

## FINAL 2002-03 STATISTICS



### NIU 2002-03 Honorees:

#### All-Mid-American Conference:

Cassie Drake (Second-Team)  
Branka Savic (Second-Team)

#### MAC Newcomer of the Year:

Cassie Drake

#### Most Valuable Player:

Tanja Sukovic

#### Coach's Award:

Erica Heshelman

#### Most Improved Player:

Kristi McIntyre

#### Academic Achievement Award:

Daniela Martinez

**Overall Record: 13-7 (.650)**

**Mid-American Conference: 6-3 (.667 / 4th Place in regular-season)**

Date	W-L	Score	Opponent
Sept. 13-14	-	-	Western Illinois Invitational (A)
Sept. 25-29	-	-	Air Force Academy Invitational (A)
Oct. 18	W	7-0	Bradley (A)
Oct. 24	-	-	ITA Midwest Regionals (^)
Nov. 8-10	-	-	Mid-American Conference Fall Invitational (%)
Jan. 20	W	4-3	Marquette (A)
Jan. 24	L	7-0	Wisconsin (A)
Feb. 1	W	7-0	Southern Illinois (H) - \$
Feb. 2	L	5-2	DePaul (H) - *
Feb. 8	W	7-0	Western Illinois (H)
Feb. 20	L	4-3	Illinois-Chicago (H) - *
Feb. 22	W	6-1	Drake (H) - *
Feb. 28	W	6-1	Akron (A) - #
Mar. 1	W	7-0	Buffalo (A) - #
Mar. 22	W	7-0	Wisconsin-Milwaukee (H) - *
Mar. 28	W	6-1	Bowling Green St. (H) - * - #
Mar. 29	W	6-1	Ball State (H) - * - #
Apr. 4	W	7-0	Toledo (A) - #
Apr. 5	L	5-2	Eastern Michigan (A) - #
Apr. 11	L	6-1	Marshall (H) - #
Apr. 12	W	5-2	Miami (OH) (H) - #
Apr. 18	L	4-3	Western Michigan (H) - #
Apr. 25	W	4-1	Bowling Green St. (N) - &
Apr. 26	L	4-0	Marshall (N) - &
Apr. 27	L	4-0	Eastern Michigan (N) - &

H — Home  
A — Away  
N — Neutral-site matches  
\$ — Home matches played at Rush-Copley Healthplex, Aurora, IL  
\* — Home matches played at Clock Tower Inn and Resort, Rockford, IL  
# — Mid-American Conference Matches  
^ — Matches played in East Lansing, MI  
% — Matches played in Kalamazoo, MI  
@ — Matches played in Des Moines, IA  
& — MAC Tournament matches at Ypsilanti, MI

## S I N G L E S

	Overall	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Exh.
Erica Heshelman	22-10	9-4	—	—	—	3-0	10-6	—	—
Branka Savic	22-16	12-6	10-10	—	—	—	—	—	—
Karrie Tyjoran	20-11	9-5	—	—	1-0	9-6	1-0	—	—
Tanja Sukovic	20-15	9-6	—	1-0	10-9	—	—	—	—
Cassie Drake	16-2	—	—	16-2	—	—	—	—	—
Daniela Martinez	10-9	5-5	—	—	—	—	1-0	3-1	1-3
Kristi McIntyre	8-9	1-2	—	—	—	—	2-0	5-6	—
<b>Team Totals</b>	<b>118-72</b>	<b>45-28</b>	<b>10-10</b>	<b>17-2</b>	<b>11-9</b>	<b>12-6</b>	<b>14-6</b>	<b>8-7</b>	<b>1-3</b>

## D O U B L E S

	Overall	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3	Exh.
Sukovic/Tyjoran	17-10	2-6	3-1	12-3	—	—
Savic/McIntyre	15-4	2-1	—	—	13-3	—
Drake/Heshelman	12-6	—	9-5	3-1	—	—
McIntyre/Martinez	4-2	1-2	—	—	3-0	—
Savic/Heshelman	3-4	2-4	1-0	—	—	—
Heshelman/Martinez	2-1	2-1	—	—	—	—
<b>Team Totals</b>	<b>53-27</b>	<b>9-14</b>	<b>13-6</b>	<b>15-4</b>	<b>16-3</b>	<b>—</b>



Daniela Martinez provided depth in the lineup last season, posting ten singles victories as a sophomore. She was one of six Huskies to reach double figures in 2002-03.

# ACCOMPLISHMENTS | WOMEN'S TENNIS

## HUSKIE TENNIS RECORDS

### SINGLE-SEASON

#### SINGLES VICTORIES

Natacha Koprivica (1988-89)	26	Anna Widen (1996-2000)	80
Kris Hubbard (1985-86)	25	Kris Hubbard (1982-86)	72
Anna Widen (1997-98)	24	Jami Cheek (1989-93)	62
Monica Larson (1989-90)	24	LeeAnne Milne (1985-89)	62
Kathi Kennedy (1988-89)	24	Tanja Sukovic (1999-2003)	53
Branka Savic (2002-03)	23	Branka Savic (2000- )	52
Erica Heshelman (2002-03)	22	Carrie Townsend (1996-2000)	52
Gail Wronski (1984-85)	22	Sarah Murfrey (1990-93)	51
Six players with	21	Kris Whitney (1986-90)	50

#### DOUBLES VICTORIES

Lisa Boedecker (1988-89)	28	Mary Ellis (1982-86)	73
Natacha Koprivica (1988-89)	28	Kris Whitney (1986-90)	61
Monica Larson (1989-90)	24	Anna Widen (1996-2000)	57
Karrie Tyorian (2002-03)	21	LeeAnne Milne (1985-89)	57
Mary Ellis (1984-85)	21	Tanja Sukovic (1999-2003)	55
Julie Torrence (1984-85)	21	Kim Donsbach (1996-2000)	52
Kristi McIntyre (2002-03)	20	Karrie Tyorian (2000- )	51
Tanja Sukovic (2002-03)	20	Carrie Townsend (1996-2000)	49
Lisa Peradotti (1984-85)	20	Branka Savic (2000- )	45
Gail Wronski (1984-85)	20	Jami Cheek (1989-93)	45

#### COMBINED VICTORIES

Natacha Koprivica (1988-89)	54	Anna Widen (1996-2000)	137
Monica Larson (1989-90)	48	Mary Ellis (1982-86)	121
Lisa Boedecker (1988-89)	44	LeeAnne Milne (1985-89)	119
Branka Savic (2002-03)	42	Kris Hubbard (1982-86)	113
Julie Torrence (1984-85)	42	Kris Whitney (1986-90)	111
Gail Wronski (1984-85)	42	Tanja Sukovic (1999-2003)	108
Anna Widen (1997-98)	40	Jami Cheek (1989-93)	107
Erica Heshelman (2002-03)	39	Carrie Townsend (1996-2000)	101
Branka Savic (2001-02)	39	Branka Savic (2000- )	98
Three players with	37	Karrie Tyorian (2000- )	97



Northern Illinois captured the Mid-Continent Conference championship in 1992-93.

## YEAR-BY-YEAR RECORDS

YEAR	COACH	W	L	T
1974-75	Ann Lewis	3	5	0
1975-76	Ann Lewis	3	5	1
1976-77	Alice Taylor	4	9	0
1977-78	Alice Taylor	8	4	0
1978-79	Alice Taylor	12	7	0
1979-80	Alice Taylor	10	7	0
1980-81	Alice Taylor	1	3	0
1981-82	Carl Neufeld	8	15	0
1982-83	Cary Groth	13	12	0
1983-84	Cary Groth	18	15	0
1984-85	Patty Groth	20	7	0
1985-86	Patty Groth	9	17	0
1986-87	Patty Groth	13	11	0
1987-88	Patty Groth	10	20	0
1988-89	Patty Groth	15	7	0
1989-90	Patty Groth - *	17	11	0
1990-91	Patty Groth - *	8	2	0
1991-92	Patty Groth - *	12	6	0
1992-93	Patty Groth - *	13	9	0
1993-94	Patty Groth - *	11	7	0
1994-95	Laura Scott	1	14	0
1995-96	Laura Scott	6	8	0
1996-97	Laura Scott	15	9	0
1997-98	Laura Scott	7	15	0
1998-99	Laura Scott	8	13	0
1999-00	Laura Scott	7	15	0
2000-01	Laura Scott	8	13	0
2001-02	Laura Scott	13	10	0
2002-03	Laura Scott	13	7	0
<b>ALL-TIME TOTALS</b>		<b>286</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>1</b>

\* — conference champions



The Huskies compiled a 13-7 record and advanced to the Mid-American Conference tournament last year.

# ACCOMPLISHMENTS | WOMEN'S TENNIS

## HONOR ROLL

### ITA ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA

Brenda Bowen, 1994-95  
Ivana Nikolic, 1994-95  
Anna Widen, 1999-00  
Carrie Townsend, 1999-00

### GTE / CoSIDA ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA

Anna Widen, 1997-98 (Third-Team)  
1998-99 (Second-Team)

### ILLINOIS AIAW DOUBLES CHAMPIONS

Judy Beckwith-Sue Cochran, 1975

### MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE

(1975-86, 1997-present)

### CO-COACH OF THE YEAR

Cary Groth, 1984

### NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR

Cassie Drake, 2002-03

### ALL-CONFERENCE

Jackie Rotsaert, 1984  
Anna Widen, 1997-98 (1st-Team)  
1998-99 (1st-Team)  
1999-2000 (1st-Team)  
Branka Savic, 2001-02 (1st-Team)  
2002-03 (2nd-Team)  
Tanja Sukovic, 2001-02 (2nd-Team)  
Cassie Drake, 2002-03 (2nd-Team)

### ACADEMIC ALL-MAC

Katy Hoffman, 1997-98  
Anna Widen 1997-98, 1998-99  
Carrie Townsend, 1998-99

### SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

Kim Donsbach, 1999-00

### NORTH STAR CONFERENCE

(1987-92)

### COACH OF THE YEAR

Patty Groth, 1988-89 1990-91, 1991-92,

### MID-CONTINENT CONFERENCE

(1992-94)

### PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Jenny Karges, 1992-93, 1993-94

### ALL-CONFERENCE

Brenda Bowen, 1992-93  
Jami Cheek, 1992-93  
Jenny Karges, 1992-93, 1993-94  
Sarah Murfey, 1992-93  
Svetlana Nedeljkovic, 1992-93, 1993-94  
Ivana Nikolic, 1993-94

### COACH OF THE YEAR

Patty Groth-Newbrough, 1992-93

### MIDWESTERN COLLEGIATE CONFERENCE

(1994-97)

### ALL-CONFERENCE

Katy Hoffman, 1995-96  
Ivana Nikolic, 1995-96  
Kim Nelson, 1996-97  
Anna Widen, 1996-97

### COACH OF THE YEAR

Laura Scott, 1996-97

### NIU ATHLETICS ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

#### VICTORY SCHOLARS

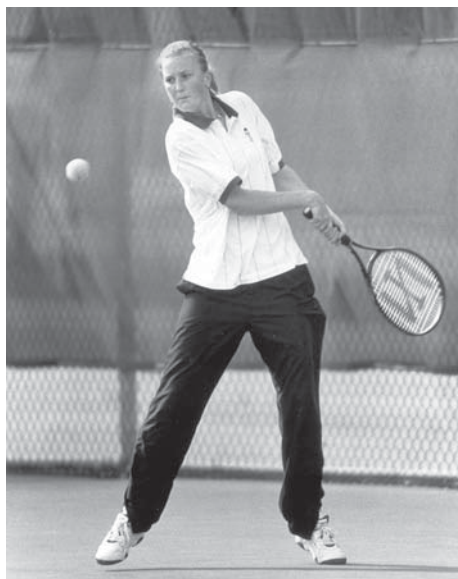
Heidi VanLankvelt, '88-89  
Sarah Murfey, '90-91  
Brenda Bowen, '93-94, '94-95  
Ivana Nikolic, '93-94, '94-95, '95-96, '96-97  
Mona Sood, '93-94, '94-95  
Brenda Bowen, '95-96  
Katy Hoffman, '95-96, '96-97, '97-98, '98-99  
Anna Widen, '96-97, '97-98, '98-99, '99-2000  
Kerri Derouin, '98-99  
Kris Tiedt, '98-99, '99-2000, '00-01, '01-02  
Carrie Townsend, '98-99, '99-2000  
Molly Opel, '01-02  
Cassie Drake, '02-03

#### HUSKIE SCHOLARS

Jami Cheek, '89-90, '90-91  
Hild Andersch, '90-91, '91-92  
Svetlana Nedeljkovic, '90-91, '91-92, '92-93,  
'93-94  
Jenny Karges, '91-92, '92-93, '93-94  
Sarah Murfey, '91-92  
Brenda Bowen, '92-93  
Felicia Daffara, '92-93  
Kim Dicks, '93-94, '94-95, '95-96, '96-97  
Kerri Derouin, '96-97, '97-98  
Kim Nelson, '96-97, '97-98  
Gaby Wolff, '96-97  
Ashley Brunk, '97-98, '98-99, '99-2000,  
2000-01  
Kim Donsbach, '97-98, '98-99, '99-2000  
Carrie Townsend, '97-98  
Molly Opel, '98-99, '99-2000, '00-01  
Kristi McIntyre, '00-01, '01-02  
Branka Savic, '00-01  
Karrie Tyioran, '01-02, '02-03  
Daniela Martinez, '02-03



Jenny Karges was the Mid-Con Player of the Year in 1992-93 and 1993-94.



Anna Widen earned all-conference accolades in each of her four seasons at NIU.



Kristi McIntyre (left), with Branka Savic is a member of NIU's Academic Excellence Program.



# ACCOMPLISHMENTS | WOMEN'S TENNIS

## LETTER WINNERS

#-indicates four-year lettermen / **current players in bold type**

The following is a list of NIU women's tennis letterwinners since 1974, the first year for which varsity letters were awarded. The years listed indicate the spring semester (i.e., 1996 denotes the 1995-96 school year).

Hild Andersch, 1990-91-92  
 Amy Andersch, 1986-87-88-89  
 Bonnie Arkema, 1979  
 Mary Ellen Bajec, 1971  
 Sue Bahr, 1976  
 Kathleen Barnes, 1977  
 Wendy Basista, 1977-78-79  
 Judy Beckwith, 1975  
 Laura Bencko, 1979  
 Sharon Berkman, 1984  
 Sandy Bialack, 1976  
 Lisa Boedecker, 1988-89-90-91  
 Brenda Bowen, 1992-93-94-95  
 Terri Brennan, 1978  
 Karen Brown, 1985-86-87  
 Ashley Brunk, 1998-99-00-01  
 Pat Butkiewicz, 1982  
 Carin Byckowski, 1979-80  
 Cathy Chaberski, 1978-79  
 Karen Chaderjian, 1972-73-74-75  
 Jami Cheek, 1990-91-92-93  
 Pam Ciolkosz, 1979  
 Sue Cochran, 1975  
 Kathy Collins, 1977-78-79  
 Sandy Collinsworth, 1978  
 Jean Crnkovic, 1979-80-81  
 Lori Davis, 1976

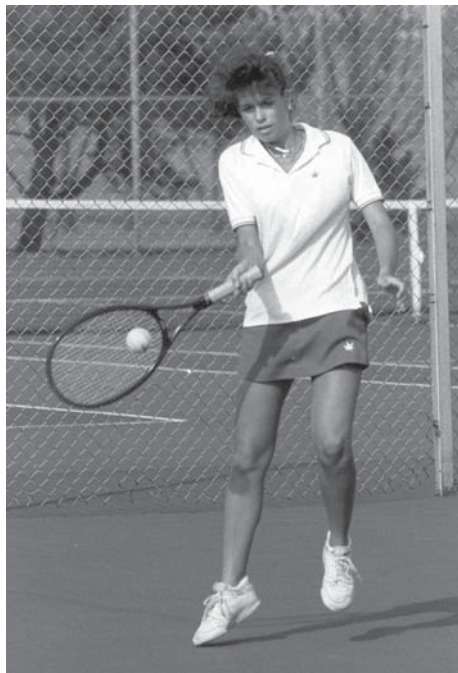
Cindy Dawson, 1978  
 Brenda Dean, 1992  
 Kerri Derouin, 1996-97-98-99  
 Kim Dicks, 1994-95-96-97  
 Sari Dinerman, 1986-87  
 Kim Donsbach, 1997-98-99-00  
**Cassie Drake, 2003**  
 Dianna Duehr, 1980-81  
 Mary Ellis, 1983-84-85-86  
 Michelle Ennis, 1974-75-76-78  
 Jeanine Fermo, 1974-75-76  
 Pam Ferris, 1980-81  
 Ruth Finnegan, 1979  
 Mary Fischer, 1971  
 Diane Gammon, 1974-75-76-77  
 Jana Garrison, 1990  
 Renee Grantham, 1978-79-80-81  
 Cary Groth, 1974-75-76-77  
 Erica Heshelman, 2002-03  
 Lynda Hetman, 1985  
 Katy Hoffman, 1996-97-98-99  
 Della Hosty, 1974-75-76-77  
 Kris Hubbard, 1983-84-85-86  
 Ren Huber, 1996  
 Rhonda Huhn, 1985  
 Jan Jannusch, 1971  
 Cathy Jessup, 1981-82-83-84  
 Sherry Johnson, 1981  
 Linda Kajmowicz, 1979  
 Jenny Karges, 1992-93-94  
 Chris Kaszewski, 1978  
 Kathi Kennedy, 1988-89-90-91  
 Patty Kenyon, 1971  
 Chris Keunen, 1981

Natasha Kluff, 1988-89  
 Natacha Koprivica, 1988-89  
 Geri Kowal, 1982  
 Aspasia Ktenas, 1977  
 Chris Laemmar, 1976-77  
 Monica Larson, 1990-91  
 Torrey Lott, 1983-87  
 Debbie MacLagan, 1977-78  
 Cathy Maras, 1978  
 Jean Marshall, 1971  
**Daniela Martinez, 2002-03**  
 Pam Matone, 1977-78-79  
 Liz May, 1980  
**Kristi McIntyre, 2001-02-03**  
 Sarah Miede, 1983  
 LeeAnne Milne, 1986-87-88-89  
 Tammy Morgan, 1993-94  
 Robin Morse, 1982  
 Linda Muller, 1979-80-81-82  
 Sarah Murfey, 1991-92-93  
 Megan Murphy, 1982  
 Marcia Musich, 1983  
 Svetlana Nedeljkovic, 1991-92-93-94  
 Kim Nelson, 1995-96-97-98  
 Rene Nicholaou, 1987  
 Ivana Nikolic, 1993-94-95-96  
 Eliza Noll, 1992  
 Molly Opel, 1999-00-01-02  
 Cindy Pedersen, 1975  
 Debbie Pedersen, 1971  
 Lisa Peradotti, 1984-85  
 Debbie Rees, 1980-81  
 Andrea Reynolds, 2000  
 Ann Marie Roth, 1979

Jackie Rotsaert, 1980-81-82-83  
 Lee Sakowski, 1975-76-77  
**Branka Savic, 2001-02-03**  
 Stacy Schipfer, 1972-73-74-75  
 Mary Kay Schneeberger, 1976-77-78  
 Lynn Schultz, 1975-76-77-78  
 Sue Simcich, 1979  
 Mona Sood, 1995  
 Johanna Stephenson, 1994-95  
 Chris Stocker, 1971  
 Tanja Sukovic, 2000-01-02-03  
 Nancy Sullivan, 1971  
 Carla Surma, 1979-80-81-82  
 Ruta Tallat-Kelpsa, 1983-84  
 Kris Tiedt, 1999-00-01-02  
 Pam Tilton, 1983  
 Natalija Todorovic, 1992  
 Julie Torrence, 1985  
 Carrie Townsend, 1997-98-99-00  
**Karrie Tyjoran, 2001-02-03**  
 Claudia Vana, 1979-80+82-83  
 Heidi VanLankvelt, 1986-87-88-89  
 Jody Ventress, 1986-87  
 Yolanda Viernes, 1979  
 Maria Villalobos, 1983  
 Annette Wallraf, 1983  
 Kris Whitney, 1987-88-89-90  
 Sue Wickum, 1979  
 Anna Widen, 1997-98-99-00  
 Gaby Wolff, 1995-96  
 Barbara Wright, 1979  
 Gail Wronski, 1984-85  
 Kathy Zeman, 1976



Kim Donsbach



LeeAnne Milne



Carrie Townsend