Athletics – NCAA Division II

Intercollegiate teams known as the Tritons have established UM-St. Louis as legitimate National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division II and Great Lakes Valley Conference (GLVC) powers. Basketball, soccer, baseball, tennis, volleyball, softball, and golf teams have participated in post-season NCAA tournaments, while individual athletes have gained district, regional, and national honors.

The Athletic Department began in 1966-67 with men’s basketball and men’s tennis competing at the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) level. Men’s intercollegiate teams then began competition in the NCAA during the fall of 1969, while women’s intercollegiate teams began NCAA competition during the 1982-83 season. UMSL joined the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA) in the fall of 1980 and began competing in the Great lakes Valley Conference (GLVC) in the fall of 1995, of which it is still a member.

UMSL Athletics currently sponsors 19 intercollegiate programs, including: Baseball, Men’s Cross Country, Women’s Cross Country, Men’s Basketball, Women’s Basketball, Men’s Golf, Women’s Golf, Men’s Soccer, Women’s Soccer, Softball, Men’s Swimming and Diving, Women’s Swimming and Diving, Men’s Tennis, Women’s Tennis, Men’s Track and Field (Indoor and Outdoor), Women’s Track and Field (Indoor and Outdoor) and Women’s Volleyball.

Throughout its history, UMSL’s student-athletes have received 125 All-American honors and has made 85 team appearances in the NCAA Tournament, including the 1973 men’s soccer team that won the NCAA National Championship, the 2013 men’s golf team, which tied for fifth place nationally, the 2018 women’s tennis team which tied for fifth place and the 2018 women’s golf team, which was sixth overall. UMSL has also won 12 conference championships in its history, including five GLVC titles in softball (2013, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2019) and two in men’s golf (2015, 2016). In addition to on-the-field success, there have been 15 student-athletes receive Academic All-American honors, including six first team selections.

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UMSL Post Season Success

**NCAA TEAM APPEARANCES**

**BASEBALL**
NAIA Regionals: 1970

**MEN'S BASKETBALL**
NAIA District Championship: 1968-69
NCAA Regionals (2): 1971-72, 1987-88

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

**MEN'S GOLF**
Individual: Matt Rau (2010 NCAA Regionals); Kyle Szcesniak (2002 NCAA Regionals);
Tim Begley (1988 NCAA Championship)

**MEN'S SOCCER**
NCAA ChAMPIONS: 1973

**WOMEN'S SOCCER**
AIAW National Tournament: 1981
NCAA Final Four: 1982

**SOFTBALL**

**MEN'S SWIMMING**

**MEN'S DIVING**
National Qualifiers: 1984, 1989

**WOMEN'S SWIMMING**
National Qualifiers: 2015
MEN'S TENNIS

WOMEN'S TENNIS
NCAA Regionals (3): 2014, 2017, 2018
NCAA Championships (1): 2018

VOLLEYBALL

WOMEN'S GOLF
NCAA Championships (3): 2017, 2018, 2019

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS (MIAA and GLVC)
Baseball: MIAA - 1984; GLVC - 2003

Source: University of Missouri-St. Louis, Athletics Communications Office