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2005 IOWA CONFERENCE BASEBALL PREVIEW

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA . . . Eight-time defending Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (IIAC) Champion Wartburg College received seven of nine first-place votes and accumulated 71 points to claim the top spot in the 2005 IIAC Baseball Coaches' Poll. Conference Tournament Champion, Simpson College, received the other two first-place votes and is second in the preseason poll with 64 points followed by Luther College (55 points) and Coe College (50). The complete 2005 IIAC Baseball Coaches' Poll follows.

Rank	School (1st place votes)	Points	2004 Record
1	Wartburg (7)	71	30-15, 13-3 IIAC
2	Simpson (2)	64	31-16, 11-5 IIAC
3	Luther	55	26-13, 12-4 IIAC
4	Coe	50	26-18, 7-9 IIAC
5	Central	43	20-22, 10-6 IIAC
6	Buena Vista	34	18-21, 6-10 IIAC
7	Cornell	33	17-22, 6-10 IIAC
8	Loras	25	15-21, 4-12 IIAC
9	Dubuque	21	12-26, 3-13 IIAC

Simpson is ranked 26th in the American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA)/Collegiate Baseball Newspaper's preseason poll. Wartburg was listed among the schools also receiving votes.

The 2005 baseball season is scheduled to begin on Saturday, February 26, as Cornell is scheduled to play a doubleheader at Nebraska Wesleyan University. Buena Vista, Central, Dubuque, Loras and Wartburg are all scheduled to begin their season within the five days following. Conference-play begins on Saturday, April 2, and concludes with the six-team Conference Tournament on May 12-14, at Veterans Memorial Stadium in Cedar Rapids.

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Buena Vista University Beavers (18-21 overall, 6-10 IIAC – t-6th)

Starting Position Players Returning/Lost: 5/3

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 10/5

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 16/7

Quote from the Coach: Head coach **Steve Eddie** says, "I am looking forward to watching the development of this team. With the unbelievable leadership skills of our seven seniors, the team looks to be heading in a positive direction."

Key Returnees	
Ben Lickteig , Sr., 1B	2003 Second Team All-Conference 39 GP - .367 avg., 5 HR, 33 RBI, 9 2B, 36 runs, .555 slug %, .478 OB%, 7 SB IIAC Rank – 4th in OB%, 15th in avg., 15th in slug %
Derek Fink , Jr., 3B	37 GP - .290 avg., 1 HR, 21 RBI, 6 2B, 2 3B, 18 runs, .420 slug %, .415 OB%
Brian Ricken , Sr., SS	37 GP - .365 avg., 14 RBI, 5 2B, 39 runs, .401 slug %, .403 OB%, 13 SB IIAC Rank – t-11th in runs, 11th in SB
Alex Fokken , So., OF	19 GP - .298 avg., 7 RBI, 2 2B, 12 runs, .333 slug %, .322 OB %
Joe Poole , Jr., OF	38 GP - .294 avg., 6 HR, 24 RBI, 4 2B, 40 runs, .496 slug %, .455 OB%, 11 SB IIAC Rank – 10th in runs, 14th in SB
Mike Soenen , Sr., OF/RHP	38 GP - .294 avg., 4 HR, 48 RBI, 11 2B, 1 3B, 33 runs, .504 slug %, .408 OB%, 8 SB IIAC Rank – 5th in RBI 10 GP, 9 starts, 2 CG, 4-4, 1 save, 4.40 ERA, 47 IP, 36 K, 16 BB, .301 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 12th in ERA, 15th in opp. avg., t-15th in K, t-15th in wins
Nick Ginapp , Sr., RHP	6 GP, 0-0, 1 save, 1.80 ERA, 5 IP, 5 K, 1 BB, .200 opp. avg.
Michael Barta , So., RHP	7 GP, 0-0, 5.06 ERA, 10.2 IP, 9 K, 12 BB, .275 opp. avg.
Adam Rath , Sr., RHP	12 GP, 7 starts, 1 CG, 4-2, 5.12 ERA, 45.2 IP, 40 K, 15 BB, .289 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 11th in K, 14th in opp. avg., 15th in ERA, t-15th in wins
Dan Reis , Jr., RHP	8 GP, 4 starts, 0-1, 7.36 ERA, 18.1 IP, 9 K, 19 BB, .372 opp. avg.
Jason Hillman , Jr., RHP	8 GP, 7 starts, 2-2, 7.71 ERA, 30.1 IP, 22 K, 23 BB, .268 opp. avg.

Newcomers To Watch	
Ryan Koopman , Fr., IF	
Chris Dolezal , Fr., IF	
Brandson Arndt , Fr., RHP	
Scott Muhlenbruch , Fr., C/Utility	
Alex Messerole , Fr., C	
Jeff Weisenborn , Fr., LHP/OF	
Dan Christiansen , Jr., RHP	

Tough Losses	
Cory Kennedy , C	32 GP - .225 avg., 2 HR, 20 RBI, 7 2B, 11 runs, .371 slug %, .317 OB%
Dan Nuehring , 2B	32 GP - .270 avg., 11 RBI, 4 2B, 15 runs, .324 slug %, .353 OB%
Kent Bass , OF	26 GP - .351 avg., 1 HR, 13 RBI, 2 2B, 20 runs, .419 slug %, .422 OB %
Cody Tibbets , P	18 GP, 1 start, 1-4, 6 saves, 4.31 ERA, 31.1 IP, 30 K, 12 BB, .304 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-2nd in saves, 3rd in appearances
Kyle Sawyer , P	9 GP, 1 start, 2-1, 6.23 ERA, 21.2 IP, 11 K, 15 BB, .308 opp. avg.
Ryan Brock , P	10 GP, 4 starts, 2-3, 7.16 ERA, 27.2 IP, 14 K, 17 BB, .370 opp. avg.
Jeremiah Knutzen , P	8 GP, 5 starts, 1-3, 13.05 ERA, 20.0 IP, 7 K, 11 BB, .389 opp. avg.

Central College Dutch (20-22 overall, 10-6 IIAC – 4th)

Starting Position Players Returning/Lost: 6/2

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 4/1

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 15/7

Quote from the Coach: Head coach **Adam Stevens** says, "I think that we have the potential to be very good defensively and have the potential to be a very good offensive team as well. One thing we really need to improve on this year is our pitching depth and I hope that we've done that. In order for us to compete in the conference race, we will have to show up ready to play each of our 16 games and get better and more consistent production on the mound."

Key Returnees	
Kody Wohlers, Sr., C	42 GP - .301 avg., 17 RBI, 14 2B, 2 3B, 30 runs, .447 slug %, .439 OB% IIAC Rank – t-5th in 2B
Adam Duerfeldt, Jr., 1B/C	39 GP - .366 avg., 1 HR, 31 RBI, 10 2B, 3 3B, 27 runs, .497 slug%, .305 OB%, 4 SB IIAC Rank – t-3rd in 3B, t-14th in hits (53)
Steve Gebhart, Sr., SS	2004 First Team All-Conference 42 GP - .359 avg., 6 HR, 40 RBI, 11 2B, 31 runs, .549 slug %, .388 OB% IIAC Rank – 9th in RBI, t-10th in HR, t-11th in hits (55)
Matt Murphy, Jr., 3B	32 GP - .317 avg., 19 RBI, 3 2B, 18 runs, .347 slug %, .383 OB%
Austin DeHoogh, Sr., CF/P	2004 Second Team All-Conference 27 GP - .270 avg., 1 HR, 10 RBI, 2 2B, 1 3B, 16 runs, .365 slug%, .400 OB%, 5 SB 14 GP, 7 starts, 3 CG, 5-3, 2 saves, 5.69 ERA, 55.1 IP, 34 K, 13 BB, .313 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-9th in saves, t-10th in wins, 11th in IP
Shea Stamp, Jr., LF	2003 Second Team All-Conference 40 GP - .304 avg., 5 HR, 28 RBI, 9 2B, 1 3B, 29 runs, .493 slug %, .401 OB%, 4 SB
Josh Sandin, Sr., DH	37 GP - .265 avg., 1 HR, 15 RBI, 4 2B, 2 3B, 10 runs, .373 slug %, .336 OB%
Matt Rohach, Jr., RHP	2004 Second Team All-Conference 15 GP, 11 starts, 5 CG, 6-3, 2 saves, 5.78 ERA, 67 IP, 43 K, 34 BB, 1 SO, .305 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-6th in wins, 7th in K, 8th in IP, t-8th in appearances, t-9th in saves
Tanner Ludwig, So., RHP	8 GP, 4 starts, 1 CG, 3-2, 8.38 ERA, 10.1 IP, 12 K, 16 BB, .346 opp. avg.
Jon Doudna, Jr., RHP	9 GP, 5 starts, 0-2, 10.27 ERA, 23.2 IP, 13 K, 13 BB, .316 opp. avg.

Newcomers To Watch	
Jared Greenfield, Fr., RHP	
Jeremy Kippley, Fr., 1B	
Andy Long, So., 2B	
Mike Luce, Fr., RHP	
Drew Riemenschneider, Jr., RHP	

Tough Losses	
Tom Sheehan, DH	34 GP - .333 avg., 2 HR, 20 RBI, 5 2B, 1 3B, 22 runs, .454 slug %, .390 OB%
Pat Johnson, RF	2004 First Team All-Conference 42 GP - .357 avg., 15 HR, 50 RBI, 8 2B, 2 3B, 42 runs, .764 slug%, .456 OB%, 4 SB IIAC Rank – 1st in HR, 1st in slug %, 4th in RBI, t-7th in runs, 12th in OB%
Nate Landas, 2B	42 GP - .277 avg., 14 RBI, 7 2B, 3 3B, 37 runs, .365 slug %, .410 OB%, 4 SB IIAC Rank – t-3rd in 3B
Gavin Mitchell, RHP	14 GP, 3 starts, 2-5, 4 saves, 8.65 ERA, 26 IP, 16 K, 11 BB, .321 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 6th in saves

Coe College Kohawks (26-18 overall, 7-9 IIAC – 5th)

Starting Position Players Returning/Lost: 7/2

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 4/2

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 13/4

Quote from the Coach: Head coach **Steve Cook** says, "We should be competitive again in the conference. We only graduated three seniors from last year's team that finished 26-18 overall and won a couple of games in the conference tournament."

Key Returnees	
Josh Schauf, Jr., C	42 GP - .308 avg., 3 HR, 19 RBI, 5 2B, 24 runs, .414 slug %, .370 OB %, 4 SB
Will Renner, Jr., 1B	2004 Second Team All-Conference; 2004 All-Region Third Team 43 GP - .400 avg., 11 HR, 47 RBI, 15 2B, 29 runs, .743 slug %, .488 OB% IIAC Rank – 2nd in slug %, 2nd in OB%, 3rd in HR, 4th in avg., 4th in 2B, 6th in RBI, 10th in hits (56)
Ryan Smuck, So., SS	41 GP - .227 avg., 1 HR, 7 RBI, 4 2B, 15 runs, .307 slug %, .292 OB%
Nathan Dlouhy, Jr., 3B	40 GP - .290 avg., 6 HR, 25 RBI, 5 2B, 2 3B, 33 runs, .508 slug%, .362 OB%, 12 SB IIAC Rank – t-12th in SB
Eric Hemesath, Sr., LF	43 GP - .331 avg., 2 HR, 23 RBI, 14 2B, 2 3B, 30 runs, .504 slug%, .438 OB%, 7 SB IIAC Rank – t-5th in 2B
Travis Wiltgen, Jr., CF	43 GP - .284 avg., 1 HR, 21 RBI, 6 2B, 1 3B, 38 runs, .366 slug%, .452 OB%, 20 SB IIAC Rank – t-3rd in SB, 14th in OB%, t-14th in runs
Chad Kramer, Jr., DH	42 GP - .351 avg., 7 HR, 37 RBI, 10 2B, 2 3B, 34 runs, .588 slug%, .411 OB%, 8 SB IIAC Rank – 7th in HR, 11th in slug %, t-12th in RBI
Jase Jensen, Jr., OF	25 GP - .250 avg., 1 RBI, 1 2B, 7 runs, .333 slug %, .308 OB%, 9 SB
Ashton Northern, So., OF	17 GP - .294 avg., 1 HR, 4 RBI, 3 runs, .471 slug %, .350 OB%
Andrew Roder, Jr., C	15 GP - .211 avg., 5 RBI, 2 2B, 2 runs, .316 slug %, .250 OB%
Mitch Bockenstedt, Sr., RHP	2004 First Team All-Conference; 2004 All-Region First Team 13 GP, 11 starts, 6 CG, 9-2, 2.80 ERA, 74 IP, 77 K, 20 BB, 1 SO, .256 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 1st in K, t-1st in wins, 2nd in ERA, 3rd in IP, 4th in opp avg.
Tom Hauck, Sr., RHP	11 GP, 11 starts, 2 CG, 4-5, 6.30 ERA, 50 IP, 38 K, 20 BB, .336 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 13th in IP, 14th in K
Brandon Hunt, Jr., RHP	12 GP, 3 starts, 2 CG, 1-2, 2 saves, 7.77 ERA, 44 IP, 33 K, 28 BB, .307 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-9th in saves
Jeremiah Tacker, Sr., RHP	17 GP, 2 starts, 3-0, 3 saves, 4.55 ERA, 29.2 IP, 15 K, 6 BB, .305 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-7th in saves

Newcomers To Watch	
Cody Smith, Fr., LHP/OF	
Brock Auten, Jr., OF	
Aaron Patterson, Fr., RHP	
BJ Noethe, Jr., C	

Tough Losses	
Tim Higgins, 2B	2004 First Team All-Conference ; 2004 All-Region Second Team 44 GP-.388 avg., 6 HR, 42 RBI, 19 2B, 2 3B, 42 runs, .644 slug%, .457 OB%, 15 SB IIAC Rank – 2nd in 2B, 6th in hits (62), 7th in avg., 7th in slug %, t-7th in runs, t-7th in SB, 8th in RBI, 11th in OB%
Jon Schroeder, RF	44 GP-.297 avg., 8 HR, 38 RBI, 14 2B, 2 3B, 45 runs, .586 slug%, .401 OB%, 12 SB IIAC Rank – t-5th in 2B, 6th in HR, 6th in runs, t-10th in RBI, 12th in slug %
Steve James, P	13 GP, 10 starts, 2 CG, 4-4, 5.56 ERA, 55 IP, 36 K, 35 BB, .285 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 12th in opp. avg., 12th in IP
Chris Larson, P	13 GP, 7 starts, 1 CG, 4-5, 1 save, 6.46 ERA, 47.1 ERA, 42 K, 23 BB, .315 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-8th in K

Cornell College Rams (17-22 overall, 6-10 IIAC – t-6th)

Starting Position Players Returning/Lost: 5/4

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 3/4

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 14/13

Quote from the Coach: Head coach **Frank Fishler** says, "We have a strong nucleus of seniors combined with a very good recruiting class. I am very pleased with the depth and the quality of our pitching staff. We will be solid offensively. Our key will be how consistent our defense is."

Key Returnees	
Todd Reichart , Sr., C	2004 First Team All-Conference 39 GP - .338 avg., 4 HR, 27 RBI, 8 2B, 36 runs, .500 slug %, .393 OB%, 8 SB
Ricky Legree , Sr., 3B	39 GP - .331 avg., 1 HR, 17 RBI, 10 2B, 35 runs, .435 slug %, .426 OB%
Danny Love , Sr., SS	39 GP - .343 avg., 1 HR, 17 RBI, 5 2B, 24 runs, .403 slug %, .383 OB%
Adam Hadenfeldt , Sr., LF	39 GP - .266 avg., 20 RBI, 4 2B, 2 3B, 12 runs, .339 slug %, .331 OB %
Pat Block , Sr., CF	39 GP - .293 avg., 13 RBI, 9 2B, 31 runs, .353 slug %, .325 OB%, 8 SB
Paul John Zobeck , Sr., 1B	2003 First Team All-Conference, Did not play at Cornell in 2004 2003 stats – 42 GP - .390 avg., 14 HR, 41 RBI, 15 2B, 40 runs, .838 slug%, .454 OB%, 3 SB IIAC Rank – 1st in HR, 1st in 2B, 1st in slug%, 5th in RBI, 8th in runs, 9th in avg.
Ryan Rosenberg , Jr., LHP	Two-time All-Conference 11 GP, 11 starts, 7 CG, 7-3, 2.58 ERA, 69.2 IP, 75 K, 34 BB, .206 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 1st in ERA, 1st in opp. avg., 2nd in K, 5th in wins, 5th in IP
Ryan Williams , Sr., RHP	22 GP, 1 start, 0-5, 7 saves, 7.88 ERA, 32.0 IP, 24 K, 21 BB, .364 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 1st in saves, 2nd in appearances
Dan Cleary , So., RHP	15 GP, 6 starts, 1-3, 4.19 ERA, 39.2 IP, 25 K, 19 BB, .331 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-8th in appearances

Newcomers To Watch	
Tad Barry , Fr., P	
Eric Blunt , Fr., SS	
Jim Bose , Fr., 1B/P	
Anthony Cozzi , Fr., OF/P	
Tyler Downing , Fr., 1B	
Aaron Hadenfeldt , Fr., 3B/P	
Anthony Kobler , Fr., P	
Neal Reasland , Fr., 3B	
Ben Rudman , Fr., OF/P	
Caleb Simon , Fr., 3B/P	

Tough Losses	
Nate Eichmeyer , 1B	37 GP - .325 avg., 5 HR, 35 RBI, 8 2B, 26 runs, .517 slug %, .391 OB%
Justin Mashburn , 2B	39 GP - .298 avg., 1 HR, 22 RBI, 8 2B, 28 runs, .388 slug %, .377 OB%
Drew Simonis , RF	39 GP - .234 avg., 2 HR, 25 RBI, 7 2B, 20 runs, .339 slug %, .295 OB%
Tom Mager , DH	25 GP - .267 avg., 1 HR, 11 RBI, 2 2B, 10 runs, .333 slug %, .273 OB%
Justin Flansburg , RHP	14 GP, 3 starts, 3-1, 5.76 ERA, 25 IP, 9 K, 11 BB, .361 opp. avg.
Eric Melander , RHP	14 GP, 6 starts, 2-3, 10.06 ERA, 34 IP, 18 K, 13 BB, .390 opp. avg.
Brian Vaughan , RHP	11 GP, 3 starts, 2-2, 10.27 ERA, 23.2 IP, 14 K, 7 BB, .386 opp. avg.
Andrew Buck , RHP	10 GP, 9 starts, 1 CG, 2-5, 7.71 ERA, 37.1 IP, 28 K, 29 BB, .285 opp. avg.

University of Dubuque Spartans
(12-26 overall, 3-13 IIAC – 9th)

Starting Position Players Returning/Lost: 7/1

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 10/3

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 14/7

Quote from the Coach: Head coach **Shane Schellsmidt** says, "As of right now we are just focused on coming together as a team and building a foundation for our Tournament chase. I believe with all the new transfer students and acquisitions it is premature to get overly excited, these players must come into the Iowa Conference and prove themselves all over again as they did on the junior college level."

Key Returnees	
Justin Shepard, Sr., C/RHP	39 GP - .316 avg., 3 HR, 30 RBI, 5 2B, 24 runs, .439 slug %, .474 OB% IIAC Rank – 6th in OB% 2 GP, 2 starts, 1 CG, 1-1, 3.38 ERA, 13.1 IP, 5 K, 1 BB, 1 SO, .323 opp. avg.
Joe Hapanione, Sr., 1B/LHP	39 GP - .305 avg., 7 HR, 31 RBI, 7 2B, 1 3B, 24 runs, .539 slug %, .387 OB% IIAC Rank – t-7th in HR 11 GP, 1 start, 1-2, 5 saves, 6.00 ERA, 18 IP, 11 K, 5 BB, .250 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-4th in saves
Cole Lyons, Jr., SS	Moves from 3B to SS this season 32 GP - .298 avg., 10 RBI, 7 2B, 3 3B, 23 runs, .423 slug %, .407 OB%, 5 SB IIAC Rank – t-3rd in 3B
Nathan Mozena, Sr., 3B	33 GP - .287 avg., 1 HR, 11 RBI, 2 2B, 13 runs, .345 slug%, .360 OB%
Travis Lyons, Jr., CF	39 GP - .375 avg., 4 HR, 25 RBI, 8 2B, 1 3B, 29 runs, .537 slug%, .430 OB%, 7 SB IIAC Rank – 12th in avg.
Jeremy Rannals, Jr., OF/RHP	32 GP - .267 avg., 1 HR, 10 RBI, 6 2B, 2 3B, 18 runs, .396 slug%, .375 OB%, 10 SB IIAC Rank – 15th in SB 6 GP, 5 starts, 1 CG, 3-0, 3.91 ERA, 25.1 IP, 17 K, 19 BB, 1 SO, .239 opp. avg.
Tim Kinney, Jr., RHP	13 GP, 8 starts, 1 CG, 2-6, 3.97 ERA, 47.2 IP, 34 K, 18 BB, 1 SO, .265 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 6th in opp. avg., 8th in ERA, 15th in IP
Jamey Rannals, So., RHP	11 GP, 4 starts, 2-4, 1 save, 5.65 ERA, 28.2 IP, 31 K, 8 BB, .301 opp. avg.
Adam Busch, Sr., RHP	9 GP, 5 starts, 2 CG, 0-4, 5.46 ERA, 31.1 IP, 17 K, 14 BB, .291 opp. avg.
Mike Blavat, Jr., RHP	4 GP, 1 start, 0-1, 2.45 ERA, 7.1 IP, 6 K, 1 BB, .267 opp. avg.
Kamron Koplitz, So., RHP	7 GP, 1 start, 1-2, 13.50 ERA, 10.0 IP, 11 K, 6 BB, .400 opp. avg.
Mike Cassidy, So., RHP/C	4 GP, 0-0, 6.75 ERA, 5.1 IP, 1 K, 3 BB, .167 opp. avg.

Newcomers To Watch	
Bradlee Kirkman, Jr., RHP	Jason Crane, Sr., IF
Marcos Tabares, Fr., RHP	Mike Marola, Fr., 2B
Cody Klahn, Fr., RHP	Mark Becker, Jr., IF
Adam Brink, Fr., RHP	Kevan Keough, Fr., IF
Tyler Kunde, Fr., RHP	Mike White, So., IF
Justin Shaffer, Fr., LHP	Tim Cook, Jr., OF
Ruben Gandarilla, Jr., C	Mike Ramsey, Jr., OF
Sean Keough, So., C	Adam Burroughs, Jr., OF
Mark Huber, Jr., 1B	John Uribe, Jr., OF
TJ Chase, Fr., 1B	Ryan Dunkel, Jr., 2B

Loras College Duhawks (15-21 overall, 4-12 IIAC – 8th)

Starters Returning/Lost: 4/4

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/9

Quote from the Coach: Head coach **Carl Tebon** says, “We need players to step up big this year for us. We have a great group of upper classmen and they all need to play well for us to stay on the top half of the conference.”

Key Returnees	
Brad Hingtgen, Jr., C	19 GP - .171 avg., 4 RBI, 1 2B, 2 3B, 6 runs, .314 slug %, .293 OB%
Rob Rossi, So., C	9 GP - .167 avg., 2 runs, .167 slug%, .231 OB%
Aaron Meyer, Sr., 1B	18 GP - .213 avg., 1 HR, 6 RBI, 1 2B, 4 runs, .298 slug %, .288 OB%
Patrick Reilly, So., 2B	18 GP - .667 avg., 2 RBI, 9 runs, .667 slug %, .667 OB%
Dustin Roth, Jr., SS/RHP	2003 Second Team All-Conference 33 GP - .255 avg., 16 RBI, 4 2B, 7 runs, .294 slug %, .330 OB% 2 GP, 1 start, 0-1, 12.15 ERA, 6.2 IP, 5 K, 3 BB, .400 opp. avg.
Matt Mausser, Jr., SS/RHP	17 GP - .268 avg., 1 HR, 14 RBI, 3 2B, 1 3B, 6 runs, .463 slug %, .311 OB% 7 GP, 4 starts, 0-3, 12.46 ERA, 21.2 IP, 18 K, 17 BB, .387 opp. avg.
Chet Medinger, Sr., OF	36 GP - .319 avg., 2 HR, 16 RBI, 6 2B, 2 3B, 32 runs, .457 slug%, .440 OB%, 15 SB IIAC Rank – t-7th in SB
Kris Thomas, So., 3B	14 GP - .313 avg., 1 2B, 2 runs, .375 slug%, .389 OB%
Aaron Becker, So., 1B	14 GP - .083 avg., 1 HR, 2 RBI, 1 run, .333 slug %, .083 OB%
Brent Poffenbarger, So., RHP	8 GP, 5 starts, 2 CG, 3-1, 5.97 ERA, 31.2 IP, 31 K, 16 BB, .308 opp. avg.

Newcomers To Watch	
Pete Wheeler, Jr., OF	
Don Pirkle, Fr., 3B	
Dan Lynch, Jr., C	
Grant Kaestner, Fr., 1B	
Bobby Friederick, Jr., RHP	
Dan Cutler, Fr., RHP	
Ryan Dunn, Fr., RHP	
Matt Barilla, Fr., LHP	

Tough Losses	
Tom Andrews, OF	Two-Time All-Conference 36 GP-.372 avg., 5 HR, 79 RBI, 12 2B, 2 3B, 32 runs, .612 slug%, .411 OB%, 18 SB IIAC Rank – 5th in SB, 9th in slug %, t-12th in 2B, 13th in avg.
Ryan Von Haden, DH/P	2004 Second Team All-Conference 35 GP - .393 avg., 2 HR, 26 RBI, 12 2B, 18 runs, .561 slug %, .472 OB% IIAC Rank – 5th in avg., 7th in OB%, t-12th in 2B, 14th in slug % 9 GP, 7 starts, 3 CG, 3-3, 6.55 ERA, 45.1 IP, 39 K, 2 BB, .356 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-12th in K
Tim Cundiff, P	12 GP, 7 starts, 3 CG, 2-6, 1 save, 4.33 ERA, 43.2 IP, 22 K, 7 BB, .268 opp avg. IIAC Rank – 7th in opp. avg., 11th in ERA
David Fischer, P	13 GP, 8 starts, 6 CG, 5-5, 1 save, 4.01 ERA, 67.1 IP, 41 K, 17 BB, .277 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-6th in IP, 9th in ERA, 10th in K, t-10th in wins, 11th in opp. avg.

Luther College Norse
(26-13 overall, 12-4 IIAC – 2nd)

Starting Position Players Returning/Lost: 9/0

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 5/0

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 14/7

Quote from the Coach: Head coach **Brian Gillogly** says, "Our team, with strong senior leadership, will come ready to play each game and looks forward to the conference race."

Key Returnees	
Kyle Schroeder , So., C	36 GP - .330 avg., 4 HR, 36 RBI, 9 2B, 3 3B, 27 runs, .571 slug%, .397 OB% IIAC Rank – t-3rd in 3B, 13th in slug%, t-14th in RBI
Brad Paulsrud , Sr., 1B/LHP	Two-time All-Conference; 2004 All-Region Second Team 38 GP - .306 avg., 2 HR, 31 RBI, 7 2B, 1 3B, 27 runs, .427 slug%, .381 OB%, 4 SB 11 GP, 11 starts, 7 CG, 8-2, 2.84 ERA, 73.0 IP, 25 K, 15 BB, 1 SO, .276 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 3rd in ERA, t-3rd in wins, 4th in IP, 10th in opp. avg.
Neil Theisen , Sr., 2B	39 GP - .287 avg., 2 HR, 20 RBI, 6 2B, 1 3B, 27 runs, .402 slug%, .328 OB%
John Jaeger , Sr., 3B/RHP	2004 First Team All-Conference 39 GP - .417 avg., 5 HR, 35 RBI, 14 2B, 3 3B, 47 runs, .669 slug%, .468 OB%, 7 SB IIAC Rank – 3rd in avg., t-3rd in runs, t-3rd in 3B, 5th in slug%, t-5th in 2B, 7th in hits (58), 8th in OB% 14 GP, 5 starts, 5 CG, 5-1, 5 saves, 3.77 ERA, 45.1 IP, 28 K, 5 BB, .309 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-4th in saves, 6th in ERA, t-10th in wins
David Zelinskas , Sr., SS	39 GP - .338 avg., 15 RBI, 5 2B, 28 runs, .374 slug %, .403 OB%, 8 SB
Steve Lunn , Jr., RF	37 GP - .313 avg., 2 HR, 19 RBI, 5 2B, 19 runs, .411 slug %, .391 OB%, 6 SB
Spencer Jones , Jr., CF	24 GP - .300 avg., 3 HR, 13 RBI, 2 2B, 1 3B, 7 runs, .625 slug%, .391 OB%
Matt Cessna , Jr., LF	35 GP - .296 avg., 8 RBI, 2 2B, 20 runs, .316 slug %, .369 OB%, 4 SB
Justin Patnode , Sr., RHP	11 GP, 10 starts, 8 CG, 6-4, 1 save, 3.88 ERA, 67.1 IP, 35 K, 14 BB, 1 SO, .288 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-6th in wins, t-6th in IP, 7th in ERA, 13th in opp. avg.
Ben Furbish , Jr., LHP	4 GP, 1 start, 1-0, 8.44 ERA, 10.2 IP, 8 K, 8 BB, .292 opp. avg.
Jon Fry , Sr., LHP	7 GP, 2 starts, 3-0, 5.66 ERA, 20.2 IP, 5 K, 12 BB, .313 opp. avg.

Newcomers To Watch	
Brandt Rost , So.	
Kirby VanDeWalker , So.	
Bryan Albaugh , Fr.	
Karl Boleen , Fr.	
Luke Fier , Fr.	
Scott Hanson , Fr.	
Jeff Hiatt , Fr.	
Darin Monroe , Fr.	
Alex Ross , Fr.	
Joshua Toufar , Fr.	
Gavin Tugana , Fr.	
Phillip Worden , Fr.	

Simpson College Storm

(31-16 overall, 11-5 IIAC – 3rd)

Starting Position Players Returning/Lost: 5/3

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 4/3

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 15/12

Quote from the Coach: Head coach **John Sirianni** says, "This should be a rebuilding year for us, we graduated or lost six pitchers and three First Team All-Conference position players, a Second Team All-Conference player and our starting catcher."

Key Returnees	
Jon Clanton, Jr., C	Missed 2004 season; 2003 Second Team All-Conference 2003 stats – 36 GP - .379 avg., 6 HR, 24 RBI, 11 2B, 30 runs, .647 slug%, .450 OB%, 6 SB IIAC Rank – 4th in slug %, t-6th in HR, t-11th in 2B, t-14th in avg., 14th in OB%
Chris Beall, Sr., 3B	Moves from 1B to 3B this season 47 GP - .344 avg., 6 HR, 38 RBI, 9 2B, 1 3B, 39 runs, .525 slug%, .377 OB% IIAC Rank – t-10th in RBI, t-11th in runs, t-11th in hits (55)
Chris Cyronek, Jr., 2B	Moves from SS to 2B this season 45 GP - .377 avg., 2 HR, 31 RBI, 7 2B, 30 runs, .464 slug %, .423 OB% IIAC Rank – t-8th in hits (57), 11th in avg.
Joey Young, Jr., 1B/DH	Moves from LF to 1B or DH this season 46 GP - .301 avg., 6 HR, 28 RBI, 14 2B, 35 runs, .524 slug%, .377 OB%, 3 SB
Dusty Kain, Jr., CF	2004 Second Team All-Conference 44 GP - .312 avg., 18 RBI, 7 2B, 5 3B, 33 runs, .433 slug %, .266 OB%, 15 SB IIAC Rank – 1st in 3B, t-7th in SB
James Brown, Jr., OF	37 GP - .340 avg., 1 HR, 11 RBI, 3 2B, 2 3B, 16 RBI, .540 slug %, .477 OB %
Shawn Parker, Sr., RHP	Two-time All-Conference 11 GP, 11 starts, 7 CG, 8-2, 5.16 ERA, 75.0 IP, 64 K, 27 BB, .259 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 2nd in IP, t-3rd in wins, 3rd in K, 5th in opp. avg.
Terry Beavers, Jr., RHP	15 GP, 1 start, 2-2, 7.15 ERA, 22.2 IP, 26 K, 11 BB, .330 opp. avg.
Wade Samo, Sr., LHP	11 GP, 5 starts, 1-2, 6.49 ERA, 26.1 IP, 18 K, 15 BB, .353 opp. avg.
Chad Scieszanski, So., RHP	6 GP, 1 start, 0-0, 7.00 ERA, 9 IP, 6 K, 7 BB, .333 opp. avg.

Newcomers To Watch	
Brook Beisell, Jr., OF	
Cody Cooper, So., OF	
Mark Voelilger, Jr., P	

Tough Losses	
Grant Fjetland, 2B	2004 Second Team All-Conference 36 GP - .390 avg., 36 RBI, 7 2B, 3 3B, 48 runs, .470 slug %, .479 OB%, 30 SB IIAC Rank – 1st in SB, 2nd in runs, 3rd in OB%, t-3rd in 3B, t-4th in hits (64), 6th in avg., t-14th in RBI
Dan Rieck, 3B/C	2004 IIAC MVP, 2004 First Team All-Conference, 2004 All-Region First Team 47 GP - .443 avg., 9 HR, 51 RBI, 11 2B, 4 3B, 41 runs, .707 slug %, .476 OB% IIAC Rank – 1st in avg., 1st in hits (77), 2nd in 3B, 3rd in RBI, 4th in slug%, t-4th in HR, 5th in OB%, 9th in runs
Troy Hatten, RF	2004 First Team All-Conference; 2004 All-Region Second Team 47 GP-.368 avg., 6 HR, 56 RBI, 18 2B, 3 3B, 50 runs, .599 slug%, .411 OB%, 25 SB IIAC Rank – 1st in runs, 1st in RBI, 2nd in SB, 3rd in hits (67), 10th in slug%, 14th in avg.
Mike Donnenwerth, DH/P	Two-time All-Conference; 2004 All-Region Third Team 47 GP - .385 avg., 12 HR, 46 RBI, 9 2B, 2 3B, 47 runs, .716 slug%, .492 OB% IIAC Rank – 1st in OB%, 2nd in HR, 3rd in slug%, t-3rd in runs, 7th in RBI, 8th in avg., t-8th in hits (57) 11 GP, 3 starts, 3-2, 4.07 ERA, 24.1 IP, 12 K, 12 BB, .267 opp. avg.
JD Hews, P	2004 Second Team All-Conference 12 GP, 10 starts, 4 CG, 6-2, 4.69 ERA, 55.2 IP, 44 K, 17 BB, .325 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-6th in wins, 6th in K, 10th in IP, 13th in ERA
David Isaacson, P	9 GP, 6 starts, 1 CG, 3-1, 3.44 ERA, 34 IP, 27 K, 15 BB, .303 opp. avg.

Wartburg College Knights (30-15 overall, 13-3 IIAC – 1st)

Starting Position Players Returning/Lost: 6/3

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 5/3

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 12/6

Quote from the Coach: Head coach **Joel Holst** says, "The Knight's Baseball team for 2005 will be a very veteran group. With five All-Region players returning and all starting pitchers back from last year's Conference championship team, we will have a base of experience to have another successful season. We will start all juniors and seniors at every position this year, with the hope that a number of talented underclassmen will push our veterans to improve daily."

Key Returnees	
Brian Greiner, Jr., C	2004 Second Team All-Conference; 2004 All-Region Second Team 45 GP - .383 avg., 7 HR, 55 RBI, 12 2B, 3 3B, 37 runs, .617 slug%, .437 OB%, 4 SB IIAC Rank – 2nd in RBI, t-3rd in 3B, t-4th in hits (64), t-7th in HR, 8th in slug%, 9th in avg., t-12th in 2B
Joel Reynolds, Sr., 1B	Two-time All-Conference; 2004 All-Region Second Team 45 GP - .422 avg., 4 HR, 37 RBI, 22 2B, 3 3B, 46 runs, .653 slug%, .461 OB%, 20 SB IIAC Rank – 1st in 2B, 2nd in avg., 2nd in hits (73), t-3rd in 3B, t-3rd in SB, 5th in runs, 6th in slug%, 10th in OB%, t-12th in RBI
Chris Robertson, Sr., 3B	36 GP - .306 avg., 21 RBI, 6 2B, 2 3B, 20 runs, .398 slug%, .391 OB%
Aaron Port, Sr., OF	2004 Second Team All-Conference; 2004 All-Region Third Team 43 GP - .380 avg., 1 HR, 26 RBI, 7 2B, 2 3B, 37 runs, .482 slug%, .464 OB%, 14 SB IIAC Rank – 9th in OB%, 10th in avg., 10th in SB
Patrick Henderson, Jr., OF	38 GP - .252 avg., 11 RBI, 5 2B, 27 runs, .296 slug %, .360 OB%, 9 SB
Matt Scherbring, Sr., P	2004 All-Region Third Team 15 GP, 13 starts, 5 CG, 9-2, 3.74 ERA, 84.1 IP, 53 K, 23 BB, 1 SO, .233 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – t-1st in wins, 1st in IP, 2nd in opp. avg., 4th in K, 5th in ERA, t-8th in appearances
Charlie Colvin, Sr., P	2004 Second Team All-Conference; 2004 All-Region Third Team 16 GP, 7 starts, 6-2, 3.41 ERA, 58 IP, 42 K, 22 BB, .249 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 3rd in opp. avg., 4th in ERA, t-5th in appearances, t-6th in wins, t-8th in K, 9th in IP
Ryan Moorman, Jr., P	2004 First Team All-Conference 11 GP, 10 starts, 1 CG, 5-1, 1 save, 5.07 ERA, 49.2 IP, 39 K, 22 BB, .273 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 9th in opp. avg., 10th in wins, t-12th in K, 14th in ERA, 14th in IP
Tyler Archer, Jr., P	11 GP, 8 starts, 3 CG, 3-2, 4.02 ERA, 47.0 IP, 28 K, 8 BB, .270 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 8th in opp. avg., 10th in ERA
Matt Petersen, Jr., P	3 GP, 1-0, 1.23 ERA, 7.1 IP, 3 K, 1 BB, .222 opp. avg.

Newcomers To Watch	
Casey Pauli, Jr., SS	
Dustin Townsend, Jr., OF	
Aaron Sauegling, Fr., P	
Tom Kersbergen, Jr., IF	
Scott Mangin, Fr., OF	

Tough Losses	
Caleb Klein, OF	Two-time All-Conference 43 GP - .286 avg., 9 HR, 35 RBI, 14 2B, 39 runs, .552 slug %, .349 OB% IIAC Rank – t-4th in HR, t-5th in 2B, t-11th in runs
Casey Toops, 2B	39 GP - .258 avg., 18 RBI, 6 2B, 27 runs, .305 slug %, .385 OB%, 9 SB
Chris Winter, 3B	2004 Second Team All-Conference 43 GP - .331 avg., 2 HR, 31 RBI, 5 2B, 38 runs, .410 slug %, .379 OB %, 17 SB IIAC Rank – 6th in SB, t-11th in hits (55), t-14th in runs
Ash Larsen, P	24 GP, 4-2, 6 saves, 2.34 ERA, 34.2 IP, 27 K, 14 BB, .269 opp. avg. IIAC Rank – 1st in appearances, t-2nd in saves
Steve Domino, P	9 GP, 1-0, 1 save, 2.53 ERA, 10.2 IP, 11 K, 8 BB, .295 opp. avg.