Quick Facts

The Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) was founded in June 1972. During the two years previous to the GLIAC’s founding, several attempts were made to create a new NCAA College Division conference. In 1971, the Great Lakes Athletic Conference was formed, but plans for the new conference were put on hold, and several of the participating schools subsequently withdrew their support.

The idea did not die, though, and since 1972-73 the GLIAC has been a leader in the advancement and promotion of intercollegiate athletics for men and women.

The GLIAC features a membership of 13 schools: Ashland University, Ferris State University, Gannon University, Grand Valley State University, University of Findlay, Hillsdale College, Lake Superior State University, Mercyhurst College, Michigan Technological University, Northern Michigan University, Northwood University, Saginaw Valley State University and Wayne State University.

Overall the GLIAC conducts championships in 20 sports, 10 for men and 10 for women. The policy-making body is the GLIAC Executive Council, which is comprised of three representatives from each member institution – its director of athletics, faculty representative and senior woman administrator. Final approval of all GLIAC legislation is required by the Council of GLIAC Presidents.

As GLIAC commissioner, Tom Brown is responsible for all conference administration. He is beginning his 15th season as the conference’s fifth commissioner.

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Quick Facts
Location: Marquette, Mich.
Nickname: Wildcats
Founded: 1899
Enrollment: 9,500
President: Dr. Leslie (Les) Wong
Affiliation: NCAA II
Conference: Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Home Court (capacity): Berry Events Center (4,000)
Colors: Old Gold and Olive Green
Director of Athletics: Ken Godfrey
Head Basketball Coach: Troy Mattson
  Alma Mater: Northern Michigan ’86
  NMU Record/Years: 15-37/2
  Overall Record/Years: 15-37/2
  Office Phone: 906-227-2643
Assistant Coach: Kerry Janquart
  Alma Mater: Central Michigan ’99
  Office Phone: 906-227-2109
Head Trainer: Jim Winkler
  Office Phone: 906-227-2027
Equipment Manager: John Tessaro
  Office Phone: 906-227-1110
Sports Information Director: David Faiella
  Office Phone: 906-227-1013
  Home Phone: 906-226-8435
  E-mail: dfaiella@nmu.edu
  Fax: 906-227-2492
Sports Hotline: 906-227-1014
Web Address: www.nmu.edu/sports

Team Information
2006-07 Overall Record: 9-18
2006-07 GLIAC Record/Place: 5-13/6th GLIAC North
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/2
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/0

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The Northern Michigan University women’s basketball team showed growth last year, which should carry over into 2007-08. The Wildcats had a three-win improvement to 9-18 overall and a 5-13 slate in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC). NMU moved up a place in the GLIAC North standings to sixth place in 2006-07. The Wildcats came on strong and matured most at the end of last season, according to Coach Troy Mattson.

Mattson is entering his third season directing the team. Unlike last year when he mostly had a new cast of players, this year’s team should be more stable as seven of the nine letterwinners return and five players who started at one time are back. “We have the core of people coming back from last year,” said Mattson. “We have added three or four players who are going to help us become a better basketball team.”

Letterwinners not returning are Erin Gerard and Maria Kasza. Kasza tied with Kelsey Deacon last year in three-pointers as she was 43-116 while Deacon was 43-147. Kasza averaged 6.9 points per game while Gerard averaged 3.5 ppg. Jenna Williams, who went down with a knee injury early in the season last year, is no longer playing, but has joined the program as a student-assistant coach.

Five new players are set to join the team: Hillary Bowling and Carla L’Esperance as forwards, Kellie Rietveld and Steffani Stoeger as guards and Erin Powers as a center. According to Mattson, the freshmen are going to have to grow up quickly. “They need to understand how we are going to play,” said Mattson. “That will help us out a lot.”

Two other players who were with the program last year but did not play are expected to see some time this year: Nicole Grengs and Christa Erickson. Deacon once again will direct the team from the point. She was second on the squad last year in points with 12.1 ppg (326) and led the ‘Cats with 74 assists. She shot .357 percent from the floor (116-325) and .293 from three-point land.

Sophomore Natalie Larocque could spell some relief for Deacon or play the other guard spot. She had 34 assists last year to go along with her 2.7 ppg. Larocque was 11-34 (.324 percent) from beyond the arc. Erickson, a redshirt sophomore, could find her way into the backcourt.

Newcomers who could see time in the backcourt include Rietveld and Stoeger.

Along the baseline, Allison Carroll will set up shop once again. She led the 2006-07 ‘Cats in scoring with 13.7 ppg and grabbed 119 rebounds (4.4 rpg). Carroll was the lone ‘Cat named to the all-GLIAC team last year, as a second-team selection to the North Division.

Joining Carroll down low will be Cassie Hegbloom, LaShawn Lambert and Cassi Rushford. Hegbloom was second on the team with 150 rebounds (5.6 rpg) and had 12 blocks, which tied for the team lead. Lambert averaged almost seven points a game (6.9 pp) and led the ‘Cats with 34 steals in 2006-07. Rushford had a team-high 160 rebounds (5.9 rpg) last year to go along with her 6.8 ppg and 11 blocks. Hegbloom and Rushford tied for second on the team last year in assists with 39 each.

Redshirt freshman Grengs could see some time on the hardwood along the baseline. Freshmen Bowling and L’Esperance could contribute.

Sophomore Angie Leckson showed improvement at center as last season went along. She ended the 2006-07 campaign with 110 rebounds (4.1 rpg), 12 blocks, which tied her for team honors and 5.9 ppg. Marquette native Powers could be splitting some time with Leckson in the middle. Carroll could also play some at center.

Once again, the Wildcats have a challenging non-conference schedule to help them prepare for the GLIAC race. NMU faces teams such as Augustana, Concordia-St. Paul, St. Cloud and UM-Duluth before heading into GLIAC action.

Grand Valley State, Ferris State, Lake Superior State and Michigan Tech look like the teams Northern will chase in the GLIAC standings.

A major accomplishment for this year’s team would be a spot in the GLIAC Tournament. For the ‘Cats to make this happen they must continue to improve and play solid defense and rebound. The pieces are there for that to happen. For the first time since Mattson took over, the team does have some depth. But the team must also stay healthy for NMU to be successful. “We are going to prove we are one of the better teams in the league,” said Mattson. “We will see where it all falls out.”
Head Coach Troy Mattson

Troy Mattson enters his third season as NMU’s head women’s basketball coach. His two-year total is 15-37. He led the Wildcats to a 6-19 mark in his inaugural season (2005-06) and a 9-18 record in his second campaign (2006-07).

From 1994-2005, Mattson was the associate head coach of the NMU men’s basketball team and assistant coach from 1988. He also served as the head NMU women’s tennis coach from 1994-2003, where he was the GLIAC Coach of the Year in 2000 and 2002. His teams made three straight NCAA II post-season appearances in the national tournament (2001-03).

Prior to joining the Wildcat staff, he served as the assistant men’s and women’s basketball coach at Lake Superior State University from 1986-88.

He began his coaching career at Munising High School, where he was the boy’s basketball coach for the 1985-86 season.

A Milwaukee, Wis., native who grew up in Ishpeming, Michigan. Mattson is a 1981 Westwood High School graduate. He earned his bachelor’s degree from NMU in 1986, where he was a four-time letterwinner (1982-85) as a point guard for the Wildcats and was the 10th player in school history to score 1,000 career points.

Mattson is currently 27th on the career scoring list with 1,018 points. He is third in career assists with 486 and is tied for third in most assists in a single season with 187, along with Doug Ingalls. During his junior and senior years, Mattson helped lead the Wildcats to the NCAA II playoffs. He served as team captain his senior year.

Mattson and his wife, Lisa, have two daughters, Kristina and Tory.

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Jenna Williams
Student-Assistant Coach
Jenna Williams enters her first season as a student-assistant coach with the women’s basketball program at Northern Michigan University. She saw her NMU playing career cut short due to a knee injury.

In high school, Williams was a four-time letterwinner and all-conference selection at Marshall High School in Marshall, Mich. She was a first team all-state selection for Class B by the Associated Press and Detroit Free Press. Williams was a two-time Southwestern Michigan Athletic Conference MVP. She was also named as an academic all-state selection.

Williams is majoring in public relations.

Brigitte LaPointe
Student-Assistant Coach
Brigitte LaPointe joins the Northern Michigan University women’s basketball coaching staff as a student-assistant. She was a four-time letterwinner for the Finlandia University women’s basketball team. At Finlandia, LaPointe received the team’s Most Improved Player award for 2004-05. As a senior, she received Most Valuable Player honors and was a team captain. LaPointe averaged 12.0 ppg and 5.2 rpg while canning 54 three-pointers in her final season as a Lion.

As an assistant for the Wildcats she will help with recruiting, film exchange and daily practice duties.

LaPointe received her degree as a physical therapist assistant in May 2007 and is currently working on another bachelor’s degree in sports science at NMU.

A Baraga native, she now resides in Marquette.

Kerry Janquart
Assistant Coach
Kerry Janquart enters her first season as the assistant women’s basketball coach at Northern Michigan University.

“We are very fortunate to have someone of Kerry’s qualifications and experience be part of our women’s basketball program,” said Troy Mattson, NMU women’s coach. “Her assets to not only the athletic department but the entire university will be greatly appreciated.”

From 2002-06, Janquart was the head girl’s varsity basketball coach at Ashwaubenon High School, where she had an overall record of 80-19. Janquart was responsible for all aspects of the program, including video breakdown, practices and scheduling. She led Ashwaubenon to the 2006 Wisconsin Division I State Championship with a record of 22-5. Janquart was named the 2006 Associated Press and Green Bay Press-Gazette Coach of the Year. She was also named the Green Bay Press-Gazette Coach of the Year in 2004. Janquart led Ashwaubenon to two Bay Conference Championships (2004 and 2005).

She was the head girl’s varsity basketball coach at Brandon High School in Ortonville, Mich., from 1999-02. Her 2001 team went 20-2, won the OAA Division III and advanced to the district finals. Janquart’s record at Brandon was 46-20. Her overall high school record stands at 126-39.

A 1994 graduate of Kingsford High School, Janquart then went on to Central Michigan University. She played four years of basketball for the Chippewas (1994-98), where she was the team captain her senior season. After her freshman season she was named the Most Improved Player and the Defensive Player of the Year as a sophomore. Janquart was a member of the academic-athletic honor roll all four years.

She has a bachelor’s degree in physical education/health from CMU (1999) and is currently working on a master’s in education from the University of Viterbo.

Janquart and her husband, Adam, reside in Marquette with their son, Kendal.

2007-08 Northern Michigan University
Women’s Basketball Roster

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Head Coach: Troy Mattson
Assistant Coach: Kerry Janquart
ALLISON CARROLL
Forward, 6-0
Senior
Rhinelander, Wis.


High School: Earned four letters at Rhinelander High School under Heidi Preul. Three-time first-team all-conference pick. Player of the Year for 2002-03. Member of the all-state top 20 for the girls basketball college. Two-time all-state honorable mention. Channel 7 all-state in 2004. Also participated in volleyball and softball. First-team all-conference in volleyball.


CARROLL’S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS
Points: 29, twice, most recently vs. Ferris State (2/11/06)
Rebounds: 11, twice, most recently at Wayne State (1/20/07)
Assists: 4 at Ferris State (2/5/05)
Field Goals: 12 vs. Ferris State (2/11/06)
Field Goal Attempts: 21 vs. Findlay (12/3/05)
3-pt Field Goals: 1, three times, most recently vs. Lake Superior State (1/4/07)
3-pt Field Goal Attempts: 2, twice, most recently at Northern Kentucky (12/18/06)
Free Throws: 9, twice, most recently vs. Saginaw Valley (12/7/06)
Free Throw Attempts: 13 vs. Wayne State (1/21/06)

LASHAWN LAMBERT
Forward, 5-10
Senior
Cleveland, Ohio

2006-07: Lettered. Averaged 6.9 ppg and 4.9 rpg. Poured in a career-high 17 points at Northwood (1/25). Had 10 rebounds at Grand Valley State (1/6). Had three assists against Marygrove (12/30) and four steals at Northwood (1/25) for career highs.

2004-06: Played at Lakeland Community College.

High School: Lettered at Cleveland Heights High School under Coach Ernst.


LAMBERT’S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS
Points: 17 at Northwood (1/25/07)
Rebounds: 10 at Grand Valley State (1/6/07)
Assists: 3 vs. Marygrove (12/30/06)
Field Goals: 8 at Northwood (1/25/07)
Field Goal Attempts: 16 at Northwood (1/25/07)
3-pt Field Goals: 1, three times, most recently vs. Gannon (2/3/07)
3-pt Field Goal Attempts: 2, six times, most recently at Michigan Tech (2/24/07)
Free Throws: 6 vs. Marygrove (12/30/06)
Free Throw Attempts: 8 vs. Emporia State (12/19/06)
**Kelsey Deacon**  
Guard, 5-7  
Junior  
Green Bay, Wis.

2006-07: Lettered. Started all 27 games. Second on the team in scoring with 326 points (12.1 ppg) and led the team with 74 assists. Had a career-high nine field goals at Northwood (1/25). Connected on five three-pointers to tie a career high against Grand Valley State (1/13). Dished the rock eight times against Gannon for a career high (2/3). Played every minute in six games.

**Deacon’s Career Stats**

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**Cassie Hegbloom**  
Forward, 5-11  
Junior  
Ishpeming, Mich.

2006-07: Lettered. Started all 27 games. Second on the team in rebounds with 150 (5.6 rpg). Scored a career-high 11 points against MSU-Moorhead (11/18/06). Made six free throws against Northwood (2/17). Had a career-high nine rebounds at Wayne State (1/20). Had four assists in a game three times. Tied for the team lead with 12 blocks.

2005-06: Had to sit out the season because of transferring.


**Hegbloom’s Single-Game Highs**

- **Points**: 11 vs. MSU-Moorhead (11/18/06)
- **Rebounds**: 9, three times, Most recently at Wayne State (1/20/07)
- **Assists**: 4, three times, Most recently vs. Lake Superior State (1/4/07)
- **Field Goals**: 5, twice, Most recently vs. Gannon (2/3/07)
- **Field Goal Attempts**: 11 vs. Marygrove (12/30/06)
- **3-pt Field Goals**: 1 vs. Ferris State (1/11/07)
- **3-pt Field Goal Attempts**: 1, nine times, Most recently at Lake Superior State (2/8/07)
- **Free Throws**: 6 vs. Northwood (2/17/07)
- **Free Throw Attempts**: 9 vs. Lake Superior State (1/4/07)

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MEET THE WILDCATS

CASSI RUSHFORD
Forward, 6-0
Junior
Rapid River, Mich.

2006-07: Lettered. Led the team with 160 rebounds (5.9 rpg). Scored a career-high 17 points at Northwood (1/25) as she made seven shots from the floor. Grabbed a career-high 13 rebounds against Finlandia (12/29). Made three three-pointers twice during the season for a career high at Ferris State (2/10) and against Ferris State (1/11).
2005-06: Lettered. Scored a season-high 12 points against Michigan Tech (2/25) where she sank five field goals. Grabbed eight rebounds in three different games for a season high against Northland College (1/9), at Florida Southern (12/29) and against Finlandia (11/29). Had four assists at Florida Southern for a career high.

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CHRISTA ERICKSON
Guard, 5-9
Redshirt Sophomore
Escanaba, Mich.

2006-07: Took a redshirt season.
High School: Lettered in basketball three times at Escanaba High School under Tracy Erickson. All-U.P. dream team pick. Greater Northern U.P. Conference Player of the Year. All-U.P. first team.
**Natalie Larocque**  
Guard, 5-7,  
Sophomore  
Quebec City, Quebec

2006-07: Lettered. Scored nine points in a game twice during the season for a career high, against Northwood (2/17) and against Ashland (12/16). Made all six free throw attempts against Northwood (2/17). Had a career-high five assists against Northland College (1/8). Had a career-high four rebounds against Minnesota State-Moorhead (11/18).  
2003-06: Played at Dawson College in Montreal, Canada. Atlantic Coast Tournament MVP. MVP of team. Conference first-team all-star.  

**LAROCQUE’S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**  
Points: 9, twice, most recently vs. Northwood (2/17/07)  
Rebounds: 4 vs. Minnesota State-Moorhead (11/18/06)  
Assists: 5 vs. Northland College (1/8/07)  
Field Goals: 3, twice, most recently at Michigan Tech (2/24/07)  
Field Goal Attempts: 9 vs. Northland College (1/8/07)  
3-pt Field Goals: 2 vs. Northland College (1/8/07)  
3-pt Field Goal Attempts: 7 vs. Northland College (1/8/07)  
Free Throws: 6 vs. Northwood (2/17/07)  
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**Angie Leckson**  
Center, 6-1  
Sophomore  
Garden, Mich.

2006-07: Lettered. Tied for the team lead with 12 blocks. Had 110 rebounds (4.1 rpg) and 160 points (5.9 ppg). Scored a career-high 20 points against Northwood (2/17) where she was 6 of 10 from the floor. Was 11-14 from the free-throw line against Mercyhurst (2/1). Pulled down a career-high 11 rebounds against Northland College (1/8).  

**LECKSON’S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**  
Points: 20 vs. Northwood (2/17/07)  
Rebounds: 11 vs. Northland College (1/8/07)  
Assists: 3 vs. Mercyhurst (2/1/07)  
Field Goals: 6 vs. Northwood (2/17/07)  
Field Goal Attempts: 11 vs. Ashland (12/16/06)  
3-pt Field Goals: None  
3-pt Field Goal Attempts: 2 vs. St. Cloud (11/24/06)  
Free Throws: 11 vs. Mercyhurst (2/1/07)  
Free Throw Attempts: 14 vs. Mercyhurst (2/1/07)

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**MEET THE WILDCATS**

**Nicole Grengs**  
Forward, 5-10  
Redshirt Freshman  
Marquette, Mich.

2006-07: Took a redshirt season.  
High School: Lettered three times in basketball at Marquette Senior High School under coach Karla Strand. Senior year was fourth-team all-state, first-team all-conference and first-team all-U.P. Selected to first-team all-conference team three times. Also participated in softball.  

**Carla L’Esperance**  
Forward, 5-9  
Freshman  
Brighton, Mich.

High School: Lettered twice at Brighton High School under Jason Piepho. Second team all-conference selection. Awarded the Unsung Hero. Team was conference and district champs twice, regional champs once. Also played volleyball and soccer.  

**Hillary Bowling**  
Forward, 5-10  
Freshman  
Greenwood, Ind.

High School: Lettered three times in basketball at Center Grove High School under Joe Lentz. Johnson County Player of the Year after her senior campaign. MVP and all-conference selection. First team All-Johnson County. Team was regional and sectional champions. Also played softball.  
**Erin Powers**
Center, 6-1
Freshman
Marquette, Mich.

**High School**: Lettered four times in basketball at Marquette Senior High School under Karla Strand. Named the 2006 Great Northern Conference Player of the Year. Selected as the 2006 Upper Peninsula Class A-B-C Player of the Year. Three-time first team All-Great Northern Conference selection. Class A fourth team all-state and Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan Class A honorable mention all-state in 2006. Selected to the BCAM Academic All-State Team in 2006. Broke school record for career rebounds (789).


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**Steffani Stoeger**
Guard, 5-7
Freshman
Hortonville, Wis.

**High School**: Lettered three times in basketball at Fox Valley Lutheran High School. Named to first team Valley 8 all-conference team three times. Valley 8 Player of the Year as a senior. Two-time first team all-area selection. Appleton Post Crescent Player of the Year for 2006-07. Honorable mention all-state. Also participated in volleyball, cross country and softball.


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**Kellie Rietveld**
Guard, 5-7
Freshman
New Lenox, Ill.

**High School**: Lettered three times in basketball at Lincoln Way Central High School under Ryan White. Two-time MVP, Player of the Year in 2007. Team was conference and regional champions. Also played soccer.

## 2006-07 Game By Game Review

### NMU Team Honors
- **Most Valuable Player**: Allison Carroll
- **Outstanding Defensive Player**: Cassie Hegbloom
- **Outstanding Rebounder**: Cassi Rushford
- **Free Throw Award**: Maria Kasza
- **Coaches Award**: Cassie Hegbloom

### 2006-07 Game Review

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### 2006-07 North Division First Team

- Julia Braseth  
  - Grand Valley State

- Rachel Folcik  
  - Ferris State

- Mandi Johnson  
  - Lake Superior State

- Sarah Stream  
  - Michigan Tech

- Crystal Zick  
  - Grand Valley State

### 2006-07 North Division Second Team

- Allison Carroll  
  - Northern Michigan

- Monica Rehmann  
  - Lake Superior State

- Kristin Reinhart  
  - Ferris State

- Erika Ryskamp  
  - Grand Valley State

- Katie Wysocky  
  - Michigan Tech

### 2006-07 North Division All-Defensive Team

- Julia Braseth  
  - Grand Valley State

- Rachel Folcik  
  - Ferris State

- Mandi Johnson  
  - Lake Superior State

- Erika Ryskamp  
  - Grand Valley State

- Alicia Schneider  
  - Michigan Tech

### Player of the Year

- Christina Jackson  
  - Gannon

### Freshman of the Year

- Katie Wysocky  
  - Michigan Tech

### Coach of the Year

- Cleve Wright  
  - Gannon

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### 2006-07 South Division First Team

- Julie Anderson  
  - Mercyhurst

- Casey England  
  - Gannon

- Lauren Fewins  
  - Hillsdale

- Christina Jackson  
  - Gannon

- Amber Rall  
  - Ashland

### 2006-07 South Division Second Team

- Allison Carroll  
  - Northern Michigan

- Monica Rehmann  
  - Lake Superior State

- Kristin Reinhart  
  - Ferris State

- Erika Ryskamp  
  - Grand Valley State

- Katie Wysocky  
  - Michigan Tech

### 2006-07 South Division All-Defensive Team

- Ashley Lowdermilk  
  - Gannon

- Jodie Haines  
  - Hillsdale

- Jessie Miller  
  - Hillsdale

- Joy Nash  
  - Wayne State

- Nikki Wustman  
  - Hillsdale

### 2007 GLIAC Tournament

**Friday, Mar. 2**

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**Saturday, Mar. 3**

GLIAC Tournament Championship

Hammermill Center, Erie, Pa.

Championship Game

#1 Gannon 88, #3 Hillsdale 77

**Tuesday, Feb. 27**

GLIAC Tournament Quarterfinals

(WC1) Michigan Tech 63, at (1N) Grand Valley State 57 at (2N) Ferris State 91, (3N) Lake Superior State 79 at (1S) Gannon 75, (WC2) Saginaw Valley State 61 at (2S) Hillsdale 76, (3S) Wayne State 59

**2007 GLIAC Women's Basketball All-Tournament Team**

- MVP - Christina Jackson  
  - Gannon

- Lauren Fewins  
  - Hillsdale

- Ashley Lowdermilk  
  - Gannon

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Northern Michigan Campus Life

The University: A regional public, coeducational university founded in 1899, Northern offers learning opportunities to approximately 9,500 undergraduate and graduate students. Each full-time student is issued a notebook computer as part of tuition and fees.

Location: NMU is located in an environment unrivaled by any other, on the south shore of Lake Superior in Marquette, Michigan, voted one of “America’s Most Livable Communities,” with breathtaking vistas and 20,000 lucky residents.

Campus: Named one of the “Most Unwired” campuses in the United States, we’re completely connected with the latest technology. We’re large enough to offer scenic spaces and 50 quality facilities. There are high-end specialty computer labs, a learning resource center, a theater, a speech and hearing clinic, a student art gallery and university art museum, a student radio station, public radio and TV stations, the Jacobetti Center for technical programs, an ice rink, a swimming pool and diving tank, a rock climbing wall, an all-events center and the Superior Dome, an 8,000 seat stadium (the largest wooden dome in the world). But we’re still small enough to keep everything within walking distance, which is especially nice in the winter.

Faculty: NMU has talented faculty members and a low student-to-faculty ratio of 22-to-1. Our average class size is 23, our average lab size is 16 and our average seminar size is 10. Of all entry-level courses, 70 percent are taught by career faculty.

The Superior Edge: Learn to live a life that matters. Other universities have leadership programs, but NMU is the only university in the country that packs leadership, community engagement, diversity awareness and real-world experience into one life-changing program. In the Superior Edge, students design their own volunteer, work and learning activities (up to 400 hours). Any NMU student regardless of class status or major is eligible to participate for free. Each Superior Edge graduate receives a student achievement transcript along with their academic transcript. NMU grads with proven experience, initiative, ethics, integrity, multicultural awareness and motivation to make a difference gain an edge in the job market and admission to grad schools.

Residence Halls: NMU’S 10 residence halls are organized into living groups called “houses,” which include 40-45 students who actively shape their own living environments. Four students share a suite (two bedrooms and a bathroom) and all residence halls have great locations within five minutes of eating, learning and studying areas.

Extracurricular: There are about 300 clubs and organizations on campus, including academic, service, social, professional, religious and special interest groups. We also have a full program of club and intramural athletics.

Intercollegiate Athletics: NMU is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC), and the Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA). Varsity teams for women include basketball, cross country, nordic skiing, soccer, swimming and diving, track and field and volleyball. Varsity teams for men include basketball, football, golf, ice hockey and nordic skiing. All sports are NCAA Division II, except men’s ice hockey, which is Division I.

Olympic Education Center: NMU is designated as the only United States Olympic Education Center by the U.S. Olympic Committee. Olympic athletes in five sports train for elite international competitions while pursuing their educations at NMU and Marquette Senior High School.

Accreditation: NMU is accredited by the Northern Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools (30 North LaSalle Street, Number 2400, Chicago, Illinois, 60602; 312-263-0456). More than 20 academic programs are accredited by additional professional agencies.
**Berry Events Center**
The Berry Events Center is in its ninth season as the home of the Northern Michigan University women's basketball team in 2007-08. Opened in August, 1999, the Berry is the newest of Northern Michigan University's athletic facilities.

The facility is named after John W Berry, Jr., a 1971 graduate of Northern Michigan University, who donated $2 million to the project. Berry is a long-time NMU supporter. He is the CEO of Berry Investment, Inc., of Dayton, Ohio, Accusport Corporation, Microwave Sensors, Berry Braiding, Inc., and Mad River Sportman's Club. He is also the retired president of The Berry Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bell South Corporation, one of the world's largest publishers of telephone directories.

The nearly $11 million facility provides individual seating for approximately 4,000 fans, in addition to 16 luxury boxes, which includes a president's suite. Along the perimeter of the arena are four large concession areas as well as standing room for approximately 400 fans.

The Berry Events Center is not only home to the NMU basketball teams, but also the NMU hockey team and the United States Olympic Education Center short track speedskating team.

During the majority of the year, the arena features an Olympic-size ice sheet measuring 200' x 100'. When rigged for basketball, the court is placed on an insulated floor that covers the ice. In addition, seating for 500 fans is placed courtside, as well as a scorer's table and band area.

The Berry features locker rooms and support areas for the men's and women's basketball teams, the men's ice hockey team, and the speedskating team, along with four general-use locker rooms. In addition, skate rental and changing areas are located on the lower level of the complex.

The arena is also designed to host concerts and university events and is equipped with moveable theatrical rigging and lighting.

**Physical Education Instructional Facility**
The PEIF, as it is more commonly called, was opened in 1976 and houses the PEIF Pool, home of NMU swimming and diving team, and Vandament Arena, where the nationally-ranked Wildcat volleyball team plays.

Vandament Arena, opened in 1995 and dedicated in 1997, is a 1,500-seat Olympic-size volleyball-only facility. As one of the finest facilities in Division II, Vandament Arena has three practice courts and one match court. Across the hall from the arena is an athletic training room and the volleyball locker room which features locker room facilities and a team meeting room.

The PEIF pool features eight lanes and a diving tank with one- and three-meter springboards, as well as a 20-meter platform.

The facility houses an auxiliary gymnasium that the Wildcat men's and women's basketball teams use for practice.

The PEIF also houses a two-level Recreation Center, opened in December 1999, which is complete with a climbing wall, weight room, cardiovascular area, two basketball courts, a tennis court, two lounge areas, and a conference room. Also located in the PEIF are seven racquetball courts, a dance studio, athletic training facilities, locker rooms, classrooms and staff offices.

**Superior Dome**
The Superior Dome has been home to the Wildcat football team since 1991 and is the finest football facility in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, if not all of NCAA Division II.

The Dome stands 14 stories high, and encompasses 5.1 acres under its roof. Constructed of 781 Douglas fir beams and 108.5 miles of fir decking, the Dome has a permanent seating capacity of 8,000, but the building can hold as many as 16,000 people. The facility features a diameter of 536 feet, and has the ability to withstand 60 pounds per square foot of snow and 80 mile per hour winds.

The Dome features a retractable artificial turf carpet, the largest of its kind in the world. When it is extended, the turf has the ability to accommodate football, soccer and field hockey. Underneath the carpet is a synthetic playing surface that features three basketball/volleyball courts, two tennis courts, and a 200-meter track. The carpet is extended over a cushion of air and by 12 computerized winches and takes 30 minutes to retract. Full setup of the turf is completed in approximately two hours.

**Other Facilities**

**Soccer fields**

Four fields are located behind the Superior Dome, along Lake Superior. Two are home to the NMU women's soccer team; the other two are practice fields for the NMU football team. They are equipped with bleachers and a scoreboard.

**Cross country skiing**

Northern men’s and women's teams have two designated practice locations, with lighted trails: the Al Quaal 3K and 5K ski trails in nearby Ishpeming and the four 5K loops at Blueberry Ridge in Sands, a few miles south of Marquette.

**Golf**

The official Wildcat course is the Wawanowin Country Club in Ishpeming. The 6,487-yard, 18-hole course has a three-star rating from Golf Digest. It has two practice greens and a driving range.
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