATIONAL NOTABLES

Bethel junior **Kelsie Sealock** (Plymouth, Minn. | Osseo) ranks fourth in NCAA Division III for the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 14.07 this season.

Bethel first-year **Sarah Stellmach** (Mahtomedi, Minn.) ranks 24th in NCAA Division III this season with a 100-meter dash time of 12.03.

The Royals' 4x400 relay team of **Hannah Sankey** (Plover, Wis. | Stevens Point Area), **Britta Nordberg** (Big Lake, Minn.), **Mikayla Turek** (Orange City, Iowa | Unity Christian), and **Kelsie Sealock** (Plymouth, Minn. | Osseo) boast the nation's 14th-fastest time in the event this season at 3:50.97.

Carleton junior runner **Clara Mayfield** (Manhattan, Kan.) ranks sixth in the nation in both the 5,000- and 10,000-meter runs, with times of 16:33.04 and 34:41.51, respectively. She is also 22nd in the 1,500 meters at 4:35.33.

Concordia sophomore **Peyton Selle** (Dickinson, N.D.) ranks 16th in NCAA Division III for the heptathlon this season with a score of 4,322.

Gustavus senior **Elizabeth Donnelly** (Langley, Wash. | South Whidbey) ranks sixth in Division III in the 800-meter run this season with a time of 2:10.56.

Gustavus sophomore **Birgen Nelson** (Edina, Minn.) ranks third in the nation in the 100-meter hurdles and eighth in the 400-meter hurdles. Her 100H time is 14.06 while her 400H time is 1:01.93.

Gustavus junior **Annika Poe** (Big Lake, Minn.) ranks seventh in Division III for the shot put with a distance of 14.19m (46-06.75). She is also 24th in the discus at 42.41m (139-02.00).

Hamline senior **Jailyn Robinson** (St. Paul, Minn. | Eagan) has the ninth-best long jump distance in D-III this season at 5.80m (10-00.50).

Hamline senior **Jenneel Rodney** (Mountain Lake, Minn.) ranks 17th in Division III with a discus distance of 43.42m (142-05.00) and 21st in the hammer throw at 51.31m (168-04.00).

Saint Benedict sophomore **Fiona Smith** (Dhahran, Saudi Arabia) ranks among the top-10 in Division III in three events this spring. She is third in the 5,000 meters (16:16.54), fourth in the 10,000 meters (34:33.37), and eighth in the 1,500 meters (4:29.11).

St. Catherine senior **Bryana Leverentz** (Andover, Minn.) has the 22nd-best javelin distance in DIII at 39.95m (131-01.00).

Saint Mary's junior **Anna Swanson** (Osceola, Wis.) is sixth in Division III with a javelin distance of 42.99m (141-00.00) this season.

St. Olaf junior **Rebekah Salfer** (Elmwood Park, Wis. | Shoreland Lutheran) ranks 21st in Division III with a heptathlon score of 4,251.

St. Scholastica sophomore **Lily Beneke** (Green Isle, Minn. | Sibley East) has the 18th-best hammer throw distance in DIII this season at 52.01m (170-08.00).

DEFENDING THE CROWN

Concordia sophomore **Peyton Selle** (Dickinson, N.D.) already successfully defended her conference championship in the heptathlon with a multi-event victory last week. A handful of other reigning MIAC champions will be back in competition to defend titles won in 2021 as well.

Bethel junior **Kelsie Sealock** (Plymouth, Minn. | Osseo) ran the 100-meter hurdles in 14.14 to win the event at the 2021 MIAC Outdoor Championships.

Bethel senior **Hannah Sankey** (Plover, Wis. | Stevens Point Area) won last year's 400-meter title with a time of 57.26.

Bethel junior **Mikayla Turek** (Orange City, Iowa | Unity Christian) claimed top honors in the 400-meter hurdles last season with a winning time of 1:03.49.

Carleton junior runner **Clara Mayfield** (Manhattan, Kan.) won the 10,000-meter runs at the 2021 MIAC Outdoor Championships with a time of 35:33.86.

Concordia senior **Cayle Hovland** (Willmar, Minn.) threw the discus a distance of 44.76m (146-10.00) to win the event last spring.

Hamline senior **Jenneel Rodney** (Mountain Lake, Minn.) won last year's hammer throw title with a distance of 53.24m (174-08).

Saint Benedict sophomore **Fiona Smith** (Dhahran, Saudi Arabia) is the reigning conference champion in the 5,000-meter run, having won in 2021 with a time of 17:31.17.

Saint Mary's sophomore **Caroline Gearin** (Osceola, Wis.) took top honors in the pole vault last year with a distance of 3.53m (11-07.00).

Saint Mary's senior **Sydney Klausler** (Lakeville, Minn. | South) won the 2021 MIAC long jump with a distance of 5.21m (17-01.25).

Saint Mary's junior **Anna Swanson** (Osceola, Wis.) earned the MIAC crown in the javelin last year with a distance of 40.45m (132-08).

AROUND THE MIAC

Augsburg senior **Jordan Terry** (Shakopee, Minn.) was the top overall finisher for the Auggies at the Meet of the UnSainly on 5/6, finishing in fifth place in the long jump with a distance of 4.91m. She also competed in the 100-meter dash, placing 19th with a new personal-best time of 14.06.

Bethel junior **Kelsie Sealock** (Plymouth, Minn. | Osseo) ran her first 100-meter hurdle race of the season at the Drake Relays in April, finishing in 14.44.

Carleton first-year **Libby Rowland** (Tulsa, Okla. | Holland Hall) took sixth overall and second among D-III racers in the 3000-meter steeplechase as she clocked a time of 11:55.38 at the Tommie Twilight on 5/4, taking more than 20 seconds off her previous personal best.

Concordia senior **Jacey Schlosser** (Dalton, Minn. | Ashby) won the hammer throw at the Carleton Relays on 4/23 with a distance of 159-09. It was the first event win of her collegiate career.

Gustavus sophomore **Birgen Nelson** (Edina, Minn.) broke the Drake Alternative meet record with a 14.12 time in the 100 hurdles on 4/30. Three days earlier, she set the stadium record in the 400 hurdles with a time of 1:01.93 at the Gustie Twilight.

Hamline senior **Jailyn Robinson** (St. Paul, Minn. | Eagan) jumped 5.80m (19-00.50) to finish second at the Tommie Twilight on 5/4. The mark leads the MIAC this season and ranks ninth in NCAA Division III. It is also a new program record. Robinson also ran the 100-meter dash in 12.20 to tie her own program record in the event.

Macalester senior **Mikayla Ennevor** (Wayzata, Minn. | Breck School) won the long jump at the Meet of the UnSaintly on 5/6 by registering a mark of 5.08m (16-08.00). The jump tied for the eighth-best mark in program history.

Saint Benedict sophomore **Fiona Smith** (Dhahran, Saudi Arabia) won the 1,500 at Tommie Twilight on 5/4 amongst Division I and III competition. Her winning time of 4:29.11 is a five-second personal best, a career-best, and the eighth-best time in NCAA Division III this season.

St. Catherine senior **Bryana Leverentz** (Andover, Minn.) was the top thrower in the javelin at the Meet of the UnSaintly on 5/6, recording a season-best mark of 39.95m.

Saint Mary's sophomore **Amanda Tuvey** (West St. Paul, Minn. | Henry Sibley) posted a time of 12:38.88 to win the steeplechase at the Meet of the UnSaintly on 5/6.

St. Olaf sophomore **Ainslee Parker** (Batavia, Ill.) won both the long jump (5.02m) and triple jump (10.96m) at the Ole Open on 5/7. Her mark in the triple jump moved her up two spots to seventh on the program's all-time list in the event.

St. Scholastica sophomore **Lily Beneke** (Green Isle, Minn. | Sibley East) has set personal bests in the hammer throw at each of her last three meets. She most recently posted a distance of 52.01m to win the Ole Open on 5/7.

FOR THE RECORD

The [MIAC Women's Outdoor Track & Field Record Book](#) contains annual Conference championship information and MIAC overall and meet record-holders. The information included in the record book is based on available data and research for additional historical documents is ongoing.

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