

St. John's, With 4 Titles, MIAC All-Sports Champ

St. John's University at Collegeville is the all-sports champion in the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference for the 1968-69 school year.

Teams wearing the red and gray spangles of the Collegeville school captured four titles, including two for the first time, in unseating Macalester as the MIAC's all-sports champions.

St. John's finished the year with 92½ points in the 10-sport program to wind up with a seven-point advantage on the Scots, who had won the all-sports honor the past four years.

The Jays won titles in cross country, basketball, golf and baseball and had a second in wrestling, a third in track and tie for third in football.

The title in cross country was only the second in the school's history, the other being in 1955. The cage and golf titles were the first in history, with the linksmen nipping Macalester by one stroke. The baseball title was the first since sharing the crown with St. Mary's in

1958. It was the first outright title for St. John's since 1955.

The Jays finished fourth in tennis and their lowest finish was a fifth in hockey. They do not compete in swimming. The third place deadlock in football was with Concordia.

St. John's finished fourth in the all-sports race last year with 55½ points, having three teams finish as runnerup in title races.

Macalester, which edged Gustavus Adolphus for the title last year by a 90½ to 85 score, repeated as champion in three sports. The Scots won their ninth straight swimming title, their fourth straight tennis crown and the track title for the 11th consecutive year.

In addition to the three championships, Macalester was runnerup in cross country and golf and tied with St. Thomas for second in basketball.

Gustavus won the football title for the second straight year and captured the hockey crown for a fourth consecutive time to account for 30 of its 72½ points that landed the St. Peter school in third

place.

The Gusties had a second in tennis, third in golf and were fourth in cross country and swimming.

Augsburg won the wrestling championship for a second straight year and this helped the Auggies tie Hamline for fourth in the all-sports race. The Auggies also had a second place in hockey and third in cross country.

Hamline didn't win an MIAC championship, but Piper teams made good showings over-all with three second place finishes in football, swimming and track.

St. Thomas, which was third in the all-sports race last year with 56 points, dropped to sixth with 49 points. The Toms best showing was their second place deadlock with Macalester in basketball.

Minnesota-Duluth edged St. Mary's for eighth place in the over-all sports program. Last year the Redmen, with one title, had 33½ points and this year they finished with 27 points. UMD, with a third in swimming for its best showing, had 27½.

1968-69 MIAC All Sports Standings

	Football	Cross Country	Basketball	Wrestling	Hockey	Swimming	Golf	Tennis	Baseball	Track	Total Points
St. John's	6½	15	15	8	5	x	15	6	15	7	92½
Macalester	5	8	7½	6	2	15	8	15	4	15	85½
Gustavus Adolphus	15	6	4½	5	15	6	7	8	2	4	72½
Augsburg	2	7	2	15	8	x	1	5	6	5	51
Hamline	8	3	3	1	6	8	4	7	3	8	51
St. Thomas	3½	4	7½	4	3	5	6	4	6	6	49
Concordia	6½	x	4½	7	4	x	3	3	6	3	37
Duluth	3½	5	1	3	x	7	5	1	x	2	27½
St. Mary's	x	x	6	2	7	x	2	2	8	x	27
Totals	50	48	51	51	50	41	51	51	50	50	493

x—Schools do not participate in these sports.
Points awarded on a 15-8-7-6, etc., basis.