

UIC MEN'S SOCCER

MATCH NOTES

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2008 SCHEDULE

August

29 (F) UMKC T, 2-2 (20T)

September

1 (M) SANTA CLARA W, 4-3
5 (F) at UAB W, 1-0
7 (Su) at Alabama A&M W, 4-1
12 (F) at Michigan! W, 4-1
19 (F) PRINCETON^ W, 2-0
21 (Su) LOYOLA MARYMOUNT^ T, 0-0 (20T)
26 (F) CLEVELAND STATE# W, 5-0
28 (Su) DETROIT# W, 2-0

October

2 (Th) at Marquette W, 1-0
5 (Su) at Wright State# T, 1-1 (20T)
8 (W) OHIO STATE T, 0-0 (20T)
11 (Sa) at Butler# 3:00 p.m.
15 (W) at Michigan State 2:00 p.m.
18 (Sa) GREEN BAY# 7:00 p.m.
25 (Sa) at Milwaukee# 7:00 p.m.
31 (F) at Valparaiso# 3:00 p.m.

November

2 (Su) LOYOLA# 6:00 p.m.

2008 HORIZON LEAGUE MEN'S SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP

6 (Th) First Round TBA
9 (Su) Quarterfinals TBA
14 (F) Semifinals TBA
16 (Su) Championship Match TBA

2008 NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP

21-22 (F-Sa) First Round TBA
26 (W) Second Round TBA
29-30 (Sa-Su) Third Round TBA

December

5-7 (F-Su) Quarterfinals TBA
12-14 (F-Su) College Cup TBA

Horizon League Match

!- Michigan Invitational; ^- Chicago Classic

All Times Central; Home Matches in BOLD CAPS

2008 SEASON - GAME 13 UIC (8-0-4, 2-0-1)

No. 4 Soccer America ♦ No. 6 SoccerTimes.com ♦ No. 7 NSCAA/adidas ♦ No. 12 College Soccer News

vs. BUTLER (7-2-2, 2-0-1)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

3:00 PM CENTRAL

THE BUTLER BOWL - INDIANAPOLIS, IN

PROBABLE STARTING XI

POSITION	#	NAME	YR.	HOMETOWN
GOALKEEPER	1	Jovan Bubonja	Jr.	Belgrade, Serbia
BACK	9	Julian Serrato	Fr.	Boca Raton, Fla.
BACK	7	Pat McMahon	Sr.	Bolingbrook, Ill.
BACK	5	Robert Younger	So.	North Lincolnshire, England
BACK	6	Paul Kopec	Jr.	Orland Park, Ill.
MIDFIELDER	2	Ian Sarachan	Jr.	Gurnee, Ill.
MIDFIELDER	18	Charlie Trout	So.	Nottingham, England
MIDFIELDER	8	Baggio Husidic	So.	Velika Kladusa, Bosnia & Herzegovina
MIDFIELDER	14	Alen Husidic	Sr.	Velika Kladusa, Bosnia & Herzegovina
FORWARD	10	Matt Spiess	So.	St. Louis, Mo.
FORWARD	11	Kevin Stoll	So.	Florissant, Mo.

QUICK KICKS

The fourth-ranked UIC men's soccer team travels to Indianapolis, Ind. for a crucial Horizon League match against Butler this Saturday afternoon... UIC and Butler are the only remaining teams without a loss in the Horizon League, with both featuring 2-0-1 conference records, heading into Saturday...The Flames remain one of six unbeaten Division I teams as of Oct. 10... UIC is in the midst of a school-record start to a season...The Flames' No. 4 national ranking by *Soccer America* is the highest in school history...UIC has recorded six shutouts in their last seven contests...Junior midfielder Baggio Husidic remains UIC's leading goal-scorer (seven) and point-scorer (18) while also tied for the team lead in assists (four)...Junior goalkeeper Jovan Bubonja has allowed just two goals in the last 10 matches.



2008 UIC SOCCER QUICK FACTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Chicago, Ill.
Founded: 1896
Enrollment: 24,541
President: B. Joseph White
Interim Chancellor: Dr. Eric Gislason
Director of Athletics: James W. Schmidt
Conference: Horizon League
Field (Capacity): Flames Field (1,000)
Athletics Website: uicflames.com

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: John Trask
Alma Mater (Year): Indiana (1990)
Record at UIC (Years): 44-14-17 (4th season)
Career Record (Years): Same
Assistant Coach: Sean Phillips
Alma Mater (Year): Indiana (1994)
Assistant Coach: Aleksey Korol
Alma Mater (Year): Indiana (1999)
Volunteer Assistant Coach: Minos Vlamakis
Undergraduate Assistant Coach: Pavle Dundjer
Director of Soccer Operations: Ross Cain
Athletic Trainer: Kristi Schluckbier
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TEAM INFORMATION

2007 Overall Record: 13-3-5
2007 Horizon League Record: 5-1-1
2007 Horizon League Finish: First
Postseason: NCAA Quarterfinals
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 12/5
Newcomers: 11
First Year of Division I Soccer: 1981
All-Time Division I Record: 224-232-42
All-Time League Regular Season
Championships: 3 (1999, 2000, 2006)
All-Time League Tournament
Championships: 3 (1999, 2000, 2007)
All-Time NCAA Tournament
Appearances: 4 (1999, 2000, 2006, 2007)
Best NCAA Finish: Elite Eight
All-Time NCAA Tournament Record: 6-4-1

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LAST TIME OUT:

UIC 0, Ohio State 0 (2OT) - October 8, 2008 (Chicago, Ill.)

In front of a school-record home crowd of 2,438 fans, the seventh-ranked UIC men's soccer team battled No. 17 Ohio State to a 0-0 tie that featured its share of exciting chances at goal in the match's late stages. UIC put pressure on the Buckeyes, last year's national runner-up, from the start. The Flames outshot the visitors 9-1 in the first period, including a sharp shot off the boot of Paul Kopec in the 40th minute that forced starting Ohio State keeper Drew Czekanski to make a diving save that ended up causing injury and forcing his departure from the match. The second half and subsequent overtime sessions did not produce goals for either side, but the closing moments displayed a variety of heart-stopping near-misses that included balls bouncing off the crossbar and the post for both teams.

LAST 21 HAVE BEEN FUN:

UIC has had an impressive stretch of success dating back to last season. UIC has tasted defeat just once in its last 21 matches, with a 2-1 loss to UMass in the NCAA Tournament quarterfinals serving as the only blemish on the Flames' 15-1-5 record going back to Oct. 31, 2007. Since then, UIC has outscored its foes by a whopping 40-11 margin, recording 14 shutouts along the way.

HORIZON LEAGUE STREAK:

UIC has not suffered a defeat to a Horizon League foe in its last nine matches, going 8-0-1 since Oct. 21, 2007. The Flames had won eight in a row against conference opponents until last Sunday's tie against Wright State.

OFF TO A RECORD START:

UIC's 8-0-4 start in 2008 is the longest a Flames team has gone undefeated to open a season. The previous school-best start was a 9-0-1 beginning in 1997 that was stopped by a 3-1 road loss at Bradley. This year's start is also the second time in three seasons that a UIC team has gone undefeated through at least the first nine games of a campaign; the 2006 team went 7-0-2 before suffering a 1-0 road loss at Wisconsin.

RECORD RANKINGS, TOO:

This week's national rankings set new benchmarks for the Flames:

- UIC's No. 4 ranking in the *Soccer America* Top 25 is the highest ranking of any kind in school history
- The Flames' No. 7 ranking in the NSCAA/adidas National Rankings, the poll considered to be the country's main college soccer ranking, is also a UIC best in that particular poll
- The No. 6 ranking in the SoccerTimes.com College Coaches Poll ties a UIC-best ranking in that poll
- UIC is ranked in the Top 12 of all four major polls (No. 12 in the *College Soccer News* National Poll) and the new TopDrawerSoccer Men's College Rankings (No. 9)

BALANCE IS THE KEY:

The Flames' success this season has been based on balance. Entering this week UIC featured the nation's sixth-best scoring offense, averaging 2.2 goals per game, while the UIC defense was ranked 28th in the country in goals-against average (0.62). The Flames have outscored foes 26-8 through 12 matches.

BAGGIO THE MAIN MAN:

Junior midfielder **Baggio Husidic** has had an impactful start to his third season in a Flames kit. Through 12 matches Husidic has seven goals, four assists and 18 points. He entered this season with a two-year career total of seven points (3G, 1A) in 43 games from 2006-2007.

BUBONJA BACK TO BLANKING COMPETITION:

Junior goalkeeper **Jovan Bubonja** has made life difficult for opposing offenses of late. In his last seven matches he has allowed just one goal. Since he was charged with five goals in the Flames' first two matches, Bubonja has given up just two goals in the last 10 games for a goals-against average of 0.19 in that stretch. His six clean sheets in 2008 now gives him a career school record of 28 shutouts.

A LOOK AT BUTLER:

The Bulldogs are 7-2-2 overall after a 2-0 loss to No. 23 Indiana on Tuesday, Oct. 7. A Butler defensive miscue 11 seconds into the match gave the Hoosiers their first goal, but the Bulldogs displayed solid play the rest of the way. Bulldog striker Frank Patano leads the Horizon League with nine goals. Kelly Findlay is in his third season as Butler head coach.

2008 UIC MEN'S SOCCER ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School/Last School
0	Malachy Okeke	GK	Fr.	6-6	210	Chicago, Ill./Von Steuben H.S.
1	Jovan Bubonja	GK	Jr.	6-2	200	Belgrade, Serbia/VI Belgrade
2	Ian Sarachan	M	Jr.	5-6	130	Gurnee, Ill./Warren Township H.S.
3	Mike Giffin	B	Sr.	6-1	170	St. Charles, Ill./Burlington Central H.S./New Mexico
4	Moriba Diallo	M	RS Fr.	6-3	180	Bristol, Ind./Northridge H.S.
5	Robert Younger	B	So.	6-1	182	North Lincolnshire, England/The Read School
6	Paul Kopec	B	Jr.	5-10	140	Orland Park, Ill./Sandburg H.S./Western Kentucky
7	Pat McMahon	B	Sr.	5-11	150	Bolingbrook, Ill./Benet Academy
8	Baggio Husidic	M/F	Jr.	6-1	173	Velika Kladusa, Bosnia/Libertyville H.S.
9	Julian Serrato	B/M/F	Fr.	6-1	176	Boca Raton, Fla./Community H.S.
10	Matt Spiess	F	So.	5-11	177	St. Louis, Mo./Chaminade Prep
11	Kevin Stoll	F	So.	5-7	150	Florissant, Mo./Chaminade Prep
12	Stevan Jovcic	F	So.	6-2	180	Belgrade, Serbia/Niles West H.S.
13	Phillip Mitchell	M	Jr.	6-1	180	Springfield, Ill./Athens H.S./UIS
14	Alen Husidic	B/M	Sr.	5-10	160	Velika Kladusa, Bosnia/Libertyville H.S.
15	Francisco Alvarez	M	Jr.	5-8	158	Guadalajara, Mexico/Clear Lake H.S./SMU
16	Dan Simek	F	Sr.	5-10	165	LaGrange, Ill./Lyons Township H.S.
17	Brandon Wallace	M	Jr.	5-11	164	Shawnee, Kan./Maranatha Academy/Coffeyville CC
18	Charlie Trout	M	So.	5-8	159	Nottingham, England/Rushcliffe
19	Bart Boguszewski	M/F	Fr.	5-9	160	Belvidere, Ill./Boylan Catholic H.S.
20	Maurice Charles	B	So.	5-10	160	Aurora, Ill./Neuqua Valley H.S.
21	Drew Wolfe	M	RS Fr.	6-2	180	Elgin, Ill./Larkin H.S.
22	Bret Hruby	F	Fr.	5-9	137	Naperville, Ill./Neuqua Valley H.S.
23	Andreas Laxgang	M	RS Fr.	5-10	155	Arlington Heights, Ill./Hersey H.S.
24	Nate Downing	B	So.	5-10	152	Columbus, Ind./Columbus North H.S.
25	Derek Huffman	M	RS Fr.	6-0	160	Elgin, Ill./Larkin H.S.
26	Joey Domenico	M	RS Fr.	5-10	150	Munster, Ind./Munster H.S.
27	Alex Loncar	M	RS Fr.	5-9	155	Naperville, Ill./Neuqua Valley H.S.
28	Tim Walsh	M	Jr.	6-1	180	Naperville, Ill./Neuqua Valley H.S./Tampa
29	Asa Carson	B	Fr.	6-0	160	Naperville, Ill./Neuqua Valley H.S.
30	Taylor Kelliher	GK	RS Fr.	5-10	165	Prospect Heights, Ill./Hersey H.S.
32	Cesar Villegas	M	Fr.	5-8	153	Harvey, Ill./Thornton H.S.

HEAD COACH: John Trask

DIRECTOR OF SOCCER OPERATIONS: Ross Cain

ASSISTANT COACHES: Sean Phillips, Aleksey Korol

UNDERGRADUATE ASSISTANT: Pavle Dundjer

VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT COACH: Minos Vlamakis

ATHLETIC TRAINER: Kristi Schluckbier

Pronunciation Guide

STUDENT-ATHLETES

Bart Boguszewski
 bo-guh-SHEF-ski
 Moriba Diallo
 more-E-buh dee-ALL-o
 Brett Hruby
 ROO-by
 Baggio Husidic
 BAH-g-o who-SID-ick
 Taylor Kelliher
 KELL-uh-her
 Andreas Laxgang
 ON-drey-us LACKS-gang
 Malachy Okeke
 MAL-uh-kie o-KECH-e
 Julian Serrato
 JUE-lee-n sir-RA-toe
 Matt Spiess
 SPEECE
 Cesar Villegas
 SEE-zar v-YAY-gus

Jovan Bubonja
 YO-vaughn Boo-BONE-ya
 Joey Domenico
 doe-MEN-eh-co
 Alen Husidic
 AL-n who-SID-ick
 Stevan Jovcic
 stev-ON YOVE-chich
 Paul Kopec
 KO-peck
 Alex Loncar
 LAWN-car
 Ian Sarachan
 E-n SAIR-uh-can
 Dan Simek
 SIM-eck
 Kevin Stoll
 STOLE

COACHES

Aleksey Korol
 Uh-LECKS-ee KORE-ol
 Pavle Dundjer
 PAV-lay DONE-jur

Minos Vlamakis

ME-nos vlah-MOCK-eece



JOHN TRASK

HEAD COACH

4th Season at UIC - 44-14-17

2006 Horizon League Coach of the Year

When John Trask was named the fourth head men's soccer coach in UIC's Division I history on January 17, 2005, a new standard of excellence was immediately established for the program.

That standard has been on display throughout Trask's first three-plus seasons at the helm, with the Flames' historic run to the quarterfinals of the 2007 NCAA Division I Men's Soccer Championship serving as the most recent example of the program's continuous rise to national prominence under his watch.

Bringing a winning formula that garnered back-to-back NCAA titles and a trip to the Major League Soccer semifinals during his previous coaching stops, Trask has installed his successful style at UIC in such a short amount of time that the Flames were transformed from a five-win team the season before he arrived into a squad that stood just three matches away from college soccer's ultimate prize a mere three years later.

A glance at his work throughout the last decade shows that Trask has had an influential hand in some impressive team results. From coaching Indiana's national championship squads in 1998 and 1999, to guiding the Miami Fusion to the 2000 U.S. Open Cup final and the 2001 MLS Supporters' Shield, and to accumulating a long list of achievements for UIC, Trask's track record speaks for itself.

The Flames have been molded into a prime example of Trask's victorious brand of soccer. UIC's 7-1 record against Top 25 teams on the road since 2005 and numerous Top 10 national rankings of its own are just a few of the accomplishments that serve as evidence to his penchant for success.

Last year's Elite Eight finish in the NCAA Tournament saw UIC advance past three nationally-ranked teams, doing so on the opponent's home pitch each time. The Flames eliminated No. 12 Saint Louis at Hermann Stadium in a dramatic penalty-kick shootout, defeated No. 16 Northwestern 2-0 on the Wildcats' Lakeside Field and downed No. 7 Creighton by a 1-0 score at Morrison Stadium to come within one match of UIC's first-ever College Cup berth.

Along with the Flames' first-ever appearance in the Round of Eight, the 2007 season was capped by the program's highest end-of-the-year national rankings. *College Soccer News* ranked UIC ninth nationally in its final poll of the season, and the NSCAA/adidas Top 25 featured a season-ending ranking of No. 10 for the Flames.

Trask came to UIC with an impeccable soccer pedigree. An assistant at Indiana University for nearly a decade under legendary head coach Jerry Yeagley, Trask played a vital role in cultivating a Hoosier dynasty that claimed eight Big Ten titles, reached five College Cups and earned back-to-back National Championships (1998-1999) during his tenure from 1991 through 1999.

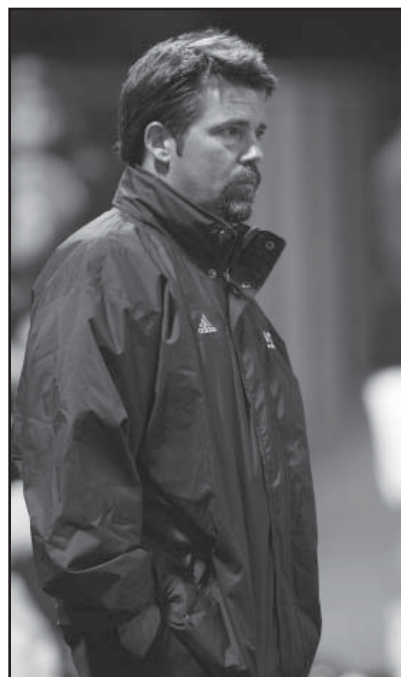
THE JOHN TRASK FILE

Coaching Experience:

Graduate Assistant Coach, Indiana University (1991-93);
Assistant Coach, Indiana University (1993-99);
MLS Assistant Coach, Miami Fusion (2000-01);
MLS Assistant Coach, D.C. United (2002-03);
MLS Assistant Coach, FC Dallas (2004);
Head Coach, University of Illinois at Chicago (2005-present)

Head Coaching Record:

Year	Record	Accomplishments
2005	10-5-2	<i>Nation's sixth-best turnaround</i>
2006	13-3-5	<i>Horizon League Regular Season Champions; NCAA Tournament Second Round; Horizon League Coach of the Year</i>
2007	13-6-6	<i>Horizon League Tournament Champions; NCAA Tournament Elite Eight</i>
2008	8-0-4	<i>First consensus preseason Top 25 team in school history</i>
Total	44-14-17	



UIC Head Coach John Trask led the Flames to the NCAA Tournament Elite Eight for the first time in school history last season.

After his successful apprenticeship at Indiana, Trask took his coaching skills to the professional level for five seasons as an assistant in Major League Soccer. Trask began his career in MLS with Miami in 2000, helping the Fusion reach the MLS semifinals in 2001. Following his two seasons in Miami, Trask spent two years with D.C. United and a year with the Dallas Burn (now FC Dallas) before taking the reigns of the UIC men's soccer program.

2008 UIC SOCCER
UIC Combined Team Statistics (as of Oct 08, 2008)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	8-0-4	4-0-3	4-0-1	0-0-0
CONFERENCE	2-0-1	2-0-0	0-0-1	0-0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	6-0-3	2-0-3	4-0-0	0-0-0

Date	Opponent	Score	Att.	#	Player	gp	g	a	pts	sh	sh%	sog	sog%	gw	pk-att
Aug 29	UMKC	T 2-2	842	8	HUSIDIC, Baggio	12	7	4	18	27	.259	12	.444	3	3-3
Sep 01	SANTA CLARA	W 4-3	956	18	TROUT, Charlie	12	4	4	12	25	.160	11	.440	1	0-0
Sep 05	at UAB	W 1-0	974	11	STOLL, Kevin	12	4	1	9	11	.364	5	.455	3	0-0
Sep 07	at Alabama A&M	W 4-1	30	13	MITCHELL, Phillip	12	3	0	6	11	.273	5	.455	0	0-0
% Sep 12	at Michigan	W 4-1	317	14	HUSIDIC, Alen	12	2	2	6	8	.250	3	.375	0	0-0
^ Sep 19	PRINCETON	W 2-0	1010	2	SARACHAN, Ian	12	1	2	4	15	.067	8	.533	0	0-0
^ Sep 21	LOYOLA MARYMOUNT	T 0-0	577	10	SPIESS, Matt	12	1	1	3	9	.111	4	.444	0	0-0
* Sep 26	CLEVELAND STATE	W 5-0	705	12	JOVCIC, Stevan	4	1	1	3	2	.500	1	.500	0	0-0
* Sep 28	DETROIT	W 2-0	621	4	DIALLO, Moriba	12	1	0	2	7	.143	4	.571	1	0-0
Oct 02	at Marquette	W 1-0	335	7	MCMAHON, Pat	12	1	0	2	5	.200	4	.800	0	0-0
* Oct 05	at Wright State	T 1-1	414	16	SIMEK, Dan	6	1	0	2	4	.250	2	.500	0	0-0
Oct 08	OHIO STATE	T 0-0	2438	6	KOPEC, Paul	12	0	1	1	3	.000	3	1.000	0	0-0
				9	SERRATO, Julian	12	0	1	1	2	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				23	LAXGANG, Andreas	5	0	1	1	1	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				5	YOUNGER, Robert	12	0	0	0	3	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				30	KELLIHER, Taylor	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				27	LONCAR, Alex	1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				26	DOMENICO, Joey	1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				25	HUFFMAN, Derek	3	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				21	WOLFE, Drew	4	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				1	BUBONJA, Jovan	12	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
					Total	12	26	18	70	133	.195	62	.466	8	3-3
					Opponents	12	8	3	19	89	.090	50	.562	0	2-3

% - Michigan Invitational (Ypsilanti, Mich.)

^ - Chicago Classic (Chicago, Ill.)

- Horizon League match

TEAM STATISTICS	UIC	OPP
SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot attempts	26-133	8-89
Goals scored per game	2.17	0.67
Shot pct.	.195	.090
Shots on goal-Attempts	62-133	50-89
SOG pct.	.466	.562
Shots/Game	11.1	7.4
CORNER KICKS	57	48
PENALTY KICKS	3-3	2-3
PENALTIES		
Yellow cards	15	27
Red cards	0	4
ATTENDANCE		
Total	7149	2070
Dates/Avg Per Date	7/1021	5/414
Neutral Site #/Avg	0/0	

#	Goalie	GP	Min.	GA	GAAvg	Saves	Pct	W-L-T	Sho
1	BUBONJA, Jovan	12	1143:12	7	0.55	40	.851	8-0-4	6
30	KELLIHER, Taylor	2	16:48	1	5.36	0	.000	0-0-0	0
	Total	12	1160:00	8	0.62	42	.840	8-0-4	7
	Opponents	12	1160:00	26	2.02	36	.581	0-8-4	2

Goals by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
UIC	10	16	0	0	26
Opponents	3	5	0	0	8

Shots by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
UIC	58	66	3	6	133
Opponents	40	40	5	4	89

Saves by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
UIC	14	22	2	4	42
Opponents	23	8	2	3	36

Corners by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
UIC	24	24	2	7	57
Opponents	16	31	1	0	48

Fouls by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
UIC	62	78	3	7	150
Opponents	78	88	7	9	182