



Gonzaga University Bulldogs

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Men's Basketball Game Facts

Game No. 32 – University of Cincinnati

Thursday, March 20 – 9:40 a.m. PST

Jon M. Huntsman Center – Salt Lake City, Utah

NCAA West Regional First/Second Round

Radio: News Talk 1510 KGA (Spokane); KALE 960 (Tri-Cities)

Pre-game show at 9:10 a.m.

TV: CBS

No. 9 GONZAGA UNIVERSITY BULLDOGS (23-8; 12-2 West Coast Conference)

G - 10 Blake Stepp, 6-4, 192, Jr., Eugene, OR

(17.9 ppg, 3.7 rpg, 5.9 assists, 1.7 steals)

G - 24 Kyle Bankhead, 6-0, 193, Jr., Walla Walla, WA

(7.8 ppg, 2.9 rpg, 2.2 assists, 0.7 steals)

C - 32 Zach Gourde, 6-8, 245, Sr., Vancouver, WA

(5.0 ppg, 2.9 rpg, 0.5 assists, 0.3 steals, 0.5 blocks)

F - 35 Ronny Turiaf, 6-10, 243, So., Le Robert, Martinique

(15.4 ppg, 6.2 rpg, 0.6 assists, 0.6 steals, 1.6 blocks)

F - 25 Tony Skinner, 6-5, 198, Jr., Albuquerque, NM

(8.6 ppg, 3.6 rpg, 1.1 assists, 0.9 steals)

HEAD COACH: Mark Few (University of Oregon, 1987)

GONZAGA RECORD: 104-28 (4th year) **CAREER RECORD:** Same



No. 8 UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI BEARCATS (17-11; 9-7 Conference USA)

G - 20 Taron Barker, 6-1, 200, Sr., Racine, WI

(6.5 ppg, 4.6 rpg, 5.0 assists, 1.1 steals)

G - 2 Field Williams, 6-3, 185, Jr., Houston, TX

(11.7 ppg, 2.1 rpg, 0.8 assists, 0.4 steals)

C - 42 Kareem Johnson, 6-7, 250, Jr., Eufaula, AL

(2.3 ppg, 4.3 rpg, 0.3 steals, 0.5 blocks)

F - 13 Leonard Stokes, 6-6, 200, Sr., Buffalo, NY

(16.0 ppg, 4.8 rpg, 3.2 assists, 1.3 steals)

F - 54 Jason Maxiell, 6-7, 235, So., Carrollton, TX

(12.0 ppg, 6.9 rpg, 0.5 assists, 0.4 steals, 1.5 blocks)

HEAD COACH: Bob Huggins (West Virginia University, 1971)

CINCINNATI RECORD: 349-111 (14th year) **CAREER RECORD:** 517-183 (22nd year)



SERIES RECORD

Cincinnati 1-0

Bulldog Bites

- ☑ Gonzaga is making its fifth straight NCAA Tournament trip to the NCAA Tournament and its sixth since 1995, but this year is the first time the Bulldogs enter the fray as an at-large pick. The Bulldogs won the West Coast Conference Tournament each of the previous five times. It's also the first time a West Coast Conference school has been to five straight NCAA tournaments, San Francisco going to four from 1955-58.
- ☑ *This isn't the first time Gonzaga has been to the Huntsman Center on the University of Utah campus. The Bulldogs' inaugural NCAA appearance in 1995 was in Salt Lake City when the No. 14 Bulldogs lost to No. 3 University of Maryland 87-63.*
- ☑ Gonzaga and Cincinnati aren't strangers on the basketball court, the two teams meeting in the Rock-N-Roll Shootout on Dec. 4, 1999, at the Gund Arena in Cleveland, Ohio. The Bearcats, ranked No. 1 in the country and featuring Player of the Year Kenyon Martin, downed the Bulldogs 75-68. Gonzaga went on to advance to the 2000 NCAA Sweet Sixteen on the heels of the Bulldogs' run to the 1999 Elite Eight. It's the only meeting between the two schools.



BULLDOGS POLL HISTORY

Associated Press

DATE	RANK
11/25/02	20
11/18/02	21
11/11/02	22

2001-02 Season

3/4/02	6
2/25/02	7
2/18/02	7
2/11/02	8
2/4/02	9
1/28/02	11
1/21/02	16
1/14/02	13
1/7/02	18
12/31/01	22
12/23/01	22
12/17/01	24
12/10/01	25

1999-00 Season

11/8/99	24
11/15/99	25
11/23/99	25
11/30/99	25
12/7/99	24
12/13/99	22
12/20/99	22

USA TODAY/ ESPN

DATE	RANK
12/2/02	25
11/24/02	21
11/1/02	22

2001-02 Season

4/2/02	16
3/10/02	6
3/3/02	6
2/24/02	7
2/17/02	7
2/10/02	8
2/3/02	10
1/27/02	14
1/20/02	18
1/13/02	14
1/6/02	18
12/30/01	22
12/23/01	22
12/16/01	24

2000-01 Season

4/3/01 (Final)	20
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1999-00 Season

4/1/00 (Final)	24
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1998-99 Season

1/31/99	25
3/29/99 (Final)	12

Bulldog Bites

☑ *The Gonzaga-Cincinnati winner will meet either No. 1 Arizona or No. 16 Vermont on Saturday. The West Regional is March 27-29 in Anaheim, Calif.*

☑ **Gonzaga head coach Mark Few moved into a tie for second for wins by a NCAA fourth-year head coach when he picked up his 104th victory against Saint Mary's in the WCC Tournament. Few is now tied with Bruce Stewart who recorded 104 victories from 1983-86 while coaching at both West Virginia Wesleyan and Middle Tennessee State. Everett Case of North Carolina State University (1947-50) heads the list with 107 wins. Few also tied for 15th for the fastest to 100 wins, joining Tony Hinkle of Butler and Ray Meyer of DePaul who reached 100 wins in their 126th game. He also became the sixth coach to win 100 games in four years to tie for first for the fewest years to 100. Few is currently 104-28 in his fourth year with the Bulldogs, and is the all-time NCAA leader for wins by a third-year head coach with 81.**

☑ *Gonzaga is fifth in NCAA Division I victories in the four seasons head coach Mark Few has been at the helm. The Bulldogs have 104 wins to knot them with Arizona. Duke heads the list with 118.*

☑ **Blake Stepp became the 25th member of Gonzaga's 1,000-point club when he drained a 3-pointer with 14:31 to play at Pepperdine. He now has 1,180 career points for 14th on the all-time GU list, jumping ahead of Matt Stanford (1,171 from 1991-94). The Bulldogs have two active 1,000-point scorers, Zach Gourde with 1,139 for 17th, moving ahead of Dan Dickau (1,125 from 2001-02). Gourde also reached the 500-rebound plateau this season and now has 551 in his career.**

☑ *Junior center Cory Violette surpassed the 800-point plateau at Loyola Marymount and has 883 points. He's also surpassed 600 career boards at San Diego and has 614. He recorded his 20th career double-double and his ninth of the season with 11 points and 11 rebounds at San Diego.*

☑ **Gonzaga had three players represented on the National Association of Basketball Coaches All-District 14 team. Junior guard Blake Stepp was selected to the first team, while junior forward Cory Violette and sophomore forward Ronny Turiaf earned second-team accolades. Joe Shipp and Amit Tamir of California, Luke Ridnour of Oregon and Josh Childress of Stanford joined Stepp on the first team. Julius Barnes of Stanford, Luke Jackson of Oregon and Phillip Ricci of Oregon State rounded out the second team.**

☑ *Richard Fox returned to the Gonzaga lineup in the West Coast Conference Tournament for the first time since breaking the ring finger on his left hand on Feb. 13 against Saint Mary's.*

☑ **In addition to cracking Gonzaga's career scoring Top 20, Blake Stepp is also making his presence on some Gonzaga single-season lists. His 93 3-pointers tie him for third with Richie Frahm (1999), and his 224 3-point attempts tie him with Frahm for second. Stepp's 183 assists are sixth on the single-season list, one shy of Matt Santangelo (1999) and John Stockton (1983) with 184. Santangelo and Stockton rank 1-2 with 225 and 201, respectively.**

☑ *Sophomore forward Ronny Turiaf has moved into fourth on the career blocks list with 74. Turiaf had seven swats in the West Coast Conference Tournament, including five in the title game against San Diego. Mark Spink (80 from 1998-01), Tim Ruff (99, 1981-85) and Casey Calvary (207, 1998-01) are ahead of Turiaf. His 48 blocks this season are third on the single-season list. Calvary holds the top spot on the single-season list with 57 in both 1999 and 2000, and is fourth with 47 in 2001.*

NCAA Top 10 Best Career Starts By Wins - 4 Seasons

1. Everett Case, NC St. (1947-49)	107
3. MARK FEW, GU (2000-03)	104
Bruce Stewart, WV Wesleyan/ Middle Tenn. (1983-86)	104
Roy Williams, Kansas. (1989-92)	103
5. Jim Boheim, Syracuse (1977-80)	100
Speedy Morris, La Salle (1987-90)	100
7. Denny Crum, Louisville (1972-75)	98
8. Dick Hunsaker, Ball St. (1990-03)	97
9. Jerry Tarkanian, LB St. (1969-72)	96
Pat Foster, Lamar (1981-84)	96
Nolan Richardson, Tulsa (1981-84)	96

4-YEAR RUN

The most wins by
NCAA Division I
teams 2000-03.

TEAM	WINS
1. Duke	118
2. Kansas	108
3. Oklahoma	107
4. Tulsa	106
5. GONZAGA	104
Arizona	104
7. Cincinnati	102
Utah State	102
9. Maryland	101
Stanford	101



2003 BULLDOGS RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
11/8	SEATTLE STARS (EXHIB)	W 108-88
11/15	AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF SPORT (EXHIB.)	W 104-64
11/22	HOFSTRA (PAX)	W 69-61

11/25	EA Sports Maui Invitational	
Game 1	- Virginia d. Chaminade (ESPN)	86-72
Game 2	- #19 Indiana d. Massachusetts (ESPN2)	84-71
Game 3	- #15 Kentucky d. Arizona St. (ESPN)	82-65
Game 4	- #20 Gonzaga d. Utah (ESPN2)	71-52
11/26	EA Sports Maui Invitational	
Game 5	- Arizona State d. Chaminade	101-72
Game 6	- Utah d. Massachusetts	69-53
Game 7	- Virginia d. #15 Kentucky (ESPN)	75-61
Game 8	- #19 Indiana d. #20 Gonzaga (ESPN)	76-75
11/27	EA Sports Maui Invitational	
Game 9	- Arizona State d. Utah (ESPN) (OT)	83-79
Game 10	- #15 Kentucky d. #20 Gonzaga (ESPN2)	80-72
Game 11	- Massachusetts d. Chaminade	69-55
Game 12	- #19 Indiana d. Virginia (ESPN)	70-63

12/2	WASHINGTON (PAX)	W 95-89 (OT)
12/5	Montana (PAX)	W 75-67
12/7	Washington State	W 110-104 (OT)
12/15	Peach Bowl Classic @ Atlanta, GA	
	Gonzaga vs. Georgia (FOX)	L 95-83
	Tennessee d. Georgia Tech (FOX)	70-69
12/17	Jimmy V Classic @ E. Rutherford, NJ	
	Gonzaga vs. #25 N.C. State (ESPN)	W 69-60
	Cincinnati d. #5 Oregon (ESPN)	77-52
12/20	LONG BEACH STATE (PAX)	W 90-55.
12/22	East. Wash. @ Spokane Arena	W 67-64
12/28	Pete Newell Challenge @ Oakland, CA	
	Kansas d. California (ABC)	80-67
	Stanford d. Gonzaga (KHQ/KRON)	L 81-71
12/31	SAINT JOSEPH'S (KHQ)	L 79-78 (OT)
1/2	Portland State	W 87-49
1/9	*LOYOLA MARYMOUNT (PAX)	W 85-73
1/12	*PEPPERDINE (FOX)	W 92-72
1/17	*Saint Mary's	W 56-53
1/19	*San Francisco (FOX)	W 66-56
1/24	*Portland (FOX)	W 70-67
1/30	*SAN DIEGO (PAX)	W 89-65
2/1	*SANTA CLARA (KHQ)	W 96-62
2/5	*Pepperdine (ESPN)	W 78-63
2/8	*Loyola Marymount	L 80-74
2/13	*SAINT MARY'S (PAX)	W 73-49
2/15	*SAN FRANCISCO (KHQ)	W 82-71
2/19	*PORTLAND (PAX)	L 72-68
2/22	TULSA (ESPN)	W 69-60
2/27	*Santa Clara	W 71-66
3/1	*San Diego (FOX)	W 72-69
3/9	+Saint Mary's (Semifinal)	W 73-52
3/10	+San Diego (Championship)	L 72-63
3/20	#Cincinnati (CBS)	9:40 a.m.

*WEST COAST CONFERENCE GAME
 +WCC TOURNAMENT @ SAN DIEGO, CA
 #NCAA FIRST ROUND @ SALT LAKE CITY, UT
 ALL TIMES PACIFIC TIME ZONE
 ALL TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE



Bulldogs Earn At-Large Bid To Go Dancin' In Salt Lake City; Face Cincinnati Thursday

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BULLDOGS GO DANCIN': For the fifth straight year, Gonzaga University is in the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament. But this time the agonizing wait for an at-large berth ended Sunday when 9th-seed Gonzaga was pitted against 8th-seeded University of Cincinnati in Salt Lake City. This is the second time the Bulldogs will have appeared in the NCAA Tournament at the Jon M. Huntsman Center on the University of Utah campus, the Bulldogs inaugural NCAA Tournament appearance in 1995 on the same court.

FAMOUS ALUMS: Gonzaga University and the University of Cincinnati can both lay claim to some pretty fair athletic alumni. The Bulldogs have Utah Jazz all-star John Stockton, the NBA's career leader in assists and steals, while the Bearcats have former Los Angeles Dodgers great Sandy Koufax. The jukebox also features a couple of crooners probably more familiar to the older generation – the Bulldogs' Bing Crosby and the Bearcats Tennessee Ernie Ford.

GOURDE MAKES BULLDOG HISTORY: Gonzaga University senior forward Zach Gourde will make school history when he steps on the court Thursday. He will become the first Bulldog to play in four NCAA Tournaments. He was also around for the start of the current 5-year run, redshirting during Gonzaga's 1999 run to the Elite Eight. He has played in seven NCAA Tournament games in his career to tie for third on the Gonzaga charts.

2003 GONZAGA UNIVERSITY BULLDOGS

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Cl	Exp	Hometown/School
1	Winston Brooks	G	6-0	198	SR	1V	Richmond, VA/Huguenot/ Howard College (TX)/North Idaho College
10	Blake Stepp	G	6-4	192	JR	2V	Eugene, OR/South Eugene
13	Josh Reisman#	G	6-1	165	FR	RS	Mt. Vernon, WA/Mt. Vernon
14	Brian Michaelson#	G	6-3	203	SO	1V	Portland, OR/Jesuit
15	Colin Floyd#	G	6-2	187	FR	RS	Harrington, WA/Sprague-Harrington
23	Tyler Amaya#	F	6-7	200	FR	RS	Mt. Vernon, WA/Mt. Vernon
24	Kyle Bankhead#	G/F	6-0	193	JR	2V	Walla Walla, WA/Walla Walla
25	Tony Skinner	G	6-5	198	JR	TR	Albuquerque, NM/Cibola/Northeastern JC
30	Dustin Villepigue#	F	6-9	235	FR	RS	Simi Valley, CA/Simi Valley
32	Zach Gourde#	F	6-8	245	SR	3V	Vancouver, WA/Prairie
33	Cory Violette	C/F	6-8	255	JR	2V	Boise, ID/Bishop Kelly
34	Richard Fox#	C	6-11	275	JR	RS	Denver, CO/Regis/University of Colorado
35	Ronny Turiaf	F	6-10	243	SO	1V	Le Robert, Martinique/Insep (Paris, France)

#Indicates redshirt year used

HEAD COACH: Mark Few (4th year, University of Oregon, '87)
ASSISTANTS: Bill Grier (12th year, University of Oregon, '90)
 Leon Rice (4th year, Washington State University, '86)
 Tommy Lloyd (2nd year, Whitman College, 1998)
DIR. OF BASKETBALL OPERATIONS: Jerry Krause (2nd year, Wayne State University, 1959)
TRAINER: Steve DeLong (24th year, Eastern Washington University, '76)



2003 West Coast Conference Standings

(Through games of 3/16/03)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
GONZAGA	12	2	.857	23	8	.742
San Diego	10	4	.714	18	11	.621
San Francisco	9	5	.643	15	14	.517
Pepperdine	7	7	.500	15	13	.536
Saint Mary's	6	8	.429	15	15	.500
Portland	4	10	.286	11	17	.393
Loyola Marymount	4	10	.286	11	20	.355
Santa Clara	4	10	.286	13	15	.464

WCC Tournament @ San Diego, CA

Friday, March 7

Game 1 - No. 7 Loyola Marymount 65, No. 6 Portland 63

Game 2 - No. 5 Saint Mary's 65, No. 8 Santa Clara 51

Saturday, March 8

Game 3 - No. 3 San Francisco 70, No. 7 Loyola Marymount 56

Game 4 - No. 5 Saint Mary's 75, No. 4 Pepperdine 71

Sunday, March 9 - Semifinals

Game 5 - No. 2 San Diego 72, No. 3 San Francisco 63

Game 6 - No. 1 Gonzaga 73, No. 5 Saint Mary's 52 (ESPN)

Monday, March 10 - Championship

Game 7 - No. 2 San Diego 72, No. 1 Gonzaga 63 (ESPN)

West Coast Conference Standings 1992-Present

(Through Games of 3/16/03)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
GONZAGA	126	42	.750	274	102	.729
Pepperdine	105	63	.625	210	147	.588
Santa Clara	103	65	.613	200	147	.576
San Diego	87	81	.518	189	149	.559
San Francisco	81	87	.482	180	168	.517
Saint Mary's	64	104	.381	149	193	.436
Portland	57	111	.339	142	197	.419
Loyola Marymount	49	119	.292	115	221	.342

NCAA Tournament Appearances Since 1992

Gonzaga (1995, '99, '00; '01; '02, '03);

Pepperdine (1992, '94, '00; '02);

Portland (1996); Santa Clara (1993, '95, '96);

San Diego (2003)

San Francisco (1998); Saint Mary's (1997)

NIT Appearances Since 1992

Gonzaga (1994, '96, '98); Pepperdine (1993, '99)

WCC Championship Game Appearances Since 1992

Gonzaga (1992, '95, '96, '98, '99, '00, '01, '02, '03)

Pepperdine (1992, '93, '94, '00, '02)

Portland (1995, '96)

Saint Mary's (1997)

San Diego (1994, '03)

San Francisco (1997, '98)

Santa Clara (1993, '99, '01)

Men's Basketball

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NCAA EXPERIENCE: Gonzaga University brings some quality experience to the NCAA Tournament. Five players have combined to play in a total of 20 NCAA Tournament games. Senior Zach Gourde heads the list with 7 games, followed by juniors Blake Stepp, Cory Violette and Kyle Bankhead with 4 each and Ronny Turiaf with one game. Senior guard Winston Brooks missed last year's NCAA Tournament with a broken wrist, receiving clearance to play the week of the tourney but not seeing any action against the University of Wyoming.

CURRENT NBA PRODUCTS:

Gonzaga University has a pair of players in the NBA. Veteran point guard John Stockton of the Utah Jazz, the NBA's all-time leader in assists and steals, is in his 19th season with the Jazz after being the 16th player taken in the 1984 NBA draft. Rookie point guard Dan Dickau is with the Atlanta Hawks after being the final selection of the first round in last June's draft. Dickau was taken by the Sacramento Kings and then traded to the Hawks. The Jazz are home in the Delta Center Tuesday night against Denver and Saturday against the Los Angeles Clippers. Stockton was unable to attend Gonzaga's last NCAA appearance in Salt Lake City in 1995 because the Jazz were out of town.

BRAINS AND BRAWN: Junior guard Blake Stepp has been named to the Verizon/College Sports Information Directors of America Academic All-America third team. He carries a 3.21 GPA in business administration. He was earlier named to the District VIII first team. Stepp and Kyle Bankhead, with a 3.22 GPA in sports management, were also named to the West Coast Conference All-Academic men's basketball team.

THREE OR BUST: Gonzaga University ran its streak of consecutive games with a 3-pointer to 329. The last time the Bulldogs failed to hit a trey was Jan. 27, 1993, when the Bulldogs went 0-for-5 at home against Portland.

BULLDOG BASKETBALL BANNERS

West Coast Conference Regular-Season Titles

1994, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003

West Coast Conference Tournament Titles

1995, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002

NCAA Tournament Appearances

1995 (1st Round)

1999 (Elite Eight)

2000 (Sweet Sixteen)

2001 (Sweet Sixteen)

2002 (1st Round)

2003 (?????)

National Invitation Tournament Appearances

1994 (2nd Round)

1996 (1st Round)

1998 (2nd Round)



2003 ALL-WCC TEAM

Jason Blair, F, 6-7, Sr., San Diego
 John Cox, G, 6-5, Jr., San Francisco
 Terrance Johnson, G, 6-5, So., Pepperdine
 Jason Keep, C, 6-10, Sr., San Diego
 Jimmy Miggins, F, 6-6, Sr., Pepperdine
BLAKE STEPP, G, 6-4, Jr., GONZAGA
 Samuel Saint-Jean, G, 6-1, Sr., St. Mary's
 Darrell Tucker, F, 6-8, Sr., San Francisco
RONNY TURIAF, C, 6-10, So., GONZAGA
CORY VIOLETTE, F, 6-8, So., GONZAGA

COACH OF THE YEAR
MARK FEW, GONZAGA

PLAYER OF THE YEAR
BLAKE STEPP, GONZAGA

DEFENDER OF THE YEAR
 Anthony Woodards, Saint Mary's

FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR
 Alex Acker, Pepperdine

HONORABLE MENTION
 Alex Acker, Pepperdine, Fr.
 Boomer Brazzle, Pepperdine, Sr.
 Casey Frandsen, Portland, Jr.
 Donald Wilson, Portland, Fr.
 Brandon Worthy, Loyola Marymount, Fr.
 Jim Howell, Santa Clara, Jr.

ALL-TIME GONZAGA ALL-WCC SELECTIONS

Don Baldwin ('81)
 Jeff Brown ('92-94*)
 Casey Calvary ('00-01*)
 Jeff Condill ('86)
 Jarrod Davis ('91-92)
 Dan Dickau ('01, '02*)
 Kyle Dixon ('95-96)
 Bill Dunlap ('82)
 Jeremy Eaton ('99)
 Richie Frahm ('99-00)
 Geoff Goss ('94)
 Zach Gourde ('02)
 Dale Haaland ('87)
 Quentin Hall ('99)
 Bakari Hendrix ('97-98*)
 Bryce McPhee ('83)
 Jim McPhee ('87, 89-90)
 Carl Pierce ('80)
 Paul Rogers ('96)
 Lorenzo Rollins ('97)
 Matt Santangelo ('98-00)
 Doug Spradley ('88-89)
 Blake Stepp ('03*)
 John Stockton ('83-84*)
 Ronny Turiaf ('03)
 Cory Violette ('02-03)
 *Indicates WCC Player of the Year

Men's Basketball

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TOUGH SCHEDULE: Gonzaga University played eight NCAA Tournament bound teams this season, including No. 1 Midwest seed University of Kentucky. The Bulldogs also battled the University of Utah, Indiana University, the University of Tulsa, Stanford University, the University of San Diego, Saint Joseph's University and North Carolina State University. The Bulldogs were 5-5 against the NCAA teams, defeating San Diego twice, Utah, Tulsa and N.C. State.

GOURDE HITS MILESTONE: Senior forward Zach Gourde recorded the 500th rebound of his career against Loyola Marymount University. He became the seventh member of the 1,000-point, 500-rebound club at Gonzaga. Casey Calvary (1,509/757 from 1998-01) and Jeff Brown (1,646/515 from 1992-94) are the most recent additions. Four players in Gonzaga history have scored 1,000 points and grabbed 700 rebounds. Gourde is also ninth in field goals made with 459 as he chases Doug Spradley in eighth with 462. He also moved ahead of Mark Spink and into third in career-blocked shots with 84. Tim Ruff is second with 99 and Casey Calvary tops the list with 207.

POUNDING THE BOARDS: Gonzaga University led the NCAA Division I ranks in rebounding margin last season with a +8.9 margin to edge Louisiana Tech University (+8.8) by the slimmest of margins. Cory Violette paced the Bulldogs with his 8.3 rpg, including a 20-rebound night against Fresno State University that ranked tied for 13th nationally. GU is +6.2 thus far this season.

BULLDOGS AND THE KENNEL: The Kennel, home of Gonzaga University's Bulldogs, has gained the reputation as one of the toughest courts in the country, the Bulldogs losing a 29-game home winning streak Dec. 31, 2002, that ranked third longest in the country. In the last 10 seasons the Bulldogs are 138-11 at home for a nifty 92.6 winning percentage. Gonzaga went 10-2 at home this season, the first time the Bulldogs lost two home games in a season since 1997. Gonzaga was 13-0 at home in 2002, winning by an average of 24.6 ppg. The Bulldogs went 12-0 at home in 2001, winning by an average of 24.7 ppg. GU is 55-3 in The Kennel over the past five seasons. The 2000 squad was 10-1, and the 1999 Bulldogs completed a 10-0 season in The Kennel, winning by an average of 31.9 ppg. The Bulldogs also posted undefeated home campaigns in 1993 (13-0) and 1994 (14-0), and suffered just one home setback in 1996 and 1998. The Bulldogs put together a 34-game home-court-winning streak from 1992-95, which at the time was the country's second-longest active streak.

HOW SWEET IT IS

Teams that have made at least three straight Sweet Sixteen appearances since the bracket expanded to 64 teams in 1985. Length of run in ().

Alabama (3)	1985-87
Arizona (3)	1996-98
Arkansas (4)	1993-96
Connecticut (3)	1994-96
Duke (7)	1986-92
Duke (5)	1998-02
GONZAGA (3)	1999-01
Indiana (4)	1991-94
Kansas (3)	1986-88
Kansas (5)	1993-97
Kentucky (5)	1995-99
Michigan (3)	1992-94
Michigan State (4)	1998-01
Oklahoma (3)	1987-89
North Carolina (9)	1985-93
Purdue (3)	1998-00
UCLA (3)	2000-02
UNLV (3)	1989-91
Utah (3)	1996-98

Gonzaga Home Court Winning Streaks

34 Games – Dec. 1, 1992 – Jan. 3, 1995
 (Snapped Jan. 19, 1995 by Santa Clara)
29 Games – Feb. 19, 2000 – Dec. 20, 2002
 (Snapped Dec. 31, 2002 by St. Joseph's)



GONZAGA POST-SEASON APPEARANCES

NCAA TOURNAMENT 2002

First and Second Round @ Albuquerque, NM
#11 Wyoming 73, #6 Gonzaga 66

2001

First and Second Round @ Memphis, TN
#12 Gonzaga 86, #5 Virginia 85
#12 Gonzaga 85, #13 Indiana St. 68
South Regional @Atlanta, GA
#3 Michigan State 77, #12 Gonzaga 62

2000

First and Second Round @Tucson, AZ
#10 Gonzaga 77, #7 Louisville 66
#10 Gonzaga 82, #2 St. John's 76
West Regional @Albuquerque, NM
#6 Purdue 75, #10 Gonzaga 66

1999

First and Second Round @ Seattle, WA
#10 Gonzaga 75, #7 Minnesota 63
#10 Gonzaga 82, #2 Stanford 74
West Regional @Phoenix, AZ
#10 Gonzaga 73, #6 Florida 72
#1 Connecticut 67, #10 Gonzaga 62

1995

First and Second Round @ Salt Lake City, UT
#3 Maryland 87, #14 Gonzaga 63

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1998

First Round
Gonzaga 69, at Wyoming 55
Second Round
at Hawaii 78, Gonzaga 70

1996

First Round
at Washington State 92, Gonzaga 73

1994

First Round
Gonzaga 80, at Stanford 76
Second Round
at Kansas State 66, Gonzaga 64

Men's Basketball

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FEW'S THREE-YEAR RUN:

Gonzaga University head coach Mark Few's 81-20 record makes him the winningest third-year coach in NCAA history, surpassing Bill Guthridge of the University of North Carolina (1998-00) and Everett Case of North Carolina State University (1947-49) who each won 80 games in their first three seasons as a NCAA Division I head coach. In his first two seasons as head coach the Bulldogs advanced to the NCAA Tournament Sweet Sixteen, one of only two NCAA Division I head coaches to accomplish that feat since the bracket expanded to 64 teams in 1985.

**NCAA Top 10
Best Career Starts
By Wins – 3 Seasons**

1. MARK FEW, GU (2000-02)	81
2. Everett Case, NC St. (1947-49)	80
Bill Guthridge, NC (1998-00)	80
4. Roy Williams, Kansas (1989-91)	76



20 OR BUST: Gonzaga University is tied for 10th in consecutive 20-win seasons with six. The University of Arizona leads the way with 16. The University of Maryland is "on the bubble" with 19, needing one post-season win to run its streak to seven.

SINGLE DIGITS: Only Gonzaga University, the University of Florida and Duke University have lost less than 10 games in each of the past five seasons, including the current campaign. Gonzaga has posted marks of 29-4, 26-7, 26-9 28-7 and 23-8, respectively, in that stretch. The last time Gonzaga hit double-digits in the "L" column was 1998 with a 20-10 campaign. Current head coach Mark Few has never had 10 or more losses in his four years as a head coach. Duke is currently 23-6 and Florida 24-7 heading into the NCAA Tournament.

20-WIN SEASONS
Consecutive 20-win seasons by NCAA Division I teams.

TEAM	NO.
1. Arizona	16
2. Kansas	14
3. Kentucky	13
4. College of Charleston	10
5. Stanford	5
Xavier	5
7. Indiana	8
8. Duke	7
Butler	7
10. GONZAGA	6
Connecticut	6
Oklahoma St.	6
Oklahoma	6
Syracuse	6

TURIAF FROM THE LINE: Sophomore Ronny Turiaf's 194 free throws made rank third on the Gonzaga University single-season list, and his 283 makes are 9th on the all-time GU list.

VIOLETTE REACHES 600: Junior forward Cory Violette became the 10th player in Gonzaga University history to grab 600 rebounds when he pulled down 11 in the regular-season finale at the University of San Diego. He has 614 career boards.

BULLDOGS SIGN A PAIR: Gonzaga University men's basketball coach Mark Few signed Adam Morrison, a 6-8, 205-pound forward from Spokane's Mead High, and Derek Raivio, a 6-1, 155-pound point guard from Mountain View High in Vancouver, Wash., in November. Morrison averaged 24.4 ppg as a junior last season to lead the Greater Spokane League, while Raivio averaged 22.6 ppg as the Greater St. Helen's League 4A Player of the Year.



10 BLAKE STEPP

Guard, 6-4, Junior, Eugene, Ore.

West Coast Conference Player of the Year
NABC District 14 First Team
Third Team Verizon Academic All-American
Verizon All-Academic All-District VIII
West Coast Conference All-Academic

STEPP JOINS 1,000-POINT CLUB: Junior guard Blake Stepp has cracked Gonzaga University 1,000-point club with 1,180 points for 14th. With a strong senior campaign next year he could finish among Gonzaga's top five all-time scorers. He needs 248 points to move into the Top 10. Stepp is the 25th player to score 1,000 or more points in Gonzaga history.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE: With a 3.21 GPA in business administration, Blake Stepp has earned Verizon/College Sports Information Director of America All-America third team recognition. He was named to the Verizon/CoSIDA District VIII and West Coast Conference All-Academic squads.

BOMBS AWAY: The trey is a staple of Blake Stepp's arsenal and he continues to move up the single-season and career 3-point charts at Gonzaga. His 93 treys this year tie him for 3rd all-time on the Gonzaga single-season list, and his 204 career 3-pointers are 4th all-time.

DISHIN' IT: Blake Stepp is also an adept passer, his 183 assists this year 5th on the Gonzaga single-season list, and his 418 career assists rank third behind Matt Santangelo and John Stockton.



GONZAGA CAREER ASSISTS LEADERS	
1. Matt Santangelo (1997-00)	668
2. John Stockton (1981-84)	554
3. BLAKE STEPP (2001-03)	418
GONZAGA SINGLE-SEASON ASSISTS LEADERS	
1. Matt Santangelo (2000)	225
2. John Stockton (1984)	201
3. Matt Santangelo (1999)	184
John Stockton (1983)	184
5. BLAKE STEPP (2003)	183

GONZAGA CAREER SCORING LEADERS	
1. Frank Burgess (1959-61)	2,196
2. Jim McPhee (19886-90)	2,015
3. Matt Santangelo (1997-00)	1,810
4. Jeff Brown (1992-94)	1,646
5. Richie Frahm (1997-00)	1,621
6. Jerry Vermillion (1952-55)	1,547
7. Casey Calvary (1998-01)	1,509
8. Rich Evans (1947-50)	1,507
9. Gary Lechman (1965-67)	1,452
10. Doug Spradley (1986-89)	1,427
11. Bill Suter (1963-66)	1,354
12. John Stockton (1981-84)	1,340
13. Bill Wilson (1962-64)	1,226
14. BLAKE STEPP (2001-03)	1,180
15. Matt Stanford (1991-94)	1,171
16. Greg Sten (1071-73)	1,168
17. Zach Gourde (2000-03)	1,139
18. Dan Dickau (2001-02)	1,125
19. Jack Curran (1947-50)	1,121
20. Frank Walter (1947-50)	1,083
21. Jon Kinloch (1993-96)	1,071
22. Bryce McPhee (1981-85)	1,060
23. Jarrod Davis (1991-92)	1,054
24. John Rillie (1993-95)	1,038
25. Jeff Condill (1983-86)	1,004

GONZAGA CAREER 3-POINT FIELD GOALS	
1. Richie Frahm (1996-00)	280
2. Matt Santangelo (1996-00)	252
3. John Rillie (1993-95)	230
4. BLAKE STEPP (2001-03)	204
GONZAGA SINGLE-SEASON 3-POINT FIELD GOALS	
1. Dan Dickau (2002)	117
2. John Rillie (1995)	96
3. BLAKE STEPP (2003)	93
Richie Frahm (1999)	93
5. John Rillie (1994)	91

GONZAGA SINGLE-SEASON STEALS LEADERS	
1. John Stockton (1984)	109
2. John Stockton (1982)	68
John Stockton (1983)	68
4. Quentin Hall (1999)	62
5. BLAKE STEPP (2003)	52
Geoff Goss (1994)	49
Kyle Dixon (1996)	49

GONZAGA UNIVERSITY BULLDOGS

Bulldogs Bests

(Season and Career High Points/Rebounds/Assists)

<u>Player</u>	<u>Season</u>	<u>Career</u>
1 Winston Brooks	P - 9 vs. San Diego 1/30/03 R - 7 vs. Hofstra 11/22/02 A - 6 (three) at Portland State 1/2/03	9 (twice) vs. San Diego 1/30/03 Same 7 (twice) vs. Eastern Oregon 12/21/01
10 Blake Stepp	P - 34 at Washington State 12/7/02 R - 8 (twice) at Portland 1/24/03 A - 16 vs. Long Beach State 12/20/02	Same 9 at Loyola Marymount 1/19/02 Same
13 Josh Reisman	P - 12 (twice) at Portland State 1/2/03 R - 4 vs. Long Beach State 12/20/02 A - 3 at Portland State 1/2/03	Same Same Same
14 Brian Michaelson	P - 4 (twice) vs. Pepperdine 1/12/03 R - 2 (three) vs. Saint Mary's 2/13/03 A - 2 (twice) vs. Santa Clara 2/1/03	10 vs. Eastern Oregon 12/21/01 4 vs. Eastern Oregon 12/21/01 2 (three) vs. Santa Clara 2/1/03
15 Colin Floyd	P - 3 at Portland State 1/2/03 R - 1 (twice) vs. Saint Mary's 2/13/03 A - 2 at Portland State 1/2/03	Same Same Same
23 Tyler Amaya	P - 7 at Portland State 1/2/03 R - 5 at Portland State 1/2/03 A - 1 (three) at Portland 1/24/03	Same Same Same
24 Kyle Bankhead	P - 23 at San Francisco 1/19/03 R - 6 vs. San Francisco 2/15/03 A - 5 (five) vs. Saint Mary's 3/9/03 (W)	Same Same 5 (six) vs. Saint Mary's 3/9/03 (W)
25 Tony Skinner	P - 23 at San Diego 3/1/03 R - 8 vs. Long Beach State 12/20/02 A - 4 vs. Santa Clara 2/1/03	Same Same Same
32 Zach Gourde	P - 13 at San Diego 3/10/09 (W) R - 7 at San Diego 3/1/03 A - 2 (twice) vs. Long Beach State 12/20/02	25 at Pepperdine 1/18/02 12 (four) vs. Pepperdine 2/16/02 5 at Saint Joseph's 12/31/01
33 Cory Violette	P - 19 vs. Saint Joseph's 12/31/02 R - 15 (twice) at Saint Mary's 1/17/03 A - 4 at San Diego 3/1/03	25 at San Diego 2/9/02 20 vs. Fresno State (F) 12/6/01 4 (twice) at San Diego 3/1/03
34 Richard Fox	P - 18 at Washington State 12/7/02 R - 17 vs. NC State 12/17/02 (V) A - 4 at Washington State 12/7/02	*23 vs. California 12/4/99 Same * 6 vs. California 12/4/99
35 Ronny Turiaf	P - 29 vs. Portland 2/19/03 R - 14 vs. Portland 2/19/03 A - 2 (three) vs. Tulsa 2/22/03 (E)	Same Same 2 (six) vs. Tulsa 2/22/03 (E)

(F) Indicates Loud Records Fab Four @ The Forum - Inglewood, CA

*Richard Fox career stats while playing for Colorado

(M) Indicates 2002 Maui Invitational @ Lahaina, Maui

(C) Indicates 2002 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl Classic @ Atlanta, GA

(V) Indicates 2002 Jimmy V Classic @ East Rutherford, NJ

(S) Indicates game played @ Spokane Arena - Spokane, WA

(P) Indicates 2002 Pete Newell Challenge @ Oakland, CA

(E) Indicates ESPN Bracket Buster Saturday @ Gonzaga

(W) Indicates 2003 West Coast Conference Tournament @ San Diego, CA

Bulldogs Double-Doubles **(Career Points/Rebounds Double-Doubles)**

32 Zach Gourde 11/12 vs. Pepperdine 2/16/02
12/11 vs. Portland 1/30/02
10/12 at Loyola Marymount 1/19/02
20/12 vs. Fresno State (F) 12/6/01
17/10 vs. Texas (A) 11/23/01
15/12 at Illinois 11/16/01
20/11 vs. Santa Clara 1/25/01

33 Cory Violette 11/11 at San Diego 3/1/03
15/10 vs. Tulsa 2/22/03 (E)
11/14 at Pepperdine 2/5/03
16/15 at Saint Mary's 1/17/03
17/10 vs. Pepperdine 1/12/03
19/15 vs. Saint Joseph's 12/31/02
14/10 vs. Stanford 12/28/02 (P)
17/10 at Montana 12/5/02
17/12 vs. Washington 12/2/02
14/10 vs. Wyoming 3/14/02 (N)
16/12 vs. Pepperdine 3/4/02 (USD)
16/10 vs. Loyola Marymount 3/2/02 (USD)
15/15 vs. Loyola Marymount 2/14/02
25/15 at San Diego 2/9/02
15/11 at Pepperdine 1/18/02
18/13 at Washington 12/11/01
15/20 vs. Fresno State (F) 12/6/01
16/12 vs. Eastern Washington 12/4/01
11/11 vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff 11/29/01
17/11 vs. Texas (A) 11/23/01

35 Ronny Turiaf 26/12 at San Diego 3/10/03 (W)
29/14 vs. Portland 2/19/03
24/13 vs. San Francisco 2/15/03
27/10 at Portland 1/24/03
19/11 vs. Eastern Washington 12/22/02 (S)
12/10 vs. Kentucky 11/27/02(M)
13/10 at Saint Mary's 2/23/02
13/11 vs. San Francisco 1/24/02
12/12 vs. St. John's (A) 11/22/01
13/13 vs. Montana 11/18/01

(A) Indicates Great Alaska Shootout @ Anchorage, AK
(F) Indicates Loud Records Fab Four @ The Forum - Inglewood, CA
USD Indicates West Coast Conference Tournament @ San Diego, CA
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