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# Men's Soccer

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## Mid-Con Tournament MVP



**Beau Williams, UMKC  
Jr., GK, Prairie Village, Kan.**

Williams won Mid-Con Tournament MVP honors after helping the Kangaroos to their first-ever Mid-Con Tournament title, as well as the school's first berth in the NCAA Division I Men's Soccer Tournament. Williams kept Oakland scoreless for 150 minutes by making eight saves, then stopped the Golden Grizzlies' first penalty kick in a shootout. That paved the way for UMKC to win the shootout, 4-3. In the championship match, Williams made three saves and allowed only a penalty kick in the team's 2-1 win over IUPUI.

### 2001 Players of the Week

- Sept. 4: Armando Femia, IUPUI
- Sept. 10: Larry Scheller, UMKC
- Sept. 17: None chosen
- Sept. 24: Beau Williams, UMKC
- Oct. 1: Ben Higginbotham, IUPUI
- Oct. 8: Justin Langan, Western Illinois
- Oct. 15: Larry Scheller, UMKC
- Oct. 22: Sun Potter, Oral Roberts
- Oct. 29: Armando Femia, IUPUI
- Nov. 5: Scott Daly, Valparaiso
- Nov. 12: Robert Hillman, Oakland

## STANDINGS

	CONFERENCE							OVERALL							
	W	L	T	Pct.	Stk.	H	A	W	L	T	Pct.	Stk.	H	A	N
Oral Roberts*	3	2	0	.600	W3	2-1	1-1	6	11	1	.361	L1	4-4	2-4-1	0-3
Oakland*	3	2	0	.600	W1	1-1	2-1	8	6	3	.559	T1	4-1-1	3-4-1	1-1-1
UMKC*\$	3	2	0	.600	L2	1-1	2-1	12	7	1	.625	L1	3-2	4-5	5-0-1
IUPUI	2	2	1	.500	W1	2-0-1	0-2	9	10	2	.476	L1	5-2-2	1-7	3-1
Western Illinois	2	3	0	.400	L1	2-0	0-3	7	9	1	.441	L2	5-1	2-7-1	0-1
Valparaiso	1	3	1	.300	W1	1-2	0-1-1	6	10	1	.382	L1	3-5	3-3-1	0-2

\* Mid-Con regular-season champion \$ Mid-Con Tournament champion

## LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

### NCAA TOURNAMENT (at St. Louis, Mo.)

Friday, November 23

UMKC def. No. 19/21 UW-Milwaukee, 2-1 (OT)

### Sunday, November 25

No. 4/4 Saint Louis def. UMKC, 2-1

(Rankings are NSCAA/Soccer Times and as of Nov. 19)

## MID-CON TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### (at Tulsa, Okla.)

Friday, November 16

#### SEMIFINALS

Game 1 - No. 2 Oakland tied No. 3 UMKC, 0-0 (4OT)  
 (UMKC advances on PK's, 4-3)

Game 2 - No. 4 IUPUI def. No. 1 Oral Roberts, 2-0

### Sunday, November 18

#### CHAMPIONSHIP

Game 3 - No. 3 UMKC def. No. 4 IUPUI, 2-1

## 2001 Mid-Con All-Tournament Team

Sheldon Barrett, Oral Roberts	Ryan Rzepka, Oakland
Armando Femia, IUPUI	Scott Twellman, UMKC
Ben Higginbotham, IUPUI	Brandon Watermann, UMKC
Mike Jones, Oral Roberts	Beau Williams, UMKC (MVP)
Drew Perkins, UMKC	Brian Williams, Oakland
Justin Poehler, IUPUI	



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## AROUND THE MID-CON...

**IUPUI (9-10-2, 2-2-1 Mid-Con):** IUPUI upset top seed Oral Roberts (2-0) in the semifinals before losing to UMKC (2-1) in the championship... Armando Femia, Ben Higginbotham and Greg Weiler were first-team honorees on the all-conference team... the first two joined Justin Poehler on the all-tournament team.

**UMKC (11-6-1, 3-2 Mid-Con):** The Kangaroos won their first-ever Mid-Con Tournament title, which earned them their first trip to the NCAA Division I Tourney... UMKC tied Oakland, 0-0, in four overtimes in the semifinals, but advanced in a penalty kick shootout, 4-3... Mid-Con Tournament MVP Beau Williams was joined on the all-tournament team by Drew Perkins, Scott Twellman and Brandon Watermann... Larry Scheller, the Mid-Con Player of the Year, was joined by Jason Woods on the all-conference first team... Dan Hilson, Scott Kaiser, Brian Soell and Eric Zobrist were second-teamers... Rick Benben was named the Mid-Con Coach of the Year... UMKC, which reached as high No. 4 in the NSCAA Midwest Region poll in 2001, posted the Mid-Con's first-ever NCAA Tournament win in men's soccer... the Kangaroos topped No. 19/21 UW-Milwaukee, 2-1, in overtime on a Woods score... UMKC played No. 4/4 Saint Louis tough in the next round on the road, but fell to the Billikens, 2-1.

**Oakland (8-6-3, 3-2 Mid-Con):** The Golden Grizzlies tied UMKC, 0-0, in four overtimes in the Mid-Con Tournament semifinals, but lost in a penalty kick shootout, 4-3... Inge Pedersen was named to the all-conference first team, while Mike Skolnik, Philip Braathen and Anders Vollen were second-teamers... Ryan Rzepka and Brian Williams were named to the all-tournament team.

**Oral Roberts (6-11-1, 3-2 Mid-Con):** Oral Roberts, the top seed in the Mid-Con Tournament, lost to No. 4 IUPUI in the semifinals... Sun Potter and Trey Vaut were both honored on the all-conference first team, while Hector Zapata and Wade Smith were cited on the second team... Potter was also named the Mid-Con Newcomer of the Year... Sheldon Barrett and Mike Jones were named to the all-tournament team.

**Valparaiso (6-10-1, 1-3-1 Mid-Con):** The Crusaders failed to qualify for the Mid-Con Tournament for the second straight season... Scott Daly was named to the All Mid-Con first team... he finished up third on the school's career goals (25) and points (56) lists.

**Western Illinois (7-9-1, 2-3 Mid-Con):** The Leathernecks failed to qualify for the Mid-Con Tourney... Ryan Cavanaugh and Justin Langan were first-team all-conference honorees, while Jason Schroeder and Richard Valente were named to the second team.

## UMKC CAPTURES MID-CON'S FIRST NCAA MEN'S SOCCER TOURNAMENT WIN

UMKC posted a historic win in the first round of the 2001 NCAA Men's Soccer Tournament. The Kangaroos, who were appearing in their first-ever NCAA Tournament, topped Horizon League regular-season champion UW-Milwaukee, 2-1, in overtime. After Drew Perkins tied the game in the middle of the second half, Jason Woods gave UMKC the win with a score in the latter portion of the first overtime period. The win was UMKC's first of the season against a ranked opponent (UW-Milwaukee was ranked 19th in the NSCAA poll, and 21st by Soccer Times). The Kangaroos took a lead against No. 4/4 Saint Louis early in the second half, but ended up falling to the host Billikens, 2-1. UMKC's postseason improved the Mid-Con's all-time record in the NCAA Tournament to 1-5.

## UMKC WINS FIRST-EVER MID-CON TOURNAMENT, EARNS FIRST NCAA BERTH

The UMKC men's soccer team pulled off a couple of firsts in the Mid-Continent Conference Men's Soccer Tournament. The third-seeded Kangaroos, who shared the Mid-Con regular-season title with Oral Roberts and Oakland, won their first-ever Mid-Con Tournament after surviving a four-overtime, penalty kick shootout against Oakland in the semifinals, and beating IUPUI in the championship match. By winning the Mid-Con Tournament, UMKC also earned its first-ever trip to the NCAA Division I Men's Soccer Tournament. The Kangaroos also earned the league's first automatic berth to the NCAA Tournament, and the Mid-Con's fifth berth overall in 19 years.

## UMKC'S SCHELLER NAMED PLAYER OF THE YEAR, BENBEN EARNS TOP COACH AWARD

UMKC senior standout Larry Scheller was honored as the Mid-Con Player of the Year after leading the league in scoring. Scheller has tallied 11 goals and two assists for 24 points heading into the NCAA Tournament, and currently ranks second on the school's season goals scored and points list, third on the career goals scored (17) list, and fourth on its points (39) list. Scheller was joined on the All Mid-Con first team by teammate Jason Woods, while fellow Kangaroos Dan Hilson, Scott Kaiser, Brian Soell and Eric Zobrist were named to the second team. In addition, UMKC head coach Rick Benben was named the Mid-Con Coach of the Year for the second time in three years.

## BALANCE? THE MID-CON'S GOT IT

The six Mid-Con men's soccer teams were a balanced bunch this season. Though many facts and figures could illustrate this point, two drive it home: the six teams finished within a game-and-a-half of each other in the final standings, and all six teams placed at least one player on the all-conference first team. The Mid-Con posted a 32-37-5 record (.466) in non-conference play this season, including a 25-37-5 (.410) mark against Division I foes.

## NCAA TOURNAMENT TIDBITS

UMKC made its first-ever trip to the NCAA Tournament, and became the second league team in as many years to make its maiden voyage to the NCAA's (IUPUI did it in 2000)... Mid-Con teams combined to go 6-14 against the NCAA Tournament field this season, including UMKC's 2-1 win in overtime against UW-Milwaukee in the NCAA Tournament.

## MID-CON VS. RANKED NON-CONFERENCE OPPONENTS (as of 12/3/01)

	NSCAA			Soccer Times	
	Top 10	Top 25	Region	Top 10	Top 25
IUPUI	0-1	0-1	0-4	0-1	0-2
UMKC	0-1	1-1	2-1	0-1	1-1
Oakland	0-0	1-1	1-3-1	0-0	1-2
Oral Roberts	0-0	0-0	0-3	0-0	0-0
Valparaiso	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	1-0
Western Illinois	0-1	0-1	1-3	0-1	0-1
<b>Total</b>	<b>0-3</b>	<b>2-4</b>	<b>4-15-1</b>	<b>0-3</b>	<b>2-6</b>

## MID-CON AGAINST NON-CONFERENCE OPPONENTS (as of 12/3/01)

Mid-Con men's soccer teams posted a 32-37-5 (.466) record against non-conference opponents this season, including a 25-37-5 (.410) record against NCAA Division I opponents.

	vs. Division I	vs. Non-Division I	Total
IUPUI	5-7-1	1-0	6-7-1
UMKC	6-5	2-0	8-5
Oakland	4-4-2	1-0	5-4-2
Oral Roberts	1-8-1	2-0	3-8-1
Valparaiso	5-7	0-0	5-7
Western Illinois	4-6-1	1-0	5-6-1
<b>Total</b>	<b>25-37-5</b>	<b>7-0</b>	<b>32-37-5</b>

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## NSCAA TOP 25 POLL

(as of Nov. 19, 2001)

School	Record
1. SMU	19-0-0
2. Stanford	16-1-1
3. Virginia	17-1-1
<b>4. Saint Louis</b>	<b>16-1-0</b>
<b>5. Indiana</b>	<b>14-3-1</b>
6. Clemson	17-4-0
7. St. John's	14-2-3
8. North Carolina	16-4-0
9. Connecticut	15-4-2
10. Washington	13-5-0
11. Loyola (Md.)	16-1-2
12. Princeton	10-2-5
13. San Diego	12-3-1
14. South Carolina	12-4-2
15. Wake Forest	13-5-2
16. Rutgers	13-6-3
17. Penn State	13-4-1
<b>18. Notre Dame</b>	<b>12-6-0</b>
<b>19. UW-Milwaukee</b>	<b>18-4-0</b>
20. Harvard	10-4-1
<b>21. Portland</b>	<b>10-5-1</b>
22. Cornell	9-4-3
23. UAB	13-5-0
t-24. Massachusetts	14-5-1
James Madison	12-5-1

RECEIVING VOTES: UCLA, Creighton

**Boldface indicates Mid-Con opponent in 2001**

## SOCCER TIMES TOP 25 POLL

(as of Nov. 12, 2001)

School	Record	Points
1. SMU (10)	17-0-0	298
2. Virginia (2)	16-0-1	290
3. Stanford	14-1-1	268
<b>4. Saint Louis</b>	<b>14-1-0</b>	<b>267</b>
<b>5. Indiana</b>	<b>14-3-1</b>	<b>244</b>
6. North Carolina	15-3-0	243
7. Connecticut	14-3-2	226
8. St. John's	12-2-3	216
9. Clemson	14-4-0	209
10. Washington	14-3-0	183
11. Rutgers	13-5-3	159
12. Wake Forest	13-4-1	158
13. Loyola (Md.)	15-1-2	132
14. South Carolina	11-4-2	129
15. San Diego	10-3-1	124
16. Princeton	10-2-5	107
<b>t-17. Notre Dame</b>	<b>12-5-0</b>	<b>94</b>
Penn State	13-4-1	94
<b>19. Portland</b>	<b>11-5-1</b>	<b>89</b>
20. UAB	13-4-0	85
<b>21. UW-Milwaukee</b>	<b>17-3-0</b>	<b>81</b>
22. UCLA	10-6-4	62
23. Furman	14-4-0	57
24. Harvard	10-3-1	28
25. James Madison	10-5-1	24

RECEIVING VOTES: Creighton 11, Massachusetts 8, Boston University 6, **Ohio State 6**, Fairfield 5, Cornell 3, Fairleigh Dickinson 3, Illinois-Chicago 3, Maryland 3, **Kentucky 2**, Loyola Marymount 2, **Gonzaga 1**, **Michigan State 1**

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## 2001 Mid-Con Men's Soccer Preseason Poll

School	Pts
1. UMKC (3)	7
2. Western Illinois (2)	10
3. Oakland	12
4. IUPUI (1)	16
5. Oral Roberts	20
6. Valparaiso	25

(first place votes in parentheses)

## MID-CON COACHING RECORDS (as of 12/3/01)

Of the six Mid-Con men's soccer coaches, five are serving in their initial NCAA men's soccer head coaching job. Included in those five is Oakland's Gary Parsons, whose teams have won nearly 75% of their matches in 20 years. Only Western Illinois' Eric Johnson held an NCAA men's soccer head coaching job before arriving at his current job.

	School	Win %	Career	Win %
<b>IUPUI</b>				
Steve Franklin (7th year)	70-58-6	.545	70-58-6	.545
<b>UMKC</b>				
Rick Benben (4th year)	37-37-1	.500	37-37-1	.500
<b>OAKLAND</b>				
Gary Parsons (21st year)	289-88-39	.742	289-88-39	.742
<b>ORAL ROBERTS</b>				
Steve Hayes (3rd year)	28-43-3	.399	28-43-3	.399
<b>VALPARAISO</b>				
Mis Mrak (11th year)	52-137-12	.289	52-137-12	.289
<b>WESTERN ILLINOIS</b>				
Eric Johnson (5th year)	33-55-3	.379	76-108-8	.417

## MID-CON: HOME, ROAD AND NEUTRAL (as of 12/3/01)

Mid-Con teams combined to post a 24-15-3 (.607) record at home, and a 16-30-4 (.360) record on the road.

	Home	Streak	Away	Streak	Neutral	Streak
IUPUI	5-2-2	W1	2-7	W1	2-0	W2
UMKC	3-2	L1	4-5	L2	5-0-1	W2
Oakland	4-1-1	W1	3-4-1	W2	1-1-1	T1
Oral Roberts	4-4	L1	2-4-1	T1	0-3	L3
Valparaiso	3-5	L1	3-3-1	L1	0-2	L2
Western Illinois	5-1	W5	2-7-1	L3	0-1	L1
<b>Total</b>	<b>24-15-3</b>		<b>16-30-4</b>		<b>8-7-2</b>	
<b>Non-Conference</b>	<b>15-10-2</b>		<b>11-21-3</b>		<b>8-7-2</b>	

## 2001 Non-Conference Schedule & Results

### ATLANTIC 10 (3-1)

IUPUI def. St. Bonaventure, 1-0  
IUPUI def. Duquesne, 2-0  
Dayton def. Oakland, 2-1 (20T)  
Valparaiso def. Xavier, 3-1

### ATLANTIC SOCCER (0-1)

Florida International def. IUPUI, 2-0

### ATLANTIC SUN (1-2)

Stetson def. Oral Roberts, 4-3 (20T)  
Central Florida def. Oral Roberts, 1-0  
IUPUI def. Central Florida, 1-0

### BIG EAST (0-1)

No. NR/24 Notre Dame def. IUPUI, 4-0

### BIG TEN (1-7-1)

Michigan State def. Valparaiso, 3-2  
Oakland tied Michigan, 2-2 (20T)  
Western Illinois def. Northwestern, 2-1  
Michigan State def. Oakland, 4-1  
No. 20/20 Ohio State def. Oakland, 1-0  
Wisconsin def. IUPUI, 4-2  
Michigan State def. IUPUI, 1-0  
No. 4/5 Indiana def. IUPUI, 6-0  
Northwestern def. Valparaiso, 1-0

### CONFERENCE USA (4-3-1)

Western Illinois tied Cincinnati, 0-0 (20T)  
Oakland def. Marquette, 1-0  
Marquette def. Valparaiso, 4-0  
Western Illinois def. DePaul, 2-0  
No. 5/4 Saint Louis def. Western Illinois, 2-0  
Valparaiso def. DePaul, 4-2  
IUPUI def. Louisville, 2-0  
No. 4/4 Saint Louis def. UMKC, 2-1  
Oral Roberts at TCU, cancelled  
Cincinnati at Oakland, cancelled

### HORIZON (3-5-3)

Wright State def. Western Illinois, 3-0  
Wright State def. IUPUI, 1-0  
Valparaiso def. Butler, 1-0  
Oakland tied Detroit, 0-0 (20T)  
IUPUI def. Butler, 2-0  
IUPUI tied UW-Green Bay, 0-0 (20T)  
Butler def. UMKC, 5-0  
Detroit def. Valparaiso, 3-1  
Oral Roberts tied Detroit, 1-1 (20T)  
Loyola def. Valparaiso, 1-0 (OT)  
UMKC def. No. 19/21 UW-Milwaukee, 2-1 (OT)

### MID-AMERICAN (3-1)

UMKC def. Western Michigan, 5-0  
Kentucky def. IUPUI, 1-0  
Oakland def. No. 15/24 Akron, 2-1  
Oakland def. Western Michigan, 2-1 (20T)

### MISSOURI VALLEY (3-6)

Valparaiso def. No. NR/25 Bradley, 4-3  
Tulsa def. Western Illinois, 3-2 (OT)  
Western Illinois def. SW Missouri State, 2-1  
Tulsa def. Oral Roberts, 2-0  
UMKC def. Drake, 3-0  
Bradley def. Western Illinois, 2-1  
Drake def. Western Illinois, 4-2  
Eastern Illinois def. Western Illinois, 5-2  
Drake def. Oral Roberts, 5-1  
Evansville at Valparaiso, Nov. 14 (resched., 9/14)  
Tulsa at UMKC, cancelled  
Eastern Illinois at IUPUI, cancelled

### MOUNTAIN PACIFIC SPORTS FED. (2-3)

New Mexico def. Oral Roberts, 3-2 (OT)  
Oakland def. New Mexico, 1-0  
UMKC def. New Mexico, 3-0  
Denver def. UMKC, 2-1 (20T)

### PACIFIC-10 (1-0)

Valparaiso def. Oregon State, 2-1

### SOUTHERN (0-1)

Georgia Southern def. Oral Roberts, 3-1

### WEST COAST (0-2)

No. NR/24 Portland def. Oakland, 3-0  
Gonzaga def. Valparaiso, 2-0

### NCAA DIVISION I INDEPENDENTS (4-4)

Drury def. Valparaiso, 2-0  
Centenary def. Oral Roberts, 2-1  
UMKC def. Centenary, 4-0  
Centenary def. Oral Roberts, 4-2  
Western Illinois def. Drury, 5-0  
UMKC def. Drury, 2-0  
Oral Roberts def. Drury, 3-1  
Drury def. UMKC, 1-0  
Centenary at Western Illinois, cancelled

### NON-DIVISION I (7-0)

UMKC def. IPFW, 6-1  
IUPUI def. IPFW, 1-0  
Oral Roberts def. Northeastern State, 8-0  
Oakland def. IPFW, 1-0  
Western Illinois def. IPFW, 3-2  
Oral Roberts def. Northeastern State, 2-1  
UMKC def. Rockhurst, 3-2

**OVERALL NON-CONFERENCE RECORD:**  
**32-37-5 (.466)**

**DIVISION I NON-CONFERENCE RECORD:**  
**25-37-5 (.410)**

Rankings are NSCAA/Soccer Times and are current to the date that the match was played

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## 2000 MID-CON WRAP-UP

	MID-CON				OVERALL			
	W	L	T	Pct.	W	L	T	Pct.
Western Illinois*	4	1	0	.800	10	7	1	.583
Oakland*	4	1	0	.800	12	6	1	.658
UMKC	2	3	0	.400	8	10	0	.444
IUPUI\$	2	3	0	.400	11	9	2	.545
Oral Roberts	2	3	0	.400	7	9	1	.441
Valparaiso	1	4	0	.200	5	10	0	.333

\* Mid-Con Regular-Season Champion

\$ Mid-Con Tournament Champion

## MID-CON TOURNAMENT (at Macomb, Ill.)

### SEMIFINALS

(4) IUPUI def. (1) Western Illinois, 1-0  
 (2) Oakland def. (3) UMKC, 4-3 (2OT)

### CHAMPIONSHIP

(4) IUPUI def. (2) Oakland, 2-1 (3OT)

### PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Troy Markin, Western Illinois

### NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR

Justin Langan, Western Illinois

### COACH OF THE YEAR

Eric Johnson, Western Illinois

### TOURNAMENT MVP

Armando Femia, IUPUI

## MID-CON IN OVERTIME MATCHES (as of 12/3/01)

Mid-Con men's soccer teams posted a 3-6-9 (.417) record in overtime matches this season.

	OT Record		OT Record
IUPUI	0-0-2	UMKC	2-1-1
Oakland	1-1-3	Oral Roberts	0-2-1
Valparaiso	0-1-1	Western Illinois	0-1-1

## MID-CON RECEIVES AUTOMATIC BID TO NCAA TOURNEY

For the first time since the league began sponsoring men's soccer in 1983, the league received an automatic bid to the NCAA Men's Soccer Tournament. The NCAA announced in late August that the tournament field for men's soccer would be expanded to 48 teams, which gave the Mid-Con an automatic bid. The Mid-Con had an opportunity to advance to the NCAA Tournament through an NCAA Play-In match each year since 1994, but only Howard (1997) and IUPUI (2000) did so. In its 19 years of men's soccer, the Mid-Con has sent five teams to the NCAA Tournament, including UMKC, which earned the automatic berth this season.

## UMKC'S SCHELLER PULLS OFF RARE HAT TRICK

UMKC forward Larry Scheller enjoyed a very successful weekend at the Drury Puma Classic in September, but part of his goal-scoring outburst made school history. One day after netting the game-winning goal in a 5-0 win over Western Michigan, Scheller netted a hat trick in a 6-1 win over IPFW. Scheller's collection of goals was just the third hat trick in school history, and tied school single-game marks for goals and points (6). Scheller earned Mid-Con Player of the Week honors for his efforts.

## UMKC RECORDS BEST START IN SCHOOL HISTORY

The UMKC men's soccer team got off to the best start in school history in 2001, posting five wins in its first six contests. The Kangaroos outscored their opponents by a 21-2 margin during that span and reached as high as fifth in the NSCAA Midwest Region rankings during the week of September 24.

## UMKC PICKED TO WIN MID-CON SOCCER TITLE IN PRESEASON POLL

Despite the fact it finished with a sub-.500 record in conference play last season and was defeated in the first round of the 2000 Mid-Con Men's Soccer Tournament, UMKC was chosen as the team to beat in the preseason poll of Mid-Con coaches. The Kangaroos return 10 starters from last year's team, including four all-conference selections. Western Illinois, which tied for the Mid-Con regular-season crown last year, received two first-place votes, finishing second in the polling. Oakland, which shared that regular-season title with Western Illinois last year, finished third in the poll, while 2000 Mid-Con Tourney champion and NCAA Tournament participant IUPUI garnered one first-place vote and finished fourth in the poll. Oral Roberts and Valparaiso were fifth and sixth, respectively.

## WESTERN ILLINOIS' LANGAN CAN'T STOP SCORING

Western Illinois' Justin Langan performed double duty for the Leatherneck football and soccer teams. In a 5-2 loss at Eastern Illinois, Langan scored his second goal of the season. He traded his shinguards for shoulder pads on Saturday, booting three extra points and tying a school record with three second-half field goal in Western Illinois' 38-21 victory over Southern Illinois on Sept. 29, which earned him Gateway Football Conference Special Teams Player of the Week honors. Finally, Langan returned to the soccer field on Sunday in a 3-2 win over IPFW on Sept. 30. He scored the team's first goal on a spectacular bicycle kick early, then assisted on two goals later, including Mike Smith's game-winner in the 87th minute.

## VALPARAISO PROVES THERE'S A FIRST TIME FOR EVERYTHING, BEATS STATE-RIVAL BUTLER

Valparaiso had played state-rival Butler five times before Sept. 9's match in Valparaiso, and the Crusaders had lost all five times by a combined score of 23-1. The two teams had not met since 1993, when Butler won 6-0. However, Valparaiso proved there's a first time for everything, as they used Scott Daly's goal in the 83rd minute to take away a 1-0 win over the Bulldogs, who ended up winning the Horizon League title.

## MID-CON SEES FOURTH TEAM EARN REGIONAL RANKING

The Mid-Con is beginning to establish itself as a pretty decent men's soccer conference. Last season, five of the league's six teams earned a regional ranking from the NSCAA, and this year, four squads achieved that feat. Oakland spent a couple of weeks ranked in the Great Lakes Region, and IUPUI made an appearance in that same poll for a week. UMKC held steady in the Midwest Region rankings since the beginning of the season, and Western Illinois debuted in the poll during the week of October 8.

## OAKLAND POSTS WIN OVER NO. 15/24 AKRON

Head coach Gary Parsons has a very young team at Oakland this year, but the Golden Grizzlies earned one of the league's top wins this season at home against Akron. The Zips came in the game ranked 15th in the NSCAA poll and 24th by Soccer Times, but Oakland emerged victorious by a 2-1 score, thanks to Michael Martin's first career goal.

# 2001 Mid-Con Men's Soccer Team-by-Team Results

## IUPUI (9-10-2, 2-2-1 Mid-Con)

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Game-Winning Goal
Sept. 1	at St. Bonaventure	W 1-0	Matt Hodges
Sept. 2	vs. Duquesne\$	W 2-0	Ben Higginbotham
Sept. 9	at Wright State	L 1-0	
Sept. 16	EASTERN ILLINOIS	cancelled	
Sept. 18	IPFW	W 1-0	Mike Madaj
Sept. 21	at Florida International	L 2-0	
Sept. 23	vs. Central Florida%	W 1-0	Matt Hodges
Sept. 26	BUTLER	W 2-0	Matt Hodges
Sept. 28	ORAL ROBERTS*	W 2-1	Justin Poehler
Oct. 5	at Western Illinois*	L 2-1	
Oct. 7	KENTUCKY	L 1-0	
Oct. 13	at Oakland*	L 3-1	
Oct. 14	UW-GREEN BAY	T 0-0 (20T)	
Oct. 19	at Wisconsin	L 4-2	
Oct. 21	VALPARAISO*	T 1-1 (20T)	
Oct. 27	UMKC*	W 1-0	Ben Higginbotham
Oct. 30	at No. NR/24 Notre Dame	L 4-0	
Nov. 2	MICHIGAN STATE	L 1-0	
Nov. 4	at No. 4/5 Indiana	L 6-0	
Nov. 8	LOUISVILLE	W 2-0	Vince Odoriso
Nov. 16	at Oral Roberts!	W 2-0	Justin Poehler
Nov. 18	vs. UMKC!	L 2-1	

\$ at St. Bonaventure, N.Y. % at Miami, Fla. \* Mid-Con match ! at Mid-Con Tournament; Tulsa, Okla.

## UMKC (12-7-1, 3-2 Mid-Con)

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Game-Winning Goal
Sept. 3	at UC Irvine	L 1-0	
Sept. 7	vs. Western Michigan\$	W 5-0	Larry Scheller
Sept. 8	vs. IPFW\$	W 6-1	Larry Scheller
Sept. 15	TULSA	postponed	
Sept. 19	at Drake	W 3-0	Tony Avery
Sept. 23	CENTENARY	W 4-0	Brian Soell
Sept. 28	vs. New Mexico%	W 3-0	John Clark
Sept. 30	at Denver	L 2-1 (20T)	
Oct. 5	at Oral Roberts*	W 2-1	Dan Hilson
Oct. 12	at Valparaiso*	W 4-2	Larry Scheller
Oct. 14	at Butler	L 5-0	
Oct. 20	WESTERN ILLINOIS*	W 2-1 (20T)	None - Own Goal
Oct. 24	at Drury	W 2-0	Larry Scheller
Oct. 27	at IUPUI*	L 1-0	
Nov. 3	OAKLAND*	L 2-1	
Nov. 4	ROCKHURST	W 3-2	Drew Perkins
Nov. 10	DRURY	L 1-0	
Nov. 16	vs. Oakland!	T 0-0 (40T)	(Advanced on PK's, 4-3)
Nov. 18	vs. IUPUI!	W 2-1	Drew Perkins
Nov. 23	vs. No. 19/21 UW-Milwaukee (NCAA)	W 2-1 (OT)	Jason Woods
Nov. 25	at No. 4/4 Saint Louis (NCAA)	L 2-1	

\$ at Springfield, Mo. \* Mid-Con match ! at Mid-Con Tournament; Tulsa, Okla. (NCAA) at NCAA Tournament; St. Louis, Mo.

## OAKLAND (8-6-3, 3-2 Mid-Con)

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Game-Winning Goal
Sept. 1	MARQUETTE	W 1-0	Ryan Rzepka
Sept. 7	at Dayton	L 2-1 (20T)	
Sept. 15	CINCINNATI	postponed	
Sept. 18	at Detroit	T 0-0 (20T)	
Sept. 21	vs. NR/24 Portland\$	L 3-0	
Sept. 23	vs. New Mexico\$	W 1-0	Marcus Halland
Sept. 28	IPFW	W 1-0	Inge Pedersen
Oct. 3	MICHIGAN	T 2-2 (20T)	
Oct. 6	at Valparaiso*	W 1-0	Chris King
Oct. 10	at Michigan State	L 4-1	
Oct. 13	IUPUI*	W 3-1	Marcus Halland
Oct. 17	at No. 20/20 Ohio State	L 1-0	
Oct. 20	ORAL ROBERTS*	L 1-0	
Oct. 26	at Western Illinois*	L 1-0	
Oct. 28	No. 15/24 AKRON	W 2-1	Michael Martin
Nov. 3	at UMKC*	W 2-1	Anders Vollen
Nov. 6	at Western Michigan	W 2-1 (20T)	Michael Martin
Nov. 16	vs. UMKC!	T 0-0 (40T)	(Lost in PK's, 4-3)

\$ at Evansville, Ind. \* Mid-Con match ! at Mid-Con Tournament; Tulsa, Okla.

## ORAL ROBERTS (6-11-1, 3-2 Mid-Con)

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Game-Winning Goal
Aug. 31	vs. New Mexico\$	L 3-2 (OT)	
Sept. 2	vs. Georgia Southern\$	L 3-1	
Sept. 7	at Stetson	L 4-3 (20T)	
Sept. 9	vs. Central Florida%	L 1-0	
Sept. 14	at TCU	cancelled	
Sept. 18	at Tulsa	L 2-0	
Sept. 21	CENTENARY	L 2-1	
Sept. 25	NORTHEASTERN STATE	W 8-0	Steve McCarthy
Sept. 28	at IUPUI*	L 2-1	
Sept. 30	DRAKE	L 5-1	
Oct. 5	UMKC*	L 2-1	
Oct. 7	at Centenary	L 4-2	
Oct. 12	WESTERN ILLINOIS*	W 3-2	Sun Potter
Oct. 16	at Northeastern State	W 2-1	Trey Vaut
Oct. 20	at Oakland*	W 1-0	Sun Potter
Oct. 21	at Detroit	T 1-1 (20T)	
Oct. 26	VALPARAISO*	W 4-0	Mike Jones
Nov. 2	DRURY	W 3-1	Chris Daniels
Nov. 16	IUPUI!	L 2-0	

\$ at Shreveport, La. % at DeLand, Fla. \* Mid-Con match ! Mid-Con Tournament; Tulsa, Okla.

## VALPARAISO (6-10-1, 1-3-1 Mid-Con)

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Game-Winning Goal
Aug. 31	at No. NR/25 Bradley	W 4-3	Scott Daly
Sept. 1	vs. Drury\$	L 2-0	
Sept. 7	at Marquette	L 4-0	
Sept. 9	BUTLER	W 1-0	Scott Daly
Sept. 21	MICHIGAN STATE	L 3-2	
Sept. 23	at Xavier	W 3-1	Billy Wanecke
Sept. 28	at Oregon State	W 2-1	Ben Olson
Sept. 30	vs. Gonzaga%	L 2-0	
Oct. 6	OAKLAND*	L 1-0	
Oct. 12	UMKC*	L 4-2	
Oct. 14	at Detroit	L 3-1	
Oct. 21	at IUPUI*	T 1-1 (20T)	
Oct. 26	at Oral Roberts*	L 4-0	
Oct. 28	LOYOLA (ILL.)	L 1-0 (OT)	
Nov. 2	DePAUL	W 4-2	Scott Daly
Nov. 4	WESTERN ILLINOIS*	W 2-1	Scott Daly
Nov. 11	NORTHWESTERN	L 1-0	
Nov. 14	EVANSVILLE	cancelled	

\$ at Morton, Ill. % at Corvallis, Ore. \* Mid-Con match

## WESTERN ILLINOIS (7-9-1, 2-3 Mid-Con)

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Game-Winning Goal
Aug. 31	at Cincinnati	T 0-0 (20T)	
Sept. 2	at Wright State	L 3-0	
Sept. 7	vs. Tulsa\$	L 3-2 (OT)	
Sept. 9	at SW Missouri State	W 2-1	Lorenzo Zignago
Sept. 16	CENTENARY	cancelled	
Sept. 19	BRADLEY	L 2-1	
Sept. 23	at Drake	L 4-2	
Sept. 26	at Eastern Illinois	L 5-2	
Sept. 29	DePAUL	W 2-0	Mike Smith
Sept. 30	IPFW	W 3-2	Mike Smith
Oct. 5	IUPUI*	W 2-1	Justin Langan
Oct. 7	at Northwestern	W 2-1	Jason Schroeder
Oct. 12	at Oral Roberts*	L 3-2	
Oct. 20	at UMKC*	L 2-1 (20T)	
Oct. 21	DRURY	W 5-0	Justin Langan
Oct. 26	OAKLAND*	W 1-0	Ryan Cavanaugh
Oct. 31	at No. 5/4 Saint Louis	L 2-0	
Nov. 4	at Valparaiso*	L 2-1	

\$ at Springfield, Mo. \* Mid-Con match