



# Ferris State Women's Basketball

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## Bulldogs Secure League Tourney Berth; Two Key Games This Week

### FERRIS AT A GLANCE:

The Ferris State University women's basketball team will visit rival Grand Valley State this Monday (Feb. 16) for a 6 p.m. (EST) Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) encounter in GVSU's Fieldhouse Arena at Allendale, Mich. FSU will then face Northwood Saturday (Feb. 21) in a 5:30 p.m. (EST) league tilt at NU's Bennett Sports Center in Midland, Mich.

**FERRIS IN SECOND:** FSU is presently 16-7 overall and holds a second-place 11-3 mark behind Lake Superior State (12-2) in the GLIAC's North Division. The Bulldogs have won eight of their last 10 games to date this season and are currently ranked third in the latest (Feb. 10) NCAA-II Great Lakes Regional Rankings.

**NO PLACE LIKE HOME:** Ferris trailed by 16 points with 15:14 left in Thursday's (Feb. 12) league home tilt with Saginaw Valley State before going on a 24-7 run over the next six minutes en route to a 86-74 win at Jim Wink Arena in Big Rapids, Mich. Sophomore guard **Erin Miller (Niles)** posted a game-best 25 points along with seven rebounds and seven assists. Senior guard **Lucy DeMartin (Mason)** added 24 points, freshman guard **Kristin Reinhart (East Lansing)** scored 12 points and junior forward **Sarah Duesing (Sault Ste. Marie)** registered 11 points in the victory.

**FSU DROPS BATTLE:** The Bulldogs dropped a 98-93 decision Saturday (Feb. 14) to Lake Superior State in the GLIAC North Division's first-place battle at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. **Lucy DeMartin** scored 26 points, **Erin Miller** had 23 points and senior forward/center **Molly Potvin (Lansing/Catholic Central)** registered a personal career-high 23 points for Ferris. LSSU was listed second regionally and ranked 25th in the latest (Feb. 10) USA Today/ESPN/Women's Basketball Coaches Association Division II Top 25 poll.

**GLIAC PLAYER OF THE WEEK:** **Erin Miller** was named last week's (Feb. 9) GLIAC North Division Player of the Week after averaging 25.5 points, 8.5 rebounds and 3.5 assists in two outings at Northern Michigan and Michigan Tech (Feb. 5 & 8). The 5-7 Miller was 19-of-38 (.500) from the floor and eight-of-14 (.571) from three-point range in the two games. She previously attained the league's weekly award earlier this season (Jan. 5).

**LAST SEASON:** Ferris State concluded the 2002-03 campaign with a 15-11 overall mark, which included a fourth-place (tie) 10-8 GLIAC North Division finish. FSU reached the GLIAC Tournament for the fourth consecutive year and posted its seventh straight 10-win campaign a year ago.

**THE BULLDOG TRADITION:** The Ferris State women's basketball program, which is midst its 30th anniversary campaign, has compiled a 354-383 (.480) all-time mark. 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.

**HEAD COACH TRACEY FISK:** Sixth-year FSU head coach **Tracey Fisk** presently ranks as Ferris' all-time winningest coach with a current 101-58 (.635) career record at Ferris State. A 1996 graduate of Western

### UPCOMING GAMES

#### at Grand Valley State

Monday, Feb. 16  
6 p.m. (EST)  
GVSU Fieldhouse (4,100)  
Allendale, Mich.

#### at Northwood

Saturday, Feb. 21  
5:30 p.m. (EST)  
Bennett Sports Center (1,500)  
Midland, Mich.

All times are Eastern

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). Fisk recorded her 100th career coaching victory at Michigan Tech (Feb. 5).

**ON THE ROAD:** Ferris State is 138-99 (.582) overall since 1995-96 and sports a 80-66 (.548) record in road/neutral site contests during that span. The Bulldogs are 44-30 (.595) overall in road games under head coach **Tracey Fisk**, including a 30-22 (.577) record in conference play.

**FERRIS ROSTER:** Ferris' 2003-04 roster includes four seniors, three juniors, three sophomores and three freshmen. Eleven players hail from Michigan with one each from Indiana and the Czech Republic.

**FSU ON THE INTERNET:** Ferris State Athletics' official web site can be found at [www.ferris.edu/sports](http://www.ferris.edu/sports). The site features information on all of FSU's varsity athletics programs including rosters, statistics and more. The Bulldogs' 2003-04 yearbook is also available online.

**PRESEASON ALL-AMERICA:** Ferris' **Lucy DeMartin** was named to the 2003-04 *Women's Division II Bulletin* Preseason Super 16 All-America Team. DeMartin, a 2002-03 Daktronics NCAA Division II All-Great Lakes Region First-Team selection, was also chosen as the publication's preseason GLIAC Player of the Year. Her team-leading 20.2 points per game scoring average last season ranked first among the school's all-time leaders and placed second in the GLIAC's overall statistical rankings.

**GLIAC GAMES ON THE AIR:** Ferris' 2003-04 league games will be carried live by local radio station WBRN-1460 AM. Selected league contests can also be accessed live via the internet by clicking on the Bulldog Athletics Webcasts icon at [www.ferris.edu/sports](http://www.ferris.edu/sports).

**BETWEEN THE LINES:** "Between The Lines", a weekly television program profiling Ferris State University Athletics, airs across northern Michigan on WFOX-Fox 33 every Saturday at 3:30 p.m. (ET). The 30-minute program is hosted by **Phill Mooney** and produced in the studios of the University's cable Channel 7. FSU head coach **Tracey Fisk** will make appearances throughout the season. The show is also aired locally on the University's cable Channel 7 every Tuesday (7 p.m.) and Wednesday (8 p.m.).

### FSU CLINCHES BERTH:

Despite Saturday's loss, Ferris has clinched its fifth consecutive and sixth overall GLIAC Tournament berth. FSU could potentially host a quarterfinal round game Tuesday, March 2, by finishing either first or second in the North Division. The semifinals & finals will be held Friday and Saturday, March 5-6, at the site of the highest seed. FSU has posted a 3-5 (.375) mark to date in five previous tournament bids, including a runner-up finish in 1999-00.

### 2003-04 QUICK FACTS

Location:	Big Rapids, Mich.
Founded:	1884
Enrollment:	11,822
Nickname:	Bulldogs
Colors:	Crimson & Gold
Affiliation:	NCAA Division II
Conference:	Great Lakes Intercollegiate
President:	Dr. David L. Eisler
Athletics Director:	Tom Kirinovic
Asst. Athletics Director:	Brian Kegler
Head Trainer:	Dave Lucey, ATC
Assistant Trainer:	Tim Glover, ATC
Assistant Trainer:	Mike Blackburn, ATC
Equip. Manager:	Ben Mumah, E.M.,C.
Athletic Dep. Office:	(231) 591-2860
Athletic Dep. Fax:	(231) 591-2869
Head Coach:	Tracey Fisk
Alma Mater/Year:	Western Michigan/1996
Record at FSU/Year:	101-58/Sixth
Career Record/Years:	Same
Office Phone:	(231) 591-2878
Assistant Coach:	Justin Rees
Office Phone:	(231) 591-2867
Home Court:	Jim Wink Arena
Capacity:	2,400
2002-03 Overall Record:	15-11
2002-03 Conf. Record/Finish:	10-8/4th
All-Time Record:	354-383 (.480)
Letterwinners Ret./Lost:	Eight/Four
Website:	<a href="http://www.ferris.edu/sports">www.ferris.edu/sports</a>

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BULLDOG BITES

Lucy DeMartin currently has 1,557 career points and needs 16 more to match Monta Ware's (1979-83) school-record output of 1,573 career points.

DeMartin, who notched her 550th career made field goal at LSSU, presently has an active 54-game double-figure scoring streak .... Molly Potvin has reached double-figure scoring in 13 of her last 16 outings to date. She scored her 500th career point at Lake Superior State .... Sarah Duesing attained her 300th career point versus LSSU and needs nine rebounds to garner her 200th career board .... Senior forward Stephanie Benear (Howell) has missed the last two games due to an ankle injury sustained in practice last Tuesday (Feb. 10). Her status remains questionable. Benear needs 13 rebounds to garner her 300th career board ... The Bulldogs have registered eight of their 16 victories this campaign by five points or less and were unbeaten in those contests prior to Saturday's loss. Ferris has won 11 of its last 13 games decided by five points or less dating back to last season .... FSU's victory over SVSU was its 11th-straight series' triumph .... Junior guard/forward Lucie Cenkova (Prague, Czech Republic) tallied a personal career-best nine points versus SVSU.

LOOKING AHEAD: The Bulldogs will host Northern Michigan Thursday, Feb. 26, for a 6 p.m. (EST) league encounter at FSU's Jim Wink Arena in Big Rapids, Mich. Ferris then concludes the regular-season by hosting Michigan Tech Saturday, Feb. 28, with tipoff set for 1 p.m. (EST) at Wink Arena.

FSU PICKED THIRD: Ferris was picked to finish third in the 2003-04 GLIAC North Division Preseason Coaches Poll. The Bulldogs totaled 26 points and one first-place vote in the balloting by the GLIAC's head coaches. Grand Valley State was selected as the GLIAC North Division favorite while Wayne State took the South Division's top spot.

A Look At The Opponents

GRAND VALLEY STATE: GVSU holds a 42-20 advantage heading into this Monday's 63rd encounter although FSU has won two straight series' contests and posted a 76-72 victory in the last meeting (1/10/04) at Big Rapids, Mich. Grand Valley State is currently 10-12 overall and 7-7 in GLIAC after Saturday's (Feb. 14) 73-66 league home win over Saginaw Valley State. GVSU, which was picked to finish first in the 2003-04 GLIAC North Division Preseason Coaches Poll, is led in scoring by senior center Julie Zeeff (16.3 ppg). The Lakers have lost three of their last four games to date under second-year head coach Dawn Plitzuweit. GVSU was 24-7 overall during the 2002-03 campaign and placed second in the GLIAC North Division with a 13-5 mark en route to an NCAA-II Great Lakes Regional Tournament appearance. FSU head coach Tracey Fisk presently has a 8-4 career coaching record against the Lakers. The two teams split last season's two meetings as GVSU beat FSU 83-55 at Allendale, Mich. (1/18/03), and FSU won 75-69 (2/10/03) at Big Rapids, Mich.

NORTHWOOD: The Bulldogs maintain a 34-12 advantage heading into this Saturday's 47th series meeting. FSU has won 16 consecutive series' games and beat NU 79-53 in the last meeting (1/29/04) at Big Rapids, Mich. NU is presently 5-18 overall and 2-13 in the GLIAC heading into this Thursday's (Feb. 19) conference home game versus GVSU after last Saturday's (Feb. 14) 74-64 league loss at Northern Michigan. Fisk presently has a 11-0 career coaching record against the Timberwolves, who have lost their last six games this campaign to date. Northwood, which is led in scoring by sophomore guard Maureen Elliott (11.9 ppg), was 9-17 overall in 2002-03 and placed sixth (5-13) in the GLIAC's North Division. The Timberwolves, who are guided by fourth-year head coach Kelli Parker, were picked to finish sixth in the 2003-04 GLIAC North Division Preseason Coaches Poll.

2003-04 FSU WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ROSTER

Table with 7 columns: No., Name, Pos., Ht., Yr., Exp., Hometown/High School (College). Lists 15 players including Hailey Potter, Erin Miller, Lucie Cenkova, Sharon Smith, Sarah Duesing, Audrey Thwing, Lucy DeMartin (C), Stephanie Benear (C), Kristin Reinhart, Molly Potvin (C), Bridget Horwitz (C), Kelly McLaughlin, and Darcie Philp.

Head Coach: Tracey Fisk, sixth year (Western Michigan, 1996)
Volunteer Assistant Coach: Mike Peterson

Assistant Coach: Justin Rees (Barry, 1997)
Student Manager: Nicole Bridges

HS - High School T - Transfer (C) - Captain DNP - Did Not Play Last Season

2003-04 Season Trends

Table with 2 columns: SITUATION and FSU RECORD. Lists trends such as At home (.6-1), On the road (.6-5), Shoot over 50% from floor (.3-0), Opponent shoots over 50% from floor (.2-5), etc.

