

2008

BEARCAT SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

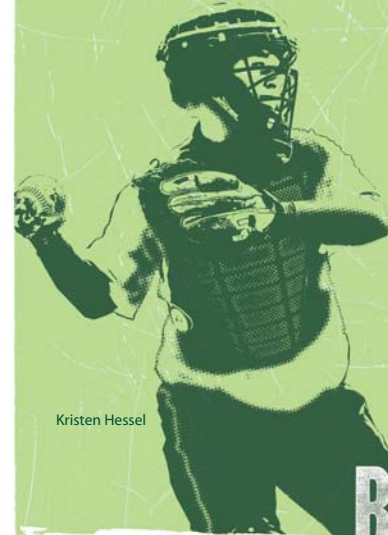
2/16	TBA	Pittsburg State Round Robin
2/22-23	TBA	Evangel Tournament
3/1-2	TBA	Pittsburg State Tournament
3/7-8	TBA	Missouri Southern Tournament
3/14-16	TBA	Emporia State Tournament
3/19	1:00 p.m.	Missouri Western
3/20	1:00 p.m.	Wayne State
3/29-30	TBA	Nebraska-Omaha Tournament
4/2	2:00 p.m.	Truman
4/5	Noon	Pittsburg State
4/6	Noon	Emporia State
4/8	3:00 p.m.	Nebraska-Omaha
4/11	2:00 p.m.	Fort Hays State
4/12-13	Tba	Northwest Classic
4/15	2:00 p.m.	Washburn
4/18	3:00 p.m.	Southwest Baptist
4/19	Noon	Missouri Southern
4/22	3:00 p.m.	Central Missouri
5/1-2	TBA	MIAA Tournament
5/8-12	TBA	NCAA Regionals
5/15-19	TBA	NCAA Nationals

home games in green

Chelsea Terhune



Janelle Krohn



Kristen Hessel



Northwest Missouri State University



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BEARCAT SOFTBALL WE SEE GREEN

2008

RADIO / TV ROSTER



#00 Megan Simpson • Jr.



#1 Lindsey Roorda • So.



#3 Erin Leslie • So.



#4 Cassie Bredensteiner • So.



#5 Casey Carper • Jr.



#7 Kelsey Resa • Fr.



#8 Cortney Channell • Sr.



#9 Kelly Morris • Sr.



#10 Cola Krueger • Jr.



#11 Tiffany Carter • Jr.



#12 Tiffany Graham • Jr.



#13 Amber Corkins • Jr.



#15 Kristen Hessel • Fr.



#17 Kaila Ballard • So.



#21 Janelle Krohn • Sr.



#23 Jenna Smith • Fr.

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MID-AMERICA INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION



Over the past 95 years, the MIAA has gained the reputation of being one of the top NCAA Division II conferences in the nation.

MIAA student-athletes have won 12 NCAA team championships and, since 1964, 147 individual national titles. The MIAA currently conducts championships in eight sports for men and eight for women.

For the men, champions are crowned in football, cross country, basketball, indoor and outdoor track & field, baseball, tennis and golf. The women compete for titles in volleyball, cross country, soccer, basketball, indoor and outdoor track & field, softball and tennis.

The MIAA turned a new page on July 1, 1992, when the NCAA Division II conference changed its name from the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association to the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.

The decision to make the change originated in 1989, when Pittsburg State University and Washburn University became the first schools outside the state of Missouri to gain membership in the MIAA.

The conference was first organized in 1912 with 14 member institutions. Of those original members, Central Missouri State University, Truman State University, and Northwest Missouri State University still remain a part of the MIAA.

The first change in membership came in 1924, when the MIAA reorganized to include only the five regional Missouri state colleges: Central, Truman (at the time known as Northeast Missouri State), Northwest, Southeast Missouri State University and Southwest Missouri State University (now Missouri State).

Over the next 56 years, three schools joined the membership: the Missouri School of Mines (now University of Missouri-Rolla) in 1935, Lincoln University in 1970, and the University of Missouri-St. Louis in 1980.

The 1980s brought the biggest changes in the conference. In 1981, Southwest Missouri State University opted to move to NCAA Division I and the MIAA appointed its first full-time commissioner, Ken Jones, in July.

He would be in the position for 16 years, retiring in 1997. Former Gulf South and Metro commissioner Ralph McFillen succeeded Jones.

Southwest Baptist University brought membership back to eight schools in 1986, before the major expansion of the conference in 1989. Pittsburg State, Washburn, Missouri Southern State College (now University) and Missouri Western State College (now University) – formerly members of the Central States Intercollegiate Conference – began competition in the 1989-90 season.

Southeast Missouri State left the MIAA following the 1990-91 season to move on to NCAA Division I, and was replaced by Emporia State University in the 1991-92 season.

In August 1991, Judy Willson was hired as the MIAA's first full-time sports information director. She left in 1994, and was succeeded by Matt Newbery, formerly the assistant sports information director at Pittsburg State. He became the assistant to the commissioner for media relations in 2005.

A third full-time staff member was added in 2005, as former Emporia State track and field athlete Natasha Oakes was hired as the assistant to the commissioner for compliance.

The current membership of the MIAA is at 10 schools, with the departure of Missouri-St. Louis in 1996 and Missouri-Rolla in 2005, the forfeiture of membership by Lincoln in 1999 and the addition of Fort Hays State University beginning in 2006.



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MIAA Membership

- **University of Central Missouri**
Warrensburg, Mo. - Joined in 1912
- **Emporia State University**
Emporia, Kan. - Joined in 1991
- **Fort Hays State University**
Hays, Kan. - Joined in 2006
- **Missouri Southern State University**
Joplin, Mo. - Joined in 1989
- **Missouri Western State University**
St. Joseph, Mo. - Joined in 1989
- **Northwest Missouri State University**
Maryville, Mo. - Joined in 1912
- **Pittsburg State University**
Pittsburg, Kan. - Joined in 1989
- **Southwest Baptist University**
Bolivar, Mo. - Joined in 1986
- **Truman State University**
Kirksville, Mo. - Joined in 1912
- **Washburn University**
Topeka, Kan. - Joined in 1989