



# NOTRE DAME BASKETBALL 2016-17

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## 2016-17 QUICK FACTS

### UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Location	Notre Dame, Indiana, 46556
University Founded	1842
Enrollment	8,551 (undergraduate), 12,179 total
Nickname	Fighting Irish
Colors	Blue and Gold
University President	Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C.
University Vice President/Athletics Director	Jack Swarbrick
NCAA Faculty Representative	Patricia Bellia
Men's Basketball Administrator	Jim Fraleigh

### NOTRE DAME ATHLETICS COMMUNICATIONS

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### TEAM INFORMATION

Head Coach	Mike Brey (George Washington '82)
Career Record	455-229, .665 (21 seasons)
Notre Dame Record	356-177, .668 (16 seasons)
Associate Head Coach	Rod Balanis (Georgia Tech '83)
Assistant Coach	Ryan Ayers (Notre Dame '09)
Assistant Coach	Ryan Humphrey (Notre Dame '02)
Director of Basketball Operations	Harold Swanagan (Notre Dame '02)
Video Coordinator	Eric Atkins (Notre Dame '13)
Conference	Atlantic Coast
Home Arena (Capacity)	Purcell Pavilion at the Joyce Center (9,149)
Starters Returning/Lost	3/2
Monogram Winners Returning/Lost	9/3
Newcomers	3
2015-16 Record	24-12
2015-16 ACC Record	11-7
Final Ranking	NR (AP); 17th (Coaches)
ACC Regular Season Finish	6th
ACC Tournament Results	Semifinalist Quarterfinal vs. Duke (W, 84-79 OT) Semifinal vs. North Carolina (L, 47-78) East Region Finalist First Round vs. Michigan (W, 70-63) Second Round vs. Stephen F. Austin (W, 76-75) Sweet 16 vs. Wisconsin (W, 61-56) Elite Eight vs. North Carolina (L, 74-88)
NCAA Tournament Results	
First Season	1898
Full Seasons	111
All-Time Record	1819-983 (.649)
NCAA Appearances/Record	35 / 37-39
First/Last NCAA Appearance	1953 / 2016
ACC Member	2013-14 - present
ACC Regular Season	31-23 (.574)
ACC Tournament	4-2 (.667)
ACC Championships	1 - 2015

### MONOGRAM WINNERS RETURNING/2015-16 STATISTICS

V.J. Beachem***	Senior	Forward	36 GP	36 GS	12.0 PPG	3.9 RPG	.413 3P%
Austin Torres**	Senior	Forward	27 GP		0.9 PPG	0.9 RPG	.500 2P%
Steve Vasturia***	Senior	Guard	36 GP	36 GS	11.4 PPG	2.6 RPG	3.2 APG
Bonzie Colson**	Junior	Forward	36 GP	24 GS	11.1 PPG	6.7 RPG	.532 2P%
Matt Farrell**	Junior	Guard	28 GP	4 GS	2.6 PPG	0.8 RPG	1.6 APG
Martinas Geben**	Junior	Forward	16 GP		1.4 PPG	0.9 RPG	.545 2P%
Matt Gregory**	Junior	Forward	5 GP				
Rex Pflueger*	Soph.	Guard	30 GP	1 GS	2.3 PPG	1.3 RPG	18 steals
Matt Ryan*	Soph.	Forward	36 GP	4 GS	5.1 PPG	1.7 RPG	.374 3P%
Elijah Burns	Soph.	Forward	DNP in 2015-16				

\* - monograms earned

### MONOGRAM WINNERS LOST/2015-16 STATISTICS

Zach Auguste	Grad.	Forward	36 GP	36 GS	14.0 PPG	10.7 RPG	.560 2P%
A.J. Burgett	Grad.	Forward	17 GP	4 GS	1.9 PPG	0.9 RPG	.579 2P%
Demetrius Jackson	NBA EE	Guard	35 GP	35 GS	15.8 PPG	3.5 RPG	4.7 APG

### NEWCOMERS

Nikola Djogo	Freshman	Guard	Hamilton, Ontario, Canada
Temple 'T.J.' Gibbs	Freshman	Guard	Scotch Plains, NJ
Patrick Mazza	Graduate	Forward	Glen Ellyn, IL
John Mooney	Freshman	Forward	Orlando, FL

### 2016-17 NOTRE DAME BASKETBALL: BY THE NUMBERS

**1** - Notre Dame led the nation in least amount of fouls committed per game at 15.1.

**1.5** - Seconds remaining when rising sophomore Rex Pflueger tipped in the game winning basket vs. Stephen F. Austin to push Notre Dame to a second consecutive Sweet 16 on March 18, 2016.

**2** - NCAA Elite Eight appearances in the last two seasons. Notre Dame is the only team in the nation to make the Elite Eight in both the 2014-15 and 2015-16 seasons.

**6** - NCAA tournament victories for the Irish over the past two seasons - a program-best mark.

**8** - Games in which the Irish rallied from a halftime deficit to earn a victory in 2015-16 (deficit at halftime) - at Illinois (eight), at Duke (five), vs. Virginia Tech (eight), vs. North Carolina (nine), vs. Louisville (seven), vs. Duke in the ACC quarterfinals (eight), vs. Michigan in NCAA first round (12) and vs. Wisconsin in the NCAA Sweet 16 (four).

**13** - NCAA tournament appearances by Notre Dame head coach Mike Brey in his 21 years at Division 1, 11 of those coming at Notre Dame.

**17.5** - Points-per-game average for junior forward V.J. Beachem in Notre Dame's four NCAA tournament games, securing Beachem a spot on the NCAA East Regional All-Tournament team.

**35** - NCAA tournament appearances by Notre Dame, tied for eight-most in championship history.

**56** - Wins over the past two seasons for the Irish, a program-best mark.

**1,819** - Wins in Notre Dame basketball history, ranked seventh all-time. Since Mike Brey took over the Irish program in 2000-01, the Irish have moved from 12th to seventh on the all-time NCAA wins list.

## 2016-17 NOTRE DAME MEN'S BASKETBALL NUMERICAL ROSTER

Number	Name	Position	Eligibility	Height	Weight	Hometown	High School
0	Rex Pflueger	Guard	Sophomore	6-6	202	Dana Point, CA	Mater Dei
1	Austin Torres	Forward	Senior	6-7	241	Granger, IN	Penn
2	Temple 'T.J.' Gibbs	Guard	Freshman	6-3	200	Scotch Plains, NJ	Seton Hall Prep
3	V.J. Beachem	Forward	Senior	6-8	201	Fort Wayne, IN	New Haven
4	Matt Ryan	Forward	Sophomore	6-7	228	Cortlandt Manor, NY	Iona Preparatory
5	Matt Farrell	Guard	Junior	6-1	178	Bridgewater, NJ	Point Pleasant Beach
12	Elijah Burns	Forward	Sophomore	6-8	235	Troy, NY	Blair Academy (N.J.)
13	Nikola Djogo	Guard	Freshman	6-7	203	Hamilton, Ontario, Canada	Athlete Institute Prep
21	Matt Gregory	Forward	Junior	6-8	201	Avon, IN	Cathedral
23	Martinas Geben	Forward	Junior	6-10	255	Vilnius, Lithuania	St. Maria Goretti
30	Patrick Mazza	Forward	Graduate	6-10	255	Glen Ellyn, IL	Glenbard West
32	Steve Vasturia	Guard	Senior	6-6	212	Medford, NJ	St. Joseph's Prep
33	John Mooney	Forward	Freshman	6-9	245	Orlando, FL	Lake Brantley
35	Bonzie Colson	Forward	Junior	6-5	225	New Bedford, MA	St. Andrew's School (R.I.)

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