



# 2007 UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL MISSOURI MULES BASEBALL GAME NOTES

## 2007 UCM Mules Baseball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Feb. 3	at Rice University	.L 5-0
Feb. 4	vs. Texas A&M Kingsville	.W 2-1
Feb. 17	at Christian Brothers (DH)	.L 10-6, W 8-0
Feb. 18	at Christian Brothers	.W 4-3
Feb. 23	Winona State (DH)	.W 7-3, W 3-1
Feb. 26	University of Mary	.W 18-2
Feb. 27	University of Mary	.W 4-2
Feb. 28	Rockhurst	.W 13-2
Mar. 2	Bemidji State #	.W 8-0
Mar. 2	Nebraska-Omaha #	.W 2-0
Mar. 4	Upper Iowa #	.W 5-4
Mar. 6-11	at Ft. Myers, FL	
Mar. 6	vs. Baldwin Wallace (DH) +	.W 4-3, W 11-5
Mar. 7	vs. Saginaw Valley State (Mich.) +	.W 6-1
Mar. 8	vs. St. Cloud State (DH) +	.W 7-6, L 7-3
Mar. 9	vs. Florida Gulf Coast +	.W 10-8
Mar. 10	vs. Mansfield (Pa.) +	.W 10-1
Mar. 11	vs. Ashland (Ohio) +	.W 4-0
Mar. 16	at Washburn *	.L 5-2
Mar. 17	at Washburn *(DH)	.W 7-2, W 12-1
Mar. 18	at Washburn *	.W 5-1
Mar. 23	Pittsburg State *	.W 1-0
Mar. 24	Pittsburg State *(DH)	.W 6-1, W 6-3
Mar. 25	Pittsburg State *	.W 8-2
Mar. 31	at Missouri Western *(DH)	.W 11-8, W 15-2
Apr. 1	at Missouri Western *(DH)	.L 7-5, W 17-6
Apr. 3	Truman * (DH)	.W 18-5, W 13-4
Apr. 5	Southwest Baptist *	.W 8-6
Apr. 6	Southwest Baptist *	.W 17-6
Apr. 7	Southwest Baptist *(DH)	.W 10-3, W 5-4
Apr. 14	at Fort Hays State *	.W 18-6
Apr. 15	at Fort Hays State *(DH)	.W 5-3, L 7-5
Apr. 18	at Truman * (DH)	.W 9-4, W 13-0
Apr. 20	at Emporia State *	.L 5-3
Apr. 21	at Emporia State *(DH)	.L 3-0, W 7-5
Apr. 22	at Emporia State *	.W 23-9
Apr. 27	Missouri Southern *	.W 10-0
Apr. 28	Missouri Southern *(DH)	.W 13-0, W 8-1
Apr. 29	Missouri Southern *	.W 12-2
May 4	Northwest Missouri *	.W 6-5
May 5	Northwest Missouri *(DH)	.L 6-2, W 6-2
May 11	Fort Hays State !	.W 7-6 (16 inn.)
May 12	Emporia State !	.W 16-6
May 13	Emporia State ! (DH)	.L 8-4, L 7-6
May 17	Winona State \$	.W 7-2
May 18	Emporia State \$	.W 5-1
May 19	Nebraska-Omaha \$	.L 4-2
May 19	Emporia State \$	.W 9-2
May 25-June 1	D-II College World Series (Montgomery, Ala., Riverwalk Stadium)	.TBA

Home games in bold. All times are Central time.  
\* MIAA Game ! MIAA Tourney \$ NCAA Regional

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## No. 8 Central Missouri Mules (51-12) vs. Nebraska-Omaha Mavericks (35-22)

Sunday, May 19 \* 1:00 pm

Warrensburg, Mo. \* Crane Stadium / Tompkins Field (1,200)

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### University of Central Missouri Mules

#### Probable Lineup

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	BA	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB-A
1	Gered Mochizuki	Sr.	2B	5-9	.384	20	1	5	31	18-23
18	Blaine Rutledge	Jr.	RF	6-0	.369	10	8	5	44	16-17
9	Iain Dykins	Jr.	3B	6-2	.374	19	4	14	62	10-13
6	Nick Jaros	Sr.	LF	5-10	.333	10	3	12	54	13-16
10	Josh Paul	Sr.	1B	6-5	.365	16	5	18	66	3-6
15	Will Feil	So.	DH	6-2	.340	12	2	5	30	10-16
7	Brian McBryde	Jr.	SS	6-0	.335	11	1	1	26	12-14
11	Luis Perez	Jr.	C	6-0	.310	8	1	8	47	2-3
35	Clay Weatherford	Jr.	CF	6-1	.315	8	0	2	31	14-17
<b>Team Totals</b>					<b>.341</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>102-133</b>

#### Mules Rotation

No.	Name	Yr.	Throws	Ht.	W-L	Sv	ERA	Ks	BB	IP	OBA
25	Seth Gilleland	Sr.	Right	6-3	11-1	0	2.52	93	18	93.0	.235
37	Jarod Potts	Jr.	Left	6-3	9-2	0	4.37	78	54	68.0	.192
20	Kris Webber	Jr.	Right	6-3	8-3	0	2.35	48	16	80.1	.248
44	Ron Martin	Jr.	Left	6-4	6-2	2	3.67	49	14	54.0	.244

#### In Relief

No.	Name	Yr.	Throws	Ht.	W-L	Sv	ERA	Ks	BB	IP	OBA
22	Matt Michals	Jr.	Right	6-3	3-1	0	1.99	35	11	31.2	.195
26	Travis Pyatt	Sr.	Right	6-2	3-2	0	3.63	39	9	39.2	.261
2	Chris Radliff	Sr.	Right	6-1	4-0	4	0.95	36	8	28.0	.160
21	Bryan Collins	Jr.	Right	6-2	3-0	6	1.42	45	20	31.2	.157

### The Games:

The eighth ranked Mules (51-12) won 50 games for the seventh time in the last eight years with the win over Emporia State on Friday. They will face sixth seeded Nebraska-Omaha (35-22) in the regional final Saturday, but have to beat them twice to head to Montgomery. The Mavericks upset top-seeded Minnesota State in the first round and then pounded third seeded Wayne State on Friday before suprising the Mules yesterday by a 4-2 margin.

### Mules advance to regional title game the hard way

(WARRENSBURG, Mo.) – The University of Central Missouri Mules advanced to the title game of the NCAA Division II Central Regional with a 9-2 win over Emporia State, but they did it the hard way after dropping into the loser's bracket with a 4-2 loss in the first game of the day to Nebraska-Omaha.

The Mules (51-12) will now have to defeat UNO two times to claim the title.

Central Missouri continued its trend of getting behind early in both games. They allowed the Mavericks to get up by two before mounting a comeback. Nick Jaros hammered a home run to left in the sixth before Bryan McBryde hit an RBI single up the middle to tie the game in the seventh.

Nebraska-Omaha tagged the Mules for two runs in the bottom of the eighth off Travis Pyatt though. Central Missouri had a chance in the top of the ninth, but they stranded a couple runners on base. UCM finished the game with nine hits and left 10 runners on base in the outing.

Pyatt received the loss in the game and the Mules offense was led by Jaros and Clay Weatherford, with a couple hits and a run scored each.

In the elimination game, the Mules trailed 2-0 after the top half of the first but scored a couple in the bottom half and broke the game open with four in the second frame. Ron Martin was the star in the outing as he settled down and struck out nine batters in 6.1 innings to get the win. He allowed only three hits after the first inning.

## University of Central Missouri

### - General Information -

**Location** . . . . . Warrensburg, Mo.  
**President** . . . . . Dr. Aaron Podolefsky  
**Enrollment** . . . . . 11,000  
**National Affiliation / Conference** . . . . . NCAA-II / MIAA  
**Nickname** . . . . . Mules  
**Colors** . . . . . Cardinal & Black  
**Home Field** . . . . . Crane Stadium/Tompkins Field (1,200)  
 . . . . . Dimensions (L-330, LC-375, C-400, RC-375, R-330)  
**Athletic Director** . . . . . Jerry Hughes  
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### - Baseball Information -

**Head Coach (Alma Mater)** Darin Hendrickson (SIUE, '92)  
**Record at UCM** . . . . . 209-45, fourth year  
**Career Record** . . . . . 335-99, eighth year  
**Phone / Best Time to Call** . . 660-543-4800 / Mornings  
**Assistant Coaches** . . . . . Eric Errante (UCM, '05)  
 . . . . . Will Bradley (UCM, '06)  
 . . . . . Kevin Moulder (Murray State, '04)  
**2006 Record** . . . . . 44-16 (22-8, 2nd in the MIAA)

## Winona State University

### - General Information -

**Location** . . . . . Winona, Minn.  
**Head Coach** . . . . . Kyle Pooch  
**Record** . . . . . 139-101-1 in fifth year, all at Winona State  
**2006 Record** . . . . . 28-20 (12-8 in the NSIC / 2nd)  
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**Series Record** . . . . . Mules lead 13-2

## Emporia State University

### - General Information -

**Location of School** . . . . . Emporia, Kan.  
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**Web Site** . . . . . www.emporia.edu/athletics  
**Head Coach** . . . . . Bob Fornelli  
**Record** . . . . . 472-192 in 10th year  
 . . . . . (165-78 in fourth year at ESU)  
**2006 Record** . . . . . 48-13 (25-4 in the MIAA / 1st)  
**Series Record** . . . . . Mules lead 78-33

Central Missouri pounded out 14 hits, including a 3-for-3 performance from Iain Dykins, who hit a two-run homer in the first inning to tie the score. Gered Mochizuki was also big, going 3-of-5 with three runs scored and a couple RBI. The Mules added three more runs to seal the win and end the Emporia State season.

The Hornets scored three runs in the bottom of the ninth to defeat Minnesota State 8-7 in the 3:30 game to advance to the contest with the Mules. Central Missouri will play Nebraska-Omaha at 1:00 pm on Sunday and if it should force a second game, they would play 30 minutes after the conclusion of the first.

### The Coaches



Head Coach **Darin Hendrickson** is in his fourth season with University of Central Missouri baseball program. Named the Mules' 12th head coach in the summer of 2003, Hendrickson has now put his stamp on one of the top baseball teams in NCAA Division II. The 37-year-old native of Granite City, Ill. has compiled a 209-45 record in his fourth season at the helm. He is third on the all-time win list and first in victory percentage (.823).

He has a career NCAA record of 335-99, including his four seasons at Fontbonne, and has had nine players picked in the Major League Draft in his three seasons at Central Missouri.

**Bob Herold** is in his eighth season with Nebraska-Omaha and has led them to a 253-169-2 overall mark. Under his guidance, the Mavericks have been to the NCAA Tournament the last three seasons.

Hendrickson is 3-2 against Nebraska-Omaha while Herold is 2-3 against UCM.

### The Series

The Mules lead the Mavericks 6-4 in the overall series and won the meeting earlier this season by a 2-0 margin before falling 4-2 yesterday. Central Missouri has met UNO three times in the NCAA Tournament and have lost two of them. The win was in the 2005 Regional title game when the Mules grabbed a 10-1 victory.

### Scouting the Mavericks

The Mavericks come into the regional semifinal after knocking off three higher seeds. They are led by center fielder Chris Weimer, who hits .379 with 17 home runs. Tim Huber was the big star of the weekend on the mound after tossing 7.1 innings of shutout baseball against Minnesota State.

### Mules Baseball: Winningest Team of the Millenium

The University of Central Missouri baseball program has had unprecedented success in the last 20 years and has been even more impressive since 2000. With the win over ESU Saturday, UCM has a 417-84 overall record since 2000, the most wins of any program in NCAA Division I, II, or III. **The Mules also earned their eighth 50 win season in school history and seventh in the last eight years.**

### Power Paul

Central Missouri senior first baseman Josh Paul was named the MIAA and Central Region Player of the Year this week. He has hit a team high 18 home runs (the second most for a Mule in a season) and needs only two more to tie the UCM and MIAA record of 20, set by Central Missouri Hall of Famer Ben Slemmer. His 29 career homers also rank fourth in school history, only one behind Slemmer.

### Home Field Dominance

The Mules have won 33 of their last 37 games at Crane Stadium and are 29-4 this season. **Darin Hendrickson has also compiled a 118-15 overall mark at home.**

The Mules have also put up some gaudy numbers on both offense and defense at home. They hit .353 as a team at home and boast a stellar 2.57 ERA. Josh Paul and Seth Gilleland have really been good at Crane Stadium as Paul hits .427 with nine homers and a .864 slugging percentage. Gilleland is 6-0 and has a 1.81 ERA.

### Shut Down Bullpen

The Central Missouri Mules baseball squad has returned to form on the mound after the 2005 Major League Draft took five pitchers. Nine throwers in 2007 have ERA's under 4.0 with the top two combining for a 20-2 record in Gilleland and Potts.

Closer **Bryan Collins** has six saves and a 1.42 ERA while set up man/closer **Chris Radliff** has a 0.95 ERA and four saves along with four wins and was named the MIAA Pitcher of the Week once. They have combined to strike out 81 batters in 60.0 innings.

## 2007 University of Central Missouri Mules Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Year-exp	Hometown	Previous School
1	Gered Mochizuki	SS/2B	L-R	5-9	180	Senior-1L	Mau, Hawaii	Yavapai C.C.
2	Chris Radliff	RHP	R-R	6-2	185	Senior-1L	Niceville, Fla.	Gulf Coast C.C.
5	Alex Kent	INF	R-R	6-2	170	Freshman-HS	Lee's Summit, Mo.	Lee's Summit North H. S.
6	Nick Jaros	OF	R-R	5-10	210	Senior-Tr	Platte City, Mo.	Nebraska
7	Brian McBryde	SS/2B	R-R	6-0	170	Junior-2L	Humble, Texas	Humble H. S.
8	Chris Joblin	INF	R-R	5-9	175	Junior-Tr	Eagle, Idaho	Lamar C.C.
9	Iain Dykins	3B	R-R	6-3	200	Junior-Tr	Reno, Nev.	Feather River C.C.
10	Josh Paul	1B	R-R	6-5	220	Senior-1L	Aurora, Colo.	Seward C.C.
11	Luis Perez	C	R-R	6-0	200	Junior-Tr	Valencia, Venezuela	Western Nebraska C.C.
12	Brandon Morris	RHP	R-R	6-4	195	Soph.-1L	Grain Valley, Mo.	Grain Valley H. S.
15	Will Feil	OF	R-R	6-2	180	Soph.-1L	St. Charles, Mo.	Francis Howell North H. S.
16	Danny Potje	LHP	L-L	6-4	190	Fresh-HS	Arnold, Mo.	Fox H.S.
18	Balin Bergman	1B	R-R	6-0	205	Junior-Tr	Omaha, Neb.	Hutchinson C. C.
19	Blaine Rutledge	OF	L-R	6-0	195	Junior-Tr	Victoria, Minn.	Madison Area Tech College
20	Kris Webber	RHP	R-R	6-3	195	Junior-Tr	Langley, British Columbia	Bossier Parish C.C.
21	Bryan Collins	RHP	R-R	6-2	210	Junior-Tr	Corpus Christi, Texas	Alvin C.C.
22	Matt Michals	RHP	R-R	6-3	205	Junior-Tr	Chicago, Ill.	Oakton College
23	Kelly Quirk	OF	B-R	6-2	210	Fresh-Tr	Kansas City, Mo.	Wichita State
25	Seth Gilleland	RHP	R-R	6-3	225	Senior-Tr	Albuquerque, N. M.	University of Northern Colorado
26	Travis Pyatt	RHP	R-R	6-2	220	Senior-1L	Cuba, Mo.	Meramec C.C.
27	Peter Davenport	RHP	R-R	6-5	220	Junior-Tr	Lexington, Mo.	Johnson County C.C.
29	Mark Carey	RHP	R-R	6-1	195	Soph-1L	East Alton, Ill.	Civic Memorial H.S.
34	Chris Brown	C	R-R	6-0	205	Junior-Tr	Las Vegas, Nev.	Feather River C.C.
35	Clay Weatherford	OF	R-R	6-1	180	Junior-Tr	Fulton, Miss.	Itawamba C.C.
37	Jarod Potts	LHP	L-L	6-3	205	Junior-Tr	Grove, Okla.	Neosho County C.C.
44	Ron Martin	LHP	L-L	6-4	220	Junior-Tr	St. Louis, Mo.	Forest Park C.C.

**Head Coach:** Darin Hendrickson (24)

**Assistants:** Kevin Moulder (32), Will Bradley (3), Eric Errante (14)

### Late Inning Defense

The Mules have outscored the opposition overall in every inning this year. Even better, they have virtually shut down their opponents in the seventh, eighth, ninth, and extra innings. The largest gap is in the fourth inning where the Mules have outscored their opponents 78-26. The biggest trouble area has been the first frame as they have allowed 41 and scored 59.

**7th inning:** 14 runs allowed, 54 runs scored

**8th inning:** 16 runs allowed, 29 runs scored

**9th inning:** 3 runs allowed, 16 runs scored

**Extra innings:** 2 runs allowed, 6 runs scored

### National Leaders

The Mules have several players ranked on the national scene in Division II as of May 13. The team ERA of 3.14 ranks 10th in the nation, the strikeouts per game of 8.5 ranks sixth, and the Mules winning percentage of .814 is eighth. As a team, the Mules also rank 12th in home runs per game at 1.24.

Individually, Seth Gilleland is ranked 11th in the nation in wins while Blaine Rutledge is 13th in triples per game at .14. Josh Paul is also eighth in home runs with 18.

### Goin' Streaking!

The Mules have used several team and individual streaks to get to their 50-11 overall record. The longest winning streak of the season was 14 games earlier this year.

Individually, junior Bryan McBryde has had the longest hitting streak of the season at 13 games. Junior Blaine Rutledge had the second longest streak at 12 game while Josh Paul has had a streak of 11. The longest current streak on the squad is Nick Jaros at 12.

### MIAA Hitting

Most teams in college baseball will see their team batting average go down once their team hits conference play, but the Mules were just the opposite this season. They are hitting 13 points higher in MIAA action at .357 and have knocked 47 home runs in 34 games.

Josh Paul is .423 and hit 16 of his league leading 18 homers in against conference teams while Iain Dykins has also been better, hitting .400 with 11 of his 13 homers in conference sponsored action. Nearly every player is hitting better in conference action.

### Mules in the NCAA Tournament

With the success of the Central Missouri baseball program, there are some impressive numbers when it comes to the NCAA Tournament appearances.

The Mules are 15-0 in regional championship games.

UCM is 46-18 all-time in regional games and 23-5 in regionals since 2000. This is the Mules 21st NCAA Regional Appearance and their 14th consecutive year to qualify for the NCAA Tournament.

This is the 12th NCAA Regional held in Warrensburg and the 9th in the last 10 years. The game vs. Nebraska-Omaha is the 112th game in the NCAA Tournament in UCM baseball history (71-40).

UCM baseball has won 13 NCAA Regional Championships in Baseball. UCM has won two national titles (94 and 03) and finished in the top five 11 times and in the top three on seven occasions. The Mules have finished first, second or third in the nation in five of the last six seasons.

With baseball making the regional, 14 of 16 UCM sports qualified for NCAA post-season in 2006-07. Baseball, men's basketball and men's and women's cross country all hosted regional competition this year. UCM is currently ranked sixth in the NACDA Directors Cup Standings.



## 2007 CBN D-II National Poll (as of 5/14)

Team	Record	Pts	Prvs.
1. Tampa	45-9	472	1
Sonoma State	49-10	472	2
3. Kutztown	44-5	446	T3
4. Ouachita Baptist	50-8	434	T5
5. Cal State Chico	45-13	410	9
6. Mount Olive	46-11	398	10
7. Cal State Los Angeles	39-14-1	378	T3
<b>8. Central Missouri</b>	<b>48-11</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>7</b>
9. Georgia College & State	43-15	358	T5
10. Tusculum	48-12	326	12
11. Franklin Pierce	45-9	316	14
12. Abilene Christian	47-13	286	11
13. Grand Valley State	42-7	282	16
14. Columbus State	43-17	276	15
<b>15. Minnesota State Mankato</b>	<b>46-8</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>19</b>
16. Mesa State	46-12	250	8
17. Florida Southern	40-14	248	13
18. Armstrong Atlantic State	39-21	196	25
19. West Alabama	41-16	194	18
20. Delta State	44-14	174	17
21. Angelo State	43-17	166	RV
22. UC San Diego	37-22	158	24
23. West Florida	41-17	118	RV
24. St. Edward's (Texas)	43-13	92	NR
25. Ashland	38-17	74	23



## 2007 Final MIAA Standings

	MIAA			Overall		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
<b>Central Missouri (8)</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>.824</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>.814</b>
Emporia State	24	12	.667	41	24	.625
Northwest Missouri	22	13	.629	30	26	.547
Fort Hays State	21	13	.618	33	20	.647
Missouri Western	21	14	.600	28	23	.549
Pittsburg State	15	20	.429	24	30	.444
Washburn	15	21	.417	21	28	.429
Southwest Baptist	11	23	.324	18	31	.367
Missouri Southern	11	24	.314	18	32	.360
Truman	5	27	.156	9	38	.191

NABC Division II Coaches Poll ranking in parenthesis

## NCAA South Central Region Rankings (as of 5/14)

School	Overall
1. Minnesota State Mankato	44-8
<b>2. *Central Missouri</b>	<b>48-11</b>
3. Wayne State (Nebraska)	37-14
4. Emporia State	39-22
5. Winona State	29-13
6. Nebraska-Omaha	32-22

## University of Nebraska-Omaha

### - General Information -

**Location** .....Omaha, Neb.  
**Head Coach** .....Bob Herold  
**Record** .....253-169-2 in eighth year, all at UNO  
**2006 Record** .....45-14 (15-4 in the NCC / 2nd)  
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**Series Record** .....Mules lead 6-3

## Wayne State College

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**Location of School** .....Wayne, Neb.  
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**Email** .....migrosz1@wsc.edu  
**Web Site** .....www.wsc.edu/athletics  
**Head Coach** .....John Manganaro  
**Record** .....384-267-1 in 18th year  
**2006 Record** .....37-15-1 (19-1 in the NSIC / 1st)  
**Series Record** .....Mules lead 5-0

## Minnesota State University-Mankato

### - General Information -

**Location of School** .....Mankato, Minn.  
**SID** .....Paul Allan  
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**Web Site** .....www.msumavericks.com  
**Head Coach** .....Dean Bowyer  
**Record** .....1036-513-7 in his 35th season  
 .....962-462-7 at MSU  
**2006 Record** .....43-13 (NCC / 1st)  
**Series Record** .....Mules lead 18-7