



HUSKIE SENIOR BIOS



1 Garrett Wolfe, TB

5-7, 175, Senior
Chicago, Ill.
(Holy Cross HS)
Birthdate: August 17, 1984
Major: Communications

Career: In just three seasons and 33 games, set Northern Illinois career rushing yards (5,164) and rushing touchdown (52) marks, surpassing former RB Michael Turner (2000-03) in each category during his senior season. Broke the NCAA Division I-A record for yards per carry (more than 780 carries) as he averaged 6.40 yards per attempt. Career average of 156.5 rushing yards per game ranks fourth in NCAA I-A history, behind only Ed Marinaro, O.J. Simpson and Herschel Walker. Also ranks seventh on the NCAA lists in career points per game (10.4) and in career all-purpose yards per game (181.3). Total rushing yards rank 11th on the NCAA all-time list, but is second among three-year players to Georgia's Walker. His 52 career rushing TDs are tied for 10th on the NCAA I-A list. Ended his career ranked second in rushing, third in touchdowns and all-purpose yards and fifth in points all-time in the MAC. Won MAC West Division Offensive Player of the Week honors a league-record 12 times during his career. Rushed for more than 100 yards in a school-record 22 career games and tallied more than 200 rushing yards 10 times. Owns seven Northern Illinois records in all, including career marks for total touchdowns (57). Totaled 5,983 career all-purpose yards (5,154 rushing, 588 receiving and 231 on kickoff returns), good for second on the NIU career list. His 807 carries ranked third all-time at NIU. Led the Mid-American Conference in rushing yards, all-purpose yards and scoring in each of his three seasons at NIU. Ended his senior season as NCAA's active career leader in rushing yards, all-purpose yards, touchdowns and points scored per game. Owns six of the top 15 rushing games in NIU history, including the top two marks.

2006: Led NCAA Division I-A in rushing (148.3 yards/gm) and all-purpose yards (167.5/gm), and ranked seventh in scoring (8.92 points/gm), while earning the MAC crown in all three categories for the third straight season. Earned the Vern Smith Award as the MVP of the MAC. Also named the league's Offensive Player of the Year by league coaches and by MAC Report Online. A first team All-MAC selection. Named a third-team All-American by the Associated Press and by CollegeFootballNews.com and picked up honorable mention All-America honors from SI.com. Semifinalist for the Doak Walker (running back) and Maxwell awards. Selected the MAC West Offensive Player of the Week five times (Sept. 2, 16, 30, Oct. 8, Nov. 17) in 2006. Listed by CollegeFootballNews.com as website's "Player of the Midseason" and on its Midseason All-America team. Named to CBSSportsLine.com's "Halfway All America" team at the season's midpoint. Set an NCAA record by rushing for 1,181 yards in the first five games of the season, becoming just the ninth player all-time to reach the 1,000-yard mark in five games. Rushed for a Mid-American Conference record 1,928 yards on the season, the second-highest single season total in NIU history and the 16th-most in NCAA I-A history. Scored 18 rushing and 19 total touchdowns., tied for the third-most in NIU history. His career high 2,177 all-purpose yards in 2006 tied for third on the single-season MAC list and put him second on the NIU charts. Scored 116 points, third-most in a single season, while his 309 carries ranked fourth on the NIU charts. In a historic performance at Ball State (9-30), broke his own school record with 353 rushing yards on 31 carries with three touchdowns and an 11.4 yards per carry average. It was the 13th highest single game total in NCAA history and the top mark in the country in 2006. Rushed for 162 yards or more in each of the first six

Wolfe's Career Statistics

RUSHING

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Yds/Gm
2004	11/6	256	1,656	6.47	18	84	150.55
2005	9/9	242	1,580	6.53	16	76	175.55
2006	13/13	309	1,928	6.24	18	75	148.31
Career	33/28	807	5,164	6.40	52	84	156.48

100-Yard Games: 22 (8 in 2006, 7 in 2005, 7 in 2004)

200-Yard Games: 10 (3 in 2006, 3 in 2005, 4 in 2004)

300-Yard Games: 2 (1 in 2006, 1 in 2004)

RECEIVING

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Yds/Gm
2004	11/6	10	117	11.70	3	40	10.64
2005	9/9	20	222	11.10	1	59	24.67
2006	13/13	28	249	8.89	1	65	19.15
Career	33/28	58	588	10.14	5	65	17.82

100-Yard Games: 2 (1 in 2006, 1 in 2005)

KICKOFF RETURNS

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Yds/Gm
2004	11/6	11	231	21.0	0	32	21.0
2005	9/9	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2006	13/13	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Career	33/28	11	231	21.0	0	0	7.0

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

Year	G/GS	Plays	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Yds/Gm
2004	11/6	277	2004	7.23	21	84	182.18
2005	9/9	262	1802	6.88	17	76	200.22
2006	13/13	337	2177	6.46	19	75	167.46
Career	33/28	876	5983	6.83	57	84	181.30

SCORING

Year	G/GS	TD-Ru	TD-Rec	TD-Tot	2PAT	Points	Avg.
2004	11/6	18	3	21	0-0	126	11.45
2005	9/9	16	1	17	0-0	102	11.33
2006	13/13	18	1	19	1-1	116	8.92
Career	33/28	52	5	57	1-1	344	10.42

Wolfe's Career Game Highs

Rushing

Attempts: 43, at Eastern Michigan, 11-20-04
 Yards: 353, at Ball State, 9-30-06
 TDs: 5, vs. Western Michigan, 11-23-05
 Long Gain: 84, at Ball State, 10-30-04

Receiving

Catches: 6, at Akron, 9-24-05
 Yards: 114, at Ohio State, 9-2-06
 TDs: 1, five times, last at Ohio State, 9-2-06
 Long Gain: 65, at Ohio State, 9-2-06

All-Purpose Yards

Plays: 45, at Eastern Michigan, 11-20-04
 Yards: 356, at Ball State, 9-30-06
 TDs: 5, vs. Western Michigan, 11-23-05



games of the season with rushing totals of 263 yards (vs. Buffalo, 9-16), 198 yards (vs. Indiana State, 9-23) and 196 yards (vs. Ohio, 9-9) along with a 171-yard rushing day, 285-yard all-purpose total versus No. 1 Ohio State in the season opener (9-2). No one gained more yards on the top-ranked Buckeyes during the season. Posted a rush of 46 yards or longer in each of the first six games of the season. Owned two of the NCAA's top three rushing performances of 2006 (353 and 263 yards) and had the top all-purpose game total (356). Recorded his first 100-yard rushing AND receiving day versus Ohio State, with 171 yards rushing and a career and season high 114 receiving, including a career-long 65-yard pass reception. Scored four rushing TDs and caught four passes for 42 yards versus Indiana State for a total of 240 all-purpose yards. Caught at least one pass in 10 of 13 games on the year. Totaled eight 100-yard and three 200-plus yard days on the season. Rushed for 203 yards on 33 carries with three scores to lead the Huskies to an upset of eventual MAC champion Central Michigan. His 68-yard run versus Buffalo in which he turned a defender around twice en route to the end zone was named the top rushing play of the season by ESPN's "Cold Pizza." Elected by teammates as one of four 2006 captains. Set season career-highs in carries, rushing yards, receptions and receiving yards in 2006.

2005: Finished his junior season as the second-leading rusher in the country with 175.6 yards per game and ranked second in all-purpose yards with 200.2 yards per game. Ranked fourth in the nation in scoring (11.3 points per game) and seventh in rushing touchdowns (16). Was 11th nationally in both single season yards per carry (6.5) and touchdowns (17). Earned his second consecutive MAC "triple crown" title by leading the league in rushing, all-purpose yards, and scoring and was named first-team all-conference for the second straight year. Named MAC Player of the Year by the Touchdown Club of Columbus, Ohio and CollegeFootballNews.com. Received Heisman Trophy votes and earned honorable mention All-America honors from CollegeFootballNews.com and named to ESPN's All-Mayday Team. Named National Player of the Week by the Sporting News after his 277-yard, five-TD performance against Western Michigan (Nov. 23). Voted MAC Championship Game West Division MVP after rushing for 270 yards on 42 carries with two touchdowns versus Akron (Dec. 1) and collected three MAC West Offensive Player of the Week honors during the year (following Michigan, Toledo and Western Michigan games). Picked up Chevrolet Player of the Game honors from ABC-TV after rushing for 148 yards and a touchdown on 17 carries versus Michigan, including a season-long 76-yard touchdown run. Posted the second and third-highest single game rushing yardage totals in Division I-A with 277 against Western Michigan and 270 vs. Akron, while setting the NCAA conference championship game record against the Zips. Scored five touchdowns against WMU, the second-highest game total in Division I-A during the season. Gained 393 ground yards on 51 attempts (7.7 avg.) and scored four TDs in the first two games of season against Big Ten competition at No. 4 Michigan (148) and at Northwestern (245). Rushed for 724 yards and nine TDs in final three games (241.3 average) after returning from left knee sprain that resulted in his missing three games. Gained 177 yards with two scores on 29 carries versus Toledo (Nov. 16) and added 277 rushing yards with five TDs on 36 carries (Nov. 23). Rushed for at least 148 yards in seven of nine games on the year and scored at least one touchdown in each of those contests. Won team MVP honors for second year in row despite missing three late-season games. Recorded his first 100-yard receiving day with six catches for 112 yards and a 59 yard reception versus Akron (Sept. 24). Snagged a season-high four passes at Northwestern (Sept. 10) and had a 43-yard catch and run at Toledo (Nov. 16).

2004: Ranked third in the NCAA in single season scoring (126), touchdowns (21), and all-purpose yards (1,773) while ranking fourth in rushing touchdowns (18) and fifth in rushing yards (1,656). Held top NCAA game marks for touchdowns (four vs. Central Michigan) and rushing attempts (43 vs. Eastern Michigan) and tallied the second-highest rushing yardage total with

Wolfe's Awards

2006

- ▶ Associated Press All-American (Third Team)
- ▶ CollegeFootballNews.com All-American (Third Team)
- ▶ SI.com All-American (Honorable Mention)
- ▶ MAC Vern Smith Leadership Award (League MVP)
- ▶ MAC Offensive Player of the Year
- ▶ MAC Report Online Offensive Player of the Year
- ▶ All Mid-American Conference (First Team)
- ▶ CollegeFootballNews.com All-MAC
- ▶ Doak Walker Award Semifinalist
- ▶ Maxwell Award Semifinalist
- ▶ CollegeFootballNews.com "Player of the Midseason"
- ▶ CollegeFootballNews.com "Midseason All American"
- ▶ CBS SportsLine.com "Halfway All American"
- ▶ Five-time MAC West Offensive Player of the Week
- ▶ USA Today National Player of the Week (Sept. 30)
- ▶ CollegeFootballNews.com MAC Player of the Week (Sept. 30)
- ▶ Walter Camp Football Foundation National Offensive Player of the Week (Sept. 30)
- ▶ The Sporting News National Player of the Week (Sept. 30)
- ▶ Team Captain

2005

- ▶ CollegeFootballNews.com All-American (Honorable Mention)
- ▶ All Mid-American Conference (First Team)
- ▶ CollegeFootballNews.com MAC Offensive Player of the Year
- ▶ Touchdown Club of Columbus MAC Offensive Player of the Year
- ▶ CollegeFootballNews.com All-MAC
- ▶ ESPN's "All Mayday" Team
- ▶ MAC Championship Game West Division MVP
- ▶ Three-time MAC West Offensive Player of the Week
- ▶ ABC TV Chevrolet Player of the Game (Sept. 3)
- ▶ The Sporting News National Player of the Week (Nov. 23)

2004

- ▶ CollegeFootballNews.com All-American (Honorable Mention)
- ▶ CNN-Sports Illustrated All-American (Honorable Mention)
- ▶ All Mid-American Conference (First Team)
- ▶ CollegeFootballNews.com All-MAC
- ▶ CollegeSportsReport.com Sophomore All-American
- ▶ Four-time MAC West Offensive Player of the Week
- ▶ CollegeSportsReport.com National Player of the Week (Nov. 20)

325 against Eastern Michigan. Set eight school records, including single-game rushing (325 yards vs. Eastern Michigan, Nov. 20), single-game all-purpose yards (341 vs. Eastern Michigan), single season scoring and single season touchdowns. Also set a school record for most yards in back-to-back games with 280 yards vs. Ball State and 325 vs. EMU for 605 in two-game stretch. Selected the team's Offensive MVP. Named honorable mention All-American by CNNSI.com and CollegeFootballNews.com. Honored by CollegeSportsReport.com as first team Sophomore All-American. Won his first of three MAC "Triple Crowns" by leading the league in rushing, scoring and all-purpose yards. Selected to the first team All-MAC squad and earned MAC West Offensive Player of the Week honor four times. CollegeSportsReport.com named him its I-A National Player of the Week after the EMU game. Went from third on the depth chart to nation's leading rusher and scorer late in season. Burst onto scene with 204 second-half yards vs. Bowling Green in nationally televised game on Sept. 24. Averaged 210.0 yards per game while gaining 1,470 yards and scoring 17 TDs in final seven regular season contests. Posted four games with 200 yards or more during season, including NIU record 325-yard output against Eastern Michigan, only



Garrett Wolfe's Game-by-Game Statistics

2004		RUSHING				RECEIVING				KICKOFF RETURNS				ALL-PURPOSE			
Opp./Date	Att.	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec.	Yds	TD	Lg	Ret	Yds	TD	Lg	Plays	Yds	TD	Lg	
at Maryland (9-4)	9	24	0	24	1	4	1	4	3	71	0		13	99	1	26	
Southern Illinois (9-11)	12	45	0	14	2	48	1	40	1	20	0	20	15	113	1	40	
at Iowa State (9-18)	13	33	1	21	0	0	0	-	4	67	0		17	100	1	24	
vs. Bowling Green St. (9-24)	31	202	3	42	0	0	0	-	2	26	0		33	258	3	42	
vs. Akron (10-2)	11	110	2	49	2	47	1	34	1	17	0	17	14	174	3	49	
at Central Florida (10-9)	29	142	1	16	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	-	30	143	1	16	
vs. Central Michigan (10-16)	37	226	4	27	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	37	226	4	27	
at Western Michigan (10-23)	20	185	1	78	1	-2	0	-2	0	0	0	-	21	183	1	78	
at Ball State (10-30)	36	280	3	84	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	-	37	283	3	84	
at Eastern Michigan (11-20)	43	325	2	70	2	16	0	13	0	0	0	-	45	341	2	70	
vs. Troy (12-30)	15	84	1	50	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	15	84	1	50	
TOTAL - 11 Games	256	1,656	18	84	10	117	3	40	11	231	0	32	277	2,004	#21	84	
2005		RUSHING				RECEIVING				KICKOFF RETURNS				ALL-PURPOSE			
Opp./Date	Att.	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec.	Yds	TD	Lg	Ret	Yds	TD	Lg	Plays	Yds	TD	Lg	
at Michigan (9-3)	17	148	1	76	3	31	0	18	0	0	0	-	20	179	1	76	
at Northwestern (9-10)	34	245	3	41	4	16	0	11	0	0	0	-	38	261	3	41	
vs. Tennessee Tech (9-17)	11	61	0	16	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	11	61	0	16	
at Akron (9-24)	21	52	0	22	6	112	1	59	0	0	0	-	27	164	1	59	
vs. Miami (10-5)	31	197	2	26	2	5	0	6	0	0	0	-	33	202	2	33	
vs. Eastern Michigan (10-15)	21	153	1	47	2	15	0	9	0	0	0	-	23	168	1	47	
at Toledo (11-16)	29	177	2	64	3	43	0	43	0	0	0	-	32	220	2	64	
vs. Western Michigan (11-23)	36	277	5	61	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	36	277	5	61	
vs. Akron (12-1)	42	270	2	62	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	42	270	2	62	
TOTAL - 9 Games	242	1,580	16	76	20	222	1	59	0	0	0	-	262	1,802	17	76	
2005		RUSHING				RECEIVING				KICKOFF RETURNS				ALL-PURPOSE			
Opp./Date	Att.	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec.	Yds	TD	Lg	Ret	Yds	TD	Lg	Plays	Yds	TD	Lg	
at Ohio State (9-2)	26	171	0	51	5	114	1	65	0	0	0	-	31	285	1	65	
vs. Ohio (9-9)	24	196	2	46	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	24	196	2	46	
vs. Buffalo (9-16)	24	263	2	68	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	24	263	2	68	
vs. Indiana State (9-23)	22	198	4	49	4	42	0	15	0	0	0	-	26	240	4	49	
at Ball State (9-30)	31	#*353	3	75	3	3	0	3	0	0	0	-	34	#*356	3	75	
at Miami (10-8)	29	162	2	55	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	-	30	165	2	55	
at Western Michigan (10-14)	18	25	0	8	5	31	0	12	0	0	0	-	23	56	0	12	
vs. Temple (10-21)	17	45	0	14	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	17	45	0	14	
at Iowa (10-28)	22	66	1	11	3	28	0	18	0	0	0	-	25	94	1	18	
vs. Toledo 11-7)	16	54	0	28	3	9	0	7	0	0	0	-	19	63	0	28	
vs. Central Michigan (11-17)	33	203	3	27	1	9	0	9	0	0	0	-	34	212	3	27	
at Eastern Michigan (11-24)	27	164	1	19	1	8	0	8	0	0	0	-	28	172	1	19	
vs. TCU (12-19)	20	28	0	7	2	2	0	3	0	0	0	-	22	30	0	7	
TOTAL - 13 games	309	1,928	18	75	28	249	1	65	0	0	0	-	337	2,177	19	75	
CAREER TOTALS - 33 games	807	#5,164	#52	84	58	588	5	65	11	231	0	32	876	5,983	#57	84	

denotes school record; * denotes NCAA season high

the third 300-yard game in school history. Produced the sixth-longest run in school history with a career-long 84-yard jaunt versus Ball State. Also had a 78-yard rush versus Western Michigan and a 70-yard gain in the Eastern Michigan game. Tallied six runs of 40 yards or longer. Scored on a 50-yard run early in the Silicon Valley Football Classic vs. Troy (Dec. 30). Returned 11 kickoffs for 231 yards on the season, including three returns for 71 yards in his collegiate debut versus Maryland (Sept. 4) and added four returns for 67 yards at Iowa State. Caught 10 passes for 117 yards, including a season-high two catches for 48 yards with a season-long 40-yard catch, versus Southern Illinois (Sept. 11).

2003: Sidelined by institutional academic guidelines when he came up one credit hour short of eligibility. Entered season as No. 2 tailback behind Michael Turner. Rushed for 71 yards on 11 carries in spring game.

2002: Redshirted his initial season at Northern Illinois. Ranked ninth on the depth chart at tailback as a true freshman.

Prep: All-state selection each of his final two years after totaling 4,311 rushing yards and 56 touchdowns his junior and senior seasons. Graduated

with 11 school records and recorded seven of school's top-10 single game rushing performances. Senior season prep honors included team Offensive MVP, First-Team Catholic League All-Red Metro Division and league MVP, First-Team Pioneer Press All-Area, Special Mention Chicago Sun-Times All-Area and Area Top 100 Prospect, and Special Mention Chicago Tribune All-State. Gained 2,041 rushing yards on 288 attempts and scored 24 rushing TDs as a senior. His junior season, won team Offensive MVP honor, First-Team Catholic League All-Metro Red Division and league MVP, First-Team Pioneer Press All-Area, First-Team Chicago Sun-Times All-Area and First-Team Class 4A-6A All-State, Special Mention Champaign News-Gazette All-State, First-Team Chicago Tribune All-State, and PrepStar magazine All-America. Led the Chicago area in rushing with 2,270 yards and 32 TDs on 272 carries as a junior. Averaged 42.0 yards per kickoff return with three touchdowns (91, 89, and 87 yards) and 36.5 yards per punt return with one score. Transferred from Fenwick High School and competed as a sprinter on the track team as a freshman.



Wolfe in the Season and Career Record Books

NCAA RECORDS

Rushing Yards through First 5 Games (Season)

- 1,181 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2006)
- 1,136 Marcus Allen, USC (1981)
- 1,112 Byron Hanspard, Texas Tech (1996)

Rushing Yards (Season)

- 2,628 Barry Sanders, Okla. State (1988)
- 2,342 Marcus Allen, USC (1981)
- 2,185 Troy Davis, Iowa State (1996)
- 2,158 LaDainian Tomlinson, TCU (2000)
- 2,148 Mike Rozier, Nebraska (1983)
- 1,976 LeShon Johnson, NIU (1993)
- 1,964 DeAngelo Williams, Memphis (2005)
- 1,948 Tony Dorsett, Pittsburgh (1976)
- 1,948 DeAngelo Williams, Memphis (2004)
- 1,928 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2006)

Rushing Yards Per Game (Career)

- 174.6 Ed Marinaro, Cornell (1969-71)
- 164.4 O.J. Simpson, USC (1967-68)
- 159.4 Herschel Walker, Georgia (1980-82)
- 156.5 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2004-06)

Rushing Yards Per Carry (780 att.+) (Career)

- 6.40 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2004-06)
- 6.22 DeAngelo Williams, Memphis (2002-05)
- 6.21 Ricky Williams, Texas (1995-98)

Rushing Yards (Career)

- 6,397 Ron Dayne, Wisconsin (1996-99)
- 6,279 Ricky Williams, Texas (1995-98)
- 6,082 Tony Dorsett, Pitt (1973-76)
- 6,026 DeAngelo Williams, Memphis (2002-05)
- 5,598 Charles White, USC (1976-79)
- 5,596 Travis Prentice, Miami (1996-99)
- 5,540 Cedric Benson, Texas (2001-04)
- 5,263 LaDainian Tomlinson, TCU (1997-00)
- 5,259 Herschel Walker, Georgia (1980-82)
- 5,177 Archie Griffin, Ohio State (1972-75)
- 5,164 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2004-06)

Rushing Touchdowns (Career)

- 59 Eric Crouch, Nebraska (1998-01)
- 57 Marshall Faulk, San Diego St. (1995-98)
- 56 Steve Owens, Oklahoma (1967-69)
- 56 Ken Simonton, Oregon State (1998-01)
- 55 Tony Dorsett, Pittsburgh (1973-76)
- 55 Chester Taylor, Toledo (1998-01)
- 55 DeAngelo Williams, Memphis (2002-05)
- 54 LaDainian Tomlinson, TCU (1997-00)
- 53 Dwane Hicks, Middle Tenn. St. (1999-02)
- 52 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2004-06)
- 52 Chris Lemon, Nevada (1996-99)
- 52 LenDale White, USC (2003-05)

Points Per Game (Career)

- 12.1 Marshall Faulk, San Diego St. (1995-98)
- 11.8 Ed Marinaro, Cornell (1969-71)
- 11.3 Bill Burnett, Arkansas (1968-70)
- 11.2 Steve Owens, Oklahoma (1967-69)
- 10.8 Eddie Talboom, Wyoming (1948-50)
- 10.6 Travis Prentice, Miami [Ohio], 1996-99
- 10.4 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2004-06)

Points Scored by a Non-Kicker (Career)

- 468 Travis Prentice, Miami [Ohio] (1996-99)
- 452 Ricky Williams, Texas (1995-98)
- 414 Taurean Henderson, Texas Tech (2002-05)
- 408 Brock Forsey, Boise State (1999-02)
- 404 Cedric Benson, Texas (2001-04)
- 354 Glenn Davis, Army (1943-46)
- 346 Ken Simonton, Oregon State (1998-01)
- 344 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2006)

All-Purpose Yards Per Game (Career)

- 237.8 Ryan Benjamin, Pacific (1990-92)
- 205.8 Sheldon Canley, San Jose St. (1988-90)
- 193.7 Howard Stevens, Louisville (1971-72)
- 192.9 O.J. Simpson, USC (1967-68)
- 188.5 Alex Van Dyke, Nevada (1994-95)
- 183.0 Ed Marinaro, Cornell (1969-71)
- 181.3 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2004-06)

MAC RECORDS

Rushing Yards (Season)

- 1,928 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2006)
- 1,915 Michael Turner, NIU (2002)

All-Purpose Yards (Season)

- 2,294 Brian Pruitt, Central Michigan (1994)
- 2,284 Michael Turner, NIU (2002)
- 2,177 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2006)
- 2,177 Robbie Mixon, Central Mich. (2002)

Rushing Yards (Career)

- 5,596 Travis Prentice (Miami, 1996-99)
- 5,164 Garrett Wolfe (NIU, 2004-06)

All-Purpose Yards (Career)

- 6,111 Travis Prentice, Miami (1996-99)
- 6,038 Michael Turner, NIU (2000-03)
- 5,983 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2004-06)

Touchdowns (Career)

- 78 Travis Prentice, Miami (1996-99)
- 60 Chester Taylor, Toledo (1998-2001)
- 57 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2004-06)

Points (Career)

- 468 Travis Prentice, Miami (1996-99)
- 370 Steve Azar, NIU (2000-03)
- 361 Shaun Suisham, BGSU (2001-04)
- 360 Chester Taylor, Toledo (1998-2001)
- 344 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2004-06)

Rushing Attempts (Career)

- 1,138 Travis Prentice, Miami (1996-99)
- 949 Deland McCullough, Miami (1992-95)
- 940 Michael Turner, NIU (2000-03)
- 885 Kareem Wilson, Ohio (1995-98)
- 842 Jerome Persell, WMU (1976-78)
- 838 Robert Sanford, WMU (1997-00)
- 830 Dave Preston, BGSU (1973-76)
- 807 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2004-06)

Player of the Week Awards (Career)

- 12 Garrett Wolfe, NIU (2004-06)
- 9 Michael Turner, NIU (2000-03)

NIU RECORDS

Rushing Yards (Career)

- 5,164 Garrett Wolfe 2004-06
- 4,941 Michael Turner 2000-03

100-Yard Rushing Games (Career)

- 22 Garrett Wolfe 2004-06
- 21 Michael Turner 2000-03

200-Yard Rushing Games (Career)

- 10 Garrett Wolfe 2004-06
- 7 Michael Turner 2000-03

Rushing Touchdowns (Career)

- 52 Garrett Wolfe 2004-06
- 43 Michael Turner 2000-03

Rushing Attempts (Career)

- 940 Michael Turner 2000-03
- 867 Allen Ross 1977-80
- 807 Garrett Wolfe 2004-06

Total Offense Yards (Career)

- 6,788 Chris Finlen 1997, 1999-2001
- 6,402 George Bork 1960-63
- 6,138 Marshall Taylor 1985-88
- 5,916 Josh Haldi 2001-04
- 5,164 Garrett Wolfe 2004-06

Points (Career)

- 370 Steve Azar 2000-03
- 344 Garrett Wolfe 2004-2006

Touchdowns (Career)

- 57 Garrett Wolfe 2004-2006
- 48 Michael Turner 2000-03

All-Purpose Yards (Career)

- 6,038 Michael Turner 2000-03
- 5,983 Garrett Wolfe 2004-06

Rushing Yards (Season)

- 1,976 LeShon Johnson 1993
- 1,928 Garrett Wolfe 2006

Rushing Touchdowns (Season)

- 19 Stacey Robinson 1989 and 1990
- 19 Michael Turner 2002
- 18 Garrett Wolfe 2004 and 2006

Rushing Attempts (Season)

- 338 Michael Turner 2002
- 327 LeShon Johnson 1993
- 310 Michael Turner 2003
- 309 Garrett Wolfe 2006

Points (Season)

- 126 Garrett Wolfe 2004
- 120 Stacey Robinson 1990
- 120 Michael Turner 2002
- 116 Garrett Wolfe 2006

Touchdowns (Season)

- 21 Garrett Wolfe 2004
- 20 Michael Turner 2002
- 19 Garrett Wolfe 2006
- 19 Stacey Robinson 1989 and 1990

All-Purpose Yards (Season)

- 2,284 Michael Turner 2002
- 2,177 Garrett Wolfe 2006



HUSKIE SENIOR BIOS



62 Doug Free, OT

6-7, 318, Senior
Manitowoc, Wisc.
(Lincoln HS)

Birthdate: January 16, 1984
B.S. Industrial Technology, December 2006

Career: Four-year letterwinner who started a school-record 49 consecutive games for the Huskies, every game of his college career. Made 47 starts at left tackle and two at tight end (as a sophomore in 2004). Played an amazing 3,068 snaps during his career and collected 214 knockdown blocks and 41 "flat back" blocks. Three-time All Mid-American Conference honoree. Led the way as NIU had a 1,000-yard rusher every season behind Free and Garrett Wolfe set multiple NCAA, MAC and school records during his tenure. Also blocked for NIU All-American and current San Diego Charger back Michael Turner as a freshman in 2003.

2006: Named to the All Mid-American Conference first team for the second straight season. Earned recognition on the "All-Mayday Team," selected by ESPN analyst Mark May and honoring the "toughest of the tough" after playing much of the 2006 season with a stress fracture in his foot yet not missing a single play or practice due to the injury. Selected to the Academic All-MAC squad. Semifinalist for National Football Foundation's Draddy Award, honoring combined academic success, football performance, and community service. Listed on the "Halfway All America" team by CBSsportsLine.com at the season's midpoint. Graded out at team-high 91% in 2006 and owns 59 knockdown blocks and 10 flat backs this season. Posted grade of 90% or higher in nine games and collected eight or more knockdown blocks in four games. (*Grades for bowl game not available.*) Earned grade of 94% or better in five games. Recorded season-high grade of 97% against Toledo (11-7) with just two "minus" grades in 76 plays. Penalized four times in 781 plays during the regular season. Totaled 10 knockdowns, three flat backs and 95% grade against Ohio (9-9). Credited with a season-high 11 knockdowns, four flat backs, and 94% grade vs. Buffalo (9-16). Played a season-high 80 offensive snaps versus Eastern Michigan in his final regular season game as a Huskie. Named to the Outland Trophy and Lombardi Award Watch Lists during the preseason and garnered numerous other preseason accolades, including near-unanimous preseason All-MAC. Elected by teammates as one of four 2006 team captains.

2005: Selected First-Team All-MAC by league coaches and CollegeFootballNews.com. Rated No. 18 prospect in nation by CollegeFootballNews.com. Ranked No. 1 (tie) in team blocking grades with a mark of 91 percent on the season. Second on the team in "flatback" blocks with 13 and ranked third in knockdown blocks after compiling 49. Won 12 starts at left tackle and played 806 snaps. Nominated for MAC All-Academic and CoSIDA District V All-Academic with 3.24 cumulative grade point average. Earned several preseason accolades including being tabbed as Honorable Mention All-America by Street & Smith's College Football, plus at least six First-Team All-MAC units.

2004: Named Third-Team CollegeSportsReport.com Sophomore All-American and was a second team all-league choice by MAC coaches'. Earned second letter with 878 total snaps, including 806 on offense and 72 on placement kick unit, in 12 starts. Led all offensive linemen in blocking grades with a season average of 91 percent and was No. 1 on the team in flatback blocks with 17, his career single-season best. Rated number two on the offensive line in snaps with 806 and was fourth on the team in knockdown blocks as he compiled a career season-best 67. Earned "plus" grades on 654 of 806 plays. Played a career-high 99 snaps (92 on

Free's Career Blocking Stats

Year	G/GS	Knockdowns	Flatbacks
2003	12/12	39	1
2004	12/12	67	17
2005	12/12	49	13
2006	13/13	59	10
Career	49/49	214	41

offense) vs. Eastern Michigan (11-20-04). Credited with one tackle versus No. 22 (AP) Maryland (9-4-04) after a Huskie turnover.

2003: Named a third team Freshman All-American by *The Sporting News*. Blocked for one of only two 1-A offenses that featured a 2,500-yard passer, 1,500-yard rusher, and 1,000-yard receiver. Won his first letter with 12 starts, 10 at left tackle and two at tight end. Played 603 overall snaps, including 595 on offense and eight on special teams. Earned "plus" grades on 477 plays at OT and wound up third on the team in knockdown blocks with 40. Played a season-high 87 snaps vs. Western Michigan (10-18-03). Opened August drills as the No. 2 right tackle. Went from zero 1-A snaps to Freshman All-American in five months.

2002: Red-shirted as a true freshman.

Prep: Ranked as the No. 9 college prospect in state by *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* (2002). *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* named him to its All-State squad. Garnered first team All-Fox Valley Conference on both offense and defense as a senior. A first team all-area choice by the *Herald Times Reporter*. Named team captain and Defensive Lineman of the Year on 7-3 playoff team that finished as league runner-up. Recorded 64 tackles, eight sacks, seven blocked kicks, caused six fumbles, broke up five passes, and recovered two fumbles at defensive tackle, plus made six receptions for 141 yards and one TD at tight end (2001). Named First-Team All-FVC as a junior. Honor Roll student.

Personal: Earned his bachelor's degree in industrial technology from NIU in December 2006. Son of Lois and David Free. Born Jan. 16, 1984. Older brother, Nicholas, played football at Minnesota-Duluth.

Free's Awards

2006

- ▶ CollegeFootballNews.com All-American (Third Team)
- ▶ Pro Football Weekly All-American (Honorable Mention)
- ▶ All Mayday (First Team)
- ▶ All Mid-American Conference (First Team)
- ▶ CollegeFootballNews.com All-MAC
- ▶ Outland Trophy Award Watch List
- ▶ Lombardi Award Watch List
- ▶ CBS SportsLine.com "Halfway All American"
- ▶ Academic All-MAC
- ▶ Draddy Award Semifinalist
- ▶ Team Captain

2005

- ▶ CollegeFootballNews.com All-MAC (First Team)
- ▶ All Mid-American Conference (First Team)

2004

- ▶ CollegeSportsReport.com Sophomore All-American (Third Team)
- ▶ All Mid-American Conference (Second Team)

2003

- ▶ *The Sporting News* Freshman All-American (Third Team)



HUSKIE SENIOR BIOS



86 Jake Nordin, TE

6-3, 255, Senior
Lake Lillian, Minn.
(Atwater-Cosmos-Grove City HS)
Birthdate: July 8, 1984
B.S. Communications, December 2006

Career: Three-year letterwinner who saw his NIU career cut short by a broken left fibula suffered in the fifth game of his senior season. A critical component of the NIU offense over the last three seasons as tight end also functions as the Huskies' primary blocking back. Finished his career with 54 catches for 547 yards, a 10.1-yard average. Caught at least one pass in 21 consecutive games played from 2004-2006. Even more skilled as a blocker than as a pass catcher. Saw action in 38 games during his career with 20 starts.

2006: Was leading the Huskies in receiving when he suffered a broken fibula at Ball State (9-30) in the fifth game of the season. Underwent surgery to repair the leg and was able to return and make an appearance in the Poinsettia Bowl versus TCU (12-19). Finished the year with 14 catches on 159 yards for a career season-high average of 11.4 yards per catch. Also recorded his career-long 25 yard catch versus Buffalo (9-16). Recorded an 18-yard catch and run at No. 1 Ohio State (9-2) and caught three passes for 37 yards in the game. A key element of tailback Garrett Wolfe's record-setting start as Wolfe set an NCAA record for most yards in the first five games of the season. Tied career-high with four receptions while totaling 45 yards against Ohio (9-9). Had three or more receptions for 35 yards or more in each of the first four games of 2006 with three catches for 38 yards in the Buffalo game and three for 35 versus Indiana State (9-23). Was a preseason All-MAC selection by several publications.

2005: Picked up second team All-Mid-American Conference honors as voted by league coaches. Finished fourth on the team in receiving with 26 catches for 266 yards and a touchdown. Earned second letter with nine starts and 644 overall snaps (47 on special teams) in 11 games. Tied his career-high with four receptions for 51 yards vs. No. 4 Michigan (9-3) and made four grabs for 47 yards vs. Northwestern (9-10). Caught three passes for 30 yards and his lone career touchdown in showdown vs. Toledo (11-16). Added three grabs for 19 yards vs. Ball State (10-29) and three more for 15 yards vs. Miami (OH) (10-5). Was projected as Third-Team All-MAC pick by Phil Steele's College Football Preview.

2004: Won first letter with six starts at "R" (hybrid FB-TE) and 638 overall snaps (482 on offense and 156 on special teams) in 12 games. Finished fifth on the team in receiving with 14 catches for 122 yards. Made first two catches of his career for 15 total yards in initial start vs. No. 22 Maryland (9-4). Caught career-high four passes for 50 yards vs. Central Michigan (10-16). Added three grabs for 11 yards on ESPN2 vs. Toledo (11-9). Pulled in two passes for 19 yards on ESPN2 vs. Bowling Green State (9-24). Went career-high 73 snaps vs. Eastern Michigan (11-20). Contributed on KOR, placement, and punt units.

Nordin's Career Receiving Stats

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Y/Gm
2003	9/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2004	12/6	14	122	8.7	0	18	10.2
2005	11/9	26	266	10.1	1	21	24.2
2006	6/5	14	159	11.4	0	25	31.8
Career	38/20	54	547	10.1	1	25	14.8

Nordin's Career Game Highs

Receiving

Catches:	4, four times, last vs. Ohio, 9-9-06
Yards:	51, at Michigan, 9-3-05
TDs:	1, at Toledo, 11-16-05
Long Gain:	38, vs. Akron (MAC Championship), 12-1-05

2003: Played 66 overall snaps with 26 on offense and 40 on special teams in nine games. Made the travel roster five times. Played in a season-high 15 snaps vs. Ball State (11-1). Started August as No. 2 "R."

2002: Red-shirted as a true freshman. Began career as No. 5 FB.

Prep: Produced 318 career tackles as a middle linebacker and caught 58 passes for 752 yards and nine TDs at wingback (1998-2001). Member of the Associated Press first team all-state squad. Picked up first team All-212 Conference and first team West Central Tribune All-Area honors as a junior and as a senior. Team captain of his high school squad, which went 14-0 and won the Class 2A Minnesota State High School title in 2001. Named Most Valuable Defensive Player and Offensive Back his final season. Collected 144 tackles and 11 quarterback sacks at MLB. Compiled 557 ground yards and 13 TDs in 100 attempts, plus nine catches for 121 yards and two TDs in 2001. Completed 3-of-5 passes for 130 yards and two TDs in final year. His junior year, team won league title with 9-2 record. Made 107 tackles and caught 21 passes for 210 yards and four TDs as a junior. Set school single-game tackle record (30) vs. Hortonville (2000). Caught 28 passes for 401 yards and three TDs—including a school-record 80-yarder vs. MACCRAY (1999)—as a sophomore. Booted 30-of-41 PAT kicks in first two years (1998-99) and averaged 34.1 yards on 15 punts for 512 yards (2000). Lettered four times in football, twice in basketball, and three times in track. All-Area shot putter with 54-foot outdoor best as a junior. National Honor Society member.

Personal: Produced 25 reps with 225 pounds, 29-inch vertical jump, 280-pound power clean, 370-pound bench press, and 440-pound back squat in off-season conditioning program (2006). Born July 8, 1984. Son of Rick and Pat Nordin. Earned his bachelor's degree in communications from NIU in December 2006.



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HUSKIE SENIOR CAREER STATISTICS

34 Ken West (Senior, Defensive End, 6-1, 245, Chicago, Ill.)

Career Defensive Stats

Year	G/GS	Solo	Assist	Total	TFL	Sacks	FF/FR	Int.
2003	10/0	7	3	10	1/2	0/0	0/0	0/0
2004	11/8	21	9	30	10/52	8/48	3/0	0/0
2005	11/11	31	24	55	4/16	3/13	0/1	0/0
2006	13/13	18	16	34	7/28	2/17	2/3	0/0
Career	45/32	77	52	129	22/98	13/78	5/4	0/0

West's Career Game Highs

Tackles: 7, three times, last vs. Ball State, 10-29-05

TFLs: 3, twice, last at Central Florida, 10-9-04

Sacks: 3, twice, last at Central Florida, 10-9-04

11 Alvah Hansbro (Senior, Cornerback, 5-10, 180, Madison, Wisc.)

Career Defensive Stats

Year	G/GS	Solo	Assist	Total	TFL	PBU-x	FF/FR	Int.
2003	12/0	9	3	12	0/0	0	0/0	0/0
2004	12/0	27	11	38	0/0	0	0/0	0/0
2005	12/12	48	20	68	3/7	0	0/0	2/8
2006	3/3	11	7	18	2/2	0	0/0	0/0
Career	39/15	95	41	136	5/9	0	0/0	2/8

Alvah Hansbro's Career Game Highs

Tackles: 9, at Ohio State, 9-2-06

TFLs: 1, five times, last vs. Ohio, 9-9-06

Interceptions: 1, twice, last at Toledo, 11-15-05

12 Adriel Hansbro (Senior, Cornerback, 5-10, 183, Madison, Wisc.)

Career Defensive Stats

Year	G/GS	Solo	Assist	Total	TFL	PBU-x	FF/FR	Int.
2003	12/0	28	14	42	1/4	0	0/0	2/30
2004	12/11	63	18	81	3/6	0	0/0	2/1
2005	12/12	39	16	55	1/2	0	1/0	1/0
2006	11/10	27	28	55	4/12	0	2/1	1/0
Career	47/32	157	76	233	9/24	0	3/1	6/31

Adriel Hansbro's Career Game Highs

Tackles: 14, at Ball State, 10-30-04

TFLs: 2.5, at Iowa, 10-28-06

Interceptions: 1, six times, last vs. Toledo, 11-7-06

33 Keenan Blalark (Senior, Linebacker, 5-10, 215, Elgin, Ill.)

Career Defensive Stats

Year	G/GS	Solo	Assist	Total	TFL	Sacks	FF/FR	Int.
2004	7/0	7	3	10	1/2	1/2	0/0	0/0
2005	11/10	57	38	95	4/6	0/0	0/1	1/6
2006	13/13	30	66	96	6/12	2/6	0/0	0/0
Career	31/23	94	107	201	11/20	3/8	0/1	1/6

Blalark's Career Game Highs

Tackles: 14, twice, last at Western Michigan, 10-14-06

Sacks: 1, three times, last at Iowa, 10-28-06

Interceptions: 1, vs. Miami (Ohio), 10-5-05

61 Matt Rogers (Senior, Offensive Line, 6-4, 275, Lockport, Ill.)

Career Blocking Stats

Year	G/GS	Knockdowns	Flatbacks
2003	12/9	58	0
2004	5/0	3	0
2005		DNP	
2006	12/10	47	0
Career	29/19	109	0

35 Dustin Utschig (Senior, Free Safety, 5-10, 200, Winneconne, Wisc.)

Career Defensive Stats

Year	G/GS	Solo	Assist	Total	TFL	PBU-x	FF/FR	Int.
2003	12/0	13	4	17	0/0	0	1/1	0/0
2004	10/0	12	1	13	0/0	0	0/0	0/0
2005	11/11	88	33	121	0/0	0	2/0	3/50
2006	13/13	66	50	116	2/4	0	2/0	0/0
Career	46/24	179	88	267	2/4	0	5/1	3/50

Utschig's Career Game Highs

Tackles: 15, twice, last at Iowa, 10-28-06

TFLs: 1, twice, last at Eastern Michigan, 11-24-06

Interceptions: 2, at Toledo, 11-16-05

49 Brad Benson (Senior, Nose Tackle, 6-1, 260, Sycamore, Ill.)

Career Defensive Stats

Year	G/GS	Solo	Assist	Total	TFL	Sacks	FF/FR	Int.
2003	12/0	0	0	0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
2004	12/0	8	1	9	1/12	1/12	0/0	1/6
2005	12/1	8	11	19	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0
2006	13/11	9	18	27	3/9	1/4	0/0	0/0
Career	49/12	25	30	55	5/22	2/14	0/0	1/6

Benson's Career Game Highs

Tackles: 5, twice, last vs. Toledo, 11-7-06

TFLs: 1, five times, last vs. Toledo, 11-7-06

Sacks: 1, twice, last vs. Temple, 10-21-06

Interceptions: 1, at Eastern Michigan, 11-20-04

14 Jarret Carter (Senior, Wide Receiver, 6-3, 207, Florissant, Mo.)

Career Defensive Stats

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg.	Y/Gm
2003	5/0	1	9	9.0	0	9	1.8
2004	7/0	1	5	5.0	0	5	0.7
2005	12/1	5	65	13.0	0	44	5.4
2006	12/10	23	236	10.3	1	26	18.2
Career	36/11	30	315	9.3	1	44	6.53

Carter's Career Game Highs

Catches: 4, twice, last vs. Central Michigan, 11-17-06

Yards: 72, vs. Temple, 10-21-06

TDs: 1, vs. Temple, 10-21-06

Long Gain: 44, at Central Michigan, 11-5-05

3 Phil Horvath (Senior, Quarterback, 6-3, 208, Naperville, Ill.)

Career Passing Stats

Year	G/GS	Comp-Att-Int	Pct.	Yards	TD	Lg	Yds/G	Eff.
2004	7/3	72-123-7	58.5	954	6	45	136.3	128.4
2005	9/9	168-238-8	70.6	2,001	18	60	222.3	159.5
2006	11/11	157-269-9	58.4	1,932	11	65	175.6	125.5
Career	27/23	397-630-24	62.5	4,887	35	65	181.0	138.9

Horvath's Career Game Highs

Attempts: 52, at Akron, 9-24-05

Completions: 39, at Akron, 9-24-05

Yards: 486, at Akron, 9-24-05

TDs: 6, at Akron, 9-24-05

Long Gain: 65, at Ohio State, 9-2-06