



BASEBALL

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QUICK FACTS

- » During the last six years, 27 students, alumni and faculty members have received prestigious Fulbright Grants to teach and study in places such as Estonia, El Salvador, South Korea, Germany, Paraguay and Japan.
- » DePauw won the North Coast Athletic Conference all-sports championship in its first season of conference competition in 2011-12.
- » DePauw students and their Putnam County neighbors raised more than \$129,300 for the American Cancer Society during the 2012 Relay for Life.
- » The 2011 National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE), which focuses on first-year and senior students, indicates that DePauw is in the top 10 percent among peer institutions for academic challenge.
- » DePauw is ranked among the top smaller colleges and universities in the United States for sending students to study abroad, according to Open Doors 2009.
- » In the last five years, 70 students were accepted by Teach for America, a national not-for-profit organization that aims to end educational inequity.

ABOUT DEPAUW UNIVERSITY

- » DePauw University, founded in 1837, is a selective, national liberal arts university and school of music with more than 2,300 students. It is located 45 miles west of Indianapolis in Greencastle, Ind.
- » DePauw is a coeducational, wholly undergraduate, residential, liberal arts university. The University offers a Bachelor of Arts degree with majors in the arts, humanities, sciences and social sciences. In addition, there are three degree options within the School of Music.
- » Visitors are often struck by the overall beauty of the DePauw campus, which includes historic buildings, state-of-the-art facilities and a 520-acre Nature Park.
- » DePauw offers an excellent environment for teaching and learning with a student-to-faculty ratio of 10-to-1 and an average class size of 18.
- » A unique academic component at DePauw is Winter Term, which allows students to investigate learning in non-traditional ways. The month-long Winter Term takes place in January between semesters. Students may choose among internships, off-campus study tours with faculty, service trips, research, independent study, on-campus classes and projects at other universities. Winter Term fosters creativity and independence by providing room for experiential learning.
- » Ninety-five percent of DePauw students have an off-campus experience by the time they graduate. There is a broad range of off-campus study sites on six continents. *The Chronicle of Higher Education* ranked DePauw among America's top liberal arts colleges in the number of students who study off campus.
- » The University competes in the North Coast Athletic Conference and sponsors 23 NCAA Championship sports, including 12 for women and 11 for men. DePauw has finished in the top 50 of the Learfield Sports Directors' Cup Division III standings each of the last eight years and has finished in the top 20 four times.



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2013 SEASON OUTLOOK

The 2012 season was one of the best in the program's 146-year old history. The 34 wins were the second most in a DePauw season and earned the program a bid into the NCAA Division III Championship for the first time since 2001. The Tigers were equally as dominant in their first year of competition in the North Coast Athletic Conference by capturing the NCAC Western Division championship with a 12-4 conference record. Along the way, the 2012 squad broke or tied several program records, including highest national ranking (11th), longest winning streak (12 games), single-season hits, doubles, triples, RBIs, total bases, saves and fielding percentage (second in country).

In addition to team success, the 2012 season also included several great individual performances and breakout seasons. Eight players earned all-conference honors, three were named to D3baseball.com All-Mideast Region teams, two players earned ABCA/Rawlings regional Gold Glove Awards, and one player was named to the ABCA All-Mideast Region team.

The Tigers have high expectations for the 2013 season as they look to build upon

the success of last season. The offense will again be led by all-NCAC and all-region shortstop Zach Starr (.391 BA, 43 H, 6 HR, .627 slg%) and senior Jason Cohen (50 H, 12 2B, 4 3B, 38 RBI). All-NCAC and all-region second baseman Pat Lyons (.314, 48 H, 26 R, 28 RBI, .968 fld%) will join junior J.B. McCallum in the infield to round out a very good defensive group. Sophomore catchers Ryan Allee and Matt Dorsett will team up to manage the pitching staff and create one of the best catching duos in the conference. A veteran outfielder with solid offensive production includes senior Zach Galyean as well as juniors Brendon Pashia (all-NCAC and ABCA all-region) and Robbie Stein (all-NCAC). Sophomores Cory Meixner and Derek Asuras will also compete for significant time in the outfield and designated hitter spots. The 2013 Tigers will also look to a talented incoming class to complement the returners.

The Tigers graduated three pitchers and will rely on a young, yet talented group of

arms to lead the way in 2013. Senior Joe Wojda (3-1, 7 saves, 2.04 ERA) enjoyed a breakout year in 2012 and will once again be asked to slam the door at the end of games this season. Seniors Jordan Niespodziany and Conor Heneghan will provide a veteran presence and leadership for the staff. Junior Michael Chiaro (3.72 ERA, 4-3) leads all returners in games started and is ready to take on the role of staff ace, while sophomores Asuras, Jack Peck and Dylan Sheldon all emerged as big-game pitchers down the stretch. Juniors Alex Sroka, Casey Devlin, Pete Stuart, Sean Brennan, J.T. Timmer and Brendan Bolander will be joined by a dynamic group of incoming arms that will once again provide Coach Martin with an array of options and depth.

The Tigers will rely on the combination of great veteran leadership and youthful talent as they have their sights set on repeating as NCAC Western Division champions, winning the NCAC tournament and returning to the NCAA postseason.

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COACHING STAFF



JAKE MARTIN, head coach

Jake Martin begins his fourth year as head coach at DePauw, after serving the six previous years as the Tigers' top assistant. Martin led the 2012 team to a North Coast Athletic Conference Western Division championship and a runner-up finish in NCAC postseason tournament.

The 34 total wins ranked second in school history, and the program earned its first bid to the NCAA Championship since 2001. Martin was named the NCAC Coach of the Year and Mideast Region Coach of the Year by D3baseball.com. Under Martin's lead, the 2012 Tigers finished the season ranked in the top 25 in seven team categories, including runs, hits, doubles, triples, home runs, slugging percentage and fielding percentage. The .974 fielding percentage shattered the single-season record and ranked second in the country.

During his first year at the helm, Martin led the team to 26 wins and a second-place finish in the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference tournament, the Tigers' highest finish since 2001. The 2010 team set the school record for doubles and fielding percentage (11th in the country).

In his six years as an assistant with the Tigers, the program posted an overall record of 185-104, including a 68-27 mark in conference play. The team broke the school's all-time win record three times, including 35 in 2008, and averaged 27 wins per season during that span. As the team's hitting and base running instructor, Martin helped the Tiger offense rewrite the program's record book. They set single-season records for stolen bases, runs scored, home runs, RBIs and total bases, while the 2004 and 2008 squads posted the second- and third-highest batting averages in school history.

The Wabash College graduate played center field and pitched for the Little Giants, earning four varsity letters. Martin earned all-conference honors as a pitcher and outfielder and was named team MVP in 2001 and 2003. The Milroy, Ind., native earned a master's degree from Indiana State University. Martin, along with his wife, Katie, and daughter, Madison, reside in Plainfield, Ind.



MATT PUSTAY, assistant coach

Matt Pustay enters his third year as an assistant coach for the Tigers. Pustay serves as recruiting coordinator and works primarily with the catchers. The 2009 DePauw graduate was the Tigers' co-captain his senior year, earned three varsity letters and was a three-time recipient of the Palm-Up award, given each year to the player who most exemplifies selflessness and teamwork. The Granville, Ohio, native will receive his master's degree in communication this fall at Indiana State University and resides in Plainfield, Ind.

DePauw's baseball history

Baseball, beginning here in 1866, is the oldest intercollegiate program at DePauw. The tradition-rich program has included the likes of former Major League Baseball Commissioner and Hall of Famer Ford C. Frick '15 and major league executive Buzzy Bavasi '38.

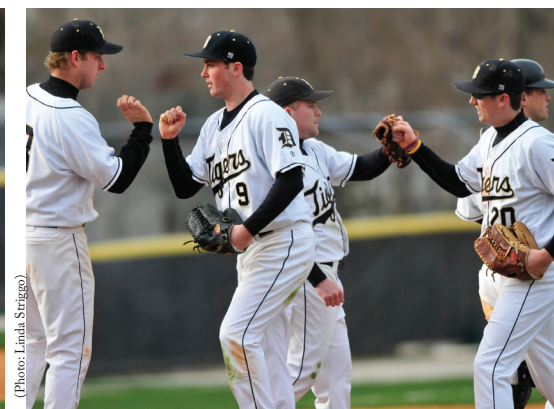


Baseball quick facts (since 2000)

- » Posted an overall record of 332-218 (.603)
- » Posted a conference record of 136-62 (.687)
- » Broke the school's all-time win record three times (35 wins in 2008)
- » Averaged more than 25 wins a season
- » Ranked as high as 11th in the nation (2012)
- » Earned trips to every conference tournament (2000-12)
- » Six regular season conference divisional championships (2000, 2001, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2012)
- » Conference tournament championship (2001)
- » Received a bid to the NCAA championship tournament (2001, 2012)
- » Finished ranked in the top eight of the NCAA Regional poll five times

The tradition continues

- » 2012 NCAA Tournament Appearance
- » 2012 NCAC Regular Season Divisional Champions
- » 2009 SCAC Regular Season Divisional Champions
- » 2008 SCAC Regular Season Divisional Champions
- » 2005 SCAC Regular Season Divisional Champions
- » 2001 NCAA Tournament Appearance
- » 2001 SCAC Tournament Champions
- » 2001 SCAC Regular Season Divisional Champions
- » 2000 SCAC Regular Season Divisional Champions



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THE CONFERENCE

After competing in the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (SCAC) for 13 years, the Tigers joined the North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) in the 2011-12 academic year. Consisting of Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa.; Denison University, Granville, Ohio; DePauw University, Greencastle, Ind.; Hiram College, Hiram, Ohio; Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio; Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio; Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio; Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Ind.; Wittenberg University, Springfield, Ohio; and The College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio; the NCAC believes that high-level athletic programs need not be sacrificed in order to meet rigorous academic standards.

A member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Division III, the NCAC features championship competition in 23 sports – 11 for men and 12 for women. The all-sports champion earns the Dennis M. Collins Award, presented annually to the school that performs the best across the NCAC's 23 sports. Men's and women's performances are combined, exemplifying the North Coast's commitment to equity and balance among programs. DePauw won the NCAC All-Sports championship in its first year of conference competition, extending its streak to seven straight all-sports trophies after winning six straight in the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference.



ATHLETIC FACILITIES

The Tigers are fortunate to have one of the best baseball complexes of any Division III school in the nation. Walker Field is a beautiful complex that sits down in the valley allowing its fans to watch the Tigers from the bleachers that are carved right into the large hills that surround the entire field to give it a bowl-like formation. Walker Field seats approximately 1,500 people, and it plays with 330-foot dimensions down the lines, 375 feet in the power alleys, and 400 feet to dead center.

As well as a beautiful playing surface, Walker Field has many attractive features:

- » two full-sized astroturf batting cages
- » eight-station hitting area
- » two regulation-sized bullpen mounds on both home and visitor sides with astroturf catching areas
- » entirely enclosed by eight-foot fence
- » 18 x 8-foot digital scoreboard
- » full-field underground watering system
- » 45-foot in-ground dugouts with water fountains
- » full infield tarpaulin
- » sound system

In DePauw's Lilly Center, you'll find two gymnasiums, locker facilities, multiple training rooms, a fitness center with free weights and aerobic equipment.

Completed in January 2001, the 132,500-square-foot indoor tennis and track center provides a state-of-the-art competition and practice venue for several of DePauw's athletic teams. The infield includes a competition area for field events and space for three basketball courts and two batting cages. Features such as drop-down netting allow practice opportunities for softball, baseball, field hockey, football, golf and soccer. The baseball team is able to lay out a regulation size infield and outfield for practice inside the facility.



"DePauw is a rare institution where you can achieve a strong balance between academics and athletics. At DePauw, you have the opportunity to experience the intellectual rigor of a nationally recognized liberal arts university while competing for a nationally ranked athletic program."

– Coach Jake Martin