

2012 MIAC Women's Soccer Preview and Preseason Coaches' Poll

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ST. PAUL, Minn. -- The 2011 season was a great one for women's soccer in the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) as two teams represented the league in the NCAA Division III Postseason, nine of the league's 12 teams finished with winning records and eight teams all won at least five conference games. However, that parity and excellence is expected to continue in 2012 as the start of the season draws near.

Just three points separated the top four teams in the MIAC standings a year ago, with the season-long drama coming down to the final games on the schedule. The regular-season championship was shared by Saint Benedict and Carleton, with Concordia just one point back and Macalester joining the postseason field just three points behind the co-champs.

The MIAC Playoffs were just as thrilling. The Blazers and Scots were scoreless after two overtimes, with CSB advancing on PKs, and the Cobbers scored a 1-0 road upset of the Knights. Overtime was needed again in the title game, where Saint Benedict scored a 1-0 win over Concordia and, fittingly, both teams were awarded bids to the NCAA Division III Women's Soccer Tournament.

This year, the MIAC has aspirations of another fight to the finish and even more postseason drama at both the conference and national level. The Cobbers and Blazers appear ready to continue their rivalry, as both were mentioned in the preseason national rankings. Concordia opens as the No. 14-ranked team in D-III, while Saint Benedict was the first team outside the Top 25 in the "Also receiving votes" section. Plenty of other teams around the leagues enter with equally high expectations as the buzz for the 2012 campaign builds.

Confidence in the Cobbers

Concordia returns most of its squad that finished 13-4-6 a year ago and advanced to the third round of the 2011 NCAA Division III Women's Soccer Tournament, so it's not surprising to see Dan Weiler's team sitting atop the 2012 MIAC Women's Soccer Preseason Coaches' Poll. The league coaches predicted the Cobbers to be the conference champs this season with 118 total points and nine of the 12 first-place votes.

According to the coaches, it could be a two-horse race for the title, with defending regular-season co-champ and MIAC Playoff Champion Saint Benedict close on Concordia's heels. 2011 MIAC Coach-of-the-Year Steve Kimble and his Blazers team received the other three first-place-votes and 112 total points to come in second in the poll.

There was a tie for the third spot, as the MIAC coaches expect Carleton and Macalester to also join the four-team MIAC Playoff field with identical totals of 90 points apiece. Just 10 points separate the next three teams as No. 5 St. Thomas (78), No. 6 Augsburg (72) and No. 7 St. Olaf (68) were also identified as Playoff contenders in the poll.

Hamline had a great turnaround last season, and came in eighth in the poll with 57 points. Bethel is slotted at No. 9 with 36 total points. Saint Mary's (29) edged Gustavus (24) for the 10th spot in the poll, and St. Catherine rounded out the predictions at No. 12 with 18 points.

What's new?

It was a busy offseason for MIAC women's soccer, with one-third of the league hiring new coaches. Bethel moved away from one head coach for both genders, adding Amanda Maxwell as its new women's soccer head coach. Jocelyn Keller was tabbed as the successful Keren Gudeman's replacement at Carleton, Laura Burnett-Kurie succeeds Mike Stehlik at Gustavus and Macalester has its third head coach in as many years, as Michele Cornish takes over the program following Jemma Perkins' stint as the interim coach in 2011.

Add in second-year coaches St. Catherine's Chris Citowicki and Saint Mary's Neil Cassidy, and exactly half of the league's 12 teams have turned over their head coaching position in a two-year stretch, creating an interesting dynamic among the league coaches. Five of the remaining six head coaches are entering at least their sixth season at the helm, so there is a decent division in experience between the conference's veteran coaches, and its new faces.

Who's back?

Despite the turnover, there will still be a number of familiar faces on the sideline, with Augsburg's Mike Navarre as the longest-tenured coach entering his 14th season. Weiler is beginning his 11th season leading the Concordia women, which are now his sole focus after previously doing double-duty with the men's team. St. Olaf's Jeremy Driver opens his seventh season leading the Oles, Hamline's Ted Zingman and St. Thomas' Shelia McGill are both entering their sixth season and reigning Coach-of-the-Year Kimble is starting his fourth year with the Blazers.

On the field, there are countless stars back, but few burn as bright as the reigning MIAC Co-Players-of-the-Year, who will both return in 2012. Concordia's Sarah Rounds and Colleen Bouchard - both forwards - headlined the 2011 All-MIAC Team as the league's top players. Rounds returns for her senior season after an All-American junior campaign, and Bouchard will be a junior for the Blazers in 2012 after earning All-Region honors a year ago.

Concordia also brings back All-MIAC and All-Region goalkeeper Ali Nelson, who will put the finishing touches on her outstanding career with the Cobbers, as well as All-MIAC midfielder Gina Weiss, who will be a junior this season. Joining Bouchard on the Saint Benedict squad are All-MIAC junior midfielder Kaitlyn Lauer and sophomore goalkeeper Megan Favorite, who was an All-MIAC Honorable Mention pick as a freshman in 2011.

Macalester also returns a trio of All-Conference players, led by two-time All-MIAC and All-Region defender Kat Lenhart, who is back for her senior season. All-Region and All-Conference senior goalkeeper Rosie Glenn-Finer and All-MIAC junior forward Georgia Cloepfill also return for the Scots. St. Thomas brings back junior forward Katy Scherer, who was named All-Conference in each of her first two seasons, along with All-MIAC senior defender Anna Strehlow. Carleton also has two stars back, as All-Region and All-MIAC defender Layne Teska returns along with 2010 All-MIAC and All-Region forward Marlena Harman-Filson, who was limited by a foot injury in 2011.

Bethel's Kelsey Flaherty is back for her senior season, after earning All-MIAC and All-Region Second Team honors as a midfielder last year. Augsburg forward Bri Clark will also be a senior in 2012 after her All-MIAC and All-Region Third Team campaign a year ago. Hamline's Aileen Scheibner got her career off to a great start a season ago, and returns at forward for the Pipers after being the lone freshman on the 2011 All-MIAC team.

St. Olaf is set at goalkeeper, with junior Nora Forbes back to build on her All-MIAC Honorable Mention performance a year ago. St. Catherine's Kristi Thorwick was also an All-MIAC Honorable Mention pick as a freshman in 2011 and is back to anchor the Wildcats' defense. Gustavus and Saint Mary's will also benefit from experience in the net, as the Gusties' Jessica Reichert led the MIAC in saves per game (6.88) and the Cardinals' Miranda Halling had a 1.42 goals against average and an .822 save percentage.

Circle these dates

The season kicks off with a full slate of games on Aug. 31 with nine teams all opening with nonconfernece action, and a total of 21 games on the schedule over the first four days of the season. The conference schedule begins on Sept. 11-12 and runs through the final day of the regular season, which will be Saturday, Oct. 27. The MIAC Playoffs will feature a pair of Halloween semifinals on Oct. 31 with the championship set for Nov. 3.

The top two teams in the Preseason Coaches' Poll could meet with a lot on the line when they square off on the season's final day. Saint Benedict will host Concordia on Oct. 27 with a potential conference title and Playoff seeding at stake. That day, the two Northfield schools will also square off as St. Olaf hosts Carleton at 1 p.m. to close the regular season.

Another potential Playoff preview comes on Oct. 9 when cross-town St. Paul rivals will showcase all their returning talent. Macalester will host St. Thomas in a prime-time game that night at 7:30 p.m. Augsburg and Hamline are also set for a marquee rivalry game under the lights on Oct. 19 at the Auggies' Edor Nelson Field in Minneapolis at 7:30 p.m.

The league's two second-year head coaches will square off at 1 p.m. on Oct. 13 when Citowicki's St. Catherine team hosts Cassidy's Saint Mary's team, and two rookie head coaches will face off on Oct. 6 in an 11 a.m. start. Burnett-Kurie's Gusties will host Maxwell's Bethel team in a key game that could show which team is ready to improve on their 2011 performance.

A closer look

The rest of the 2012 MIAC Women'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 Women's Soccer Preseason Coaches' Poll, Playoff information, helpful links and team-by-team previews along with links to each team's women'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 Women's Soccer Preseason Coaches' Poll

Coaches voted for every team in the conference except their own team. Points were assigned for each vote (11 for first, 10 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 Women's Soccer Preseason Coaches' Poll		
Rank	Institution	Total
1	Concordia (9)	118
2	Saint Benedict (3)	112
T3	Carleton	90
T3	Macalester	90
5	St. Thomas	78
6	Augsburg	72
7	St. Olaf	68
8	Hamline	57
9	Bethel	36
10	Saint Mary's	29
11	Gustavus	24
12	St. Catherine	18

2012 MIAC Women'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. 31, with the championship set for Saturday, Nov. 3. The winner will receive the MIAC's automatic bid to the 2012 NCAA Division III Women's Soccer Tournament.

MIAC Women's Soccer Links

| [2012 MIAC Schedule](#) | [2011 MIAC Statistics](#) | [MIAC Recordbook](#) | [MIAC Archives](#) |



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

Head Coach

- Mike Navarre (14th season)

A Year Ago

- 6-4-1 MIAC | 9-8-1 Overall

Top Returners

- Bri Clark (SR, F | 10 goals, 2 assists, 22 points in 2011, 16G-3A-35P in career; All-MIAC and NSCAA All-North Region 3rd team in 2011)
- Bri Dorale (SR, MF | 4 assists in 2011, 2G-9A-13P in career; All-MIAC honorable mention in 2011)
- Olivia Muyres (SO, F | 5 goals, 6 assists, 16 points in 2011)

Key Losses

- Courtney Gamrath (MF | 2 goals, 5 assists, 9 points in 2011, 9G-17A-35P in career; All-MIAC honorable mention in 2010)
- Lindsey Niederhaus (D | 3 assists in 2011; 4 assists in career)
- Katie Jacobson (MF | Competed in 28 games in 2010 and 2011)

By the Numbers

- 9: Career shutouts for Augsburg goalkeeper Katie Gajewski, currently fifth in school history in career shutouts. Her 1.35 career goals-against-average is currently sixth-best in school history.
- 22: Points for Augsburg forward Bri Clark, fourth-most among MIAC players in overall stats in 2011. Her 10 goals were tied for third-most among MIAC players.
- 11: Games decided by one goal or less in 2011 for Augsburg; the Auggies were 7-3-1 in those games.

Did You Know?

- Augsburg head coach Mike Navarre reached the century mark for career victories in 2011. Augsburg's all-time winningest coach in the 27-year history of the women's soccer program, Navarre enters his 14th season with a 106-95-32 career record.

Off the Field

- Augsburg earned National Soccer Coaches Association Team Academic Award honors in 2011 with a 3.31 team grade-point average. It marks the third straight year that Augsburg's women's soccer team has earned NSCAA Team Academic Award honors.
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BETHEL | [Royals' women's soccer home page](#) |

Head coach

- Amanda Maxwell (First season)

A Year Ago

- 4-6-1 MIAC | 9-7-2 Overall

Top Returners

- Kelsey Flaherty (Sr., M | 5 G, 2 A, 12 Pts., All-MIAC, 2nd Team NSCAA All-Region)

- Anne Fazio (Sr., M | 4 G, 4 A, 12 Pts.)
- Lydia Bergeson (Sr., F/D | 1 G, 3 A, 5 Pts., 13 SOG)

Key Losses

- Sophie Christiansen (F | 8 G, 1 A, 17 Pts., All-MIAC Honorable Mention)
- Leah Hardie (M | 5 G, 2 A, 20 Pts.)
- Michelle Hentges (OM | 2 A, 5 SOG)

By the Numbers

- 350: The Royals led the MIAC with 350 shots, an average of 19.44 per game, which was nearly four • shots more than the next team.
- 36: In 2011 the Royals' women's soccer team scored 36 goals, an average of two per game and the second most in the MIAC.
- 2: Returners Kelsey Flaherty and Anne Fazio both scored two game winning goals in 2011, tops on the Royals squad.

Did You Know?

- The Royals finished 2011 with an overall record of 9-7-2, however, the seven losses were decided by a total of eight goals.

Off the Field

- Seniors Anne Fazio and Kelsey Holmberg were part of the Cultural Diversity in Health Care class at Bethel that traveled to Uganda for a month during the interim break. The nursing majors were part of three different rotations during their stay, which were at a Pediatric Neurological hospital, Obstetrics and a Public Health Forum.



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

Head coach

- Jocelyn Keller (First season)

A Year Ago

- 8-2-1 MIAC (T-1st) | 11-6-2 Overall

In the 2011 Postseason

- MIAC Playoffs – Lost to Concordia (1-0) in semifinals

Top Returners

- Marlana Hartman-Filson (Sr., Forward | Limited by foot injury in 2011, but scored 13 goals in 2010—one off the school record. All-MIAC and All-Region in 2010)
- Layne Teska (Jr., Defender | All-North Region team and All-MIAC in 2011)
- Ellie Wilson (So., Forward | Tied for team lead with six goals, which ranked second among all MIAC rookies.)

Key Losses

- Abby Wills (Midfielder | All-Region first team in 2010 and 2011; All-MIAC recognition all four years)
- Niki Tomita (Forward | All-Region three times; 2010 MIAC Player of the Year; 30 career goals, second in school history)
- Lily VanderStaay (Midfielder | All-Region in 2010 and 2011; 18 career goals, 16 career assists)

By the Numbers

- 3: The Knights allowed only 3 goals during conference action last season, fewest in the MIAC since 2008.
- 7: After opening the conference schedule 1-2-1, the Knights won their final 7 MIAC games to earn a share of the 2011 conference crown.
- 11: Carleton was ranked as high as No. 11 in the national NSCAA poll last season, the highest ranking in program history.

Did You Know?

- The Knights are 76-20-10 (.764) over the last six seasons, including a 47-9-6 (.806) ledger at home.

Off the Field

- Carleton has earned the NSCAA Team Academic Award 11 consecutive years, easily the longest streak in the MIAC (Macalester is next at six).



CONCORDIA | [Cobbers' women's soccer home page](#) |

Head coach

- Dan Weiler (11th season)

A Year Ago

- 7-1-3 MIAC | 13-4-6 Overall

In the 2011 Postseason

- 2011 MIAC Playoff Runner-Up - Defeated Carleton (1-0) in semifinals, Lost to St. Benedict (1-0 OT) in championship
- 2011 NCAA Division III Playoffs - Defeated Puget Sound (2-1 in PK's), Defeated UC-Santa Cruz (2-1 OT), Lost to SUNY-Cortland (2-0)

Top Returners

- Sarah Rounds (Sr., F, 2011 All-American, 2011 Co-MIAC MVP)
- Ali Nelson (Sr., GK, 2011 All-Region, 2011 MIAC All-Conference)
- Gina Weiss (Jr., M, 2011 MIAC All-Conference)

Key Losses

- Kelsey Swagger (M, 2011 All-Region, 2011 MIAC All-Conference)

By the Numbers

- 2: Concordia has advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament in two of the last three seasons.
- 5: The Cobbers have earned a berth in the NCAA Tournament in five of the last six seasons
- 39: Concordia has posted 39 MIAC wins in the past five seasons – the most of any conference school

Did You Know?

- Cobber All-American forward Sarah Rounds has 98 career points and is poised to become the sixth player in program history to reach the 100-point plateau while Concordia goalie Ali Nelson has been the team's starting goalie for three straight years, earning All-Conference honors each season with 29 career shutouts.



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

Head coach

- Laura Burnett-Kurie (First season)

A Year Ago

- 3-8-0 MIAC | 5-12-0 Overall

Top Returners

- Nikki Carlson (Sr., Defender | Returning captain), Jessica Richert (Sr., Goalkeeper | Returning captain, led MIAC in saves per game (6.88), second in total saves (110)),
- Amanda Cartony (Jr., Forward | 2011 All-Conference Honorable Mention, led team in goals scored (6) and points (12))

Key Losses

- Meghan McMillan (Forward | Started 16 of 17 games, third on team in points (3))

By the Numbers

- 120: The number of saves senior goalkeeper Jessica Richert (Freeburg, Ill.) tallied last season, the most by a Gustie since Tori Boughton recorded 147 saves in 2005.
- 10: Junior Amanda Cartony (Stillwater, Minn.) needs ten goals to crack the all time Gustavus top ten goals scored list.
- 18: Connecticut native and first year head coach Laura Burnett-Kurie welcomes 18 players from Minnesota to fall camp in 2012.

Did You Know?

- Goalkeeper Jessica Richert logged all 1,530 minutes in goal in 2011, seeing every minute of all 17 games last season, and placing her ninth on the all time minutes logged in goal list in Gustavus women's soccer history.

Off the Field

- The Gustie women's soccer team placed four players on the Academic All-MIAC list in 2011, tying for second among Gustavus fall sports.



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

Head coach

- Ted Zingman (Sixth season)

A Year Ago

- 5-4-2 MIAC | 10-5-3 Overall

Top Returners

- Aileen Scheibner (So., F, Woodbury, Minn.), lone freshman on 2011 All-MIAC team, she tied for the MIAC lead in points with 29 (12G, 5 A)
- Brienne Garside (Jr., F, Broomfield, Colo.), tied for team lead in assists with five
- Jordan Sammons (So, F. Apple Valley, Minn.), scored three times last year.

Key Losses

- Liz Stock (GK, winningest goalie in HU history, 2nd team All-MIAC last year)
- Courtney McMoore (D, 2nd team All-MIAC last year)
- Natalie Cooper (F, scored five goals last year)

By the Numbers

- 9: number of states that are home to members of the 2012 HU soccer team
- 5: number of current soccer players who played other sports at HU in 2011-12. Erin Urbanowicz and Heather Hollinger were members of the HU track team; Jordan Sammons and Izzy Bejamin-Alvarado were on the basketball team. Corinne Henning played hockey.
- 4-11: Height of Heather Hollinger, junior forward on the soccer team.

Did You Know?

- Last year marked the first time in Hamline's 21-year history of women's soccer that the team finished over .500 in MIAC play. The 10 overall wins tied a school record set in 2007, Zingman's first season as head coach.

Off the Field

- The graduated Liz Stock became the first HU player ever to be named COSIDA Academic All-America First Team in 2011. On the field, she had an 0.75 GAA, allowing just 11 goals all season. Off the Field, she carried a 4.00 GPA with a double major in Biology and Religion.



MACALESTER | [Scots' women's soccer home page](#) |

Head coach

- Michele Cornish (First season)

A Year Ago

- 7-3-1 MIAC | 11-6-2 Overall

Top Returners

- Kat Lenhart (Sr., D | two-time All-MIAC, two-time all-region)
- Georgia Cloepfil (Jr., F | All-MIAC, 4 goals, 4th in track in MIAC heptathlon)
- Rosie Glenn-Finer (Sr., GK | All-MIAC, All-region, 8 MIAC shoutouts in '11, 0.59 GAA)

Key Losses

- Matea Wasend (MF)

By the Numbers

- 23: Macalester has posted 23 consecutive winning seasons and consecutive MIAC winning seasons.
- 13: The Scots posted 13 shouts a year ago, including eight in MIAC matches.
- 0.59: Goalkeeper Rosie Glenn-Finer (San Francisco, Calif. / Lick-Wilmerding) has a 0.59 career GAA with 23 shutouts.

Did You Know?

- New coach Michele Cornish helped lead George Mason (Va.) to the 1985 Division I national crown and was head coach at Division I North Carolina-Asheville from 1994 to 2010.

Off the Field

- Macalester was eighth in the NCAA Division III with a 3.55 team GPA.



SAINT BENEDICT | [Blazers women's soccer home page](#) |

Head coach

- Steve Kimble (Fourth season)

A Year Ago

- 8-2-1 MIAC (1st-T) | 13-7-3 Overall

In The 2011 Post-Season

- MIAC Tournament: vs. Macalester (T, 0-0 [2-0 PK]), vs. Concordia (W, 1-0)
- NCAA Tournament: vs. Carrol (T, 0-0 [5-4 PK]), at Loras (W, 2-1), vs. Washington-St. Louis (L, 2-1)

Top Returners

- Colleen Bouchard (5-4, Jr., F | 23 games started , 21 points (7G/7A), 2GW | All-Region, All-MIAC, MIAC Co-Player of the Year)
- Kaitlyn Lauer (5-9, Jr., M | 23 games played, 22 starts, 1GW | All-MIAC)
- Megan Favorite (5-9, So., GK | 17 starts, 1,583 minutes, 0.53 GAA, .896 save% | All-MIAC Honorable Mention)

Key Losses

- Sami Meyman (23 starts, 1 assist | All-American, All-Region, All-MIAC)
- Kelsey Faber (23 starts | All-MIAC Honorable Mention)
- Heather Beshears (23 games played, 19 starts, 20 points (7G/6A), 3 GW)

By The Numbers

- 40: Consecutive starts for Colleen Bouchard
- 19: Blazer goals in MIAC play, tied for best in the conference (Concordia)
- 0: Goals allowed in the 2011 MIAC Tournament

Did You Know?

- The Blazers run to the round of 16 in the NCAA Tournament was the second in program history, and first since 1998.
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ST. CATHERINE | [Wildcats' women's soccer home page](#) |

Head Coach

- Chris Citowicki (Second season)

A Year Ago

- 0-11 MIAC | 1-17 Overall

Top Returners

- Kristi Thorwick (So., D) | 1 assist, 29 shots, All-MIAC Honorable Mention
- Bri Coulter (Sr., M) | 4 goals, 9 points, 33 shots, .606 SOG%
- Liesl Wolf (Sr., M) | 1 goal, 2 points, 12 shots, Team Captain

Key Losses

- Kaitlin Kramer (F) | 1 goal, 2 points, 35 shots, All-MIAC Sportsmanship Team

By the Numbers

- 15: There are 15 first-year players who will add to the depth of the Wildcats team and drastically help improve the offense this season.
- 82: Over 82 percent of the St. Kate's team is comprised of first-year or sophomore players, including two transfers, who will bring new life and renewed energy to the program.

Off the Field

- Four Wildcats earned Academic All-MIAC Honors for Fall 2011, including Kaitlyn Kramer, Abby McGurran-Hanson, Kelsey Moll and Kristi Thorwick. There were also four soccer players who studied abroad last season in four different countries including South Africa, Namibia, India and Greece.



SAINT MARY'S | [Cardinals' women's soccer home page](#) |

Head coach

- Neil Cassidy (Second season)

A Year Ago

- 1-10-0 MIAC | 3-14-0 Overall

Top Returners

- Teri Valenzuela (5-2, Jr., Forward | 14 GP, 2 G, 1 A, 5 Pts)
- Tessa Scanlon (5-3, Jr., Forward | 1 G, 0 A, 2 Pts)
- Miranda Halling (5-5, So., Goalkeeper | 9 GP, 1.42 GAA, 60 saves, .822 Save %)

Key Losses

- Kelsey Schneider (17 GP, 1 G, 1 A, 3 Pts | Honorable-mention All-MIAC)
- Rachel Gates-Vickery (17 GP, 1 G, 0 A, 2 Pts | Honorable-mention All-MIAC)
- Amanda Rahman (17 GP, 3 G, 0 A, 6 Pts)

By The Numbers

- 8: Eight of the Cardinals' 17 games were decided by one goal — including six games that ended in 1-0 decisions.
- 3: Both of SMU's wins in 2011 were by 3-1 scores — the Cardinals beat Marian 3-1 on Sept. 11 and dropped St. Catherine 3-1 win on Oct. 15.
- 9.11.11: SMU coach Neil Cassidy earned his first win as the Cardinals' head coach with their 3-1 win over Marian on Sept. 11.

Did You Know?

- Five of SMU's eight goals in 2011 came in the first half.

Off The Field

- In 2011, the Cardinals boasted five players who were named Academic All-MIAC.



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

Head coach

- Jeremy Driver (Seventh season)

A Year Ago

- 5-4-2 MIAC | 10-5-3 Overall

Top Returners

- Nora Forbes - Jr., Goalkeeper | Named All-MIAC honorable mention, 9-5-3 record last year, 0.81 GA, 75 saves, 7 shutouts
- Megan Campbell - Jr., Defender | Named All-MIAC honorable mention, started all 18 games
- Amanda Leone - Jr., Forward | Started 17 games, was team's third leading scorer last year with 3 goals and 4 assists

Key Losses

- Lindsay Howard (Forward | All-MIAC for second time, also named to All-Region second team, Program's all-time leading scorer, led team in goals (10) and assists (6), 3 game-winning goals
- Deanne Schmidt (Midfielder | All-MIAC for third time, also named to All-Region second team, Started all 18 games, third on team with 4 goals, second on team with 36 shots
- Caitie Christoffel (Forward | Second on team in goals (5), tied for third in assists (3), second in points (13), 14 of 19 shots were on goal

By the Numbers

- 8: St. Olaf was undefeated in their eight home games last fall, posting a 6-0-2 record.
- 5 of 6: St. Olaf closes the regular season with five of their last six conference games at home in 2012.
- 3: Of the 15 goals St. Olaf conceded last fall, only three came in the second half of games.

Did You Know

- In their first 10 games last year, St. Olaf posted an undefeated 8-0-2 mark, including a 4-0-1 record in MIAC play.



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

Head coach

- Sheila McGill (Sixth season)

A Year Ago

- 5-4-2 MIAC | 9-6-2 Overall

Top Returners

- Katy Scherer, JR, F, 15g-10a/40 pts on career; 2X All-MIAC
- Anna Strehlow, SR, Def., 4g-10a/18 pts on career; All-MIAC
- Jaclyn Glaser, JR, MF, 4g-5a/13 pts on career; HM All-MIAC

Key Losses

- Tess Hanson, Def., 4X starter, All-MIAC defense
- Allie Byron, GK, 46 career games, 23-13-6 W-L

By the Numbers

- 15: Goals for Katy Scherer in her two-year UST career
- 32: Number of shutouts for Toms' defense over last four seasons
- 29-9-6: Toms' MIAC record over last four seasons

Did You Know?

- St. Thomas plays 12 of its first 14 games off campus. The Tommies are 27-8-5 in road games over the last four seasons

Off the Field

- UST returns seven players named to the Fall 2011 MIAC All-Academic team, led by senior scholars Jaclyn Glaser and Anna Strehlow. The 2011 Tommies had a 3.51 cumulative grade-point average.
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