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North Central Conference Cup

Augustana Holds Slim Lead For North Central Conference Cup

Augustana benefited from a strong fall season to lead the standings for the North Central Conference Cup after the fall season. The Vikings won two conference championships, finished second once and had two thirds (one tied) in the fall season to edge second-place Minnesota State by a 1/2-point margin.

Augustana holds a 3.5-point lead in the Women's All-Sports Trophy standings with 21.5 points. The Vikings won the women's cross country and golf championships, finished tied for third in volleyball and fourth in golf during the fall season. Nebraska-Omaha, the three-time reigning Women's All-Sports Trophy winner, is second in the standings with 18 points while Minnesota State is close behind with a tally of 17.5 points. Minnesota State won the soccer championship. Minnesota Duluth, in fourth place with 16 points, claimed the remaining fall championship (volleyball).

Minnesota State won the cross country title and finished second in golf and tied for fifth in football on the men's side to lead the Men's All-Sports Trophy standings by 3 1/2-point margin over a three-way tie of Augustana, North Dakota and South Dakota. None of the second place teams claimed an NCC title in the fall, but Augustana had a second-place (cross country) and third-place (golf) finish while North Dakota placed second in football and South Dakota had fourth-place finishes in each of the fall championships. St. Cloud State claimed the men's golf title while Nebraska-Omaha hoisted the trophy as football champions.

This season marks the fifth time that The North Central Conference Cup is being awarded. The recipient of the Cup is determined by adding together the points received in the Men's and Women's All-Sports Trophy standings. Complete standings for the Men's and Women's All-Sports Trophy through the fall season can be found on page two of this release.

Here are the 2007-08 North Central Conference Cup standings through the fall season:

	<i>Fall</i>		<i>Winter</i>		<i>Spring</i>		Total
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	
Augustana	11	21.5	-	-	-	-	32.5
Minnesota State	14.5	17.5	-	-	-	-	32
Nebraska-Omaha	9	18	-	-	-	-	27
Minnesota Duluth	8.5	16	-	-	-	-	24.5
North Dakota	11	13	-	-	-	-	24
South Dakota	11	13	-	-	-	-	24
St. Cloud State	7.5	6	-	-	-	-	13.5

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2007-08 North Central Conference Women's All-Sports Trophy Standings through the Fall Season

	SO	CC	GO	VB	BB	SW	IT	SB	TN	OT	Total
Augustana	4	1	1	T3	-	-	-	-	-	-	21.5
	4	7	6	4.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Nebraska-Omaha	2	6	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
	6	2	4	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Minnesota State	1	5	4	T3	-	-	-	-	-	-	17.5
	7	3	3	4.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Minnesota Duluth	3	4	NE	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
	5	4	0	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	
North Dakota	7	2	2	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
	1	6	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
South Dakota	5	3	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
	3	5	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	
St. Cloud State	6	7	6	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
	2	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	

2007-08 North Central Conference Men's All-Sports Trophy Standings through the Fall Season

	FB	CC	GO	BB	SW	IT	WR	BS	TN	OT	Total
Minnesota State	T5	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14.5
	4.5	6	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Augustana	7	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
	3	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
North Dakota	2	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
	8	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
South Dakota	4	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
	6	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Nebraska-Omaha	1	NE	NE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
	9	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Minnesota Duluth	T5	3	NE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.5
	4.5	4	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
St. Cloud State	T8	6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5
	1.5	1	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

Points are awarded on a basis where the highest points possible is determined by the number of teams in the sport (i.e. if 7 teams are in the championship then 7 is awarded for first, 6 for second, etc.; if 5 teams are entered it would be 5 for first, 4 for second, etc.)

Note: The following points were also awarded to NCC affiliate members: **Central Washington:** Football, 3rd, 7 pts.; **Minnesota State Moorhead:** Women's Swimming, TBD; **Northern State:** Women's Swimming, TBD; **Western Washington:** Football, T6th, 1.5 pts.; **Winona State:** Men's Tennis, TBD.

Sport Abbreviations: FB-Football; CC-Cross Country; GO-Golf; VB-Volleyball; BB-Basketball; SW-Swimming; IT-Indoor Track; WR-Wrestling; BS-Baseball; SB-Softball; TN-Tennis; OT-Outdoor Track; NE - No Entry.

Women's All-Sports Honor Roll: 1982-83 South Dakota State, 1983-84 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1984-85 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1985-86 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1986-87 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1987-88 North Dakota State, 1988-89 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1989-90 North Dakota State, 1990-91 MSU, Mankato/North Dakota St., 1991-92 St. Cloud State, 1992-93 North Dakota, 1993-94 South Dakota State, 1994-95 South Dakota State, 1995-96 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1996-97 St. Cloud State/South Dakota State, 1997-98 Northern Colorado, 1998-99 North Dakota State, 1999-00 North Dakota State, 2000-01 North Dakota, 2001-02 North Dakota, 2002-03 Nebraska-Omaha, 2003-04 North Dakota, 2004-05 Nebraska-Omaha; 2005-06 Nebraska-Omaha; 2006-07 Nebraska-Omaha

Men's All-Sports Honor Roll: 1970-71 North Dakota St., 1971-72 Northern Iowa, 1972-73 Northern Iowa, 1973-74 Northern Iowa, 1974-75 Northern Iowa, 1975-76 Minnesota St., Mankato/South Dakota St., 1976-77 Northern Iowa, 1977-78 Northern Iowa, 1978-79 South Dakota St., 1979-80 South Dakota St., 1980-81 South Dakota St., 1981-82 North Dakota St., 1982-83 North Dakota St., 1983-84 North Dakota St., 1984-85 North Dakota St., 1985-86 Minnesota St., Mankato, 1986-87 Minnesota St., Mankato, 1987-88 Minnesota St., Mankato, 1988-89 North Dakota St., 1989-90 North Dakota St., 1990-91 North Dakota, 1991-92 South Dakota St., 1992-93 Minnesota St., Mankato, 1993-94 Minnesota St., Mankato, 1994-95 Minnesota St., Mankato, 1995-96 South Dakota St., 1996-97 South Dakota St., 1997-98 St. Cloud St., 1998-99 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1999-2000 South Dakota State, 2000-01 South Dakota State, 2001-02 South Dakota St., 2002-03 South Dakota State, 2003-04 North Dakota State, 2004-05 Minnesota State, Mankato; 2005-06 Minnesota State, Mankato; 2006-07 Minnesota State, Mankato.

NCC Cup Honor Roll: 2003-04 North Dakota State; 2004-05 Minnesota State; 2005-06 Minnesota State/North Dakota; 2006-07 Minnesota State.