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### 2000-2001 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT
10/7	<b>Waterloo (Ont.)#</b>	<b>W 3-0</b>
10/13	at St. Cloud State	L 1-3
10/14	at St. Cloud State	T 3-3 OT
10/20	<b>Northern Michigan*</b>	<b>L 3-4 OT</b>
10/21	<b>Northern Michigan*</b>	<b>T 1-1 OT</b>
10/27	at Nebraska Omaha*	L 4-7
10/28	at Nebraska Omaha*	L 3-7
11/3	<b>Colgate</b>	<b>W 5-4</b>
11/4	<b>Colgate</b>	<b>W 3-1</b>
11/10	at Michigan*	L 1-4
11/11	<b>Michigan*</b>	<b>W 5-4</b>
11/24	at Western Michigan*	L 1-3
11/25	at Western Michigan*	L 4-7
12/1	<b>Ohio State*</b>	<b>L 1-6</b>
12/2	<b>Ohio State*</b>	<b>T 1-1 OT</b>
12/8	<b>Michigan State*</b>	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
12/9	at Michigan State*	7:05 p.m.
12/15	<b>Findlay</b>	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
12/16	<b>Findlay</b>	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
12/29	Providence@	6:35 p.m.
12/30	Denver or Air Force@	6:05/9:05 p.m.
1/5	at Notre Dame*	7:05 p.m.
1/6	at Notre Dame*	7:05 p.m.
1/12	<b>Miami (Ohio)*</b>	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
1/13	<b>Miami (Ohio)*</b>	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
1/19	at Alaska Fairbanks*	11:05 p.m.
1/20	at Alaska Fairbanks*	11:05 p.m.
2/2	<b>Alaska Fairbanks*</b>	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
2/3	<b>Alaska Fairbanks*</b>	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
2/9	at Lake Superior State*	7:05 p.m.
2/10	at Lake Superior State*	7:05 p.m.
2/16	<b>Bowling Green State*</b>	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
2/17	<b>Bowling Green State*</b>	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
2/23	<b>Nebraska Omaha*</b>	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
2/24	<b>Nebraska Omaha*</b>	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
3/2	at Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
3/3	at Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
3/9-11	CCHA Tournament 1st Rd.	TBA
3/13	CCHA Tournament Play-In	TBA
3/16	CCHA Tournament Semifinals	TBA
3/17	CCHA Tournament Championship	7:35 p.m.
3/23-24	NCAA East Regional&	TBA
3/24-25	NCAA West Regional+	TBA
4/5	NCAA Frozen Four Semifinals^	TBA
4/7	NCAA Frozen Four Championships^7	p.m.

All times Eastern; home games in **bold**

\* - Central Collegiate Hockey Association game

# - Exhibition

@ - Wells Fargo Denver (Colo.) Cup Tournament

& - Worcester, Mass. (Centrum Centre)

+ - Grand Rapids, Mich. (Van Andel Arena)

^ - Albany, N.Y. (Pepsi Arena)

### Ferris State Battles Number-One Ranked Michigan State This Weekend

**THIS WEEK:** The Ferris State University men's ice hockey team will close out the 2000 portion of its 2000-2001 Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) schedule this weekend (Dec. 8-9) as the Bulldogs battle the top-ranked Michigan State University Spartans in a home-and-home series. This Friday's (Dec. 8) opener will be held at Big Rapids, Mich., with Saturday's (Dec. 9) rematch to take place at East Lansing, Mich.

**FACEOFF/ARENA:** Friday - 7:05 p.m. (EST)/R.L. Ewigleben Ice Arena (2,457); Saturday - 7:05 p.m. (EST)/Munn Ice Arena (6,470).

**THE BROADCAST:** This weekend's series against Michigan State can be heard live on WBRN-AM (1460). Both games can be accessed through Ferris State's official athletics website at [www.ferris.edu/htmls/sports](http://www.ferris.edu/htmls/sports) then click on the **BroadcastAMERICA.com** icon.

**FSU TICKET INFORMATION:** Tickets for all 2000-2001 FSU home games are available by contacting the Ewigleben Arena Ticket Office at (231) 591-2888. Office hours are Monday thru Friday - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (EST) and Saturday (home games only) - 12 to 5 p.m. (EST)

**THE RECORDS:** **Ferris State** is 3-8-3 overall and 1-7-2 in the CCHA after skating to a 1-1 league overtime tie with Ohio State last Saturday (Dec. 2) at FSU's R.L. Ewigleben Ice Arena in Big Rapids, Mich. The Bulldogs, who are 3-2-2 at home and 0-6-1 on the road this year, suffered a 6-1 setback to the Buckeyes in last Friday's (Dec. 1) CCHA series opener.

Ferris State registered a 21-16-2 overall record last season while finishing sixth for the second straight season in the CCHA with a 13-13-2 mark. The 20-plus season win total marked the first time since 1992-93 that the Bulldogs had won at least 20 games.

**Michigan State**, which is currently ranked first in both the *U.S. College Hockey Online* and *USA Today/American Hockey Magazine* poll, is 11-1-3 overall and 8-1-2 in the CCHA. The Spartans, who are unbeaten in their last 12 games (10-0-2), went 1-0-1 in last weekend's (Dec. 8-9) CCHA series against Bowling Green (Ohio) State at the BGSU Ice Arena. MSU played to a 3-3 overtime deadlock with

the Falcons last Friday and then registered a 3-1 triumph in Saturday's series finale.

**HEAD COACH BOB DANIELS:** Bob Daniels is in his ninth year at Ferris State this season, the longest tenure of any Bulldog hockey coach. The sixth head coach in the program's history, Daniels became FSU's winningest coach on March 4, 2000, in a 7-0 regular-season finale win at Western Michigan to surpass the program's inaugural coach Rick Duffett (1975-82; 119-83-7). In the last eight seasons, Daniels is tops among all-time FSU coaches in CCHA wins (89) and CCHA Tourney victories (five).

**THE COACHES: Ferris State - Bob Daniels** (Michigan State, 1982), 9th season, 124-165-29 (.436) - (6-18-4 vs. Michigan State; Home-0-7-3; Away-5-10-0; Neutral-1-1-1). **Michigan State - Ron Mason** (St. Lawrence, 1964), 22nd season, 586-257-63 (.682); Career: 35th season, 875-367-77 (.693) - (47-22-11 vs. Ferris State).

**COACH DANIELS ON THIS WEEKEND:** "We're looking forward to the challenge of playing the nation's number-one ranked team. I believe some positives came out of our game against Ohio State last Saturday. Hopefully, we can keep building on the solid effort which our guys displayed in that game."

**THE SERIES:** Michigan State has a 49-21-11 lead over Ferris State in a series which began in the 1979-80 season. The two teams will meet for the 82nd and 83rd times this weekend as the Spartans are 11-1-2 in their last 14 contests versus the Bulldogs. MSU is undefeated in its last 13 outings (10-0-3) at Big Rapids. The Spartans won both meetings last season, winning 4-1 at home (10/29) and 4-0 on the road (10/30). Ferris is 8-19-6 at home, 12-29-4 on the road and 1-1-1 at neutral sites against MSU. FSU's top career points getter is Jon Rogger (2-3-5).

**ABOUT MICHIGAN STATE:** The Spartans are paced in scoring by junior right wing Adam Hall (9-8-17), sophomore left wing Brian Maloney (7-10-17), senior right wing Rustyn Dolyny (4-13-17) and freshman center Jeremy Jackson (7-9-16). Sophomore goaltender Ryan Miller (11-1-3, 1.58 GAA, .940 sv%) ranks first among CCHA netminders this week.

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# 2000-2001 CCHA STANDINGS



	CONFERENCE					OVERALL						
	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	W	L	T	GF	GA
1. Michigan State	11	8	1	2	18	34	15	11	1	3	49	24
2. Michigan	11	7	3	1	15	45	24	11	3	3	67	39
3. Western Michigan	9	6	1	2	14	46	30	11	2	2	73	47
Northern Michigan	14	5	5	4	14	37	40	7	5	5	55	47
5. Ohio State	10	6	3	1	13	32	25	9	4	1	49	30
6. Miami (Ohio)	10	5	4	1	11	34	30	8	6	2	18	51
7. Lake Superior State	13	5	8	0	10	30	46	8	10	0	45	61
Alaska Fairbanks	12	3	5	4	10	30	44	3	7	4	33	50
9. Nebraska Omaha	10	4	5	1	9	33	33	7	8	1	45	45
10. Bowling Green State	12	2	6	4	8	31	37	2	8	4	31	42
11. Notre Dame	8	1	5	2	4	15	23	3	9	3	36	52
<b>Ferris State</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>55</b>

### RESULTS LAST WEEK

**Tuesday, November 28**  
at Ohio State 10, Findlay 0

### Friday, December 1

**Ohio State 6, at Ferris State 1\***  
at Nebraska Omaha 5, Alaska Fairbanks 1\*  
at Lake Superior State 2, Notre Dame 1\*  
at Western Michigan 6, Miami (Ohio) 4\*  
Michigan 6, at Northern Michigan 2\*  
Michigan State 3, at Bowling Green State 3 OT\*

### Saturday, December 2

**Ohio State 1, at Ferris State 1 OT\***  
Alaska Fairbanks 2, at Nebraska Omaha 2 OT\*  
at Lake Superior State 4, at Notre Dame 1\*  
Miami (Ohio) 5, at Western Michigan 1\*  
Michigan 2, at Northern Michigan 2 OT\*  
Michigan State 3, at Bowling Green State 1\*

**BULLDOG BITES:** Sophomore right wing **Josh Bowers (Naperville, Ill.)** has registered a point in his last four games, tallying five points (3-2-5) in that four-game stretch . . . Senior goaltender **Vince Owen (Thompson, Man.)** is 10 saves shy of tying Craig Lisko (1990-94; 2,165 career saves) for third place on the Bulldogs' all-time goalie saves list. Owen has accumulated 2,155 career saves in 96 contests . . . Ferris State is 3-3-2 this season when leading after the first period and 0-3-2 when trailing after the opening 20 minutes of a contest . . . Senior center

**Kevin Swider (Livonia)**, who has 47 career goals in 124 contests to date, is three goals away from moving into a three-way tie for 15th place with Tom Rudrud (1979-83) and Ed Turner (1976-80) on Ferris State's all-time goal-scoring list . . . The Bulldogs played in their fourth overtime contest this season last Saturday against Ohio State and are 0-1-3 in such games this year. Last season, Ferris compiled a 1-1-2 mark in overtime encounters . . . FSU hasn't scored a power-play goal in its last four games and is a combined 0-for-20 in that period . . . 55/6% (20-of-36) of the Bulldogs' scoring this season has occurred in the first period . . . Head coach **Bob Daniels** notched his 100th career coaching victory against Michigan State (3/6/99) as the Bulldogs posted a 2-1 regular-season finale victory at MSU, which snapped the Spartans' 23-game unbeaten streak and 27-game home unbeaten string at the time . . . The Bulldogs' top two scorers this season - **Kevin Swider** (8-9-17) and sophomore left wing **Chris Kunitz** (5-5-10) have combined for 31% (27-of-87) of the team's total points and 36% (13-of-36) of the squad's goal-scoring output this campaign.

**LAST WEEK:** The following are FSU's game summaries from last weekend's league series versus Ohio State.

#### December 1, 2000 - at R.L. Ewigleben Ice Arena (1,527)

Ohio State	3	2	1	--	6
Ferris State	0	0	1	--	1

1st: OS-Caponigri (3) (Steckel, Address); PPG; 15:52  
OS-Olsgard (2) (Ganga, Broccoli); 16:04  
OS-Dufour (8) (Caponigri, Steckel); 18:24

### GAMES THIS WEEK

#### Friday, December 8

**Michigan State at Ferris State\*, 7:05 p.m.**  
Nebraska Omaha at Bowling Green State\*  
Lake Superior State at Alaska Fairbanks\*, 11:05 p.m.  
Miami (Ohio) at Notre Dame\*  
St. Lawrence at Michigan, 7:35 p.m.  
Northern Michigan at Michigan Tech, 7:35 p.m.

#### Saturday, December 9

**Ferris State at Michigan State\*, 7:05 p.m.**  
Nebraska Omaha at Bowling Green State\*  
Lake Superior State at Alaska Fairbanks\*, 11:05 p.m.  
Miami (Ohio) at Notre Dame\*  
St. Lawrence at Michigan  
Michigan Tech at Northern Michigan

All times are Eastern

\* - CCHA Game

### BULLDOGS OF THE GAME: After each contest,

one Ferris State player will be named Bulldog of the Game by the FSU coaching staff. Below is a compilation of the recipients to date.

DATE/OPP.	PLAYER	NOTES
Oct. 13 at SCSU	Kevin Swider	1-0-1
Oct. 14 at SCSU	Rob Collins	2-0-2
Oct. 20 vs. NMU	Kevin Swider	1-1-2
Oct. 21 vs. NMU	Chris Kunitz	1-0-1
Oct. 27 at UNO	Josh Bowers	2-0-2
Oct. 28 at UNO	Phil Meyer	1-0-1
Nov. 3 vs. Colgate	Kevin Swider	2-1-3
Nov. 4 vs. Colgate	Scott Lewis	1-0-1
Nov. 10 at Michigan	Chris Kunitz	1-0-1
Nov. 11 vs. Michigan	Rob Collins	1-1-2
Nov. 24 at WMU	Phil Osaer	16 saves
Nov. 25 at WMU	Josh Bowers	1-1-2
Dec. 1 vs. Ohio St.	Josh Bowers	1-0-1
Dec. 2 vs. Ohio St.	Phil Osaer	32 saves
Dec. 8 vs. Mich. St.		
Dec. 9 at Mich. St.		
Dec. 15 vs. Findlay		
Dec. 16 vs. Findlay		
Dec. 29 vs. Providence		
Dec. 30 vs. Air Force/Denver		
Jan. 5 at N. Dame		
Jan. 6 at N. Dame		
Jan. 12 at Miami		
Jan. 13 at Miami		
Jan. 19 at UAF		
Jan. 20 at UAF		
Feb. 2 vs. UAF		
Feb. 3 vs. UAF		
Feb. 9 at LSSU		
Feb. 10 at LSSU		
Feb. 16 vs. BGSU		
Feb. 17 vs. BGSU		
Feb. 23 vs. UNO		
Feb. 24 vs. UNO		
Mar. 2 at BGSU		
Mar. 3 at BGSU		

2nd: OS-May (2) (Skaug, Latorre); 0:41  
OS-Ganga (8) (McCormick, Freeman); PPG; 10:08  
3rd: OS-Caponigri (4) (Dufour, McCormick); PPG; 5:09  
FS-Bowers (5) (Lewandowski); 10:21

Penalties: OS 8-24, FS 11-22  
Saves: OS-Betz (6-3-9-18); 60:00  
FS-Osaer (6-13-1-20); 45:43  
Owen (x-x-9-9); 14:17  
Power Plays: OS 3-7, FS 0-3  
Referee-Mark Wilkins  
Asst. Refs-Langseth, Philo

#### December 2, 2000 - at R.L. Ewigleben Ice Arena (1,558)

Ohio State	0	0	1	0	--	1
Ferris State	1	0	0	0	--	1

1st: FS-Swider (8) (Bowers, Dube); 0:30  
3rd: OS-Address (3) (Caponigri, Steckel); 9:58

Penalties: OS 5-10, FS 5-10  
Saves: OS-Betz (9-4-6-3-22); 65:00  
FS-Osaer (14-9-7-2-32); 65:00  
Referee-Mark Wilkins  
Asst. Refs-Langseth, Philo

**UP NEXT:** Ferris State hosts Findlay Oilers in a non-league series next weekend (Dec. 15-16) at FSU's R.L. Ewigleben Ice Arena in Big Rapids, Mich. Opening faceoff both nights is scheduled for 7:05 p.m. (EST). Ferris is idle until Dec. 29-30 when the Bulldogs compete in the Wells Fargo Denver Cup Tournament at Denver University's Magness Arena in Denver, Colo. FSU will skate against the Providence Friars in first-round action on Friday, Dec. 29, at 6:35 p.m. (EST). The consolation and championship games will be held Saturday, Dec. 30, at 6:05 p.m. and 9:05 p.m. (EST), respectively.