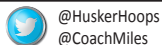




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NEBRASKA at MISSISSIPPI STATE

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@ MISSISSIPPI STATE

Date: Sunday, Oct. 22
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: Starkville, Miss.
Arena: Humphrey Coliseum

MEDIA INFO

Radio: 590 AM (Omaha)
Live Video: Periscope Video at @HailStateMBK on Twitter
Internet Audio: Huskers.com

HUSKERS FACE MISSISSIPPI STATE IN EXHIBITION

MATCHUP

NEBRASKA CORNHUSKERS

2016-17 Record: 12-18, 6-12 Big Ten
Head coach: Tim Miles
Record at Nebraska: 75-86 (beginning 6th year)
Career Record: 358-306 (beginning 23rd year)

MISSISSIPPI STATE BULLDOGS

2016-17 Record: 16-16, 6-12 SEC
Head coach: Ben Howland
Record at Mississippi State: 30-33 (beginning 3rd year)
Career Record: 431-239 (beginning 22nd year)

BROADCAST INFO

Television: None

Internet Video: Live periscope video will be available on Mississippi State's men's basketball twitter page (@HailStateMBK)

Radio: Select HSN stations, including 590 AM (Omaha)

Online Radio: Available online at Huskers.com, on the Huskers App and on TuneIn Radio and the TuneIn Radio App.

The Nebraska basketball team opens the 2017-18 season on Sunday, as the Huskers travel to Starkville, Miss., for an exhibition matchup with the Mississippi State Bulldogs. Tipoff from Humphrey Coliseum is set for 1 p.m. (CT) and fans can listen to all of the action with Kent Pavelka on select HSN affiliates, including 590 AM in Omaha. The game will also be available on Huskers.com, on the Huskers app, and on TuneIn Radio and the TuneIn Radio app.

While the results won't count, the biggest winner for Saturday's game will be hurricane victims. Nebraska and Mississippi State together sought and received a waiver from the NCAA to play the extra exhibition game with the sole purpose to benefit hurricane victims. All proceeds from Sunday's game will go to the MSU Student Relief Fund and the Salvation Army will be collecting monetary donations at Humphrey Coliseum to benefit Hurricane Irma relief efforts.

Sunday's game gives Nebraska Coach Tim Miles a first opportunity to look at a retooled roster. While Nebraska returns just two starters - guards Glynn Watson Jr. and

Evan Taylor - the Huskers also welcome three Division I transfers who are all eligible for the 2017-18 season. That trio is headlined by Isaac Copeland, who made 50 starts at Georgetown over the past three seasons. A second-team preseason All-Big East performer last season, Copeland averaged 11.1 points and 5.4 rebounds per game in 2015-16. James Palmer Jr. (Miami) and Duby Okeke (Winthrop) are both likely to find their way into the Huskers' rotation. In all, the Huskers return nine letterwinners, including part-time starters Jordy Tshimanga and Jack McVeigh.

Mississippi State returns four starters and 10 letterwinners from a team that went 16-16 last season for Coach Ben Howland, who enters his third year at Mississippi State. Howland, who coached UCLA to three straight Final Fours also coached at Northern Arizona and Pittsburgh. The Bulldogs are led by junior guard Quindary Weatherspoon, who was a second-team All-SEC guard last year, averaging 16.5 points and 5.1 rebounds per game.

Sunday's game is a rare matchup between the two schools. In regular-season play, the two teams have met just once, with the Bulldogs claiming a 69-66 win in the Ford Far West Classic in Portland, Ore., in 1995.

The Huskers will have a second exhibition on Tuesday, Nov. 7, when NU plays host to Northwood (Mich.) University. Tipoff is set for 7 p.m. (CT) at Pinnacle Bank Arena and tickets are available on Huskers.com/Tickets or calling 800-8-BIGRED.

OPENING NUMBERS

165

Career blocks by Duby Okeke during his three seasons at Winthrop.

13

Consecutive wins by Nebraska in exhibition games dating back to 2007.



2017-18 NEBRASKA CORNHUSKERS

No	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown	GP/GS	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG
0	Duby Okeke	C	6-8	247	Sr.	Jonesboro, Ga.	33/24	14.0	3.2	3.9	0.1
3	Malcolm Laws	G	6-1	191	Sr.	Orlando, Fla.	5/0	2.2	0.1	0.2	0.0
@ 4	Johnny Trueblood	G	6-3	192	So.	Omaha, Neb.	10/0	2.8	0.8	0.2	0.4
5	Glynn Watson Jr.	G	6-0	173	Jr.	Bellwood, Ill.	31/29	31.6	13.0	3.0	2.6
10	Jack McVeigh	F	6-8	215	Jr.	Cabarita Beach, NSW, Australia	30/11	22.9	7.5	2.5	0.6
11	Evan Taylor	G	6-5	208	Sr.	Cincinnati, Ohio	31/21	24.4	5.2	2.9	1.2
12	Thomas Allen	G	6-1	180	Fr.	Raleigh, N.C.					
13	Anton Gill	G	6-3	195	Sr.	Raleigh, N.C.	12/1	17.3	3.8	1.9	0.5
% 14	Isaac Copeland	F	6-9	221	Jr.	Raleigh, N.C.	7/5	19.6	5.4	3.3	0.8
15	Isaiah Roby	F	6-8	225	So.	Dixon, Ill.	30/4	15.2	3.1	2.9	0.7
20	Tanner Borchardt	F	6-8	265	Jr.	Gothenburg, Neb.	1/0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
\$ 24	James Palmer Jr.	G	6-6	210	Jr.	Upper Marlboro, Md.	34/0	11.6	3.4	1.1	0.7
25	Nana Akenten	G	6-6	215	Fr.	Bolingbrook, Ill.					
32	Jordy Tshimanga	C	6-11	268	Fr.	Montreal, Quebec, Canada	31/9	12.5	5.0	4.0	0.3
33	Justin Costello	G	6-1	180	Fr.	Omaha, Neb.					
34	Thorir Thorbjarnarson	G	6-5	194	Fr.	Reykjavik, Iceland					

^ - Stats from Winthrop (2016-17) % - Stats from Georgetown (2016-17); \$ - Stats from Miami (2015-16); @ - Stats from Nebraska (2015-16)

2017-18 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	TV/Internet	Time
Sun., Oct. 22	at Mississippi State (exh)	-	1 p.m.
Tues., Nov. 7	Northwood (exh.)	BTN Plus	7 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 11	Eastern Illinois	BTN Plus	TBD
Mon., Nov. 13	North Texas	BTN Plus	7 p.m.

AT GAVITT TIPOFF GAMES/ADVOCARE INVITATIONAL
Thurs., Nov. 16 at St. John's FS1 5:30 p.m.

Sun., Nov. 19 **North Dakota** **BTN** **1 p.m.**

AT ADVOCARE INVITATIONAL (ORLANDO, FLA.)
Thurs., Nov. 23 vs. UCF ESPN3 5 p.m.
Fri., Nov. 24 vs. W. Virginia/Marist TBA TBA
Sun., Nov. 26 vs. TBA TBA TBA

BIG TEN/ACC CHALLENGE
Wed., Nov. 29 **Boston College** **ESPNU** **8 p.m.**

Sun., Dec. 3 at Michigan State # FS1 3:30 p.m.
Tues., Dec. 5 **Minnesota #** **BTN** **8 p.m.**
Sat., Dec. 9 at Creighton FS1 TBA

SHELTER INSURANCE SHOWDOWN
Sat., Dec. 16 **Kansas** **FS1** **7 p.m.**

Wed., Dec. 20 UTSA BTN 7 p.m.
Fri., Dec. 22 **Delaware State** **BTN Plus** **7 p.m.**
Fri., Dec. 29 **Stetson** **BTN Plus** **7 p.m.**
Tues., Jan. 2 at Northwestern # BTN 8 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 6 at Purdue # BTN 1:15 p.m.
Tues., Jan. 9 **Wisconsin #** **BTN** **7:30 p.m.**
Friday, Jan. 12 at Penn State # BTN 6 p.m.
Mon, Jan. 15 **Illinois #** **BTN** **8 p.m.**
Thurs, Jan. 18 **Michigan #** **BTN** **8 p.m.**
Mon., Jan. 22 at Ohio State # BTN 7 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 24 at Rutgers # BTN 6 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 27 **Iowa #** **BTN** **7 p.m.**
Mon., Jan. 29 at Wisconsin # BTN 8 p.m.
Tues., Feb. 6 at Minnesota # BTN 8 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 10 **Rutgers #** **BTN** **3 p.m.**
Tues., Feb. 13 **Maryland #** **BTN** **6 p.m.**
Sun., Feb. 18 at Illinois # BTN 2:30 p.m.
Tues., Feb. 20 **Indiana #** **BTN** **8 p.m.**
Sun., Feb. 25 **Penn State #** **BTN** **4:15 p.m.**

AT BIG TEN TOURNAMENT
Wed., Feb. 28 First Round BTN TBA
Thurs., March 1 Second Round BTN TBA
Fri., March 2 Quarterfinals BTN TBA
Sat., March 3 Semifinals CBS 1/3:30 p.m.
Sun., March 4 Championship CBS 3:30 p.m.

AT NCAA TOURNAMENT
March 13-14 First Four TBA
March 15-18 NCAA 1st/2nd Rounds TBA
March 22-25 NCAA Regionals TBA
Mar. 31-Apr. 2 NCAA Final Four TBA

All games carried on IMG Husker Sports Network; Home games in red and bold. All dates/times subject to change. Please check Huskers.com for updates.

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34		Thorir Thorbjarnarson	G	6-5	194	Fr.	Reykjavik, Iceland (Menntaskólinn i Reykjavik)

PRONUNCIATIONS

Jim Molinari.....	Mole-in-AIR-ee
Nana Akenten.....	uh-KEN-ten
Tanner Borchardt.....	BOR-kart
Duby Okeke.....	Doobie Okay-Kay
Thorir Thorbjarnarson.....
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Jordy Tshimanga.....	cha-MAHN-gah
Glynn Watson Jr.....	Glinn

COACHING AND SUPPORT STAFF

Head Coach: Tim Miles, sixth season (University of Mary, 1989)
 Assistant Coaches: Kenya Hunter, fifth season (Duquesne, 1996); Michael Lewis, second season (Indiana, 2000); Jim Molinari, fourth season (Illinois Wesleyan, 1977)
 Basketball Strength Coach: Tim Wilson
 Video Coordinator: Matt Holt
 Director of Basketball Operations: Gregory Eaton
 Assistant Director of Basketball Operations: Sheryl Burbach
 Graduate Managers: Wes Eikmeier and Dorian Green
 Equipment Manager: Pat Norris
 Athletic Trainer: R.J. Pietig

MEDIA INFORMATION

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MEDIA PLANNER	Oct. 22 (Sun.)	Oct. 23 (Mon.)	Oct. 24 (Tues.)	Oct. 25 (Wed.)	Oct. 26 (Thurs.)	Oct. 27 (Fri.)	Oct. 28 (Sat.)
Week of Oct. 22-29	at Mississippi St. (exh) 1 p.m.	PRACTICE (HTC)	PRACTICE (HTC)	OFF DAY	PRACTICE (HTC)	PRACTICE (HTC)	PRACTICE (PBA)
(HTC) - Hendricks Training Complex (PBA) - Pinnacle Bank Arena	Oct. 29 (Sun.) CLOSED PRACTICE	Oct. 30 (Sun.) OFF DAY	Nov. 1 (Tues.) PRACTICE (HTC)	Nov. 2 (Wed.) HUSKER HOOPS PREVIEW - 5:30 p.m.			

TALE OF THE TAPE

Nebraska Cornhuskers	Nebraska	OPP	Mississippi State Bulldogs	MSU	OPP
2016-17 Team Statistics (Record: 12-19, 6-12 Big Ten)			2016-17 Team Statistics (Record: 16-16, 6-12 SEC)		
SCORING	2168	2264	SCORING	2320	2281
Points per game	69.9	73.0	Points Per Game	72.5	71.3
Scoring margin	-3.1	-	Scoring Margin	1.2	--
FIELD GOALS-ATT	793-1906	805-1800	FIELD GOALS-ATT	821-1849	792-1852
Field goal pct	.416	.447	Field goal pct	.444	.428
3 POINT FG-ATT	179-560	240-601	3 POINT FG-ATT	247-711	199-632
3-point FG pct	.320	.399	3-point FG pct	.347	.315
3-pt FG made per game	5.8	7.7	3-pt FG made per game	7.7	6.2
FREE THROWS-ATT	403-568	414-593	FREE THROWS-ATT	431-627	498-702
Free throw pct	.710	.698	Free throw pct	.687	.709
F-Throws made per game	13.0	13.4	F-Throws made per game	13.5	15.6
REBOUNDS	1187	1124	REBOUNDS	1133	1185
Rebounds per game	38.3	36.3	Rebounds per game	35.4	37.0
Rebounding margin	+2.0	-	Rebounding margin	-1.6	--
ASSISTS	354	411	ASSISTS	386	373
Assists per game	11.4	13.3	Assists per game	12.1	11.7
TURNOVERS	411	422	TURNOVERS	433	449
Turnovers per game	13.3	13.6	Turnovers per game	13.5	14.0
Turnover margin	+0.4	-	Turnover margin	0.5	--
Assist/turnover ratio	0.9	1.0	Assist/turnover ratio	0.9	0.8
STEALS	211	193	STEALS	239	164
Steals per game	6.8	6.2	Per Game	7.5	5.1
BLOCKS	116	148	BLOCKS	131	108
Blocks per game	3.7	4.8	Blocks per game	4.1	3.4

NUMBERS TO KNOW

14 - Points scored by James Palmer Jr. against Mississippi State in a 105-79 Hurricane win in the 2015 Puerto Rico Tip-Off Classic. He hit 6-of-9 shots from the field, including a pair of 3-pointers in his highest-scoring performance in 2015-16 at Miami. No other Husker has played against the Bulldogs. Palmer will make his first appearance in a Husker uniform on Sunday at Mississippi State.

2 - Number of SEC teams that Tim Miles has faced in his tenure at Nebraska. The Huskers are 2-0 in those games, including a 73-65 win over Georgia in 2013-14 (Charleston) and an 82-71 win over Tennessee in 2015-16 (Brooklyn).

HUSKERS EXHIBITION HISTORY

Nebraska is 55-6 all-time in exhibition games dating back to the 1966-67 season and has won its last 13 exhibition games since a 54-50 loss to SIU-Edwardsville in 2006.

▶ The Huskers are 5-0 in exhibition games under Tim Miles following last year's 98-45 win over Chadron State.

▶ With the NCAA waiver for Sunday's game, Nebraska will play multiple exhibition games for the first time since the 2010-11 season.

POTENTIAL STARTING LINEUP VS. MISSISSIPPI STATE



#5 Glynn Watson Jr. | G | Jr. | 6-0 | 174 | Bellwood, Ill.

2016-17: PPG: 13.0 | RPG: 3.0 | APG: 2.6 | SPG: 1.6

Worth Noting: Ranked third in the Big Ten in steals and 18th in scoring...Reached double figures 21 times and had seven 20-point games in 2016-17...Had 14 points, including the go-ahead 3-point play with 11.3 seconds left and five boards at Ohio State...Scored a career-high 34 points, including 7-8 from 3-point range vs. Iowa...Scored 26 points at No. 16 Indiana while adding five steals... Had 27 points vs. No. 14 UCLA...Led NU with 20 points and five steals vs. Dayton...Ranked 71st in the class of 2015 by ESPN.com...Averaged 15.5 points, 4.3 rebounds, 4.0 assists and 3.0 steals per game in leading St. Joseph High School to a state title in 2015.

Career Bests: Pts: 34 | Reb: 6 (2x) | Ast: 9 | Stl: 5 (3x)

#24 James Palmer Jr. | G | Jr. | 6-6 | 219 | Upper Marlboro, Md.

2016-17: Sat Out after Transferring from Miami

Worth Noting: Makes his Husker debut after sitting out the 2016-17 season...Spent two seasons at Miami, playing in 72 games for the Hurricanes...Appeared in 34 games as a sophomore, averaging 3.4 points and 1.1 rebounds per game...Reached double figures twice, including 14 points on 6-of-9 shooting vs. Mississippi State...Chipped in 11 points against UT-Rio Grande Valley...Scored a career-high 17 points, including five 3-pointers, at Virginia Tech as a freshman... Averaged 15.7 points, 3.0 rebounds and 2.0 assists per game at St. John's College High School in Washington, D.C...Rated by Rivals and Scout as top-100 player in the class of 2014.

Career Bests (includes Miami): Pts: 17 | Reb: 6 | Ast: 3 (3x) | Stl: 2 (3x)

#11 Evan Taylor | G | Sr. | 6-5 | 208 | Cincinnati, Ohio

2016-17: PPG: 5.2 | RPG: 2.9 | APG: 1.2

Worth Noting: Started the final 21 games of 2016-17...Totaled six double-digit scoring efforts, all vs. Big Ten foes...Scored a season-high 15 points on 6-of-11 shooting vs. PSU in B1G Tournament... Totaled 11 points and tied career high with eight caroms vs. Ohio State...Finished with 11 points and five boards at Michigan...Chipped in 11 points, four assists and three steals vs. Northwestern... Helped Odessa (Texas) College to the 2016 NJCAA National Tournament, averaging 7.5 points, 2.5 rebounds and 2.5 assists per game...Began his collegiate career at Samford, where he was on the 2015 Southern Conference All-Freshman team... Father (Kyle) played at Xavier.

Career Bests (includes Samford): Pts: 21 | Reb: 8 (2x) | Ast: 4 (2x) | Stl: 4 (3x)

#14 Isaac Copeland | F | So. | 6-9 | 221 | Raleigh, N.C.

2016-17 (Medical Hardship): PPG: 5.4 | RPG: 3.3 | APG: 0.8 (at Georgetown)

Worth Noting: Makes his Husker debut after transferring to Nebraska last January...Played in just seven games at Georgetown in 2016-17 before undergoing back surgery...Had 13 points and 13 rebounds vs. Maryland in 2016-17...Started all 33 games as a sophomore, averaging 11.1 points, 5.4 rebounds and 2.0 assists per game...Reached double figures 20 times, including a 32-point, nine-rebound performance vs. Marquette...Earned a spot on the All-Big East Rookie team in 2014-15, averaging 6.8 points and 3.8 rebounds per game...Rated the No. 16 player in the class of 2014 by ESPN and a five-star recruit by Rivals at Brewster Academy.

Career Bests (includes Georgetown): Pts: 29 | Reb: 13 | Ast: 7 | Bl: 3 (2x) | Stl: 3 (3x)

#32 Jordy Tshimanga | C | So. | 6-11 | 268 | Montreal, Quebec

2016-17: PPG: 5.0 | RPG: 4.0

Worth Noting: Was the only Husker freshman to play in all 31 games in 2016-17, averaging 5.0 points and 4.0 rebounds per game...Played some of his best basketball down the stretch, averaging 7.4 points and 5.9 rebounds per game in NU's last 11 games...Had 12 points on 6-of-7 shooting and seven boards vs. PSU...Grabbed a season-high 10 rebounds vs. No. 7 Wisconsin...Set personal bests in points (15), rebounds (nine) and minutes (24) vs. Michigan State...Had 10 points, eight boards and two blocks vs. No. 3 Kansas...Averaged 18.3 points, 14.1 rebounds and 3.1 blocks per game at The MacDuffie (Mass) School as a senior...His brother (Link Kabadyundi) played at TCU and is now at UT-Arlington.

Career Bests: Pts: 15 | Reb: 10 | Ast: 1 (8x) | Bl: 2 (3x) | Stl: 2 (3x)

RETURNING TEAM STATS

Pct. of scoring	50.0 (1085/2168)
Pct. of rebounds	44.9 (493/1099)
Pct. of field goals made	49.4 (392/793)
Pct. of field goals attempted	51.5 (982/1086)
Pct. of 3-point FG made.....	63.1 (113/179)
Pct. of 3-point FG attempted.....	59.8 (335/560)
Pct. of free throws made	46.7 (188/403)
Pct. of free throws attempted	45.4 (258/568)
Pct. of assists	48.9 (173/578)
Pct. of steals	61.1 (129/211)
Pct. of blocked shots.....	47.4 (55/116)
Pct. of minutes	55.4 (3488/6300)

NOTE: All statistics based on returning player stats and percentage of overall team totals from 2016-17.

RETURNING STAT LEADERS

Points per game.....	Glynn Watson Jr. – 13.0
Rebounds per game	Jordy Tshimanga – 4.0
Assists per game.....	Glynn Watson Jr. – 2.6
Steals per game	Glynn Watson Jr. – 1.6
Blocked Shots per game	Isaiah Roby – 0.9
Games Started	Glynn Watson Jr. – 29
Minutes Played.....	Glynn Watson Jr. – 979
Field Goals Made.....	Glynn Watson Jr. – 144
Field Goal Pct.....	Jordy Tshimanga – 44.9
Free Throws Made.....	Glynn Watson Jr. – 68
Free Throw Pct.....	Glynn Watson Jr. – 81.0
3-Pointers Made.....	Glynn Watson Jr. – 48
3-Point Field Goal Pct.	Glynn Watson Jr. – 39.7

ACTIVE CAREER LEADERS (ENTERING 2017-18)

Points.....	Glynn Watson Jr., 696
Rebounds.....	Jack McVeigh, 166
3-Pointers	Jack McVeigh, 81
Field Goals.....	Glynn Watson Jr., 259
Free Throws.....	Glynn Watson Jr., 110
Assists.....	Glynn Watson Jr., 164
Steals	Glynn Watson Jr., 90
Blocked Shots	Isaiah Roby, 25
Games Played	Glynn Watson Jr., 65
Games Started	Tai Webster, 45
Minutes Played.....	Glynn Watson Jr., 1,805

EXPERIENCE CHART

Totals	Career GP	GP at NU	Starts	Starts at NU
Akenten	0	0	0	0
Allen	0	0	0	0
Borchardt	9	9	0	0
Copeland	73	0	49	0
Costello	0	0	0	0
Gill	67	12	1	1
Laws	15	11	0	0
McVeigh	64	64	15	15
Okeke	94	0	26	0
Palmer	72	0	5	0
Roby	30	30	4	4
Taylor	62	31	36	21
Thorbjarnarson	0	0	0	0
Trueblood	10	10	0	0
Tshimanga	31	31	9	9
Watson	65	65	45	45

QUICK FACTS

LocationLincoln, Neb.
 Founded1869
 Enrollment 26,079
 Nickname Cornhuskers, Huskers
 Colors Scarlet & Cream
 Affiliation NCAA Division I
 Conference Big Ten Conference
 Home Arena Pinnacle Bank Arena
 Capacity/Year Opened15,000/2013
 Chancellor Ronnie Green
 Faculty Rep Josephine Potuto, J.D.
 Athletic Director Bill Moos
 Athletic Dept. Phone (402) 472-4224
 Ticket Office Phone (402) 472-3111 or 1-800-8BIGRED
 Official Nebraska Web site Huskers.com

HISTORY

First year of basketball 1896-97
 Overall all-time record 1,458-1,310 (.527)
 Regular-Season conference titles (Last)7 (1950)
 Postseason conference titles (Last)1 (1994)
 Pinnacle Bank Arena record 43-23 (.651)
 All-time postseason appearances 24
 All-time postseason record23-23
 NCAA Appearances (last)7 (2014)
 NIT Appearances (last)17 (2011)

BASKETBALL STAFF

Head Coach Tim Miles
 Alma Mater University of Mary, 1989
 Record at Nebraska 75-86 (6th season)
 Overall Coaching Record 358-306 (23rd season)
 Assistant Coaches Kenya Hunter (5th season)
 Jim Molinari (4th season), Michael Lewis (2nd season)
 Strength Coach Tim Wilson
 Director of Operations Gregory Eaton

TEAM INFORMATION

2016-17 Record12-19 (8-8 H, 3-8 A, 1-3 N)
 Big Ten Record (Finish) 6-12 (12th)
 Starters Returning/Lost 2/3
 Lettermen Returning/Lost9*/7

*-Includes one player who lettered in 2015-16, but DNP in 2016-17

STARTERS RETURNING (2)

Glynn Watson Jr., G (29 starts) 13.0 ppg, 2.6 apg, 1.6 spg
 Evan Taylor, G (21 starts) 5.2 ppg, 2.9 rpg

STARTERS LOST (3)

Tai Webster, G (31 starts) 17.0 ppg, 5.1 rpg, 4.0 apg
 Ed Morrow Jr., F (18 starts) 9.4 ppg, 7.5 rpg
 Michael Jacobson, F (31 starts) 6.0 ppg, 6.2 rpg

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS (7)

Jack McVeigh, F30 games (11 starts); 7.5 ppg; 2.5 rpg
 Jordy Tshimanga, C 31 games (9 starts); 5.0 ppg, 4.0 rpg
 Anton Gill, G 12 games (1 start); 3.8 ppg, 1.9 rpg
 Isaiah Roby, F 30 games (4 starts); 3.1 ppg; 2.9 rpg
 #-Malcolm Laws, G 5 games (0 starts); 0.4 ppg; 0.2 rpg
 #-Tanner Borchardt, F 1 game (0 starts); 0.0 ppg, 0.0 rpg
 #-Johnny Trueblood^A, G 10 games (0 starts); 0.8 ppg; 0.2 rpg
^A-Lettered in 2015-16, DNP in 2016-17

OTHER LETTERWINNERS LOST (4)

Nick Fuller, F15 games; 1.1 ppg, 1.1 rpg
 Jeriah Horne, F29 games; 4.3 ppg; 1.9 rpg
 Mohammed Elradi, G 2 games; 1.0 ppg, 0.5 rpg
 Jason Shultis, G 2 games; 0.0 ppg; 1.5 rpg

NEWCOMERS (7)

James Palmer Jr.... G, 6-6, 213, Jr. Upper Marlboro, Md. (Miami)
 Isaac Copeland F, 6-9, 220, Jr. Raleigh, N.C. (Georgetown)
 Duby Okeke C, 6-8, 230, Sr., Jonesboro, Ga. (Winthrop)
 Thomas Allen G, 6-1, 180, Fr. (Raleigh, N.C.)
 Nana Akenten G, 6-6, 210, Fr. (Bolingbrook, Ill.)
 Thorir Thorbjarnarson G, 6-5, 195, Fr. (Reykjavik, Iceland)
 #-Justin Costello G, 6-1, 180, Fr. (Omaha, Neb.)

#-Walk-on student-athlete

QUICK HITTERS

- ▶ Not counting former Big 12 rivals Missouri and Texas A&M, the 2008 NIT game at Mississippi was the last time NU faced an SEC team on the road. NU's last three meetings with SEC teams have all been at neutral sites. The only SEC team NU could face during the 2017-18 regular season is Missouri, as both teams are in the AdvoCare Invitational in Orlando.
- ▶ Nebraska is 117-155 all-time against the SEC, but a majority of those matchups came against former Big 12 rivals Missouri and Texas A&M. In all, 239 of the 272 all-time matchups were against either Missouri or Texas A&M.

TRANSFERS BRING WINNING PEDIGREES

One common trait among Nebraska's four Division I transfers is postseason experience. Isaac Copeland, Anton Gill, James Palmer Jr., and Duby Okeke have all been parts of NCAA Tournament teams at their respective schools. Gill played on Louisville's Elite Eight team in 2015, while Palmer helped Miami to an NCAA Sweet 16 berth in 2016.

NCAA Experience

Player	Previous School	Postseason Experience
Isaac Copeland	Georgetown	NCAA (2015)
Anton Gill	Louisville	NCAA (2014, 2015)
James Palmer Jr.	Miami	NCAA (2016); NIT (2015)
Duby Okeke	Winthrop	NCAA (2017)

INTERNATIONAL DUO ENJOYS BUSY SUMMER

Junior Jack McVeigh (Australia) and freshman Thorir Thorbjarnarson (Iceland) spent part of the summer representing their national teams.

McVeigh helped Australia to a 6-2 record and a ninth-place finish at the World University Games in Taipei City, Taiwan. He played in all eight games, averaging 9.4 points per game on 59 percent shooting, including 42 percent from 3-point range, along with 2.9 rebounds and 2.0 assists per game. McVeigh finished fourth on the team in both scoring and assists and tied for third in steals while posting a 5.3-to-1 assist-to-turnover ratio. His Australia team was the only team to defeat gold medalist Lithuania.

Thorbjarnarson made his national team debut in 2017, representing his nation in the Small States of Europe event, as he helped Iceland to a third-place finish. He also played for the U-20 national team at the FIBA European Championships in Greece, averaging 7.1 points, 4.7 rebounds, 2.3 assists and 1.7 steals per game.

GILL AND COPELAND: LIKE FATHERS, LIKE SONS

Nebraska senior guard Anton Gill and junior forward Isaac Copeland will be together on the court for the first time in college this fall, but it won't be the first time the pair had played together. Both Gill and Copeland played on the Garner Road AAU program and were teammates at Ravenscroft High School, leading the school to a 31-4 record and the 2012 North Carolina 3A State Championship.

Anton's father, Anton Sr., and Isaac's father, Ike, played together at East Carolina for two seasons (1992-93) and the duo helped East Carolina to a 1993 Colonial Athletic Association tournament title, winning the tournament title as the No. 7 seed.

MILES LETS THE KIDS PLAY

Tim Miles has not been afraid to rely on youth during his tenure at Nebraska. If history is any indication, freshmen Thomas Allen, Nana Akenten and Thorir Thorbjarnarson will have chances to earn significant playing time early in their careers.

- ▶ In the last two seasons, NU has started at least one freshman in 31 of 36 Big Ten games (86 percent). Last year, Jordy Tshimanga made nine starts in conference play, while Isaiah Roby started four Big Ten tilts.
- ▶ Over the past five seasons, Nebraska has started at least one freshman in 64 percent of its games.
- ▶ First-year players at NU have flourished under Miles, as newcomers have accounted for at least 50 percent of NU's scoring in two of the past four seasons.

HUSKERS ARE A BIG DRAW AT PINNACLE BANK ARENA

Nebraska basketball has become one of the toughest tickets in the Big Ten since the program moved into Pinnacle Bank Arena, a \$179 million dollar facility in downtown Lincoln, prior to the 2013-14 season.

▶ Nebraska finished 11th nationally in attendance in 2016-17, averaging 15,427 fans per game. It marked the fourth straight year that NU has finished in the top 15 nationally in basketball attendance.

▶ Nebraska is one of only nine programs in the country to average 15,000 fans per game in each of the past four seasons, a list which also includes Kentucky, Syracuse, Louisville, North Carolina, Wisconsin, Indiana, Kansas and Creighton.

▶ In 2014-15, the Huskers broke their own single-season record for average attendance for the second straight year, averaging 15,569 fans per game. Nebraska finished the 2014-15 season ranked 10th nationally in attendance, the highest Nebraska has finished in national attendance since the NCAA began its rankings in 1977-78.

▶ Nebraska has enjoyed success in Pinnacle Bank Arena, posting a 43-23 (.652) record in the building.

▶ The Big Ten led the nation in attendance for the 41st consecutive year in 2016-17 with an average of 12,235 fans per game. Eight Big Ten teams ranked in the top 25 in attendance in 2016-17.

HUSKER BASKETBALL ATTENDANCE

Season	Average (Rk.)
2013-14 (1st year of PBA)	15,419 (13)
2014-15	15,569 (10)
2015-16	15,430 (11)
2016-17	15,427 (11)

2017-18 TV AND RADIO ROSTER



0 | DUBY OKEKE
Sr. | C | 6-8 | 247



3 | MALCOLM LAWS
Sr. | G | 6-1 | 191



4 | JOHNNY TRUEBLOOD
So. | G | 6-3 | 192



5 | GLYNN WATSON JR.
Jr. | G | 6-0 | 173



10 | JACK McVEIGH
Jr. | F | 6-8 | 215



11 | EVAN TAYLOR
Sr. | G | 6-5 | 208



12 | THOMAS ALLEN
Fr. | G | 6-1 | 180



13 | ANTON GILL
Sr. | G | 6-3 | 195



14 | ISAAC COPELAND
Jr. | F | 6-9 | 221



15 | ISAIAH ROBY
So. | F | 6-8 | 225



20 | TANNER BORCHARDT
Jr. | F | 6-8 | 265



24 | JAMES PALMER JR.
Jr. | G | 6-6 | 210



25 | NANA AKENTEN
Fr. | G | 6-6 | 215



32 | JORDY TSHIMANGA
So. | C | 6-11 | 268



33 | JUSTIN COSTELLO
Fr. | G | 6-1 | 180



34 | THORIR THORBJARNSON
Fr. | G | 6-5 | 194



Tim Miles
Head Coach



Michael Lewis
Assistant Coach



Kenya Hunter
Assistant Coach



Jim Molinari
Assistant Coach



Tim Wilson
Strength Coach



Gregory Eaton
Director of Basketball Operations



Matt Holt
Video Coordinator



R.J. Pietig
Athletic Trainer



Pat Norris
Equipment Manager



Sheryl Burbach
Assistant Director of Basketball Operations



Wes Eikmeier
Graduate Manager



Dorian Green
Graduate Manager



TIM MILES

University of Mary ('89)

Sixth Season at Nebraska

HEAD COACHING EXPERIENCE

Nebraska, 2012-present;
Colorado State, 2007-12;

North Dakota State, 2001-07; Southwest Minnesota State, 1997-2001; Mayville State, 1995-97.

ASSISTANT COACHING EXPERIENCE

Northern State, 1989-95

FAMILY

Wife, Kari

Children: Son, Gabriel; Daughter, Ava

COACHING HONORS

- Jim Phelan National Coach of the Year, 2014
- Big Ten Coach of the Year, 2014
- Mayville State Hall of Fame, 2016
- Northern State University Hall of Fame
- Jim Kretchman Coaching Award, 2014
- USBWA District VIII Coach of the Year, 2012
- CollegeInsider.com Mountain West Coach of the Year, 2010
- University of Mary Hall of Fame Inductee, 2007
- CBSSportsline Division I Independent Coach of the Year, 2005-06
- North Central Region Coach of the Year, 2000-01
- Northern Sun Conference Coach of the Year, 2000-01
- NDCAC Coach of the Year, 1995-96

YEAR-BY-YEAR TOTALS

Year	Team	Record	Pct.
1995-96	Mayville State	17-11	.607
1996-97	Mayville State	18-11	.621
	Two seasons	35-22	.614
1997-98	SW Minnesota State	16-11	.593
1998-99	SW Minnesota State	16-11	.593
1999-00	SW Minnesota State	18-10	.643
2000-01	SW Minnesota State	28-7	.800
	Four seasons	78-39	.667
2001-02	North Dakota State	11-15	.423
2002-03	North Dakota State	20-11	.645
2003-04	North Dakota State	16-13	.552
2004-05	North Dakota State	16-12	.571
2005-06	North Dakota State	16-12	.571
2006-07	North Dakota State	20-8	.714
	Six seasons	99-71	.582
2007-08	Colorado State	7-25	.219
2008-09	Colorado State	9-22	.290
2009-10	Colorado State	16-16	.500
2010-11	Colorado State	19-13	.594
2011-12	Colorado State	20-12	.625
	Five seasons	71-88	.447
2012-13	Nebraska	15-18	.455
2013-14	Nebraska	19-13	.594
2014-15	Nebraska	13-18	.419
2015-16	Nebraska	16-18	.471
2016-17	Nebraska	12-19	.387
	Five seasons	75-86	.466
Career	22 seasons	358-306	.539

A proven program builder who has enjoyed success at the Division I, Division II and NAIA levels, Tim Miles was named the 27th basketball coach at the University of Nebraska on March 24, 2012. He is believed to be the only active coach who has made national tournament appearances at four-year schools at the Division I, Division II and NAIA levels.

During the 2016-17 season, the Huskers won a pair of games over ranked teams, including Big Ten regular-season champion Purdue, as they played 20 games against teams which reached postseason play. Senior Tai Webster earned second-team All-Big Ten honors and first-team USBWA all-district accolades.

In 2015-16, Miles guided a youthful Husker team to 16 wins against a schedule featuring 11 ranked opponents. The Huskers also won multiple games in the conference tournament for the first time in a decade, including a win over a Wisconsin team which eventually reached the NCAA Sweet 16. Shavon Shields repeated as a first-team Academic All-American and was a second-team All-Big Ten pick.

In 2014-15, the Huskers garnered their first national ranking since 1995 and enjoyed record-setting attendance numbers, establishing a school-record attendance of 15,569 fans per game to rank 10th nationally. Terran Petteway earned All-Big Ten honors for the second straight year and earned an invitation to training camp with the Atlanta Hawks.

In 2013-14, Miles was named Big Ten Coach of the Year and Jim Phalen National Coach of the Year after guiding the Huskers to an 11-7 Big Ten mark and a fourth-place finish after the team was picked to finish 12th in the preseason. NU's 11 conference wins were its highest total since 1965-66, while the fourth-place finish was the Huskers' best since 1997-98. Miles became the first Husker coach to garner conference coach-of-the-year accolades since 1991 after guiding the Huskers to their first NCAA appearance in 16 years.

Before taking over the Nebraska program, Miles spent the previous five seasons building the Colorado State program. He increased his victory total in each of his five years at CSU, culminating in a 20-12 record and the school's first NCAA appearance in nine seasons during his final year in Fort Collins. After winning 16 games in his first two years, his teams went 55-41 over the last three years, reaching postseason play in each campaign.

The 2011-12 Rams posted the school's first 20-win season since 1997-98 while playing a schedule that was rated as the fourth-toughest in the country. Colorado State set a school record with three wins over ranked teams and placed three players on the All-Mountain West teams, and Miles was named the District VIII Coach of the Year by the U.S. Basketball Writers Association for his efforts. The Rams, one of four Mountain West teams to receive bids in the 2012 NCAA Tournament, averaged 70.1 points per game on the season and topped the Mountain West Conference in field-goal percentage (47.1), 3-point percentage (40.0) and free throw percentage (76.8).

With 22 years of experience as a head coach at four institutions, he has compiled a career record of 358-306 that includes three conference championships and seven postseason tournament appearances.

Before taking over the Colorado State program, Miles spent six seasons at North Dakota State, guiding the Bison through the transition to the Division I ranks. He won at least 16 games in each of his final five seasons at the school, including the program's first three years at the Division I level. Miles' tenure at NDSU was highlighted by a pair of road wins over top-15 squads in his final two seasons.

Miles showed his ability to turn around programs during his tenure at Southwest Minnesota State University. He took a program that had only one winning season in the previous decade and went 78-39 in his four seasons at the school, recorded the first 20-win season in school history, and led Southwest Minnesota State to its first back-to-back winning seasons in more than two decades.

Miles began his head coaching career at Mayville (N.D.) State University, guiding the program to a 35-22 record from 1995 to 1997 and a pair of conference titles. He began his coaching career as an assistant coach at Northern State for six seasons from 1989-90 through 1994-95 and helped the Wolves to five NAIA playoff appearances and five regional titles. He was the recruiting coordinator for NSU and was responsible for bringing in and coaching five All-Americans at that school.

A native of Doland, S.D., he graduated from the University of Mary in Bismarck, N.D., in 1989 and earned a master's degree in health and physical education from Northern State in Aberdeen, S.D., in 1990. He was inducted into the University of Mary Athletic Hall of Fame in 2007.

MILES BY THE NUMBERS

1 - Shavon Shields earned first-team CoSIDA Academic All-America honors in 2015 and 2016, the first Husker to earn that honor.

2 - At North Dakota State (a Division I independent at the time), Tim Miles went 2-0 against ranked opponents, topping No. 13 Wisconsin in 2005-06 and No. 8 Marquette in 2006-07.

3 - Miles was one of only three coaches in Colorado State history to lead the Rams to three consecutive postseason appearances (2010-11-12).

3 - Number of CSU players who earned All-Mountain West honors in 2011-12, the most in the school's 50 years of league affiliation.

4 - Number of former assistants under Miles who are Division I head coaches in 2017-18 (Saul Phillips-Ohio; Craig Smith-South Dakota; Niko Medved-Drake; Dave Richman-North Dakota State).

7 - Number of all-Big Ten performers Miles has coached in his Nebraska tenure, including two-time selections Terran Petteway and Shavon Shields.

10 - Miles' 2011-12 Colorado State team ranked in the top 10 nationally in both free throw (76.8) and 3-point percentage (40.0) in 2011-12, joining Missouri as the only other school in the country to rank in the top 10 in both categories.

11 - Nebraska's Big Ten wins in 2013-14, the most conference wins by a Husker team since 1965-66.

92.3 - Percentage of seniors at Nebraska who have received their degree under Miles in the last five seasons.

23 - Seasons that Tim Miles has been a head coach at the college level. His teams have reached postseason play at the Division I, Division II and NAIA levels seven times.

1920 - The last time a Husker men's basketball coach won his first road game before Tim Miles accomplished the feat at Wake Forest in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge in 2012-13.

169,622 - Number of followers on twitter for @CoachMiles, where he provides a unique look into the program.

2016-17 Nebraska Basketball
Nebraska Extended Season Box Score (as of Oct 20, 2017)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	12-19	8-8	3-8	1-3
CONFERENCE	6-12	3-6	3-6	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	6-7	5-2	0-2	1-3

##	Player	gp-gs	min	Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds		avg	pf	dq	a	a/g	to	to/g	a/to	blk	blk/g	stl	stl/g	pts	avg		
				fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fa	ft%	off	def															tot	
00	Webster, Tai	31-31	1075	34.7	183-435	.42	40-136	.29	122-164	.74	33	125	158	5.1	74	2	124	4.00	100	3.23	1.24	4	0.13	42	1.35	528	17.0
05	Watson Jr., Glynn	31-29	979	31.6	144-345	.41	48-121	.39	68-84	.81	16	77	93	3.0	91	3	81	2.61	48	1.55	1.69	4	0.13	50	1.61	404	13.0
30	Morrow Jr., Ed	24-18	562	23.4	92-179	.51	0-0	.00	41-67	.61	77	103	180	7.5	67	2	8	0.33	47	1.96	0.17	27	1.13	8	0.33	225	9.4
10	McVeigh, Jack	30-11	688	22.9	73-196	.37	47-139	.33	32-41	.78	14	62	76	2.5	27	0	19	0.63	21	0.70	0.90	8	0.27	16	0.53	225	7.5
12	Jacobson, Michael	31-31	743	24.0	72-184	.39	4-23	.17	37-57	.64	89	103	192	6.2	77	0	33	1.06	28	0.90	1.18	27	0.87	23	0.74	185	6.0
11	Taylor, Evan	31-21	755	24.4	64-155	.41	6-25	.24	27-37	.73	17	72	89	2.9	54	3	37	1.19	37	1.19	1.00	3	0.10	28	0.90	161	5.2
32	Tshimanga, Jordy	31-9	389	12.5	57-127	.44	0-0	.00	40-64	.62	54	69	123	4.0	69	2	8	0.26	46	1.48	0.17	15	0.48	14	0.45	154	5.0
02	Horne, Jeriah	29-0	341	11.8	47-116	.40	22-66	.33	10-15	.66	9	46	55	1.9	27	0	11	0.38	23	0.79	0.48	3	0.10	7	0.24	126	4.3
01	Gill, Anton	12-1	208	17.3	16-59	.27	8-29	.27	5-8	.62	7	16	23	1.9	17	0	6	0.50	11	0.92	0.55	0	0.00	4	0.33	45	3.8
15	Roby, Isaiah	30-4	457	15.2	37-94	.39	4-20	.20	16-21	.76	36	52	88	2.9	58	1	22	0.73	36	1.20	0.61	25	0.83	16	0.53	94	3.1
23	Fuller, Nick	15-0	85	5.7	6-9	.66	0-0	.00	5-7	.71	5	12	17	1.1	15	0	4	0.27	1	0.07	4.00	0	0.00	2	0.13	17	1.1
21	Elradi, Mohammad	2-0	3	1.5	1-1	1.000	0-0	.00	0-0	.00	0	1	1	0.5	0	0	1	0.50	0	0.00	99.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	2	1.0
13	Laws, Malcolm	5-0	11	2.2	1-6	.16	0-1	.00	0-3	.00	0	1	1	0.2	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	1	0.20	2	0.4
41	Borchardt, Tanner	1-0	1	1.0	0-0	.00	0-0	.00	0-0	.00	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.0
03	Shultis, Jason	2-0	3	1.5	0-0	.00	0-0	.00	0-0	.00	1	2	3	1.5	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.0
Total.....		31	6300		793-1906	.41	179-560	.32	403-568	.71	411	776	118	38.3	578	13	354	11.42	411	13.26	0.86	116	3.74	211	6.81	216	69.9
Opponents.....		31	6300		805-1800	.44	240-601	.39	414-593	.69	323	801	112	36.3	564	-	411	13.26	422	13.61	0.97	148	4.77	193	6.23	226	73.0

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Totals
Nebraska	10	12	1	1	24
Opponents	10	9	1	1	21