

CoSIDA Sports Information Sheet

MEN'S BASKETBALL 2008-09

GENERAL

Name of School: University of Northern Iowa
City/Zip: Cedar Falls, Iowa/50614-0314
Founded: 1876
Enrollment:..... 12,609
Nickname:Panthers
School Colors:.....Purple and Old Gold
Arena Name:McLeod Center
Capacity: 7,043
Affiliation:.....NCAA Division I
Conference:..... Missouri Valley
President:Dr. Benjamin Allen
Athletics Director:Troy Dannen
Senior Woman Administrator:..... TBA
Athletic Dept. Phone:(319) 273-2470
Ticket Office Phone:.....(319) 273-4TIX
Athletic Dept. Website: www.unipanthers.com

HISTORY

First Year of Basketball:..... 1900-01
All-Time Record:..... 1,086-1,025 (106 seasons)
Division I Record: 383-403 (28 seasons)
No. Years in NCAA Tourn./Last: 4/2005-06
No. Years in NIT/Last:..... 0
Last post-season opponent:Georgetown
Result: L, 54-49 (2005-06 NCAA 1st Round)

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COACHING STAFF

Head Coach:..... Ben Jacobson
Alma Mater, Year:..... North Dakota, 1994
Record at School (yrs.):36-27 (2 Years)
Career Record (yrs.):Same
Office Phone:(319) 273-7609
Best Time to Reach Coach: mornings
Assistant Coaches:Kyle Green, P.J. Hogan, Ben Johnson
Director of Basketball Operations:Chris Foster
Administrative Assistant: Derrik Netten

TEAM INFORMATION

2007-08 Overall Record:..... 18-14
Conference Record/Finish:..... 9-9 (T5th)
Conference Tournament Result: 1-1
Starters Returning/Lost: 2/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/6

MEDIA INFORMATION

Primary Newspaper:..... Waterloo/Cedar Falls Courier
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Campus Newspaper:.....Northern Iowan
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Cedar Falls, IA 50614
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Analyst: Kevin Boyle

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Starters Returning (R) and Lost (L)	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pos.	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	Other
(L) Eric Coleman	6-6	240	--	C	32/18	12.3	8.8	2nd Team All-MVC
(L) Jared Josten	5-11	175	--	G	32/32	9.3	2.1	85.2 FT%
(R) Adam Koch	6-8	230	Jr.	F	32/32	8.7	5.8	48.1 FG%
(R) Travis Brown	6-3	205	Sr.	G	31/28	6.6	1.9	32 3pt FG made
(L) Adam Viet	6-2	195	--	G	29/16	5.7	1.5	44.3 3pt FG%

Other Players Returning	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pos.	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	Other
Jordan Eglseder	7-1	275	Jr.	C	29-14	8.9	5.4	51.0 FG%
Kerwin Dunham	6-6	190	So.	G	32-17	4.3	0.9	80.0 FT%
Carlton Reed	6-4	195	Sr.	G	17-0	3.5	0.9	83.3 FT%
Jon Montgomery	6-4	210	So.	G	27-3	2.6	1.0	17 3pt FG made
Lucas O'Rear	6-6	250	So.	F	31-0	2.3	2.3	48.3 FG%
Brian Haak	6-0	170	Jr.	G	26-0	1.6	0.8	0.9 apg

Other Players Lost	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	Misc.
Brent Barz	6-10	220	F	--	--	--	Transferred
Drew Lundberg	6-2	180	G	5/0	1.8	0.8	Transferred
Josh Molstead	5-8	165	G	5/0	0.0	0.0	Transferred
Joe Green	6-8	230	F	7/0	1.3	0.7	Graduated

Returning Redshirts	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pos.	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	Misc.
Kwadzo Ahelegbe	6-2	195	RSO.	G	30-4	2.6	1.1	1.2 apg*

*2007-08 stats

Newcomers	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pos.	Hometown (High School/Last School)
Ali Farokhmanesh	6-0	180	Jr.	G	Iowa City, Iowa (West/Kirkwood CC)
Anthony James	6-0	160	Fr.	G	St. Louis, Mo. (Normandy)
Colton Kelly	6-1	160	Fr.	G	Anamosa, Iowa (Anamosa)
Jake Koch	6-8	200	Fr.	F	Ashwaubenon, Wis. (Ashwaubenon)
John Moran	6-1	170	Fr.	G	Algonquin, Ill. (Jacobs)
Austin Pehl	6-10	230	Fr.	F	Cedar Falls, Iowa (Cedar Falls)
Adam Rodenberg	6-6	235	Jr.	F	Garnavillo, Iowa (Clayton Ridge/UC Irvine)

2008-09 UNI Preseason Men's Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (High School/Last School)
1	Colten Kelly	G	6-1	160	Fr.	Anamosa, Iowa/Anamosa
5	Ali Farokhmanesh	G	6-0	180	Jr.	Iowa City, Iowa/West/Kirkwood CC
10	Brian Haak**	G	6-1	170	Jr.	Spencer, Iowa/Spencer
11	Kwadzo Ahelegbe*	G	6-2	200	So.	Oakdale, Minn./Tartan
13	John Moran	G	6-1	170	Fr.	Algonquin, Ill./Jacobs
15	Jon Montgomery*	G	6-4	210	So.	Chicago, Ill./Lincoln Park
20	Jake Koch	F	6-8	200	Fr.	Ashwaubenon, Wis./Ashwaubenon
21	Travis Brown***	G	6-3	205	Sr.	Richfield, Minn./Richfield
22	Kerwin Dunham*	G	6-6	190	So.	Bondurant, Iowa/Bondurant-Farrar
25	Carlton Reed*	G	6-4	195	Sr.	Waterloo, Iowa/East/University of Iowa
32	Lucas O'Rear*	F	6-6	250	So.	Nashville, Ill./Nashville
33	Austin Pehl	F	6-10	230	Fr.	Cedar Falls, Iowa/Cedar Falls
34	Adam Koch**	F	6-8	230	Jr.	Ashwaubenon, Wis./Ashwaubenon
43	Adam Rodenberg	F	6-6	235	Jr.	Garnavillo, Iowa/Clayton Ridge/UC Irvine
52	Anthony James	G	6-0	160	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo./Normandy
53	Jordan Eglseder**	C	7-1	275	Jr.	Bellevue, Iowa/Marquette

*letters won

Head Coach: Ben Jacobson (North Dakota '94)

Assistant Coaches: Kyle Green (Hamline '92), P.J. Hogan (Morningside '99), Ben Johnson (Minnesota '05)

Director of Basketball Operations: Chris Foster (UNI '05)

UNI Men's Basketball Summer Notes

The Panthers **return two starters and eight letterwinners** from last year's team that finished 18-14 overall, 9-9 in the Missouri Valley Conference ... junior forward **Adam Koch** (8.7 ppg, 5.8 rpg) and senior guard **Travis Brown** (6.6 ppg) each were in the starting lineup the bulk of 2007-08 ... junior center **Jordan Eglseder** (8.9 ppg, 5.4 rpg) and sophomore guard **Kerwin Dunham** (4.3 ppg) each also were part-time starters last year ... overall, UNI **returns seven of its top 10 scorers** from a year ago, and **three of its top four rebounders** are back as well ... head coach Ben Jacobson, entering his third year at the helm of the Panthers program, has posted 36 wins his first two seasons. That is the **most victories for any men's basketball coach in his first two years at UNI** ... UNI finished in a tie for fifth in last year's Missouri Valley Conference standings. That marks the **fifth straight season that the Panthers have posted an upper-division finish** in the MVC regular-season standings. Prior to that streak starting in 2003-04 (when UNI tied for second and won the State Farm MVC Tournament), UNI had only finished in the top half of the league standings twice since joining the conference in 1991 ... Last season, among the 341 Division I men's basketball teams, UNI **ranked 14th in the nation averaging just 11.8 turnovers per game**. The Panthers turned it over more than 13 times in a game just 11 times last season, with a low of five turnovers against both Loyola (Dec. 1) and Illinois State (Jan. 30) ... The 2007-08 Panthers led the Missouri Valley Conference in field goal percentage defense (.395), and were third in scoring defense (60.3 ppg). The Panthers allowed only six opponents to score more than 68 points in any game, holding its foes to 50 points or less six times. UNI held 13 opponents to less than 38 percent shooting. Last year's team **ranked 17th nationally in field goal percentage defense and 14th in the NCAA in scoring defense** ... UNI welcomes **seven newcomers to the roster**, and also will regain the services of sophomore guard Kwadzo Ahelegbe. Ahelegbe missed the entire 2007-08 season with a shoulder injury, and redshirted ... the full UNI's men's basketball schedule will be released in late August.

2008-09 UNI Men's Basketball Non-Conference Schedule (Tentative)

Tue., Nov. 4	Dubuque -- Exhibition	McLeod Center
Mon., Nov. 10	Wayne State (Neb.) -- Exhibition	McLeod Center
Sat., Nov. 15	Denver	McLeod Center
Wed., Nov. 19	at Illinois-Chicago	Chicago, Ill.

	<u>Chicago Invitational Challenge</u>	
Sun., Nov. 23	Texas Southern	McLeod Center
Tue., Nov. 25	Chicago State	McLeod Center
Fri., Nov. 28	vs. Marquette	Hoffman Estates, Ill.
Sat., Nov. 29	vs. Auburn	Hoffman Estates, Ill.

Wed., Dec. 3	Iowa State	McLeod Center
Sat., Dec. 6	North Dakota	McLeod Center
Tue., Dec. 9	at Iowa	Iowa City, Iowa
Sat., Dec. 13	vs. Wyoming	Casper, Wyo.
Sun., Dec. 21	South Dakota State	McLeod Center
Sat., Feb. 21	at O'Reilly ESPNU BracketBusters	TBA

Home games in **bold**