



# Ferris State Women's Basketball



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#### 2002-03 BASKETBALL



9-6 OVERALL, 4-4 GLIAC

#### This Week's Games:

Thursday, Jan. 23  
at Saginaw Valley State\*  
5:30 p.m. (EST)  
O'Neill Arena - University Center, Mich.

Saturday, Jan. 25  
at Lake Superior State\*  
1 p.m. (EST)  
Bud Cooper Gymnasium  
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

All times are Eastern and subject to change  
\* Denotes GLIAC game

#### Last Week's Results:

Thursday, Jan. 16  
at FSU 66, Northwood 46\*

Saturday, Jan. 18  
at Grand Valley State 83, FSU 55\*

#### 2002-03 QUICK FACTS

<b>Location:</b>	Big Rapids, Mich.
<b>Founded:</b>	1884
<b>Enrollment:</b>	11,074
<b>Nickname:</b>	Bulldogs
<b>Colors:</b>	Crimson & Gold
<b>Affiliation:</b>	NCAA Division II
<b>Conference:</b>	Great Lakes Intercollegiate
<b>President:</b>	Dr. William A. Sederburg
<b>Athletics Director:</b>	Tom Kirinovic
<b>Asst. Athletics Director:</b>	Brian Kegler
<b>Head Trainer:</b>	Dave Lucey, ATC
<b>Assistant Trainer:</b>	Tim Glover, ATC
<b>Assistant Trainer:</b>	Mike Blackburn, ATC
<b>Equip. Manager:</b>	Ben Mumah, E.M.,C.
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<b>Head Coach:</b>	Tracey Fisk
<b>Alma Mater/Year:</b>	Western Michigan/1996
<b>Record at FSU/Year:</b>	79-46/5th
<b>Career Record/Years:</b>	Same
<b>Office Phone:</b>	(231) 591-2878
<b>Assistant Coach:</b>	Justin Rees
<b>Office Phone:</b>	(231) 591-2867
<b>Home Court:</b>	Jim Wink Arena
<b>Capacity:</b>	2,400
<b>2001-02 Overall Record:</b>	14-12
<b>2001-02 Conf. Record/Finish:</b>	10-8/4th
<b>All-Time Record:</b>	332-371 (.472)
<b>Letterwinners Ret./Lost:</b>	10/4

### Bulldogs Hit The Road For Two League Games

**FSU WOMEN'S BASKETBALL AT A GLANCE** - The Ferris State University women's basketball team will visit the Saginaw Valley State Cardinals this Thursday (Jan. 23) for a 5:30 p.m. (EST) Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) encounter at SVSU's O'Neill Arena in University Center, Mich. FSU will then battle the Lake Superior State Lakers in league play this Saturday (Jan. 25) with tipoff slated for 1 p.m. (EST) in LSSU's Bud Cooper Gymnasium at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. The Bulldogs, who are presently 9-6 overall and 4-4 in conference action, rank 439th of 1,319 institutions (all levels) represented in the current (Jan. 20) Dunkel Sports Research Index Women's Basketball Ratings.

**BULLDOGS SPLIT LEAGUE GAMES** - Ferris split two league games last weekend (Jan. 16 & 18). FSU defeated the Northwood Timberwolves 66-46 last Thursday (Jan. 16) at FSU's Jim Wink Arena in Big Rapids, Mich. The Bulldogs then fell to the nationally-ranked Grand Valley State Lakers 83-55 last Saturday (Jan. 18) at the GVSU Fieldhouse Arena in Allendale, Mich. Freshman guard **Erin Miller (Niles)** totaled a game-high 25 points while junior guard **Lucy DeMartin (Mason)** chipped in 11 points versus Northwood. DeMartin registered 18 points and junior forward/center **Bridget Horwitz (Auburn, Ind./DeKalb)** totaled 16 points in the loss at GVSU. Grand Valley State, which ended FSU's two-game winning streak, was ranked ninth in the latest (Jan. 15) USA Today/ESPN/Women's Basketball Coaches Association Division II Top 25 Poll.

**LAST SEASON** - Ferris State finished the 2001-02 campaign with a 14-12 overall mark, including a fourth-place 10-8 Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) North Division finish. The Bulldogs advanced to the GLIAC Tournament for the third consecutive season. Senior forward **Patti Larson (Kalkaska)** and sophomore forward **Molly Potvin (Lansing/Catholic Central)** are Ferris' 2002-03 team captains. Ten letterwinners and three starters return this season.

**THE BULLDOG TRADITION** - The Ferris State women's basketball program has compiled a 332-371 (.472) all-time mark in its 28 previous campaigns. The Bulldogs won the GLIAC North Division crown, advanced to the NCAA-II Great Lakes Regional Tournament and recorded the nation's highest grade point average in 1999-2000. FSU, which also claimed GLIAC Tournament runner-up honors in 1999-00, has ranked among the nation's top 25 academic teams four consecutive seasons.

**HITTING THE ROAD AGAIN** - Ferris State is 116-87 (.571) overall since 1995-96 and sports a 67-57 (.540) record in road/neutral site contests during that span. The Bulldogs are 34-22 (.607) overall in road games under head coach **Tracey Fisk**, including a 22-18 (.550) record in conference play.

**HEAD COACH TRACEY FISK** - Fifth-year FSU head coach **Tracey Fisk** has a current career 79-46 (.632) coaching record at Ferris State. A 1996 graduate of Western Michigan, Fisk guided Ferris State to a 22-7 mark and the school's first NCAA-II Great Lakes Regional Tournament appearance during the 1999-00 campaign. Prior to FSU, Fisk spent three seasons as an assistant coach at Lake Michigan College (1994-97) and one season at the University of Indianapolis (1997-98).

**PUTTING THE CLAMPS ON** - The 46 points allowed by Ferris against Northwood were its fewest since posting a 56-42 win at Saginaw Valley State (1/25/01). The Bulldogs held NU to only 14 first-half points and forced 35 turnovers en route to securing their 14th consecutive victory over the Timberwolves.

**DE MARTIN SCORES 900TH POINT** - **Lucy DeMartin** tallied her 900th career point at GVSU and needs 14 more to move into an 11th-place tie with Tianna Kirkland (926; 1997-01) on FSU's career scoring leaders list. DeMartin, who has scored 10 points or more in 20 consecutive games dating back to last season, presently has led FSU in scoring eight times in the last 14 contests. She ranks seventh (.344; 54-157) among Ferris' career three-point field goal percentage leaders to date and needs five more treys to tie Ann Rienstra (59; 1986-89) for 11th place on the school's all-time made three-point field goal chart. DeMartin, who currently ranks seventh (.787; 214-272) on the school's career free throw percentage chart, presently has 207 career assists and needs 10 more to tie Rienstra (217; 1986-89) for 10th place among FSU's career leaders. She has 107 career steals to date and is 18 short of matching Jill Thayer's (125; 1994-98) 10th-place career total. The 5-9 DeMartin is 12 made free throws away from tying Kirkland (226; 1997-01) for ninth place.

**HORWITZ MOVES INTO SECOND** - **Bridget Horwitz** moved into second place on FSU's career blocked shots leaders list with three blocks at GVSU. Horwitz, who had her 20-game double-figure scoring streak end versus Northwood, presently has 72 career blocks and is 97 shy of reaching Mary Patterson's (173; 1984-87) school-record career total. A 2001-02 All-GLIAC Second-Team pick, Horwitz is averaging a team-high 9.2 rebounds per game and ranks second (16.9 ppg) among Ferris' scoring leaders. The 6-2 Horwitz currently has made 341 career field goals and is 24 shy of tying Jodi Raab's (365; 1989-93) 10th-place career mark. Horwitz, who currently ranks eighth (.478; 341-713) on FSU's career field goal percentage chart, has 443 career rebounds to date and is one shy of tying Dawn Baker (444; 1997-00) for 14th place among the school's leaders.





BULLDOG BITES

2002-03 BULLDOG RECORDS

Record: 9-6 overall
GLIAC: 4-4 in league play
Home: 3-2 at Jim Wink Arena
Road: 5-3 away from home
Neutral: 1-1 on neutral floors

Erin Miller currently leads the GLIAC in both free throw (.895) and three-point field goal percentage (.455) in the league's latest (Jan. 20) overall statistical rankings.

Lucy DeMartin ranks second in scoring (18.9 ppg) while Bridget Horwitz is third in rebounding (9.2 rpg). Ferris ranks second in offensive rebounds (14.80 rpg), steals (11.93 spg) and three-point field goal percentage defense (.280) in the overall team rankings..... DeMartin is averaging 20.9 points, 6.0 rebounds and 5.4 assists in Ferris' 10 road/neutral site appearances to date..... The Bulldogs' top three season scoring leaders (DeMartin, Horwitz, & Miller) have accounted for 710 of the squad's 1,076 total points (66%) this season..... Junior forward Stephanie Benear (Howell) needs nine points to garner her 200th career point while Molly Potvin is 11 points away from reaching the same mark..... Six of Ferris' nine wins this campaign have come by 10 points or more..... Patti Larson matched her personal career-high with four assists versus NU. She needs three rebounds to record her 125th career board..... Freshman guard/forward Mary Brown (Benton Harbor/Lake Michigan Catholic) totaled personal career-highs with seven points and five rebounds against Northwood.

MILLER MATCHES PERSONAL HIGH - Erin Miller, who has posted nine double-figure scoring games this campaign to date, matched her personal career-high with 25 points versus Northwood. The 5-7 Miller also scored 25 points at Saint Joseph's, Ind. (12/15). She presently ranks as FSU's third-leading scorer (12.7) this campaign and has scored 10 points or more in six of her last nine games to date. Miller currently ranks tied for first among NCAA-II's leaders in single-game three-point field goal percentage (.857, 6-7, vs. Saint Joseph's, Ind. - 12/15).

AGAINST THE OPPONENTS - Ferris State will visit Saginaw Valley State and Lake Superior State for two league games this weekend.

Saginaw Valley State: The Cardinals maintain a 38-18 lead heading into this Thursday's 57th series meeting. However, FSU has won seven straight games and beat SVSU 75-55 in the teams' last meeting (2/16/02) held at University Center, Mich. SVSU is presently 4-12 overall and 0-8 in the GLIAC after last Saturday's (Jan. 18) 66-57 home league loss to Northern Michigan. FSU head coach Tracey Fisk presently has a 7-1 career coaching record against the Cardinals, who have lost six consecutive games to date. Saginaw Valley State, which is led in scoring by senior guard Erin Johnson (12.1 ppg), was 10-16 overall in 2001-02 and placed sixth (4-14) in the GLIAC's North Division. The Cardinals, who are guided by second-year head coach Kim Chandler, were picked to finish seventh in the 2002-03 GLIAC North Division Preseason Coaches Poll.

Lake Superior State: LSSU holds a 36-26 series' advantage and has won the last two meetings entering this Saturday's 63rd encounter. FSU head coach Tracey Fisk currently has a 4-4 career coaching mark against Lake Superior State although the Lakers pulled out an 81-66 victory in the last meeting (2/7/02) between the two teams at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. LSSU, which is directed by fifth-year head coach Kris Dunbar, presently is 13-3 overall and 8-1 in the GLIAC heading into this Thursday's (Jan. 23) league home game versus Grand Valley State after last Saturday's (Jan. 18) 84-74 conference win at Northwood. The Lakers, who have won eight consecutive games to date, compiled a 21-6 overall record in 2001-02 and placed first (14-4) in the GLIAC's North Division. LSSU, which was picked to finish first in the 2002-03 GLIAC North Division Preseason Coaches Poll, was listed fourth among others receiving votes in the latest (Jan. 15) USA Today/ESPN/Women's Basketball Coaches Association Division II Top 25 Poll. Senior forward Alice Duesing, the older sister of current FSU sophomore forward Sarah Duesing (Sault Ste. Marie/Sault Area), presently ranks as the Lakers' leading scorer (18.8 ppg) this campaign.

LOOKING AHEAD - Ferris will battle the Michigan Tech Huskies Thursday, Jan. 30, at FSU's Jim Wink Arena in Big Rapids, Mich. Tipoff for the league encounter is slated for 6 p.m. (EST). The Bulldogs then host the Northern Michigan Wildcats in GLIAC play Saturday, Feb. 1, at 1 p.m. (EST).

FERRIS ON THE WEB - Ferris State University Athletics' official web site can be found at www.ferris.edu/sports. The site features information on all of FSU's varsity athletics programs.

2002-03 FSU WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ROSTER

Table with 7 columns: No., Name, Pos., Ht., Yr., Exp., Hometown/High School (College). Lists players like Kari Searles, Erin Miller, Kara Gallert, Sarah Duesing, Lucy DeMartin, Stephanie Benear, Patti Larson, Molly Potvin, Mary Brown, Bridget Horwitz, Kelly McLaughlin, Darcie Philp, Ann Platz.

Head Coach: Tracey Fisk, fifth year (Western Michigan, 1996)
Assistant Coach: Justin Rees (Barry, 1997)
Volunteer Assistant: Travis Park
HS - High School T - Transfer (C) - Captain

Student Manager: Nicole Bridges

2002-03 Season Trends

Table with 2 columns: SITUATION and FSU RECORD. Lists trends like At home, On the road, Shoot over 50% from floor, Opponent shoots over 50% from floor, etc.

