



**Lawrence University (5-9, 3-6 MWC)  
at Ripon College (10-5, 7-3 MWC)**

Wednesday, Jan. 21, 7:30 p.m.

**at Knox College (4-10, 2-7 MWC)**

Saturday, Jan. 24, 3:00 p.m.



**2014-15 LAWRENCE SCHEDULE**

Date	Opponent	Time/Res.
<b>11/15</b>	<b>Dominican (Ill.)</b>	<b>W, 66-49</b>
11/18	at Wisconsin Luth.	W, 68-65
<b>11/22</b>	<b>Ripon</b>	<b>L, 89-79 OT</b>
<b>12/3</b>	<b>Beloit</b>	<b>W, 64-53 OT</b>
12/6	at Illinois College	W, 87-59
12/9	at Lake Forest	L, 79-70
<b>12/13</b>	<b>UW-Stevens Point</b>	<b>L, 60-49</b>
12/17-18 Wisconsin Dells Classic		
12/17	vs. Grand View	L, 71-63
12/18	vs. Viterbo	L, 74-55
1/3	at Grinnell	L, 126-116
<b>1/7</b>	<b>St. Norbert</b>	<b>L, 81-72</b>
1/10	at Monmouth	L, 74-57
<b>1/13</b>	<b>Carroll</b>	<b>W, 69-62</b>
<b>1/17</b>	<b>Cornell</b>	<b>L, 72-61</b>
1/21	at Ripon	7:30 pm
1/24	at Knox	3:00 pm
<b>1/27</b>	<b>Lake Forest</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>
<b>1/31</b>	<b>Knox</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>
2/4	at St. Norbert	7:30 pm
<b>2/7</b>	<b>Illinois College</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>
2/10	at Beloit	7:30 pm
2/18	at Carroll	7:30 pm
<b>2/21</b>	<b>Monmouth</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>
2/27-28	MWC Tournament	TBA

Home games in bold

**PROBABLE STARTERS**

**Lawrence**



Forward	Trace Sonnleitner	Jr.	6-5
Forward	Andrew Borresen	Sr.	6-3
Guard	Ryan DePouw	Sr.	6-3
Guard	Jamie Nikitas	Jr.	6-0
Guard	Troy Miller	Jr.	6-0

**Ripon**



Forward	Justin Leistikow	Jr.	6-5
Forward	Mason Stangl	So.	6-5
Guard	Ty Sabin	So.	6-2
Guard	Kyle Loughrin	Sr.	6-1
Guard	Jordan Stiede	So.	5-10

**Knox**



Forward	Orlando Brown	Fr.	6-4
Forward	Mike Martin	So.	6-7
Guard	Robert Suntken	So.	6-2
Guard	Mitch Murphy	Sr.	6-2
Guard	Deandre Weathersby	So.	5-8

**SCHEDULE**

►Lawrence makes the short drive south to Ripon on Wednesday to face the Red Hawks in a 7:30 p.m. game at the Storzer Center.

►The Vikings travel to Galesburg, Ill., for a 3 p.m. game on Saturday at the Memorial Gymnasium.

**VIDEO WEBCAST**

►Both games feature a free video webcast at: <http://portal.stretchinternet.com/lawrence/>. Dick Knapinski and Anthony Totoraitis are on the call for Lawrence home games. A link for Lawrence webcasts is on the Lawrence basketball page.

**THE COACHES**

►Joel DePagter (Lawrence 1998), the 1997 Midwest Conference Player of

the Year and 2009 Midwest Conference Coach of the Year, is in his eighth season at Lawrence and has a record of 102-75 (.576).

►Ryan Kane (St. Norbert 1999) is in his third season at Ripon and has a record of 38-25 (.603).

Kevin Walden (Knox 2001) is in his third season at Knox and has a record of 6-54 (.100). He is in his seventh season overall and has a record of 49-108 (.312).

**THE SERIES**

►Ripon holds a 134-81 edge over the Vikings in a series that dates back to 1906. The series has been almost even since the turn of the century. Lawrence has a 17-14 edge over Ripon since the 1999-2000 season.

►In a series that goes back to 1925,

Knox holds a 61-54 advantage. Lawrence has dominated the series in recent seasons. The Vikings have won five straight and 21 of the last 24 against the Prairie Fire.

### LAST GAME

Cornell rallied from an 11-point halftime deficit to post a 72-61 Midwest Conference win over Lawrence this past Saturday at Alexander Gymnasium.

Nick Bobb scored 23 points and pulled down nine rebounds to lead Cornell.

Ryan DePouw led Lawrence with 16 points, and Jamie Nikitas added 14 points. Mitch Willer came off the bench for Lawrence to score 12 points on 6-of-8 shooting in just 10 minutes of action. Trace Sonnleitner added 11 points for the Vikings.



Ryan DePouw

Lawrence pulled away in the final three minutes of the first half to build a double-digit lead. The Vikings scored eight of the half's final 10 points, with six coming from Nikitas, to grab a 40-29 lead at the break.

The Rams scored the first six points of the second half before DePouw hit a 3-pointer with 14:35 left to push the lead back to 43-35.

Cornell kept chipping away at the advantage and took the lead at 53-52 on Bobb's layup with 8:05 remaining. The Rams steadily pulled away from that point and were up 65-58 after a pair of DePouw free throws with 1:55 left.

Lawrence was forced to foul at that point, and Cornell converted 7-of-8 free throws in the final 1:47 to seal the victory.

The Rams went 10-for-20 from the floor, including 4-for-8 from 3-point range, in the second half. Cornell's defense also limited Lawrence to just 21 second half points on 24 percent shooting (6-for-25). Lawrence also committed eight of its 12 turnovers in the second half.



### MWC Standings

	MWC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
St. Norbert	9	0	13	1
Monmouth	9	1	12	3
Ripon	7	3	10	5
Carroll	5	4	8	6
Grinnell	5	4	7	7
Lake Forest	5	5	6	8
Beloit	4	6	5	10
Lawrence	3	6	5	9
Cornell	3	7	4	11
Knox	2	7	4	10
Illinois College	0	9	1	13

### Games Wednesday

- Lawrence at Ripon
- Knox at Illinois College
- Lake Forest at Beloit
- Grinnell at Cornell
- St. Norbert at Carroll

### Games Saturday

- Lawrence at Knox
- St. Norbert at Monmouth
- Beloit at Grinnell
- Carroll at Illinois College
- Cornell at Lake Forest

### VIKINGS UPDATE

►The loss to Cornell marked the third time this season the Vikings had a double-digit lead in the second half and failed to win the game. Lawrence led by double digits against both Monmouth and Ripon as well and had an eight-point second-half lead before losing at Grinnell.



►Senior guard Ryan DePouw (Oconto, Wis./Oconto) continues to close in on the 1,000-point plateau. Fresh off

### DEPAGTER'S RECORD

Lawrence head coach Joel DePagter is in his eighth season as the Vikings' coach. He is the only person in Midwest Conference history to be named both Player of the Year (1997) and Coach of the Year (2009).



Overall Record	102-76
Home	53-29
Away	46-39
Neutral	3-8

Midwest Conference Record	78-50
Home	43-24
Away	36-28

Nonconference Record	24-26
Home	11-5
Away	10-13
Neutral	3-8

### DePagter vs. the MWC

Beloit	10-3
Carroll	9-8
Cornell	4-3
Grinnell	5-9
Illinois College	12-2
Knox	12-1
Lake Forest	8-4
Monmouth	12-1
Ripon	6-9
St. Norbert	5-11

### DePagter vs. Nonconference Opponents

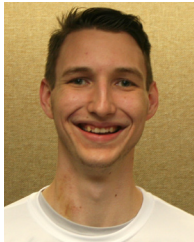
Ashford	0-1
Cal Lutheran	0-1
Caltech	1-0
Coe	1-1
Concordia (Ill.)	1-0
Dominican (Ill.)	2-0
Elmhurst	0-2
Florida College	1-0
Grand View	0-1
Johnson and Wales (Fla.)	1-0
Lakeland	1-0
Manchester	0-1
Marian	2-2
Mount St. Vincent	1-0
Nova Southeastern	1-0
St. Mary's (Md.)	0-1
Southeastern (Fla.)	0-1
Trinity (Fla.)	1-0
Viterbo	0-1
Washington (Mo.)	0-1
Wheaton (Ill.)	0-1
Wisconsin Lutheran	4-0
UW-Oshkosh	1-3
UW-Stevens Point	1-7
UW-Whitewater	0-1

a 16-point performance against Cornell, DePouw now has 912 for his career. He needs 88 points to become the 22nd player in Lawrence history to score 1,000 points.

►DePouw has now put together five consecutive double-digit scoring games after failing to hit double digits in three consecutive games. DePouw pushed his scoring average to 13.3 points per game, and that ranks 18th in the Midwest Conference.

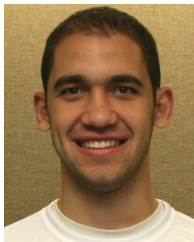
►DePouw also went 3-for-3 from 3-point range after struggling a bit from beyond the arc (1-for-13) in his previous three games. DePouw is now shooting 32.7 percent (18-of-55) on 3-pointers this season.

►Sophomore forward Mitch Willer (Sussex, Wis./Sussex Hamilton) played just 10 minutes in the loss to Cornell, but he was very effective in that stretch. Willer scored a career-high 12 points on 6-of-8 shooting and picked up a steal. It was the first double-digit scoring game of Willer's career and eclipsed his previous career high of seven points set earlier this season against UW-Stevens Point.



*Mitch Willer*

►Junior guard Jamie Nikitas (Glenview, Ill./Glenbrook South) leads the team in both scoring and rebounding. Nikitas is sixth in the league in scoring at 16.5 points per game, and he ranks second in rebounding at 9.2 per contest.



*Jamie Nikitas*

►The Vikings have six players who have hit at least 15 3-pointers this season. Trace Sonnleitner (Appleton, Wis./North), Troy Miller (Lake In The Hills, Ill./Huntley) and Jeremy Stephani (Arlington Heights, Ill./Wheeling)

## Lawrence University Basketball Facts

Location	Appleton, Wis.
Founded	1847
Enrollment	1,450
President	Mark Burstein
Affiliation	NCAA Division III
Conference	Midwest Conference
Nickname	Vikings
School Colors	Blue and White
Home Arena	Alexander Gymnasium (1929, capacity 1,100)
Director of Athletics	Mike Szkodzinski
First season of basketball	1896
Seasons of basketball	111
All-time record	957-1056-1 (.476)
Midwest Conference titles	8
	1924-25, 1942-43, 1996-97, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2007-08, 2008-09
MWC Tournament titles	6
	1997, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009
NCAA Tournament appearances	6
	1997, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009

have all made 27 3-pointers this season. Those three players are tied for seventh in the Midwest Conference in 3-pointers per game.

►Andrew Borresen (West Bend, Wis./Living Word Lutheran) ranks second in the conference in 3-point shooting at 50.0 percent (16-of-32).

►Lawrence ranks sixth in the Midwest Conference in scoring offense at 69.9 points per game, and the Vikings are fifth in scoring defense at 72.3 points per contest.

►Lawrence ranks third in the league in field goal percentage defense at 44.8 percent, and the Vikings are shooting 43.3 percent, which is ninth.

►Lawrence is shooting 67.8 percent from the foul line, which ranks eighth in the conference.

►Lawrence ranks fourth in 3-point shooting at 37.0 percent, and the

## 1,000 POINT CLUB

Player	Points	Years
Chris Braier	1,565	2002-06
Joel Dillingham	1,554	1989-93
Ryan Kroeger	1,537	2005-09
Chris Siebert	1,360	2010-14
Doug Fyfe	1,342	1972-76
Adam LaVoy	1,273	1997-2001
Joel Ungrodt	1,247	1961-64
Matt Miota	1,246	1987-91
Joel DePagter	1,243	1995-98
Ben Zagorski	1,175	1994-98
Mike Fogel	1,175	1975-79
Reggie Geans	1,160	1985-89
John Dekker	1,117	2006-10
Shawn Koerner	1,115	1985-89
Richard Schultz	1,088	1964-67
Tom Steinmetz	1,073	1963-66
Jason Holinbeck	1,051	2001-05
Strat Warden	1,042	1969-72
Bob Townsend	1,031	1966-69
Jim Rasmussen	1,030	1958-61
Rob Cohen	1,005	1976-80

Vikings are sixth in defending the 3-pointer at 35.3 percent.

### SCOUTING RIPON

▶Ripon has dropped two of its last three games after a 79-69 loss at Monmouth this past Saturday. The Red Hawks also dropped a 112-96 contest at Grinnell on Jan. 10. Sandwiched between those losses was a thrilling 106-103 double-over-time victory over visting Lake Forest.



▶Guard Ty Sabin ranks both second in the Midwest Conference and the nation in scoring at 29.3 points per game. Sabin trails only Grinnell's Jack Taylor, who is at 29.7.

▶Sabin ranks fourth in the league in 3-point shooting at 46.5 percent and is third at 3.1 3-pointers made per game. Sabin also is the league's top free-throw shooter at 89.5 percent.

▶Ripon has a second high-scoring lpayer in guard Ty Loughrin, who ranks seventh in the conference at 16.4 points per contest. Loughrin also is Ripon's top assist man at 3.3 per game.

▶The top rebounder for the Red Hawks is forward Justin Leistikow, who is fifth in the conference at 7.1 per game.

▶Ripon ranks third in the Midwest Conference in scoring at 79.5 points per game. The Red Hawks are eighth in scoring defense at 77.5 points per contest.

▶Ripon is shooting 48.8 percent from the floor, which is second in the conference. The Red Hawks are ninth in field goal percentage defense at 47.9 percent.

▶Ripon is shooting 72.8 percent from the foul line, good for fourth in the

league.

▶Ripon is shooting 40.1 percent from beyond the arc, which ranks second in the league. Ripon is seventh in the league in defending the 3-pointer at 36.3 percent.

### SCOUTING KNOX

▶Knox has one Midwest Conference game before it faces Lawrence on Saturday. The Prairie Fire hopes to snap a three-game losing streak when it travels to Illinois College on Wednesday. Knox is coming off an 87-45 loss at No. 19 St. Norbert this past Saturday.



▶Guard Robert Suntken is tops on the team in scoring at 13.9 points per game, and that ranks 15th in the Midwest Conference.

▶Mike Martin leads Knox in rebounding at 6.5 per game. Guard Deandre Weathersby leads the squad at 2.6 assists per contest.

▶Knox ranks seventh in the conference in scoring at 69.7 points per game. The Prairie Fire is 10th in the league in scoring defense at 80.9 points per contest.

▶Knox is shooting 45.0 percent from the floor, and that ranks seventh in the league. Knox is seventh in field goal percentage defense at 46.2 percent.

▶Knox is ninth in the conference in free-throw shooting at 65.5 percent.

▶Knox is shooting 34.2 percent from 3-point range, and that is sixth in the conference. The Prairie Fire is fifth in defending the 3-pointer at 34.8 percent.



### D3HOOPS.COM TOP 25

Rnk	Team	Rec.	Pts.	Pr.
1.	Augustana (24)	15-1	624	1
2.	UW-Whitewater	14-2	589	2
3.	St. Thomas (1)	12-1	573	3
4.	Washington U.	13-1	547	6
5.	Marietta	15-0	498	7
6.	Virginia Wesleyan	13-2	455	8
7.	Dickinson	13-2	428	4
8.	WPI	13-2	410	13
9.	Albertus Magnus	13-1	385	12
10.	Wooster	13-2	381	14
11.	Randolph-Macon	13-2	342	16
12.	Emory	11-3	319	5
13.	Richard Stockton	14-2	318	11
14.	Franklin and Marshall	14-1	264	10
15.	UW-Stevens Point	13-3	235	18
16.	St. Norbert	13-1	227	20
17.	North Central (Ill.)	13-3	224	9
18.	Chapman	14-0	213	20
19.	St. Olaf	12-1	201	21
20.	Babson	13-2	186	15
21.	Chicago	11-3	177	23
22.	Elmhurst	13-3	105	22
23.	Ohio Wesleyan	12-3	99	17
24.	Johns Hopkins	13-2	64	--
25.	Case Western Reserve	12-2	46	--

**Dropped out:** No. 24 Scranton; No. 25 Amherst.

**Others receiving votes:** Eastern Connecticut 38; Whitworth 30; Claremont-Mudd-Scripps 26; Illinois Wesleyan 26; MIT 22; William Paterson 18; Husson 15; Hardin-Simmons 14; Amherst 9; Centre 7; Christopher Newport 4; St. John Fisher 2; Trinity (Conn.) 2; Catholic 1; Williams 1.

**2014-15 Lawrence Basketball**  
**Lawrence University Combined Team Statistics (as of Jan 20, 2015)**  
**All games**

<b>RECORD:</b>	<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>AWAY</b>	<b>NEUTRAL</b>
ALL GAMES	5-9	3-5	2-4	0-0
CONFERENCE	3-6	2-3	1-3	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	2-3	1-2	1-1	0-0

#	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds				pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg		
					fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fa	ft%	off	def	tot	avg										
03	Jamie Nikitas	13-13	453	34.8	83-182	.456	15-56	.268	34-53	.642	22	97	119	9.2	34	0	35	34	0	29	215	16.5		
25	Trace Sonnleitner	14-14	407	29.1	75-158	.475	27-67	.403	20-24	.833	10	47	57	4.1	30	1	25	20	16	5	197	14.1		
11	Ryan DePouw	12-12	418	34.8	44-108	.407	18-55	.327	53-69	.768	9	50	59	4.9	25	1	38	37	2	9	159	13.3		
12	Jeremy Stephani	14-1	323	23.1	40-100	.400	27-66	.409	16-30	.533	9	29	38	2.7	21	1	28	16	1	10	123	8.8		
30	Troy Miller	14-14	401	28.6	37-93	.398	27-69	.391	8-10	.800	12	29	41	2.9	28	1	24	14	0	14	109	7.8		
33	Andrew Borresen	14-14	314	22.4	23-52	.442	16-32	.500	0-3	.000	7	34	41	2.9	24	0	20	10	4	6	62	4.4		
04	Mitch Willer	14-0	153	10.9	20-42	.476	0-0	.000	4-8	.500	4	18	22	1.6	28	0	3	9	10	2	44	3.1		
24	Connor Weas	14-0	138	9.9	11-26	.423	6-15	.400	5-7	.714	5	10	15	1.1	13	0	4	6	0	3	33	2.4		
23	Peter Winslow	14-2	195	13.9	8-26	.308	0-7	.000	12-17	.706	10	19	29	2.1	30	1	20	10	8	5	28	2.0		
21	Shane Cullian	4-0	16	4.0	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	0-2	.000	2	1	3	0.8	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	1.0		
32	Ben Peterson	3-0	8	2.7	1-3	.333	0-1	.000	0-2	.000	1	2	3	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	0.7		
05	Evan McLaughlin	3-0	8	2.7	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0.7		
10	Eric Weiss	3-0	8	2.7	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.3	1	0	2	1	1	0	0	0.0		
00	Kalind Nash	3-0	8	2.7	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	2	0	1	3	0	0	0	0.0		
Team											14	14	28											
Total.....		14	2850		344-794	.433	136-368	.370	154-227	.678	105	351	456	32.6	240	5	200	166	43	83	978	69.9		
Opponents.....		14	2850		360-804	.448	100-283	.353	192-276	.696	121	381	502	35.9	229	-	158	150	33	97	1012	72.3		

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>LU</b>	<b>OPP</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Att.</b>
SCORING	978	1012	11/15/14	DOMINICAN (ILL.)	W 66-49	568
Points per game	69.9	72.3	11/18/14	at Wisconsin Lutheran	W 68-65	229
Scoring margin	-2.4	-	* 11/22/14	RIPON COLLEGE	Lot 79-89	867
FIELD GOALS-ATT	344-794	360-804	* 12/03/14	BELOIT COLLEGE	Wot 64-53	679
Field goal pct	.433	.448	* 12/06/14	at Illinois College	W 89-57	310
3 POINT FG-ATT	136-368	100-283	* 12/09/14	at Lake Forest College	L 70-79	463
3-point FG pct	.370	.353	12/13/14	UW-STEVENS POINT	L 49-60	912
3-pt FG made per game	9.7	7.1	12/17/14	at Grand View University	L 63-71	212
FREE THROWS-ATT	154-227	192-276	12/18/14	VITERBO UNIVERSITY	L 55-74	231
Free throw pct	.678	.696	* 1/3/15	at Grinnell College	L 116-126	1002
F-Throws made per game	11.0	13.7	* 01/07/15	ST. NORBERT COLLEGE	L 72-81	784
REBOUNDS	456	502	* 1/10/15	at Monmouth College	L 57-74	150
Rebounds per game	32.6	35.9	* 1/13/15	CARROLL UNIVERSITY	W 69-62	567
Rebounding margin	-3.3	-	* 1/17/15	CORNELL COLLEGE	L 61-72	878
ASSISTS	200	158	* - Conference game			
Assists per game	14.3	11.3				
TURNOVERS	166	150				
Turnovers per game	11.9	10.7				
Turnover margin	-1.1	-				
Assist/turnover ratio	1.2	1.1				
STEALS	83	97				
Steals per game	5.9	6.9				
BLOCKS	43	33				
Blocks per game	3.1	2.4				
ATTENDANCE	5486	2366				
Home games-Avg/Game	8-686	6-394				
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0				

<b>Score by Periods</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Totals</b>
Lawrence University	462	497	19	978
Opponents	477	517	18	1012

**2014-15 Lawrence Basketball**  
**Lawrence University Points-Rebounds-Assists (as of Jan 20, 2015)**  
**All games**

Opponent	Date	Score		00	03	04	05	10	11	12
				NASH,KALIN	NIKITAS,JA	WILLER,MIT	MCLAUGHLIN	WEISS,ERIC	DEPOUW,RYA	STEPHANI,J
DOMINICAN (ILL.)	11/15/14	66-49	w	0-0-0	16-13-3	0-1-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	9-6-1
at Wisconsin Lutheran	11/18/14	68-65	w	DNP	23-11-4	2-2-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	5-2-0
RIPON COLLEGE	11/22/14	79-89	L	DNP	28-11-3	2-3-0	DNP	DNP	17-5-1	0-2-4
BELOIT COLLEGE	12/03/14	64-53	w	DNP	16-14-4	0-1-0	DNP	DNP	19-4-1	6-3-1
at Illinois College	12/06/14	89-57	w	0-0-1	14-15-3	0-1-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	19-8-7	8-2-1
at Lake Forest College	12/09/14	70-79	L	DNP	21-7-1	2-1-0	DNP	DNP	18-6-5	9-5-0
UW-STEVENS POINT	12/13/14	49-60	L	DNP	14-7-2	7-4-1	DNP	DNP	8-2-3	9-0-2
at Grand View Universit	12/17/14	63-71	L	DNP	8-13-4	4-2-0	DNP	DNP	6-5-2	18-2-2
VITERBO UNIVERSITY	12/18/14	55-74	L	0-0-0	DNP	2-0-0	2-0-0	0-0-1	7-6-1	12-4-4
at Grinnell College	1/3/15	116-126	L	DNP	19-8-4	3-1-0	DNP	DNP	18-8-7	22-4-4
ST. NORBERT COLLEGE	01/07/15	72-81	L	DNP	19-4-2	2-0-1	DNP	DNP	10-3-5	3-0-0
at Monmouth College	1/10/15	57-74	L	DNP	5-6-1	2-1-1	DNP	DNP	11-4-0	4-2-2
CARROLL UNIVERSITY	1/13/15	69-62	w	DNP	18-7-3	6-5-0	DNP	DNP	10-4-2	15-4-3
CORNELL COLLEGE	1/17/15	61-72	L	DNP	14-3-1	12-0-0	DNP	DNP	16-4-4	3-2-4

Opponent	Date	Score		21	23	24	25	30	32	33
				CULLIAN,SH	WINSLOW,PE	WEAS,CONNO	SONNLEITNE	MILLER,TRO	PETERSON,B	BORRESEN,A
DOMINICAN (ILL.)	11/15/14	66-49	w	0-1-0	11-4-4	0-1-0	7-4-4	21-3-2	0-1-0	2-3-3
at Wisconsin Lutheran	11/18/14	68-65	w	0-1-0	0-5-2	0-0-0	22-4-3	13-3-2	DNP	3-6-1
RIPON COLLEGE	11/22/14	79-89	L	DNP	0-4-0	0-0-0	23-6-1	9-2-3	DNP	0-3-3
BELOIT COLLEGE	12/03/14	64-53	w	DNP	1-2-1	2-3-0	10-7-2	10-1-2	DNP	0-2-1
at Illinois College	12/06/14	89-57	w	4-1-0	2-1-2	0-5-1	18-6-1	13-2-1	2-2-0	9-3-2
at Lake Forest College	12/09/14	70-79	L	DNP	0-2-2	1-0-0	8-5-1	8-2-0	DNP	3-3-0
UW-STEVENS POINT	12/13/14	49-60	L	DNP	3-3-1	3-0-0	5-2-1	0-4-0	DNP	0-1-0
at Grand View Universit	12/17/14	63-71	L	DNP	1-0-2	6-1-0	12-4-3	5-1-0	DNP	3-3-2
VITERBO UNIVERSITY	12/18/14	55-74	L	0-0-0	1-1-0	3-0-1	14-1-2	7-4-2	0-0-0	7-8-1
at Grinnell College	1/3/15	116-126	L	DNP	6-3-3	5-0-0	23-3-2	9-6-3	DNP	11-1-2
ST. NORBERT COLLEGE	01/07/15	72-81	L	DNP	2-1-0	0-1-0	21-3-1	6-2-3	DNP	9-1-2
at Monmouth College	1/10/15	57-74	L	DNP	1-3-0	10-2-0	12-5-2	6-4-1	DNP	6-0-2
CARROLL UNIVERSITY	1/13/15	69-62	w	DNP	0-0-2	3-1-1	11-5-0	0-2-5	DNP	6-2-1
CORNELL COLLEGE	1/17/15	61-72	L	DNP	0-0-1	0-1-1	11-2-2	2-5-0	DNP	3-5-0

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**November 15**

**Lawrence 66, Dominican (Ill.) 49**

APPLETON, Wis. -- Troy Miller enjoyed a stellar shooting night to lead the Lawrence University men's basketball team to a 66-



49 nonconference victory over Dominican (Ill.) University in the season opener on at Alexander Gymnasium.

Miller went 7-for-11 from 3-point range on his way to a career-high 21 points for the Vikings (1-0). Miller, who had never scored in double digits in a game, scored 15 points in the second half as the Vikings pulled away.

Jamie Nikitas had a double-double for the Vikings with 16 points and a game-high 13 rebounds. Peter Winslow, making his first career start for Lawrence, scored 11 points and tied for game-high honors with four assists. Trace Sonnleitner added seven points, four assists, four rebounds and three blocks for the Vikings.

Freshman Jeremy Stephani played 28 minutes and scored nine points and grabbed six rebounds in his Lawrence debut. The Vikings played without star swingman Ryan DePouw, who missed the game due to injury.

Tim Robertson paced Dominican (0-1) with 14 points, and Josh Mayberry added nine.

Lawrence built an early 13-point lead, but the Stars finished the first half on a 14-5 run to trim the margin to 25-21 at the break.

Miller then hit four 3-pointers as part of a 22-8 run over the first nine minutes of the second half that pushed Lawrence's lead to 18 points. The Vikings pulled out to a 47-29 advantage and would build that lead to as many as 23 points.

Dominican never got closer than 13 points over the final 10 minutes of the game.

**November 18**

**Lawrence 68, Wisconsin Lutheran 65**

MILWAUKEE, Wis. -- Jeremy Stephani hit a key 3-pointer and Trace Sonnleitner



made two clutch free throws to lift the Lawrence University men's basketball team to a 68-65 nonconference victory over Wisconsin Lutheran College at the Recreation Complex.

Jamie Nikitas recorded his second consecutive double-double to begin the season with 23 points and 11 rebounds for the Vikings (2-0). Sonnleitner poured in a career-high 22 points and Troy Miller added 13 points for Lawrence.

Jake Jarnigo led Wisconsin Lutheran (0-1) and all scorers with 29 points. Jim Marose added 14 points, and Brett Lubbe had a game-high 12 rebounds for the Warriors.

The teams swapped the lead throughout, and Andrew Borresen's 3-pointer with 4:08 left tied it at 59-59 for the Vikings. Lawrence followed that with a free throw from Nikitas and a Sonnleitner 3-pointer for a 63-59 edge.

Jarnigo countered with a 3-pointer for the Warriors to trim the margin to 63-62, but Stephani buried a 3-pointer from the left corner with 1:19 left.

The Vikings still led 66-62 when Marose went to the foul line with 47 seconds left. He missed both free throws, but the Warriors got the rebound, and Jarnigo buried a 3-pointer with 41 seconds left to cut the lead to 66-65.

Sonnleitner was fouled with just 7.4 seconds left and drained both free throws to put the Vikings back up by three. Jarnigo missed a 3-pointer at the buzzer that would have tied it.

**November 22**

**Ripon 89, Lawrence 79 (OT)**

APPLETON, Wis. -- Ty Sabin scored 34 points and the Ripon College men's



basketball team enjoyed a huge advantage at the foul line as the Red Hawks downed Lawrence University 89-79 in overtime in a Midwest Conference game at Alexander Gymnasium.

Sabin hit 9-of-18 shots from the floor and went 13-for-14 from the foul line to pace Ripon (3-1, 2-0 MWC). Kyle Loughrin had a double-double for Ripon with 21 points and 12 rebounds.

Jamie Nikitas recorded his third consecutive double-double to start the season with 28 points and 11 rebounds for the Vikings (2-1, 0-1). Trace Sonnleitner scored a career-high 23 points for the Vikings and added six rebounds.

Ripon won the game at the foul line where the Red Hawks connected on 29-of-39. Lawrence was just 9-of-15 from the line, and the Vikings were whistled for 30 fouls, compared to 15 for Ripon.

Ripon took charge in the overtime by scoring the first nine points of the extra period, highlighted by Loughrin's three-point play, to lead 83-74 with 2:09 left. Lawrence cut the margin to as close as five points at 84-79 on a pair of Nikitas free throws with 50 ticks left.

Ripon then connected on 5-of-6 shots from the foul line to seal the win.

Lawrence had built a 12-point edge at 50-38 with 13:56 left in the second half before Ripon rallied. The Red Hawks scored nine consecutive points before Nikitas' 3-pointer with 9:57 left gave Lawrence a 53-47 lead.

Ripon kept the pressure on and went on a 17-4 run to take a 64-57 lead with 4:29 left. Ryan DePouw quickly scored the next four points, Sonnleitner hit a 3-pointer and Nikitas got a driving layup to tie the game at

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66-66 with 2:51 left.

Ripon built the lead back to 72-67 with 48 seconds remaining in regulation before Sonnleiter drilled another 3-pointer. After a pair of free throws from Sabin, Nikitas answered with a layup to cut the lead to 74-72. The Red Hawks turned it over, and Nikitas drove uncontested to the basket for another layup and tied it at 74-74 with eight seconds left.

Sabin missed a jumper with two seconds left that would have won it in regulation.

### December 3

#### Lawrence 64, Beloit 53 (OT)

APPLETON, Wis.

-- Lawrence University men's basketball coach Joel DePagter picked up win No. 100 at Alexander Gymnasium, but it took some drama in regulation and a superlative overtime to get to the century mark.

Jamie Nikitas got a layup with 0.7 seconds left in regulation to tie the game, and he then scored the first four points of the overtime to lead the Vikings to a 64-53 Midwest Conference victory over Beloit College.

Nikitas finished with his fourth consecutive double-double to start the season by scoring 16 points and grabbing 14 rebounds. Ryan DePouw paced Lawrence (3-1, 1-1 MWC) with 19 points, and Trace Sonnleitner and Troy Miller added 10 points apiece for the Vikings.

DePagter, in his eighth season as Lawrence's head coach, became just the fourth coach in Lawrence history to earn 100 victories. He joins John Tharp (204), Arthur Denney (151) and Mike Gallus (147).

Steve McAfee led Beloit (2-4, 1-2) with 15 points and 10 rebounds. Rudy Bentley and Sean Fancsali added 13 points apiece for the Bucs.

Beloit led by as many as seven points in the second half, but Lawrence battled back to tie it at 48-48 on Sonnleitner's 3-pointer with 5:49

left. Beloit finally took the lead back at 50-48 on a pair of Bentley free throws with 2:30 left.

Bentley could have sealed the win when he was fouled with eight seconds left, but he missed the front end of a one-and-one and Nikitas grabbed the rebound. He drove the floor and scored on a layup with less than a second left to tie it at 50-50 and force the overtime.

Lawrence then took control early in the overtime as Nikitas scored on another driving layup for a 52-50 lead, and he then knocked down a pair of free throws to put the Vikings up by four. After a Beloit miss, Sonnleitner's athletic, high-flying tip-in gave Lawrence a 56-50 lead with 2:39 left. DePouw followed with a layup and Lawrence led 58-50.

Beloit finally got on the board in the overtime with a pair of Bentley free throws, but Lawrence went 6-for-8 from the foul line in the final 1:24 to seal the victory.

### December 6

#### Lawrence 87, Illinois College 59

JACKSONVILLE,

Ill. -- The Lawrence University men's basketball team hit 14 3-pointers en route to an 87-59 Midwest Conference rout of Illinois College at Sherman Gymnasium.

The Vikings (4-1, 2-1 MWC) hit 14-of-33 shots from beyond the arc and constructed a 24-point halftime lead. Illinois College (1-4, 0-2) never got closer than the halftime margin and trailed by as many as 42 points in the second half.

Guard Jamie Nikitas posted his fifth consecutive double-double to start the season with 14 points and 15 rebounds for the Vikings. Senior swingman Ryan DePouw led Lawrence and all scorers with 19 points and he handed out a game-high seven assists to go with eight rebounds.

Trace Sonnleitner added 18

points, hitting 4-of-7 shots from 3-point range, to go with six rebounds for the Vikings. Troy Miller also was in double figures for the Vikings with 13 points.

Mitchell Patterson led Illinois College with 13 points.

Lawrence led by double digits just 4:14 into the game on Sonnleitner's layup that provided a 13-2 advantage. Illinois College managed to trim the lead to 20-14 with 11:50 left before halftime, but the Vikings answered back.

The Vikings hit six 3-pointers over the next 6:21 to break the game wide open. A 20-4 run was capped by Miller's 3-pointer and put the Vikings up 40-18 with 5:29 left in the opening half.

Lawrence led by as many as 26 points in the first half before settling for a 53-29 at the break.

### December 9

#### Lake Forest 79, Lawrence 70

LAKE FOREST, Ill. -- The

Lake Forest College men's basketball team led the entire game

and posted a 79-70 Midwest Conference win over Lawrence University.

Torrey Davis led four Lake Forest players in double figures with 20 points. Jim Schick posted a double-double for Lake Forest (3-4, 3-3 MWC) with 16 points and a game-high 11 rebounds.

Jamie Nikitas paced Lawrence (4-2, 2-2) with 21 points and seven rebounds. Ryan DePouw added 18 points, six rebounds and a game-high five assists for the Vikings.

Lawrence trailed from the opening minute and was down by as many as 11 points in the first half before the Vikings rallied. Lawrence scored nine consecutive points, including six on a pair of 3-pointers from Troy Miller and capped by a DePouw layup, to cut the lead to 26-24.

Lake Forest responded by finish-





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ing the half on a 9-2 run and led 35-26 at the half.

Lawrence trimmed the margin to four points twice early in the second half, but the Foresters pushed the lead to 48-36 with 15:12 left.

The Vikings trailed by as many as 15 points after that and got no closer than 77-70 with 36 seconds left. Lawrence had the ball at that point but missed its next three shots from the floor to seal its fate.

### December 13

#### No. 21 UW-Stevens Point 60

#### Lawrence 49

APPLETON, Wis.

-- The No. 21 UW-

Stevens Point men's basketball team

held off Lawrence

University 60-49 in a nonconference battle at Alexander Gymnasium.

Lawrence battled back from double-digit deficits in each half, but the Pointers rallied each time to post their fourth consecutive victory.

Jordan Lutz led four UW-Stevens Point players in double figures with 15 points. Stephen Pelkofer and Alex Richard added 14 points apiece for Stevens Point (7-2).

Jamie Nikitas paced the Vikings (4-3) with 14 points and seven rebounds, and Jeremy Stephani came off the bench to add nine points.

The Vikings were ice cold to start the game, and Stevens Point led by double figures at 11-1 with 12:54 left in the first half. Lawrence, which shot just 32.5 percent for the game, trailed by as many as 13 points in the first half, but the Vikings rallied late. Nikitas buried a 3-pointer and Mitch Willer added a layup to trim the margin to 26-19 at the half.

Stevens Point built the lead back to 38-28 on Lutz's 3-pointer with 11:38 left in the game, but Lawrence responded again. Nikitas and Connor Weas hit back-to-back 3-pointers and Stephani converted a free throw to cut the margin to 38-35 with 9:53 remaining.

The Vikings began attacking the basket and got their next seven points from the foul line. Stevens Point absorbed every punch and started to pull away. Three consecutive layups, two from Richard and another from Pelkofer, built the advantage to 51-39 with 3:12 left.

Sonnleitner countered with a pair of free throws for the Vikings, but Austin Ryf followed with a 3-pointer on the next possession for the Pointers to help seal the victory.

Stevens Point then made 4-of-5 free throws in the final 40 seconds to put the game away.

### December 17

#### Grand View 71, Lawrence 63

WISCONSIN DELLS,

Wis. — The Lawrence

University men's basketball team nearly came

all the way back from a 20-point deficit before

falling 71-63 to Grand View University in a nonconference game on at Just A Game Field House.

Lawrence (4-4), which trailed 44-24 late in the first half, cut the lead to two points on two occasions in the second half before Grand View (5-5) pulled away.

Jeremy Stephani came off the bench to lead Lawrence with 18 points. A freshman guard, Stephani hit 6-of-9 shots from the floor, including 5-of-7 from 3-point range. Trace Sonnleitner added 12 points for the Vikings, and Jamie Nikitas had a game-high 13 rebounds to go with eight points and four assists.

Juan Hadnot led Grand View with 16 points, including 14 in the first half. Grand View big men Alex Welsch and Nick Lyon had 12 points apiece on a combined 12-for-15 shooting from the floor.

Grand View was red-hot in the first half, connecting on 61.8 percent of its shots from the floor.

Grand View led by double digits at 14-3 just 5:07 into the contest. Grand View built the lead to 44-24 with 3:04

left in the opening half.

Lawrence scored eight of the half's final 10 points, getting 3-pointers from Stephani and Sonnleitner and a layup from Connor Weas, to cut the lead to 46-34 at the half.

Lawrence trailed 58-45 in the second half, but the Vikings went on a 13-2 run, capped by Nikitas' layup, to cut the lead to 60-58 with 6:20 left.

Nathan Washington answered with a 3-pointer for Grand View, but the Vikings got the margin back to 65-63 on Weas' 3-pointer with 3:09 remaining.

Grand View answered with a layup from Welsch and a 3-pointer from Rodney Williams, his only points of the second half, to stretch the lead to 70-63 and seal the win.

### December 18

#### Viterbo 74, Lawrence 55

WISCONSIN DELLS, Wis. — The

Viterbo University men's basketball

team jumped out to

a 15-point lead in the first 10 minutes and never looked back en route to a 74-55 nonconference win over Lawrence University at the Just A Game Field House.

Viterbo (8-7) led by as many as 22 points in the first half, and the Vikings (4-5) weren't able to get any closer than 16 points in the second half.

David Shepard scored 19 of his game-high 21 points in the first half to pace Viterbo. Pete Drummond added 15 points and went 4-for-5 from 3-point range for the V-Hawks.

Trace Sonnleitner scored 14 points to pace the Vikings, who played without star guard Jamie Nikitas due to injury. Freshman Jeremy Stephani started in Nikitas' place and added 12 points, four assists and four rebounds.

Andrew Borresen, Ryan DePouw and Troy Miller added seven points apiece for the Vikings, and Borresen had a team-best eight rebounds.

Viterbo shot 56.3 percent in the first half with Shepard scoring in the



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post, and Drummond knocking down a trio of 3-pointers.

Lawrence struggled to knock down open shots as the Vikings connected on only 5-of-25 shots from beyond the 3-point line.

### January 3

#### Grinnell 126, Lawrence 116

GRINNELL, Iowa — The Grinnell College men's basketball team pulled away in the final minutes and posted a 126-116 Midwest Conference victory over Lawrence University at Darby Gymnasium.



Jack Taylor led Grinnell (5-6, 3-3 MWC) with 21 points but hit just 5-of-15 shots from the floor.

Trace Sonnleitner led Lawrence and all scorers with 23 points as he hit 9-of-12 shots from the floor. Freshman guard Jeremy Stephani added 22 points for the Vikings (4-6, 2-3). Stephani went 6-for-7 from the floor, including 3-for-3 from beyond the arc, and was 7-for-8 from the foul line.

Jamie Nikitas added 19 points and Ryan DePouw had 18 for the Vikings, and both players had eight rebounds.

Lawrence shot 69.4 percent from the floor and shot 68.4 percent from beyond the arc as the Vikings hit 13-of-19 shots from long distance.

Grinnell led by as many as 16 points in the first half before Lawrence cut the lead to 63-54 at the half. Lawrence opened the second half on a 12-2 run and took a 66-65 lead with 16:38 left on Andrew Borresen's 3-pointer.

The teams traded the lead before Lawrence built a 94-86 advantage with 10:10 remaining. Grinnell rallied and took the lead back for good at 101-99 on Julian Marx's 3-pointer with 7:06 left.

Lawrence trailed 104-101 after Nikitas' layup with 6:32 left, but Grinnell hit its final seven shots from the floor to pull away for the win.

### January 7

#### No. 20 St. Norbert 81, Lawrence 72

APPLETON, Wis. — The 20th-ranked St. Norbert College men's basketball team battled to an 81-72 Midwest Conference victory over a scrappy Lawrence University squad at Alexander Gymnasium.



St. Norbert big man Steven Hofacker paced the Green Knights (11-1, 7-0 MWC) with 19 points and seven rebounds. Austin Elliott added 18 points and six assists for the Green Knights, who shot 65.1 percent (28-for-43) for the game.

Trace Sonnleitner led Lawrence (4-7, 2-4) and all scorers with 21 points. Jamie Nikitas added 19 points, and Ryan DePouw had 10 points and a team-high five assists.

Like a pair of heavyweight fighters, the teams traded haymakers in the first half. St. Norbert shot 17-for-24 from the floor in the first half, but Lawrence was 15-for-29 from the floor and hit eight 3-pointers in the opening 20 minutes.

Sonnleitner scored 17 points and went 3-for-4 from beyond the arc to keep the Vikings close in the first half. St. Norbert built a seven-point lead late in the first half, but Sonnleitner hit a jumper and Jamie Nikitas had a three-point play to trim the advantage to 43-39 at the break.

St. Norbert went on a 12-5 run to open the second half as Hofacker scored six points during that burst. Lawrence chipped away at the lead and cut it to 68-62 on a pair of Sonnleitner free throws with 5:34 left.

Mitch Winter answered with a 3-pointer for St. Norbert and Andrew Schwoerer hit a pair of free throws to push the lead back to 72-62 with 4:17 remaining. Lawrence cut the lead to seven on a pair of occasions after that, but St. Norbert hit six consecutive free throws in the final 58 seconds to seal the victory.

### January 10

#### Monmouth 74, Lawrence 57

MONMOUTH, Ill. — The Monmouth College men's basketball team rallied from a 10-point deficit in the second half to post a 74-57 Midwest Conference victory over Lawrence University at Glennie Gymnasium.



Andrew Mathison scored 25 points on 11-for-12 shooting from the floor to pace the Scots (9-3, 6-1 MWC). Will Jones added 12 rebounds to go with eight points for Monmouth.

Trace Sonnleitner led Lawrence (4-8, 2-5) with 12 points, and Ryan DePouw added 11. Connor Weas came off the bench to score 10 points for the Vikings and hit all four of his shots from the floor.

Lawrence trailed by as many as eight points in the first half, but the Vikings went on a 17-7 run over the final 7:51 to take a 32-28 lead at the break.

The Vikings then opened the second half on a 12-6 run, capped by a Jamie Nikitas free throw, to take a 44-34 lead with 14:37 remaining.

Monmouth then scored the game's next 13 points to take a 47-44 lead with 9:19 left. The Scots edged away from there, and Lawrence never got closer than 11 points the rest of the way.

### January 13

#### Lawrence 69, Carroll 62

APPLETON, Wis. — The Lawrence University men's basketball team turned back a Carroll University rally and posted a 69-62 Midwest Conference victory at Alexander Gymnasium.



Jamie Nikitas scored 18 points, including two on a clutch jumper in the final minute, and grabbed a team-high seven rebounds for the Vikings (5-8, 3-5 MWC). Jeremy Stephani came off the bench to add 15 points for Lawrence.

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Bryan Nagy had a double-double with 14 points and 11 rebounds for Carroll (7-6, 4-4). Kyle Keranen scored a team-best 18 points for the Pioneers.

Lawrence led 30-26 at the half but stretched that lead early in the second half. The Vikings scored eight consecutive points, including 3-pointers from Stephani and Trace Sonneleitner, to push the lead to 46-32 with 13:49 left.

Carroll responded with a 12-2 run, capped by a pair of Marcus Johnson free throws, to cut the lead to 48-44 with 9:37 left. The Pioneers kept reeling the Vikings in, and finally grabbed the lead at 61-59 on a pair of Keranen free throws with 2:15 remaining.

The Vikings broke Carroll's press on the next possession and got a dunk from Mitch Willer, who picked up six points, five rebounds and three blocks, to tie the game at 61-61.

After a Keranen miss, Willer was fouled and knocked down a pair of free throws to give Lawrence a 63-61 lead. Johnson then missed a contested layup, and Nikitas hit a 17-foot fadeaway jumper with the shot clock running out to put the Vikings up 65-61 with 38 seconds left.

Keranen was fouled on the next possession and hit one free throw to cut the lead to 65-62, but the Vikings hit four consecutive free throws in the final 20 seconds to seal the victory.

Sonneleitner added 11 points and five rebounds for the Vikings before fouling out, and Ryan DePouw chipped in with 10 points.

Ryan DePouw led Lawrence (5-9, 3-6) with 16 points, and Jamie Nikitas added 14 points. Mitch Willer came off the bench for Lawrence to score 12 points on 6-of-8 shooting in just 10 minutes of action. Trace Sonneleitner added 11 points for the Vikings.

Lawrence pulled away in the final three minutes of the first half to build a double-digit lead. The Vikings scored eight of the half's final 10 points, with six coming from Nikitas, to grab a 40-29 lead at the break.

The Rams scored the first six points of the second half before DePouw hit a 3-pointer with 14:35 left to push the lead back to 43-35.

Cornell kept chipping away at the advantage and took the lead at 53-52 on Bobb's layup with 8:05 remaining. The Rams steadily pulled away from that point and were up 65-58 after a pair of DePouw free throws with 1:55 left.

Lawrence was forced to foul at that point, and Cornell converted 7-of-8 free throws in the final 1:47 to seal the victory.

The Rams went 10-for-20 from the floor, including 4-for-8 from 3-point range, in the second half. Cornell's defense also limited Lawrence to just 21 second half points on 24 percent shooting (6-for-25). Lawrence also committed eight of its 12 turnovers in the second half.

### January 17

#### **Cornell 72, Lawrence 61**

APPLETON, Wis.  
— The Cornell College men's basketball team rallied from an 11-point halftime deficit to post a 72-61 Midwest Conference win over Lawrence University at Alexander Gymnasium.

Nick Bobb scored 23 points and pulled down nine rebounds to lead Cornell (4-11, 3-7 MWC).

