

PENN STATE BASEBALL

5 College World Series Appearances 19 NCAA Tournament Appearances 1 Big Ten Championship

2019 GAME NOTES/#46

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SCHEDULE/RESULTS

21-24 OVERALL/4-18 BIG TEN
FEBRUARY (6-0)

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RES.	TV/STR.
Fri. 15	vs. Monmouth ¹	W, 1-0	W1
Sat. 16	vs. Monmouth ¹	W, 7-0	W2
Sun. 17	vs. Monmouth ¹	W, 6-4	W3
Sat. 23	vs. Fairfield ¹	Canceled	-
Sun. 24	vs. Fairfield ¹	W, 5-4 (11)	W4
	vs. Fairfield ¹	W, 6-5	W5
Mon. 25	vs. Fairfield ¹	W, 4-2	W6

MARCH (8-8)

Fri. 1	vs. No. 21 Duke ²	L, 0-14	L1
Sat. 2	vs. No. 21 Duke ²	W, 8-7	W1
Sun. 3	vs. No. 21 Duke ²	L, 2-9	L1
Fri. 8	at UCF	W, 5-2	W1
Sat. 9	at UCF	L, 3-5	L1
Sun. 10	at UCF	W, 11-5	W1
Tue. 12	at Pittsburgh	W, 7-3	W2
FRI. 15	UMASS LOWELL	W, 3-1	W3
SAT. 16	UMASS LOWELL	W, 7-6	W4
	UMASS LOWELL	CANCELED	-
SUN. 17	UMASS LOWELL	W, 3-2 (10)	W5
SAT. 23	MINNESOTA *	L, 1-5	L1
SUN. 24	MINNESOTA *	L, 5-7	L2
	MINNESOTA *	L, 6-8	L3
TUE. 26	BINGHAMTON	W, 5-3	W1
Fri. 29	at Purdue *	L, 0-1	L1
Sun. 31	at Purdue *	L, 1-2 (10)	L2
	at Purdue *	Canceled	-

APRIL (5-12)

TUE. 2	BUCKNELL	W, 9-3	W1
WED. 3	ST. BONAVENTURE	L, 6-18	L1
Fri. 5	at Indiana *	W, 3-0	W1
Sat. 6	at Indiana *	L, 3-5	L1
	at Indiana *	L, 2-3	L2
TUE. 9	YOUNGSTOWN STATE	W, 16-15	W1
WED. 10	PITTSBURGH	L, 2-7	L1
FRI. 12	NEBRASKA *	L, 2-3	L2
SAT. 13	NEBRASKA *	L, 2-4	L3
	NEBRASKA *	L, 1-3	L4
WED. 17	WEST VIRGINIA	CANCELED	-
Fri. 19	at Illinois *	L, 1-2 (10)	L5
Sat. 20	at Illinois *	L, 6-7	L6
Sun. 21	at Illinois *	L, 3-4	L7
Tue. 23	at West Virginia	Canceled	-
WED. 24	LAFAYETTE	W, 3-2	W1
FRI. 26	MARYLAND *	L, 2-5	L1
SAT. 27	MARYLAND *	L, 4-6	L2
	MARYLAND *	W, 10-7	W1

MAY (2-4)

SAT. 4	RUTGERS *	W, 5-4 (11)	W2
	RUTGERS *	L, 1-5	L1
SUN. 5	RUTGERS *	CANCELED	-
WED. 8	TOWSON	L, 4-6	L2
Fri. 10	at Ohio State *	L, 2-4	L3
Sat. 11	at Ohio State *	L, 0-2	L4
	at Ohio State *	W, 10-6	W1
TUE. 14	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	6:30 P.M.	
THUR. 16	ARIZONA	6:30 P.M.	
FRI. 17	ARIZONA	6:30 P.M.	
SAT. 18	ARIZONA	2 P.M.	

All times Eastern and subject to change

HOME GAMES | * Big Ten game

1 - USA Baseball National Training Center - Cary, N.C.

2 - IMG Academy - Bradenton, Fla.

PENN STATE (21-24, 4-18 BIG) VS. MOUNT ST. MARY'S (15-34, 8-16 NEC)

Tuesday, May 14 - 6:30 p.m.



UNIVERSITY PARK, PA.

MEDLAR FIELD AT LUBRANO PARK (5,406)

COMPARISON

	PSU	MSM
Overall	21-24	15-34
Conference	4-18	8-16
Avg.	.232	.293
OBP	.329	.389
Runs	193	329
Hits	343	500
2B	61	96
3B	14	10
HR	22	46
RBI	174	292
SB-ATT	47-64	86-111
Errors	70	83
Fielding Pct.	.958	.955
ERA	3.84	6.89
K	466	338
BB	183	203
Opp BA	.235	.317

ESSENTIALS

Live Video:	.....BTN Plus
Live Audio:	.....GoPSUsports.com
Live Stats:	.....GoPSUsports.com
TV:	.....N/A
Radio:	.....State College's ESPN Radio 1450
Series History:	.....Penn State, 5-3-1
Last Game:	.....Penn State, 7-2; 2018
Streak:	.....W2
Tuesday Probables	
MSM.....	LHP Trey McGough (3-4, 4.91 ERA)
PSU.....	LHP Tyler Shingledecker (1-1, 4.54 ERA)

STORYLINES

Up to Bat

Penn State baseball opens the final week of its season with a Tuesday night game against Mount St. Mary's starting at 6:30 p.m. at Medlar Field at Lubrano Park. The Nittany Lions are playing their final four games of the season at home, and will welcome Arizona for a three-game series starting Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

Non-Conference Success

- Penn State is 17-6 in non-conference play for its most non-conference wins since winning 20 in 2011.
- The figure includes one win over a nationally-ranked team, defeating No. 21 Duke, 8-7, on Mar. 2.

Strikeout Record

- Penn State's pitchers have set a new single-season record for team strikeouts with 466 and counting, breaking the previous record of 434 (2017).
- Penn State is averaging 10.4 strikeouts per nine innings to lead the Big Ten and rank sixth in the nation.
- Penn State has struck out nine or more batters in 36 out of 45 games this season.
- **Dante Biasi** leads the Big Ten with 98 strikeouts and 12.78 strikeouts per nine innings, which ranks 28th and 14th, respectively, nationally.
- Fellow weekend starters **Eric Mock** (5th; 10.80) and **Bailey Dees** (11th; 10.10) also rank among the Big Ten leaders in strikeouts per nine innings.
- Biasi and **Conor Larkin** combined for 17 strikeouts against Minnesota (3/23), marking the most strikeouts in a game for Penn State since at least 2004.

Statistical Improvement

- Through 45 games, Penn State is well ahead of last season's pace in many areas, most notably totaling 21 wins as opposed to just 15 for the year in 2018.
- Penn State has five wins against RPI Top-100 teams this season after having none last year.
- Penn State has been more competitive overall in close games, going 9-7 in one-run games after going 5-13 in all of 2018.
- Penn State has maintained its late leads this season, going 13-4 when leading after the sixth inning and posting undefeated marks when leading after the seventh and eighth innings. Penn State dropped eight games when leading after six innings in 2018.
- Penn State has done a better job of rebounding so far this season, earning four wins when trailing after the sixth inning and two when trailing after the eighth inning. Penn State did not have any wins when trailing late last season.
- Penn State's pitching has seen a dramatic improvement compared to a year ago, dropping its ERA from 5.53 in 2018 to 3.84 this season. Penn State's 466 strikeouts this season are a team record.

Pitching Prowess

- Penn State ranks among the Big Ten leaders in pitching with a 3.84 ERA and 1.34 WHIP, which rank fourth and fifth, respectively, in the conference, and 41st and 51st, respectively, nationally.
- Penn State is even better in conference play, posting a 3.38 team ERA in 22 conference games to rank third.
- Overall, Penn State's 10.4 strikeouts per nine innings leads the Big Ten and ranks sixth nationally.
- Penn State's hits allowed per nine innings rate of 8.01 ranks fifth in the Big Ten and 35th nationally.
- Penn State's strikeout-to-walk ratio of 2.55 ranks second in the Big Ten and 36th nationally, while its 4.08 walks allowed per nine innings ranks fourth in the conference.
- Penn State's three shutouts this season are its most since earning three shutouts in 2016.
- Penn State is 20-9 when scoring three or more runs this season.

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School/Last College
2	Conlin Hughes	IF	R/R	Sr.	5-10	185	Holly Springs, N.C. / Holly Springs
3	Cole Bartels	RHP	R/R	R-So.	6-3	195	Belmont, Mass. / Belmont
4	Connor Klemann	IF	R/R	R-Jr.	5-10	185	Royersford, Pa. / Spring-Ford
5	Tommy Gibson	IF	R/R	So.	5-10	175	Williamstown, N.J. / Williamstown
6	Ralph Gambino	RHP	R/R	R-Fr.	5-10	185	Freehold, N.J. / Freehold Township
7	Isaiah Payton	IF	R/R	Fr.	6-1	195	Newark, Del. / The Episcopal Academy
9	Parker Hendershot	IF	R/R	So.	6-2	210	Barton, N.Y. / Tioga Central
10	Brendan Mullins	RHP	R/R	Fr.	6-4	180	Myrtle Beach, S.C. / Toms River North
11	Ryan Sloniger	C/IF	L/R	Sr.	5-11	200	Punxsutawney, Pa. / Punxsutawney Area
12	Eric Mock	RHP	R/R	R-Jr.	6-2	220	Shillington, Pa. / Governor Mifflin
13	Jordan Bowersox	OF	R/R	Sr.	5-10	180	Winter Springs, Fla. / Winter Springs
14	Mac Hippenhammer	OF	S/R	So.	5-11	177	Fort Wayne, Ind. / R. Nelson Snider
15	Austin Riggins	OF	R/R	Sr.	6-0	180	Greer, S.C. / Riverside
17	Curtis Robison	OF/IF	L/L	So.	6-2	225	Dillsburg, Pa. / Northern York
18	Mason Mellott	RHP	R/R	So.	6-0	190	State College, Pa. / State College Area
20	Mason Nadeau	OF	L/R	Jr.	5-10	175	Lansdale, Pa. / North Penn
21	Jeff Taylor	LHP	L/L	So.	6-2	195	Lancaster, Pa. / Penn Manor
22	Derek Orndorff	UTIL	R/R	So.	6-0	200	Mill Run, Pa. / Connellsville Area
23	Kris Kremer	IF	R/R	So.	5-10	166	Hershey, Pa. / Hershey
24	Joe Gunn	OF	L/L	Jr.	5-11	205	New Castle, Pa. / Union Area / St. Johns River State
25	Conor Larkin	RHP	R/R	So.	6-1	215	Royersford, Pa. / Spring-Ford Area
27	Shea Sbranti	C/IF	L/R	Sr.	6-0	210	Oakley, Calif. / Freedom / San Joaquin Delta
28	Hutch Gagnon	LHP	L/L	Fr.	6-2	200	Downingtown, Pa. / Downingtown East
31	Dylan Gargas	RHP	R/R	So.	6-5	220	San Diego, Calif. / Canyon Crest Academy / Grossmont College
33	Justin Williams	IF	R/R	Fr.	6-2	200	Mechanicsburg, Pa. / Cumberland Valley
34	Ryan Ford	IF	L/R	Fr.	6-2	190	Freehold, N.J. / Freehold Township
36	Tyler Shingledecker	LHP	R/L	Fr.	6-3	175	Huntersville, N.C. / Hough
37	Steven Miller	RHP	R/R	Fr.	6-1	185	Pittsburgh, Pa. / North Hills
38	Dante Biasi	LHP	L/L	R-So.	6-0	205	Hazle Township, Pa. / Hazleton Area
39	Jacob Padilla	C/IF	R/R	Jr.	5-11	223	Wylie, Texas / Wylie East / Murray State College
40	Gavin Homer	IF	R/R	Jr.	5-9	180	Battle Creek, Mich. / Lakeview / Kellogg C.C.
41	Blake Hodgens	LHP	L/L	Sr.	6-1	190	Tampa, Fla. / Gaither
42	Kyle Virbitsky	RHP	R/R	So.	6-6	235	Media, Pa. / Episcopal Academy
44	Bailey Dees	RHP	R/R	So.	6-7	240	Charlotte, N.C. / Hough
49	Jared Freilich	RHP	R/R	R-So.	6-6	235	Worcester, Mass. / Williston Northhampton / Polk State College

Coaches/ Staff

16	Rob Cooper	Head Coach	Sixth Season (Miami [Fla.], 1994)
45	Josh Newman	Assistant Coach, Pitching	Second Season (Ohio State, 2004)
1	Andre Butler	Assistant Coach, Hitting	Fourth Season (Eastern, 2012)
26	Dallas Burke	Volunteer Assistant Coach	First Season (Missouri Southern State, 2013)
	Austin Urban	Student Assistant Coach	First Season (Penn State, 2021)
	Jason Bradford	Performance Enhancement Coach	Third Season (Auburn, 2002)
	Sean Moore	Director of Operations/Player Development	First Season (Iowa, 2015)
	Ben Kmetz	Athletic Trainer	Second Season (Northern Arizona, 2015)

ALPHABETICAL

3	Cole Bartels
38	Dante Biasi
13	Jordan Bowersox
44	Bailey Dees
34	Ryan Ford
49	Jared Freilich
28	Hutch Gagnon
6	Ralph Gambino
31	Dylan Gargas
5	Tommy Gibson
24	Joe Gunn
9	Parker Hendershot
14	Mac Hippenhammer
41	Blake Hodgens
40	Gavin Homer
2	Conlin Hughes
4	Connor Klemann
23	Kris Kremer
25	Conor Larkin
18	Mason Mellott
37	Steven Miller
12	Eric Mock
10	Brendan Mullins
20	Mason Nadeau
22	Derek Orndorff
39	Jacob Padilla
7	Isaiah Payton
15	Austin Riggins
17	Curtis Robison
27	Shea Sbranti
36	Tyler Shingledecker
11	Ryan Sloniger
21	Jeff Taylor
42	Kyle Virbitsky
33	Justin Williams

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

38	Dante Biasi	bee-AH-zee
49	Jared Freilich	FRY-lick
28	Hutch Gagnon	GAG-nun
31	Dylan Gargas	GAR-gus
4	Connor Klemann	KLEE-mun
37	Kris Kremer	Cramer
18	Mason Mellott	MEL-lot
20	Mason Nadeau	Nay-doh
17	Curtis Robison	ROB-i-son
28	Shea Sbranti	Seh-branti
11	Ryan Sloniger	SLON-i-gur

ROSTER BREAKDOWN BY STATE/PROVINCES

California - 2	New Jersey - 3
Delaware - 1	New York - 1
Florida - 2	North Carolina - 3
Michigan - 1	Texas - 1
Indiana - 1	Pennsylvania - 16
Massachusetts - 2	South Carolina - 2

ROSTER BREAKDOWN BY CLASS

Freshmen - 8
Sophomores - 15
Juniors - 6
Seniors - 6

ROSTER BREAKDOWN BY POSITION

Catchers - 3	Utility - 1
Infielders - 11	Left-Handed Pitchers - 5
Outfielders - 6	Right-Handed Pitchers - 11

QUICK FACTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location	University Park, Pa.
Founded	1855
Enrollment	46,270
Colors	Blue and White
Conference	Big Ten
Nickname	Nittany Lions
President	Eric J. Barron
Director of Athletics	Sandy Barbour

TEAM INFORMATION

2018 Record	15-34
2018 Big Ten Record/Finish	3-21/13th
Postseason	None
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	20/8
Starting Batters Returning/Lost	7/2
Starting Pitchers Returning/Lost	1/2
Newcomers	12
All-Time Record (Years)	2044-1483-21 (131)
All-Time Big Ten Record (Years)	322-425 (28)
NCAA Tournament Appearances	19
NCAA Tournament Record	25-24
NCAA Super Regional Appearances	1
College World Series Appearances	5
.....(1952, 1957, 1959, 1963, 1973)	
Best CWS Finish	Second (1957)
Last NCAA Tournament Appearance	2000

BASEBALL STAFF

Head Coach	Rob Cooper
PSU Record (Years)	118-184 (6)
Career Record (Years)	404-414 (15)
Assistant Coaches	Josh Newman (Pitching)
.....	Andre Butler (Hitting/Outfield)
Volunteer Asst. Coach	Dallas Burke (Hitting/Catchers)
Student Asst. Coach	Austin Urban (Pitching)
Director of Operations	Sean Moore
Performance Enhancement	Jason Bradford
Athletic Trainer	Ben Kmetz

STADIUM INFORMATION

Home Stadium	Medlar Field at Lubrano Park
First Season	2007
All-Time Record	159-123 (.564)
Capacity	5,406
Dimensions	325-399-320
Press Box Phone	(814) 441-9145

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BIG TEN STANDINGS (as of May 12)

	B1G	%	Overall	%	Stk
Michigan	15-5-0	.750	37-13-0	.740	W1
Indiana	14-7-0	.667	33-18-0	.647	L1
Illinois	13-8-0	.619	34-16-0	.680	W3
Nebraska	13-8-0	.619	26-19-0	.578	W2
Minnesota	13-8-0	.619	24-24-0	.500	W2
Iowa	12-9-0	.571	30-19-0	.612	L2
Northwestern	10-11-0	.476	23-24-0	.489	L1
Rutgers	9-11-0	.450	20-28-0	.417	W1
Ohio State	9-12-0	.429	27-24-0	.529	L1
Maryland	9-12-0	.429	24-27-0	.471	L2
Michigan State	7-13-0	.350	19-31-0	.380	W2
Purdue	7-13-0	.350	19-31-0	.380	L3
PENN STATE	4-18-0	.182	21-24-0	.467	W1

Top eight teams qualify for Big Ten Tournament

PROGRAM NOTES

First Varsity Sport

Baseball was Penn State's first varsity sport, playing its first games in 1875.

Five College World Series Appearances

Penn State has made five trips to the College World Series, placing as high as second in 1957. The Nittany Lions reached the CWS in 1952, 1957, 1959, 1963 and 1973. Penn State has reached the NCAA Tournament 19 times.

1996 Big Ten Champions

The 2016 season marked the 20th anniversary of Penn State's first Big Ten Championship.

Nittany Lions in Cuba

Penn State participated in a weeklong, four-game tour of Cuba, Nov. 21-28, 2015. The Nittany Lions went 1-3 in the "Cuba Baseball Friendship Tournament." The Lions played against teams from Cuba's top "professional" league, the National Series, becoming the first United States team to play multiple teams from the league and the first to earn a victory.

The team also participated in lectures about Cuban baseball, Jose Marti and the history of Cuban sports and U.S. relations.

Penn State first played Industriales in Havana's Estadio Latinoamericano, falling 2-1. With the game, Penn State became the first NCAA Division I team to compete against a Cuban National Series team, the first U.S. baseball team to play in Cuba since restoration of diplomatic ties with Cuba, the second NCAA team to play in Cuba since restoration of diplomatic ties (Coastal Carolina men's basketball, August 2015) and the fifth NCAA Division I baseball team to compete in post-revolutionary Cuba.

Penn State next played Ciego de Avila, the league's defending champion. Starting pitcher Victor Garcia had pitched for Cuba in the 2009 World Baseball Classic, and the Lions were defeated, 2-0.

Penn State earned the first victory for a United States team at any level over a Cuban National Series team in game three, defeating Mayabeque, 9-3.

Nittany Lions in the Pros

According to Baseball-Almanac.com, 27 Nittany Lions have gone on to play Major League Baseball. A total of 76 have been drafted.

Five Nittany Lions are in Major League organizations. Two 2016 draft picks are entering their fourth pro seasons: Pitcher Jack Anderson is in the Seattle Mariners organization and infielder Jim Haley is in the Tampa Bay Rays organization. A 2017 draft pick, pitcher Sal Biasi, is entering his third season and is with the Milwaukee Brewers organization. Justin Hagenman, who was tabbed by the Los Angeles Dodgers last June, enters his second season, while free agent signee pitcher Taylor Lehman does the same with the Philadelphia Phillies.

Did you know?

O.J. McDuffie is mostly known for his stellar career on the gridiron for Penn State and in the NFL, but he also played baseball in 1990. He stole 20 bases (t-3rd, single season-school history) on 21 attempts (96 percent clip), hit .336 and had a .969 fielding percentage. He was drafted by the California Angels in the 41st round of the 1991 MLB June Amateur Draft.

Medlar Field at Lubrano Park

Situated in the shadow of Beaver Stadium, the facility -- completed in June of 2006 -- is arguably one of the premier collegiate stadiums in the country.

The ballpark's signature is the breathtaking view of legendary Mt. Nittany, a local landmark that is near and dear to the heart of every Penn Stater. With the stadium opening to the east, spectators can peer unencumbered down the Nittany Valley for miles and on a clear day Tussey Mountain Ski Resort can be seen from 10 miles away.

Seating capacity for Medlar Field is 5,406 and 20 luxury suites allow area companies to treat clients and friends to an unmatched baseball experience. A party deck along the right field line provides a good place for friends to gather and the picnic pavilion beyond the left field fence is perfect for birthday parties and group outings.

Much like the rest of the park, the dimensions of the playing field are unique as well. A relatively short 325 feet to the left field pole stretches out to the deepest part of the park, the 410 foot nook in left center field. Straightaway center is 399 feet and the 320 foot right field fence is made more daunting with an 18.55 feet high wall, which commemorates the year Penn State was founded.

A 2,500 square foot press box can accommodate traveling and local media and has private broadcast booths for up to three radio teams. A large video scoreboard towers above the left field wall capable of providing up to the minute stats and video replays.

The stadium is named for 1982 Penn State graduate Anthony Lubrano and former Nittany Lion Head Coach Charles "Chuck" Medlar. Lubrano chose to honor Coach Medlar with a generous financial gift toward the realization of the long-discussed project. Coach Medlar served at the helm of the Penn State program for 19 years and guided the Lions to two College World Series appearances.

Team No. 131

Penn State is playing its 131st baseball season in program history.

SERIES NOTES

All-Time vs. Mount Saint Mary's

Penn State and Mount St. Mary's will meet for a second consecutive season in Happy Valley. In the previous nine meetings, Penn State holds a 5-3-1 advantage. The two teams first met back in 1897 and played five times between then and 1905, before taking 102-year break and meeting again in 2007. Penn State has won three out of the last four meetings and the last two consecutive.

Head Coach Scott Thomson

Head coach Scott Thomson completed is in his 22nd season at the helm of The Mount baseball program. During the 2018 campaign, Thompson guided the Mountaineers back to the Northeast Conference Tournament for the first time in 10 seasons, as the team collected its most wins since 2009 with 21 victories on the year. The quick turnaround from an eight-win season the year prior landed the Mountaineers in the playoffs as the No. 4 seed. Thomson, a fixture in Central Maryland's baseball community for over a decade, began his college head coaching career at the Mount in 1998.

Scouting Mount St. Mary's

Mount St. Mary's is 15-34 overall and 8-16 in Northeast Conference play and will be playing its season finale. The Mount has been strong at the plate with a team batting average of .298 to rank 38th in the nation, led by Patrick Causa's .398 average that leads the NEC and ranks 18th in the nation. Causa is even more adept at getting on base with a .514 success rate that ranks 11th nationally. Myles Nicholson is also a threat offensively, batting .373 and ranking sixth in the nation with 37 stolen bases and third with a 0.86 strikeout-to-walk ratio.

SERIES HISTORY

Penn State, 5-3-1	
At Mount St. Mary's	0-0
At Penn State	2-2
At Neutral Site	0-0
N/A	3-1-1

Game-By-Game

4/18/18	H	W, 7-2
4/24/12	H	W, 5-3
4/21/10	H	L, 1-2
4/15/09	H	W, 8-3
4/18/07	H	L, 8-16
1905	N/A	W, 5-1
1904	N/A	W, 7-1
1902	N/A	W, 12-2
1901	N/A	T, 6-6
1897	N/A	L, 8-11

NATIONAL RANKINGS (AS OF MAY 13)

BASEBALL AMERICA			COLLEGIATE BASEBALL			D1BASEBALL.COM			NCBWA			PERFECT GAME			USA TODAY		
1. UCLA	41-8	1	1. UCLA	41-8	1	1. UCLA	41-8	1	1. UCLA	41-8	1	1. UCLA	41-8	1	1. UCLA	41-8	1
2. Vanderbilt	41-10	2	2. Vanderbilt	41-10	2	2. Vanderbilt	41-10	3	2. Vanderbilt	41-10	2	2. Vanderbilt	41-10	2	2. Vanderbilt	41-10	2
3. Stanford	37-9	3	3. Stanford	37-9	4	3. Stanford	37-9	2	3. Stanford	37-9	3	3. Stanford	37-9	3	3. Stanford	37-9	3
4. Arkansas	39-13	4	4. Arkansas	39-13	5	4. Arkansas	39-13	4	4. Mississippi State	42-10	6	4. Arkansas	39-13	4	4. Arkansas	39-13	4
5. Mississippi State	42-10	6	5. Mississippi State	42-10	6	5. Mississippi State	42-10	5	5. Arkansas	39-13	5	5. Mississippi State	42-10	5	5. Mississippi State	42-10	5
6. Georgia Tech	35-15	8	6. U.C. Santa Barbara	40-7	7	6. Georgia Tech	35-15	7	6. East Carolina	39-12	8	6. East Carolina	39-12	7	6. Georgia	39-14	7
7. Georgia	39-14	7	7. Louisville	40-12	3	7. Georgia	39-14	8	7. Georgia Tech	35-15	10	7. UC Santa Barbara	40-7	8	7. East Carolina	39-12	8
8. East Carolina	39-12	9	8. East Carolina	39-12	9	8. East Carolina	39-12	9	8. Texas Tech	34-14	9	8. Georgia Tech	35-15	9	8. Georgia Tech	35-15	10
Louisville	40-12	5	9. Georgia	39-14	8	9. Louisville	40-12	6	9. Georgia	39-14	7	9. Georgia	39-14	10	9. Texas Tech	34-14	9
10. Texas Tech	34-14	10	10. Oregon State	33-15-1	11	10. Texas Tech	34-14	10	10. Louisville	40-12	4	10. Louisville	40-12	6	10. Louisville	40-12	6
11. UC Santa Barbara	40-7	13	11. Georgia Tech	35-15	12	11. Oregon State	33-15-1	12	11. UC Santa Barbara	40-7	13	11. Texas Tech	34-14	11	11. Oregon State	33-15-1	12
12. Oregon State	33-15-1	11	12. Miami (FL)	36-15	22	12. Baylor	32-13	14	12. Oregon State	33-15-1	12	12. Oregon State	33-15-1	13	12. Oregon State	33-15-1	13
13. Baylor	32-13	15	13. North Carolina	36-15	10	13. Oklahoma State	30-17	18	13. Baylor	32-13	14	13. NC State	39-14	17	13. North Carolina State	39-14	17
14. North Carolina State	39-14	16	14. Baylor	32-13	14	14. UC Santa Barbara	40-7	16	14. Oklahoma State	30-17	20	14. Miami	36-15	18	14. Miami	36-15	18
15. North Carolina	36-15	12	15. Texas Tech	34-14	15	15. Ole Miss	32-20	11	15. Miami (FL)	36-15	17	15. Texas A&M	34-18-1	19	15. Baylor	32-13	15
16. Mississippi	32-20	14	16. Oklahoma State	30-17	16	16. Texas A&M	34-18-1	17	16. Texas A&M	34-18-1	18	16. Baylor	32-13	16	16. Oklahoma State	30-17	22
17. Miami	36-15	19	17. Florida State	34-18	23	17. NC State	39-14	19	17. North Carolina	36-15	11	17. West Virginia	31-18	20	17. Mississippi	32-20	11
18. Oklahoma State	30-17	21	18. Mississippi	32-20	13	18. Miami	36-15	20	18. NC State	39-14	19	18. Oklahoma State	30-17	25	18. Texas A&M	34-18-1	19
19. Texas A&M	34-18-1	18	19. Arizona State	35-14	17	19. LSU	31-21	15	19. Ole Miss	32-20	15	19. North Carolina	36-15	14	19. West Virginia	31-18	21
20. Louisiana State	31-21	17	20. LSU	31-21	18	20. North Carolina	36-15	13	20. West Virginia	31-18	21	20. Louisiana State	31-21	15	20. North Carolina	36-15	14
21. West Virginia	31-18	23	21. Indiana *	33-18	25	21. West Virginia	31-18	22	21. LSU	31-21	16	21. Mississippi	32-20	12	21. Missouri	34-18-1	20
22. Florida State	34-18	25	22. Michigan *	37-13	19	22. Florida State	34-18	23	22. Florida State	34-18	23	22. UC Irvine	31-15	23	22. Louisiana State	31-21	16
22. Missouri	34-18-1	22	23. Texas A&M	34-18-1	21	23. Illinois *	34-16	25	23. Tennessee	35-17	27	23. BYU	33-14	24	23. Dallas Baptist	36-15	NR
24. Illinois *	34-16	NR	24. Central Michigan	39-12	28	24. Missouri	34-18-1	21	24. Missouri	34-18-1	22	24. Illinois *	34-16	NR	24. Brigham Young	33-14	25
25. Arizona State	35-14	20	25. N.C. State	39-14	20	25. Indiana *	33-18	NR	25. Illinois *	34-16	28	25. Missouri	34-18-1	22	25. Fresno State	32-14-1	NR
			26. Arizona State	31-18	NR				26. Arizona State	35-14	22						
			27. Dallas Baptist	36-15	NR				27. Dallas Baptist	36-15	RV						
			28. Fresno State	32-14-1	29				27. Michigan *	37-13	24						
			29. Florida Atlantic	34-17	24				29. BYU	33-14	26						
			30. BYU	33-14	30				30. Indiana *	33-18	RV						

Bold indicates 2019 opponent
* indicates Big Ten team

Low ERAs

- Both **Mason Mellott** and **Dante Biasi** currently boast season ERAs that rank among top seven in the Big Ten.
- Mellott's 2.36 ERA ranks fifth, while Biasi's 2.48 ERA ranks seventh.

Mock Dominant

- RHP **Eric Mock** has allowed two earned runs or less in eight out of 11 starts this season, and has held an opponent without a run four times, pitching at least five innings on each occasion.
- Mock has not allowed a run in his last two appearances and last 13 innings pitched.
- Mock has struck out five or more batters in all 11 starts this season.

Close Ones

- Penn State's 5-4 win over Rutgers (5/4) marked its fifth extra-inning game of the season, eighth-game decided in walk-off fashion and 16th one-run game.
- Penn State's six walk-off wins are the most in the country this season, and its eight games decided by walk-offs are tied for the most in the country with Oregon (5-3) and Texas (3-5). West Virginia, Western Kentucky and Sacramento State trail Penn State with five walk-off wins this season.
- Penn State's six walk-off wins are its most since winning six in 2011.
- Penn State's five extra-inning games are its most since playing five such games in 2011.
- The walk-off wins this season included: Monmouth (2/15), Fairfield (2/24), UMass Lowell (3/16, 17), Youngstown State (4/9) and Rutgers (5/4, GI).
- Penn State's eight total walk-off games are its most since playing in nine in 2011.
- Penn State is 9-7 in one-run games this season after going 5-13 in one-run games last season.
- 15 of Penn State's 18 conference losses were by two runs or less, with seven of those one-run losses.

Mellott Leads the 'Pen

- Sophomore **Mason Mellott** has emerged as Penn State's relief ace. He is 6-3 and has five saves, factoring in on 11 of Penn State's 21 wins.
- Mellott leads the team with a 2.36 ERA that ranks fifth in the Big Ten.
- Mellott is third on the team in innings pitched with 61.0 and leads the team with 20 appearances.
- Mellott's five saves this season are a career high after saving four games as a freshman.
- Mellott's six wins are the most by a PSU reliever since at least 2004.
- Mellott's six wins are the most by a Penn State pitcher since Justin Hagenman won six games in 2016.
- Mellott's save against Lafayette was the ninth of his career, tying him with Jeff Emerlich (1993-96) for sixth all-time at Penn State. Next on the list is Ryan Ignas with 10 (2009-11).

See Record Watch on Page 8

The Train is Chugging

- LHP **Dante Biasi** leads the Big Ten and is 28th in the NCAA with 98 strikeouts, and his 12.78 strikeouts per nine innings also lead the Big Ten and rank 14th in the country.
- Biasi's 98 strikeouts are the sixth most by a Penn State pitcher in a season, and he is poised to become the fifth pitcher in Penn State history to strikeout 100 in a season.
- Biasi has held opponents to one earned run or less in eight out of 13 starts this season.
- Biasi's 6.26 hits allowed per nine innings ranks second in the Big Ten and ranks 43rd in the NCAA and his WHIP of 1.14 ranks 12th in the Big Ten.
- Biasi has a 3-5 record but Penn State has averaged just 2.1 runs scored in his 12 uninterrupted (weather) starts.
- Biasi's 13 strikeouts against UMass Lowell (3/15) were the most strikeouts by a Penn State pitcher since Alan Stidfole struck out 13 against Northwestern on April 10, 2005. Biasi followed that performance with 12 strikeouts against Minnesota, becoming the first Penn State pitcher to strikeout 10 or more batters in back-to-back appearances since at least 2004.
- Biasi's 25 strikeouts in consecutive appearances are the most by a Penn State pitcher since at least 2004.

HONORS & AWARDS

DANTE BIASI

Big Ten Pitcher of the Week (4/8)
Big Ten Players to Watch List
D1Baseball No. 26 Big Ten Prospect - 2019 Draft

BAILEY DEES

D1Baseball No. 15 Big Ten Prospect - 2020 Draft

PARKER HENDERSHOT

Big Ten Players to Watch List

KRIS KREMER

Collegiate Baseball National Player of the Week (3/4)
USA Baseball Golden Spikes Award Performance of the Week Nominee (3/4)
Daily Collegian Athlete of the Week (3/6)

CONOR LARKIN

D1Baseball No. 23 Big Ten Prospect - 2020 Draft

RYAN SLONIGER

Big Ten Players to Watch List

STARTERS SUMMARY

Player	GS	Position										Batting Order															
		p	c	1b	2b	3b	ss	lf	cf	rf	of	dh	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th						
13 Bowersox, Jorda	45	.	.	.	.	.	.	4	41	.	.	.	.	.	7	29	2	.	6	1	.	.	.	.	.	.
2 Hughes, Conlin	43	.	.	.	.	.	43	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	8	13	21	.	.	.
23 Kremer, Kris	43	.	.	.	23	.	1	17	.	2	.	.	.	.	9	1	7	10	8	7	1	.	.	.	.	.	.
9 Hendershot, Park	42	.	.	38	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4	.	.	18	17	4	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
40 Homer, Gavin	38	.	.	.	18	.	.	14	.	.	.	.	6	21	1	1	1	4	3	.	2	5	.	.	.	.	.
11 Sloniger, Ryan	36	.	25	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7	.	3	2	6	13	6	4	2	.	.	.	.	.	.
14 Hippenhammer,	32	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	29	.	.	2	1	.	.	.	1	4	12	4	10	.	.	.	.	.
33 Williams, Justin	28	.	.	.	.	28	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8	4	.	3	5	6	2	.	.	.	.
4 Klemann, Connor	22	.	.	.	4	17	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	1	6	3	1	5	3	1	2	.	.	.	.	.
39 Padilla, Jacob	20	.	18	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	1	4	7	5	3	.	.	.	.	.	.
27 Sbranti, Shea	16	.	2	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13	.	5	.	1	2	1	2	5	.	.	.	.	.	.
34 Ford, Ryan	15	.	.	2	.	.	.	1	.	3	.	9	.	3	3	1	1	1	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.
38 Biasi, Dante	13	13	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
12 Mock, Eric	11	11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44 Dees, Bailey	11	11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
20 Nadeau, Mason	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	8	.	1	.	1	.	3	2	.	1	1	1	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.
17 Robison, Curtis	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2	4	4	.	.	.	.	.
25 Larkin, Conor	5	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
22 Orndorff, Derek	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
3 Bartels, Cole	3	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
42 Virbitsky, Kyle	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
36 Shingledecker, T	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7 Payton, Isaiah	1	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1

MULTIPLES & STREAKS

MULTIPLE HIT GAMES

	2	3	4	5+	Tot
Bowersox, Jordan	8	5	-	-	13
Hendershot, Parker	10	1	-	-	11
Hughes, Conlin	7	-	-	-	7
Kremer, Kris	4	1	2	-	7
Williams, Justin	3	3	-	-	6
Homer, Gavin	5	1	-	-	6
Sloniger, Ryan	4	2	-	-	6
Hippenhammer, Mac	2	4	-	-	6
Klemann, Connor	3	1	-	-	4
Ford, Ryan	3	-	-	-	3
Padilla, Jacob	3	-	-	-	3
Sbranti, Shea	1	-	-	-	1
Nadeau, Mason	1	-	-	-	1
Robison, Curtis	1	-	-	-	1
TEAM	55	18	2	0	75

MULTIPLE RBI GAMES

	2	3	4	5+	Tot
Kremer, Kris	4	1	-	1	6
Sloniger, Ryan	5	-	-	-	5
Williams, Justin	1	2	1	-	4
Ford, Ryan	1	1	1	-	3
Hughes, Conlin	1	2	-	-	3
Bowersox, Jordan	1	1	-	-	2
Homer, Gavin	1	-	1	-	2
Hendershot, Parker	1	-	1	-	2
Klemann, Connor	1	-	-	-	1
Hippenhammer, Mac	1	-	-	-	1
Orndorff, Derek	1	-	-	-	1
Sbranti, Shea	-	1	-	-	1
Robison, Curtis	1	-	-	-	1
TEAM	19	8	4	1	32

HITTING STREAKS

	Longest	Current
Bowersox, Jordan	16	1
Homer, Gavin	7	-
Kremer, Kris	7	-
Sloniger, Ryan	6	3
Williams, Justin	6	-
Hippenhammer, Mac	5	2
Hughes, Conlin	5	5
Ford, Ryan	4	-
Hendershot, Parker	4	-
Nadeau, Mason	3	1
Klemann, Connor	3	1
Orndorff, Derek	2	-
Padilla, Jacob	2	1
Sbranti, Shea	2	2
Robison, Curtis	1	-
Payton, Isaiah	1	1

REACHED BASE STREAKS

	Longest	Current
Kremer, Kris	18	-
Bowersox, Jordan	16	1
Padilla, Jacob	13	1
Williams, Justin	12	-
Hendershot, Parker	10	-
Homer, Gavin	9	1
Hughes, Conlin	8	5
Sloniger, Ryan	8	8
Sbranti, Shea	6	2
Hippenhammer, Mac	5	2
Klemann, Connor	5	1
Ford, Ryan	5	-
Robison, Curtis	4	-
Orndorff, Derek	3	-
Nadeau, Mason	3	1
Riggins, Austin	1	1
Payton, Isaiah	1	1

Bowersox Leading at the Dish

- Senior **Jordan Bowersox** leads Penn State in batting (.295), runs (26), hits (51), multiple-hit games (13), and on-base percentage (.369).
 - He had a career-best 16-game hitting streak halted with an 0-for-4 game against Lafayette (4/24).
 - Bowersox's streak ranks as the longest hitting streak by a Nittany Lion since Greg Guers had a 16-game hitting streak in 2015, which is part of a six-way tie for the 11th-longest single-season streak in school history and the 14th longest overall.
 - Bowersox batted .387 (24-for-62) with four doubles, a triple, nine runs and seven RBIs. He also had nine walks for a .458 on-base percentage.
 - The streak started Mar. 26 against Binghamton.
 - He had six multi-hit games during the streak, tallying two hits against Bucknell (4/2), Indiana (4/5), Nebraska (4/12) and Illinois (4/21), and three against Youngstown State (4/9) and Nebraska (4/13).
- See Multiples and Streaks on Page 6**
See Record Watch on Page 8

Freshman Slugger

- Freshman third baseman **Justin Williams** owned a 12-game reached base streak that ended in the series finale at Ohio State (5/11).
- Over the streak, Williams led the team with a .442 on-base percentage, .333 batting average, eight runs, 14 hits, two home runs (tied), .548 slugging percentage, 23 total bases and nine walks.
- Williams owns the team's longest home run (445 feet) and hardest-hit ball (109 MPH) of the year.

Sbranti Goes Deep

- Senior **Shea Sbranti** has ix Big Ten hits this season in limited action, and five have been extra base hits.
- Sbranti went deep with a pinch-hit solo shot at Illinois (4/21) and again with another solo homer against Maryland (4/27, GI).
- Against Rutgers (5/4, GI), Sbranti hit a pinch-hit double in the eighth inning to help force extra innings in an eventual win.
- During a doubleheader against Ohio State (5/11), Sbranti singled in the first game and doubled twice in the second game.

Milestones

- Sophomore **Dante Biasi** surpassed 100 career strikeouts with his 12-strikeout effort against Minnesota and is now seven strikeouts shy of 150 (143).
- Biasi is two strikeouts shy of becoming just the fifth pitcher in Penn State history to strikeout 100 in a season.
- Redshirt junior **Eric Mock** is Penn State's career leader for strikeouts with 157. He surpassed 150 with a nine-strikeout effort against Rutgers (5/4).
- Senior **Ryan Sloniger** is one home run shy of 10 for his career.
- Head coach **Rob Cooper** earned his 400th career win against Youngstown State (4/9).
- Senior **Jordan Bowersox** tallied his team-best 150th career hit against Minnesota and played in his 150th game in the series finale at Indiana.
- Sloniger played in his 150th game in the first game of a doubleheader against Nebraska. Fellow senior **Conlin Hughes** leads the team with 187 games played.

The Smallest Swinging the Biggest Bats

- Gavin Homer** is Penn State's shortest player at 5-9 and **Kris Kremer** is the lightest at 166 pounds, but they are two of the team's leading sluggers.
- Homer leads the team with 14 extra-base hits (9 doubles, 1 triple, 4 home runs), while Kremer is second with 13 extra-base hits (6 doubles, 3 triples, 4 home runs).
- Homer and Kremer each have four home runs, along with **Justin Williams**, to lead the team.
- Kremer's three triples rank third in the Big Ten.
- Homer most recently hit a home run at Indiana (4/6).
- Kremer hit his fourth of the season against Pitt (4/10), taking a favorable bounce off the center field wall for an inside-the-park home run.
- All four of Kremer's home runs have come against ACC teams, as he hit three in a game against No. 21 Duke (3/1).

Congrats Grads

- Penn State baseball has six graduates on the roster: **Jordan Bowersox** (criminology), **Dylan Gargas** (journalism), **Blake Hodgens** (kinesiology), **Conlin Hughes** (economics), **Shea Sbranti** (communications arts and sciences) and **Ryan Sloniger** (broadcast journalism).

Double Duty

- OF **Mac Hippenhammer** is one of four FBS football players also playing baseball this season, according to a national survey of baseball SIDs.
- At Indiana, Hippenhammer played baseball against a team he previously played football against for the first time, as he played in Penn State football's game at Indiana on Oct. 20, 2018.
- Hippenhammer also saw action against Pitt, Illinois, Rutgers and Ohio State on the gridiron and baseball diamond in 2018-19.
- Hippenhammer is the only one of the four to play in more than four games, appearing in 12.
- Hippenhammer had one start and caught six passes for 103 yards and a touchdown during the 2018 football season.
- Hippenhammer made his first baseball start of the season against No. 21 Duke (3/3). He led the team with his first-career multi-hit game, tallying a career-high three.

Name	Team	BB	FB	B/P	F/P	F/P	GP
Mac Hippenhammer	Penn State	So.	R-Fr.	OF	WR		12
Brad Cumbest	Mississippi St.	Fr.	Fr.	OF	TE		3
Trey Lowe III	West Virginia	RFr.	Fr.	OF	QB		1
Connor Noland	Arkansas	Fr.	Fr.	RHP	QB		4

Biasi Named Big Ten Pitcher of the Week

- Dante Biasi** was named the Big Ten Pitcher of the Week Apr. 8 after a leading the Nittany Lions to shutout win over Indiana (4/5).
- Biasi struck out nine and allowed just two hits and a walk in 6.1 innings against the Hoosiers, the nation's top home run hitting team, earning his second combined shutout of the season.
- The shutout win was Penn State's first in a Big Ten game since defeating Maryland, 2-0, on April 30, 2016, and first shutout win over Indiana since April 30, 2006.
- Biasi is Penn State's first Big Ten Pitcher of the Week since Steven Hill earned the honor on April 23, 2012 following a no-hitter against Iowa.

Spring Break Success

- The Nittany Lions took two of three at UCF. The Knights entered the series with two wins over ranked opponents and were one of the first four team's left out of last season's NCAA Tournament.
- Penn State snapped a four-game losing streak against nationally-ranked teams against No. 21 Duke, earning its first top-25 win since defeating No. 22 Nebraska, 8-7, May 18, 2017.
- Penn State earned its first win over a nationally-ranked opponent away from home since defeating No. 19 Purdue, 16-6, April 1, 2012.

Kremer Has A Day

- OF **Kris Kremer** was named as one of Collegiate Baseball's National Players of the Week and was a nominee for USA Baseball's Golden Spikes Award Performance of the Week after hitting the first three home runs of his career, tying the team record, to lead the Nittany Lions past No. 21 Duke, 8-7, Saturday, Mar. 2.
- Kremer also set career bests going 4-for-4 with six RBIs.
- Kremer was one of 19 honorees by Collegiate Baseball and one of four nominees for the USA Baseball Award. In fan balloting, Kremer finished second for the USA Baseball honor.
- Kremer is the third Nittany Lion to ever hit three home runs in a game, joining Adam Beers (1998) and John Schreiner (1990).
- Kremer's six RBIs were the most by a Nittany Lion in a game since Aaron Novak drove in eight runs at Charleston Southern on March 8, 2015.

Dominant Start

- Penn State's 13-3 start was its best since 1980.
- Penn State held Monmouth scoreless for 21.1 innings to open the season. The eight hits allowed to Monmouth were Penn State's fewest in a three-game span since at least 2004.
- Penn State earned its first Opening Day shutout since 1977 and first back-to-back season-opening shutouts in program history.
- Overall, the shutout was Penn State's first since April 30, 2016, when it blanked Maryland, 2-0.
- Penn State went undefeated in February for the first time in program history.
- Penn State's 10 wins before playing a home game since winning 12 of 18 games before the 2011 home opener.
- In terms of winning percentage, Penn State's .769 start prior to playing a home game ranks as the best in the current scheduling era. In 1983, Penn State first started playing games in late February/early March, and enjoyed its best road/neutral start in 2000 (13-5; .722).

The Team

- Penn State is carrying the NCAA maximum 35 student-athletes on its roster, which includes 23 returners and 12 newcomers.
- Returning starting position players include: C **Ryan Sloniger**, C/IF **Shea Sbranti**, IF **Conlin Hughes**, IF **Parker Hendershot**, IF **Connor Klemann**, OF **Jordan Bowersox** and OF **Curtis Robison**.
- LHP **Dante Biasi** returns to the weekend rotation after starting last season as a redshirt freshman, while RHP **Bailey Dees** and RHP **Eric Mock** both made four starts each last season.
- Newcomers include five transfers and seven freshmen.
- Penn State is a sophomore heavy team with 15 student-athletes in their second year of eligibility.

MEDLAR FIELD AT LUBRANO PARK

	W	L	GP	%
2007	17	6	23	.739
2008	15	9	24	.625
2009	10	11	21	.476
2010	13	9	22	.591
2011	14	7	21	.667
2012	18	5	23	.783
2013	9	11	20	.450
2014	8	9	17	.471
2015	13	7	20	.650
2016	15	11	26	.577
2017	10	13	23	.435
2018	8	13	21	.381
2019	9	12	18	.444
TOTAL	159	123	282	.564

TOP MEDLAR CROWDS

Date	Opponent	Result	Total
1. Apr. 21, 2007	N'western* (DH)	W, 1-0; W, 11-5	3,946
2. Apr. 19, 2008	Indiana* (DH)	W, 8-1; W, 3-2	3,739
3. Apr. 24, 2009	Illinois*	L, 3-7	3,279
4. Apr. 25, 2009	Illinois*	L, 5-11	2,749
5. Apr. 18, 2008	Indiana*	W, 7-3	2,596
6. Apr. 20, 2007	Northwestern*	W, 7-6	2,232
7. May 7, 2016	#10 TCU (DH)	L, 2-6; L, 4-5	2,185
8. Apr. 22, 2017	Northwestern	L, 4-7	2,074
9. May 1, 2010	Michigan State*	W, 22-5	2,061
10. Apr. 5, 2008	#22 Michigan* (DH)	L, 0-1; L, 3-6	2,026

HOME RUN TRACKER

#	Player	Gm	Date	Opponent	Pitcher	On	Inn	Out	Ct	Score	Final
1.	Robison	3	Feb 17	vs Monmouth	Houghton, N.*	0..	4	0	1-0	3-1	W, 6-4
2.	Homer	4	Feb 24	vs Fairfield	Halpin	0..	11	2	0-1	4-4	W, 5-4
3.	Bowersox	6	Feb 25	vs Fairfield	Sansone	.2.	1	2	1-1	0-0	W, 4-2
4.	Kremer	8	Mar 02	vs Duke	Jarvis, B.	.1.	1	2	1-0	1-0	W, 8-7
5.	Kremer	8	Mar 02	vs Duke	Chillari, B.	* 0..	6	0	0-0	4-7	W, 8-7
6.	Kremer	8	Mar 02	vs Duke	Davis, H.	.1.	7	0	1-0	6-7	W, 8-7
7.	Homer	9	Mar 03	vs Duke	Stinson, C.	* 0..	1	0	1-0	0-0	L, 2-9
8.	Nadeau	12	Mar 10	at UCF	Holloway, T.*	0..	6	0	1-1	1-2	W, 11-5
9.	Homer	12	Mar 10	at UCF	Hakanson, J.	...3	7	2	3-2	4-3	W, 11-5
10.	Bowersox	12	Mar 10	at UCF	Whitehead, J.	0..	7	2	3-1	8-3	W, 11-5
11.	Sloniger	14	Mar 15	UMass Lowell	Metelski	* 0..	7	0	0-0	1-1	W, 3-1
12.	Williams	15	Mar 16	UMass Lowell	Rand	.1.	3	0	1-2	0-0	W, 7-6
13.	Sloniger	19	Mar 24	Minnesota	Culliver	.1.	6	2	0-0	1-7	L, 6-8
14.	Hughes	25	Apr 05	at Indiana	Bierman	0..	7	1	1-2	1-0	W, 3-0
15.	Homer	27	Apr 06	at Indiana	Saalfank	0..	3	1	2-0	1-0	L, 2-3
16.	Williams	28	Apr 09	Youngstown St.	Matthews	.2.	2	2	3-2	7-3	W, 16-15
17.	Kremer	29	Apr 10	Pittsburgh	Cappas	0..	2	1	2-1	0-0	L, 2-7
18.	Ford	34	Apr 20	at Illinois	Weber	.2.	2	2	1-1	0-5	L, 6-7
19.	Sbranti	35	Apr 21	at Illinois	Acton	0..	9	1	1-0	2-4	L, 3-4
20.	Williams	36	Apr 24	Lafayette	O'Connor, E.*	0..	2	0	0-0	0-0	W, 3-2
21.	Sbranti	38	Apr 27	Maryland	Thompson, Z.	0..	3	1	1-2	0-1	L, 4-6
22.	Williams	38	Apr 27	Maryland	DiLuia, M.	0..	8	2	2-1	3-5	L, 4-6

* - leadoff homerun

RECORD WHEN

Total.....	21-24
Conference.....	4-18
Non-Conf.....	17-6
Home.....	9-12
Away.....	5-10
Neutral.....	7-2
Day.....	12-16
Night.....	9-8
vs Left.....	4-10
vs Right.....	17-14
1-Run games.....	9-7
2-Run games.....	4-10
5+Run games.....	3-4
Extra innings.....	3-2
Shutouts.....	3-3
Scoring 0-2 runs.....	1-15
Scoring 3-5 runs.....	9-6
Scoring 6-9 runs.....	7-3
Scoring 10+ runs.....	4-0
Opponent 0-2 runs.....	8-4
Opponent 3-5 runs.....	8-11
Opponent 6-9 runs.....	4-7
Opponent 10+ runs.....	1-2
Scored in 1st inning.....	7-8
Scores first.....	13-14
Opp. scores first.....	8-10
After 6 leading.....	13-4
After 6 trailing.....	4-15
After 6 tied.....	4-5
After 7 leading.....	17-0
After 7 trailing.....	1-19
After 7 tied.....	3-5
After 8 leading.....	16-0
After 8 trailing.....	2-21
After 8 tied.....	3-3
Hit 0 home runs.....	11-17
Hit 1 home run.....	8-6
Hit 2+ home runs.....	2-1
Opponent 0 home runs.....	17-15
Opponent 1 home run.....	1-5
Opponent 2+ HRs.....	3-4
Made 0 errors.....	7-10
Made 1 error.....	6-1
Made 2+ errors.....	8-13
Opp. made 0 errors.....	9-8
Opp. made 1 error.....	5-11
Opp. made 2+ errors.....	7-5
Out-hit opponent.....	13-6
Out-hit by opponent.....	3-17
Hits are tied.....	5-1

Inning-by-inning summary

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Ex	Total
PSU	28	34	22	13	30	17	21	8	16	4	193
OPP	16	13	25	31	21	19	44	22	22	3	216

Record when team scores:

Runs	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+
W-L	0-3	1-5	0-7	4-3	1-2	4-1	2-3	3-0	1-0	1-0	4-0

Record when opponent scores:

Runs	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+
W-L	3-0	1-1	4-3	3-3	3-3	2-5	2-2	2-3	0-1	0-1	1-2

Record when leading after:

Inn.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
W-L	6-8	9-11	12-9	11-8	14-6	13-4	17-0	16-0

Record when trailing after:

Inn.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
W-L	2-5	5-5	6-9	5-11	4-11	4-15	1-19	2-21

Record when tied after:

Inn.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
W-L	13-11	7-8	3-6	5-5	3-7	4-5	3-5	3-3

RECORD WATCH

HITTING STREAKS

1.	41	Michael Campo	2000
2.	23	Mike DeRenzo	2002
3.	22	Jeff Rumberger	1978-79
4.	20	Michael Campo	1997
5.	19	Kevin Billotte	1995-96
	19	John Schreiner	1989-90
7.	18	Jordan Steranka	2009
	18	Paul Komorowski	1988
	18	O.J. McDuffie	1990
10.	17	Elliot Searer	2010
	17	Jeremy Deitrick	1997
	17	Jeff Rumberger	1979
	17	John Schreiner	1990
14.	16	Greg Guers	2015
	16	Kevin Billotte	1995
	16	Michael Milliron	2004
	16	Russ Mushinsky	1990
	16	Zack Smithlin	2001
16		Jordan Bowersox	2019

TRIPLES (Season)

1.	6	Kevin Billotte	1995
2.	5	Sean Deegan	2011
		Jordan Steranka	2011
		Sean Deegan	2010
		Joe Blackburn	2007
		Russ Mushinsky	1990
		Michael Campo	2000
8.	4	14 times, most recently	
		Jim Haley	2015
--	3	Kris Kremer	2019
	2	Parker Hendershot	2019
		Mac Hippenhammer	2019

HIT BY PITCHES (Career)

1.	40	Michael Campo	1997-2000
2.	25	Scott Gummo	2004-06
		Chris Netwall	1998-2001
4.	22	Jim Haley	2014-16
5.	20	Joey DeBernardis	2009-12
6.	20	James Coates	2013-16
7.	18	Luis Montesinos	2010-13
		Louie Picconi	2007-10
		Aaron Greenfield	2003-06
		Chris Franks	1987-89
--	15	Jordan Bowersox	2016-pres.

HIT BY PITCHES (Season)

1.	16	Scott Gummo	2006
2.	14	Michael Campo	1999
		Chris Franks	1984
4.	12	<i>Shea Sbranti</i>	2018
5.	11	Michael Campo	1998
6.	10	Michael Campo	2000
		James Coates	2016
8.	9	Joey DeBernardis	2012
		Michael Milliron	2005
		Jim Haley	2014
--	8	Gavin Homer	2019
		Jacob Padilla	2019

STOLEN BASES (Career)

1.	62	Zack Smithlin	2000-03
2.	57	Michael Campo	1997-2000
3.	50	Doug Keener	1984-87
4.	41	Sean Deegan	2009-12
5.	39	Kevin Billotte	1995-98
6.	37	Dave Hall	1990-94
7.	36	Greg Vogel	1973-76
8.	35	Derek Bochna	1992-95
		Steve Snyder	2010-14
		Blake Lynd	2009-11
		Greg Guers	2013-16
--	28	Jordan Bowersox	2016-pres.

PUTOUTS (Career)

1.	1903	Cory Wine	2006-09
2.	1193	Phil Bertolotti	1993-96
3.	1119	Clint Eury	2002-05
4.	1058	Joey DeBernardis	2009-12
5.	1041	J.J. White	2012-15
6.	1050	Ryan Sloniger	2016-pres.
7.	1015	Chris Netwall	1998-2001
8.	907	Matt Harter	2001-04
9.	871	Todd Stoner	1986-89
10.	634	Jared Sadlowski	1994-97

STRIKEOUTS (Season)

1.	135	Nate Bump	1998
2.	116	Ed Drapcho	1957
3.	108	Mitch Lukevics	1975
4.	105	Bob Fenton	1963
5.	99	Ed Drapcho	1955
6.	98	Dante Biasi	2019
7.	97	Pete Yodis	2000
8.	96	Cal Emery	1957
9.	91	T.J. Macy	2009
10.	88	Mike Watson	2002
		Sal Biasi	2017

SAVES (Season)

1.	13	Jack Anderson	2016
2.	11	Drew O'Neil	2008
		Drew O'Neil	2007
4.	7	Dave Walkling	2012
		Shawn Fagan	1998
6.	6	Scott Russo	2000
		Clint Eury	2004
8.	5	Jeff Emerich	1995
		Mike Watson	2000
		Clint Eury	2005
		Josh Palm	2005
		Ryan Ignas	2009
		Ryan Ignas	2011
		Jack Anderson	2014
		Jack Anderson	2015
		Mason Mellott	2019

SAVES (Career)

1.	25	Jack Anderson	2013-16
2.	22	Drew O'Neil	2007-08
3.	15	Clint Eury	2002-05
4.	11	Shawn Fagan	1997-2000
5.	10	Ryan Ignas	2009-11
6.	9	Jeff Emerich	1993-96
		Mason Mellott	2018-pres.
8.	8	Kevin Damiano	2000-03
		Josh Palm	2002-05
10.	7	Dave Walkling	2011-13
		Scott Russo	1998-2000

EARNED RUN AVG. (Season)

(Min. 25 IP)			
1.	0.72	Rick Sherkel	1971
2.	0.95	Bob Fenton	1961
3.	1.02	Rick Sherkel	1972
4.	1.07	Denny Lingenfelter	1966
5.	1.16	Mitch Lukevics	1975
6.	1.34	Drew O'Neil	2007
7.	1.88	Drew O'Neil	2008
8.	2.05	Joe Kurrasch	2012
--	2.36	Mason Mellott	2019
--	2.48	Dante Biasi	2019



Rob
COOPER

Sixth Year
Miami (Fla.), 1994

Head Coach

The 2019 baseball season will be Rob Cooper's sixth as head coach of the Nittany Lion baseball program. Cooper was selected as the 14th head baseball coach in Penn State history on August 9, 2013. Not shy about stating his ultimate goal of returning Penn State to Omaha in June, the Lions have made significant strides under his leadership.

Program highlights under his guidance include four players drafted and five total signed by MLB teams in the last three seasons, ending a three-year drought, and the winningest season since 2012. However, his strong belief in the first part of the term "student-athlete" is perhaps the top reason he has proven to be an excellent fit at Penn State. Even with state-of-the-art facilities, the chance to take on elite competition and a program history that includes five trips to the College World Series, Cooper cites the value of a Penn State degree as one of the top reasons to play baseball at Penn State.

In 2018, Justin Hagenman joined Sal Biasi, Jim Haley and Jack Anderson as recent Nittany Lion draft selections, while fellow pitcher and Cooper's first Penn State signee, Taylor Lehman, signed as a free agent with the Phillies. Hagenman was selected by the Dodgers in the 23rd round with the 704th overall pick, becoming the third Penn State pitcher to be drafted in the past three years, joining Royals' 2017 selection Biasi (11th round) and Mariners' 2016 selection Anderson (23rd round). Before Anderson's selection in 2016, just one Penn State pitcher had been taken in the previous six years (Joe Kurrasch, 2012, 8th round, Giants). Biasi was also the highest Nittany Lion pick overall in five years. A member of Cooper's first full recruiting class, Biasi led Penn State during the 2017 season, earning All-Big Ten second team honors following a career year with 88 strikeouts - the most by a Nittany Lion pitcher since 2009 and tied for the ninth-most in a single season at Penn State.

Hagenman is the 11th player to be drafted during Cooper's career as a head coach and the fourth in his tenure at Penn State. During a successful nine-year stint as the head coach at Wright State, seven of the players were drafted, including eventual Major Leaguer Joe Smith, and 12 more signed professional free agent contracts. Haley played all three seasons at Penn State under Cooper, while Anderson dramatically improved over his final three seasons to become Penn State's all-time leader in appearances and saves.

Penn State baseball's trip to Cuba prior to the 2016 season is perhaps the best example of Cooper's commitment to the first part of the "student-athlete" term. The Nittany Lions attended academic lectures and toured Havana, becoming the first NCAA Division I team to compete against a Cuban National Series team, the first U.S. team at any level to defeat a Cuban National Series team, the first U.S. baseball team to play in Cuba since restoration of diplomatic ties with Cuba, the second NCAA team to play in Cuba since restoration of diplomatic ties (Coastal Carolina men's basketball, August 2015) and the fifth NCAA Division I baseball team to compete in post-revolutionary Cuba. The harmony between academics and athletics was on full display, as multiple Penn State professors and a group of journalism students also joined the travel party.

The rare, once-in-a-lifetime experience helped bring a young Penn State team together, and the Lions went on to earn their first winning record (overall and conference) since 2012. The starting lineup included at least three freshmen in all but six games and five to six freshmen in 19 games, and took on nine eventual NCAA Tournament teams, including a three-game series at home against College World Series participant TCU. The Lions' 28 wins were a 10-win improvement over the previous season, and its 12 Big Ten wins doubled the 2015 total. The season ended with a 12-inning, walk-off victory. Haley and Anderson were the first drafted out of Penn State since 2012, and Anderson and senior outfielder Greg Guers became the program's first All-Big Ten picks also since 2012. Hagenman became Penn State's first Louisville Slugger Freshman All-American since 1997.

In his five seasons at Penn State, Cooper's student-athletes have earned Academic All-Big Ten honors 49 times, including

Anderson, who in 2016 became the first Nittany Lion in six years to be named to the CoSIDA Academic All-District team. As a military history buff, Cooper's speeches to the team often include historical references. He even arranged to have the team visit the headquarters of the Navy SEAL Team VI headquarters and speak with a pair of Navy SEALs - one a Penn State alum - during a travel day on the team's 2015 spring break trip.

The Lions started making gains during his second season in Happy Valley in 2015. Penn State totaled 18 wins against a schedule ranking in the bottom third nationally during his inaugural campaign in 2014, but rose to the challenge the following season, matching the previous season's 18 wins despite playing a schedule that ranked in the upper third in difficulty and involved 10 games against Top 25 opponents. The Nittany Lions rallied from a 7-0 deficit against No. 21 Indiana for their first win over a ranked opponent in three seasons and gave eighth-ranked Illinois its biggest scare during its record winning streak, battling for 15 innings. Penn State ultimately won one more conference game than the year before, despite the Big Ten enjoying arguably its most competitive season to date with a league-record five teams earning NCAA Tournament bids.

Shortly after Cooper accepted the PSU head coaching position in 2014, the California native traveled to Taichung, Taiwan to serve as the head coach of USA Baseball's 18U National Team at the IBAF U18 World Cup. Cooper steered Team USA to an 8-1 record in World Cup play, including seven consecutive victories to win the gold medal.

Not long after the triumph in Taiwan, Cooper received one of the highest honors bestowed in the profession, as he was announced as the Rod Dedeaux USA Baseball Coach of the Year. With the honor, Cooper became just the 16th individual in the award's history to receive the accolade, joining the likes of Scott Brosius, Davey Johnson and Tommy Lasorda.

Cooper was also a member of the coaching staff for the 2007 and 2009 USA College National teams. The 2007 team earned a silver medal at the Pan Am Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Fourteen of the 20 players on the 2007 team reached the Major Leagues, including 2013 All-Star Pedro Alvarez. Fourteen of the 22 members of the 2009 team also reached the Major Leagues, including 2015 All-Stars Gerrit Cole and Yasmani Grandall.

Cooper brought an accomplished resume to Penn State that included three NCAA Tournament appearances as a head coach at Wright State and five more at various stops as an assistant coach, including two trips to the College World Series with Miami (Florida). Cooper was twice named the Horizon League Coach of the Year and guided Wright State to three league tournament championships and two regular-season championships after the team suffered six losing seasons in the seven years before his arrival.

Cooper methodically built Wright State into a perennial contender in the Horizon League with seven 30-win seasons, two Horizon League regular-season titles, three Horizon League Tournament crowns and six Horizon League Championship game appearances. In nine seasons starting in 2005, Cooper accumulated a 286-230 record, including a pair of wins over No. 1-ranked opponents Virginia (3/5/10) and Georgia (3/24/09). He was named the Horizon League Coach of the Year in 2010 and 2011.

Cooper guided 47 players to all-conference accolades and 18 to all-newcomer honors. He also produced five Horizon League Players of the Year, one Pitcher of the Year, three Relief Pitchers of the Year and two Newcomers of the Year.

The 2011 season saw Cooper record his 200th coaching victory and earn the Horizon League Coach of the Year award

THE COOPER FILE

B.A. Miami University
In Sixth Season as Penn State's Head Coach
In 13th Season as a Head Coach at the Collegiate Level
Three NCAA Tournament Appearances
Four Horizon League Championships
One Gold Medal with USA Baseball
Rod Dedeaux USA Baseball Coach of the Year

School	Year	Overall	Win%	Conference	Win%
Wright State	2005	26-33	.441	11-9 Horizon	.550
Wright State	2006	32-27	.593	17-13 Horizon	.567
Wright State	2007	36-22	.621	21-9 Horizon	.700
Wright State	2008	30-23	.566	16-6 Horizon	.727
Wright State	2009	33-30	.524	14-12 Horizon	.538
Wright State	2010	31-25	.554	17-6 Horizon	.739
Wright State	2011	36-19	.655	16-7 Horizon	.696
Wright State	2012	37-21	.638	20-10 Horizon	.667
Wright State	2013	25-30	.455	9-12 Horizon	.429
Penn State	2014	18-32	.360	5-18 Big Ten	.217
Penn State	2015	18-30	.375	6-16 Big Ten	.273
Penn State	2016	28-27	.599	12-12 Big Ten	.500
Penn State	2017	18-37	.327	4-20 Big Ten	.167
Penn State	2018	15-34	.306	3-21 Big Ten	.125
Penn State	2019	21-24	.467	4-18 Big Ten	.000
Penn State Career	6 Seasons	118-184	.391	34-105 Big Ten	.245
	15 Seasons	404-414	.494	175-189	.481

for the second consecutive year. The Raiders won their second-straight Horizon League regular season title with a 16-7 record, claimed the league tournament crown by winning three-straight games and advanced to the NCAA Regionals in College Station, Texas. In 2010, the Raiders won the Horizon League regular-season title with a mark of 17-6, the first regular-season conference crown for the program since the 1997 squad won the Midwestern Collegiate Conference title. The 2009 Wright State Raiders compiled a 33-30 overall record and returned to the NCAA Tournament following a Horizon League Tournament championship.

At season's end in 2008, Cooper watched as a school and Horizon League-record three players were drafted during the 2008 Major League Baseball First Year Player Draft. In 2007, Wright State enjoyed one of the most prolific offensive seasons in school history as it broke three career records and 11 single-season school records. Ross Oeder, a former assistant coach on Cooper's staff, was named the Horizon League Player of the Year and garnered second-team All-America Honors. The 2006 edition of the Raiders set six school records and posted the most season wins in five years. Cooper's squad defeated nationally-ranked TCU on the road, topped national-powerhouse Notre Dame in South Bend and was on the brink of an upset against eventual National Champion Oregon State in the NCAA Corvallis Regional.

Before arriving at Wright State, Cooper served as the hitting coach, recruiting coordinator and bench coach at Oral Roberts University. A perennial power of the Mid-Continent Conference (now Summit League), ORU advanced to the finals of the NCAA Austin Regional in 2004, beating TCU twice before falling to Texas, 7-3 and 7-5. The Golden Eagles finished with an overall mark of 50-11 in 2004 and had five players selected in the Major League Baseball draft, two honored as All-Americans by the ABCA and three named All-Americans by the College Baseball Insiders website.

Cooper began his coaching career at national power Miami, spending two seasons (1994-95) as a student/graduate assistant on the Hurricanes' staff. While at Miami, Cooper helped the Hurricanes to College World Series berths in 1994 and 1995. Cooper spent the 1996 season as an assistant and team academic coordinator at Wake Forest, then moved on to Tulane for the next two seasons, serving as the Green Wave's hitting coach. In 1997, the Green Wave won the Conference USA regular-season crown, and in 1998, they advanced to the NCAA Tournament. Cooper left Tulane following the 1998 season and returned to Sacramento City College, where he starred in the early 1990's before lettering at Miami in 1993.

Along with his college coaching experience, Cooper also was an associate scout for the Los Angeles Dodgers from 1990-92 and has been selected to four coaching stints with USA Baseball in 2000, 2007, 2009 and 2013.

Cooper earned his bachelor's degree in psychology from Miami in 1994 and a master's in sports sciences/administration from Miami in 1996. He is married to his wife, Maureen, and has two sons, Jake and Tyson.