



# 2009 UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL MISSOURI MULES BASEBALL GAME NOTES

## 2009 UCM Mules Baseball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Feb. 6	at Arkansas Tech	.....W 13-2
Feb. 7	at Arkansas Tech	.....W 16-5
Feb. 8	at Arkansas Tech	.....L 8-4
<b>Feb. 20-22 Holiday Inn Express Classic</b>		
Feb. 20	vs. Upper Iowa [DH]	.....W 7-1, W 10-1
Feb. 22	vs. Winona State	.....W 17-5
Feb. 27	at Pittsburg State* [9-7]	.....2:00 p.m.
Mar. 1	at Pittsburg State* [9-7]	.....1:00 p.m.
Mar. 3	vs. Rockhurst	.....3:00 p.m.
Mar. 7	vs. Missouri Western* [9-7]	.....1:00 p.m.
Mar. 8	vs. Missouri Western* [9-7]	.....12:00 p.m.
Mar. 11	vs. Missouri-St. Louis	.....3:00 p.m.
Mar. 13	at Northwest Missouri*	.....2:00 p.m.
Mar. 14	at Northwest Missouri* [DH]	.....12:00 p.m.
Mar. 15	at Northwest Missouri*	.....12:00 p.m.
Mar. 17	Drury	.....6:30 p.m.
Mar. 20	vs. Emporia State*	.....7:00 p.m.
Mar. 21	vs. Emporia State* [DH]	.....2:00 p.m.
Mar. 22	vs. Emporia State*	.....12:00 p.m.
Mar. 28	vs. Missouri Southern [9-7]	.....2:00 p.m.
Mar. 29	vs. Missouri Southern [9-7]	.....1:00 p.m.
Apr. 1	vs. Missouri S&T	.....3:00 p.m.
Apr. 3	at Southwest Baptist [DH]*	.....1:00 p.m.
Apr. 4	at Southwest Baptist [DH]*	.....12:00 p.m.
Apr. 7	at Missouri-St. Louis	.....3:00 p.m.
Apr. 10	at Washburn [DH]*	.....3 p.m.
Apr. 11	at Washburn [DH]*	.....1 p.m.
Apr. 14	at Drury	.....6 p.m.
Apr. 17	vs. Truman State*	.....7 p.m.
Apr. 18	vs. Truman State [DH]*	.....2 p.m.
Apr. 19	vs. Truman State*	.....12 p.m.
Apr. 21	at SIU-Edwardsville	.....6 p.m.
Apr. 24	vs. Nebraska-Omaha*	.....7 p.m.
Apr. 25	vs. Nebraska-Omaha [DH]*	.....2 p.m.
Apr. 26	vs. Nebraska-Omaha*	.....12 p.m.
Apr. 28	at Rockhurst	.....6 p.m.
May 1	at Fort Hays State*	.....7 p.m.
May 2	at Fort Hays State [DH]*	.....2 p.m.
May 3	at Fort Hays State*	.....12 p.m.
May 8-10	MIAA Tournament (Kansas City, Kan.)	.....TBA
May 14-17	NCAA-II Central Regional (TBA.)	.....TBA
May 23-30	NCAA-II Championships (Cary, N.C.)	.....TBA

Home games in bold. All times are Central time.  
\* MIAA Game

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## No. 13 Central Missouri Mules (5-1) at Pittsburg State Gorillas (3-6)

Saturday-Sunday, February 27-March 1 \* 2:00 pm (DH)/1:00 (DH)  
Pittsburg, Kan. \* Al Ortolani Field (500)

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Radio: Central Missouri Sports Network (First broadcast March 20)

### University of Central Missouri Mules - Probable Lineup

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	BA	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB-A
6	Chance Tuttle	Jr.	CF	5-9	.579	0	1	3	10	10-12
1	Bret Schwartz	Fr.	SS	5-11	.550	2	0	0	7	5-5
25	Stewart Hoover	Jr.	DH	5-7	.333	1	0	1	8	2-4
15	Will Feil	Sr.	RF	6-2	.389	1	0	0	4	5-5
35	Steffon Williams	Jr.	LF	5-11	.375	0	1	2	6	4-5
27	John Calhoun	Fr.	1B	6-1	.389	1	1	1	5	1-1
9	Matt LaGree	Jr.	C	6-0	.300	0	0	0	2	0-0
11	John Oropeza	Fr.	3B	6-2	.250	2	1	0	5	0-0
2	Colin Murphy	So.	2B	6-0	.222	1	0	0	1	2-2
<b>Team Totals</b>					<b>.364</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>30-35</b>

### Mules Starting Pitchers

No.	Name	Yr.	Throws	Ht.	W-L	Sv	ERA	Ks	BB	IP	OBA
46	Brooks Martin	Jr.	Right	6-1	2-0	0	0.00	14	3	8.0	.107
16	Danny Potje	Jr.	Left	6-4	2-0	0	1.00	12	3	9.0	.143
20	Mitch Stubenhofer	Jr.	Right	6-1	0-0	0	4.50	6	1	4.0	.250
38	Ryan Dawson	Fr.	Right	6-2	1-0	0	4.50	6	1	6.0	.182

### In Relief

No.	Name	Yr.	Throws	Ht.	W-L	Sv	ERA	Ks	BB	IP	OBA
28	Chris Matlock	Sr.	Right	6-2	0-0	0	0.00	6	1	2.1	.222
29	Mark Carey	Sr.	Right	6-2	0-0	0	0.00	3	0	1.0	.000
14	Nick Phillips	Jr.	Right	6-0	0-0	0	0.00	3	1	2.2	.273
4	Alex Kent	Jr.	Right	6-2	0-0	0	15.43	2	1	2.1	.462
33	Tom Latimore	So.	Left	6-3	0-1	0	54.00	0	0	0.2	.667
32	Matt Curtis	So.	Right	6-3	0-0	0	9.00	2	1	2.0	.143
48	Kyle Smith	Jr.	Right	6-4	0-0	0	0.00	2	0	1.0	.333

### The Games:

Central Missouri will open MIAA play this weekend with a four game series against Pittsburg State at Al Ortolani Field. They will play two games on Friday at 2:00 p.m. and two more on Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

### Mules go 3-0 in Holiday Inn Express Classic

(WARRENSBURG, Mo.) – The No. 18 Central Missouri Mules baseball squad swept the competition this weekend in their first home action of the year at the Holiday Inn Express Classic, defeating Upper Iowa 7-1 and 10-1, and Winona State 17-5.

The Mules (5-1) opened the weekend on Friday with a doubleheader against Upper Iowa. In the first contest Central Missouri got a five-inning performance from junior righthander Brooks Martin as he gave up only one hit and struck out nine. On offense, the Mules were led by junior center fielder Chance Tuttle, who went 3-of-4 with a couple RBI. Freshman shortstop Bret Schwartz also picked up a couple hits and RBI as the Mules scored runs in the first two frames. They broke it open in the fifth with three runs, and capped the scoring in the sixth with two more scores. UIU didn't score until their final inning, hitting a solo homer in the seventh.

The nightcap saw junior lefthander Danny Potje toss five frames of three-hit baseball with six K's. The offense was pushed by junior designated hitter Stewart Hoover, who had five RBI, including a two-run homer to put UCM up 4-1 in the second inning. The Mules tallied two more runs in the fourth, and added four in the sixth to take the 10-1 win. Chance Tuttle tied a school record with five stolen bases in the game, a feat that had not been accomplished since 1992. Senior righthander Mark Carey also got his first action of the season, tossing one inning and

# 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)** . . . . . Tom Myers (PSU, '99)  
**Record at UCM** . . . . . 47-15, first year  
**Career Record** . . . . . same  
**Phone / Best Time to Call** . . 660-543-4800 / Mornings  
**Assistant Coaches** . . . . . Matt Murray (NSU, '98)  
 . . . . . Pat Evers (UCM, '05)  
 . . . . . Scott Thomason (UCM, '02)  
 . . . . . Darryl Cronk (PSU, '99)  
**2008 Record** . . . . . 47-17 (26-8, 2nd in the MIAA)

# Pittsburg State University

**Location of School** . . . . . Pittsburg, Kan.  
**President** . . . . . Dr. Tom Bryant  
**Enrollment** . . . . . 6,751  
**Mascot / Colors** . . . . . Gorillas / Crimson & Gold  
**Home Field** . . . . . Al Ortolani Field  
 . . . . . (L-330, LC-375, C-400, RC-375, R-330)  
**Athletic Director** . . . . . Chuck Broyles  
**Athletics Phone Number** . . . . . 620-235-4646  
**Sports Information Director** . . . . . Dan Wilkes  
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**Email / Web Site** . . . . . dwilkes@pittstate.edu /  
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## - Baseball Information -

**Head Coach** . . . . . Steve Bever  
**Record** . . . . . 498-410 in 19 years (all at PSU)  
**Assistants** .Dr. Gary Grimaldi, Beau Schultz, Eric Peterson  
**2008 Record** . . . . . 22-28 (16-20 in the MIAA)  
**Series Record** . . . . . Mules lead 48-9

striking out all three he faced.

The Mules face Winona State on Sunday and jumped out to a 5-0 lead in the first inning. They tallied 14 hits in the game, including a 4-of-5, 2-RBI performance from Schwartz. Tuttle went 2-of-3 with a couple RBI, and freshman third baseman John Oropeza was 2-of-3 with a game-high four RBI. Central Missouri answered three runs by the Warriors in the third with five more in the bottom half of the inning. The Mules capped the scoring with a seven-run sixth. Freshman righthander Ryan Dawson got the win, going four pre-determined innings and striking out six.



## The Coaches

Head Coach **Tom Myers** is in his second season as the head man at Central Missouri, and boasts a 52-18 overall mark.

He didn't take long to continue the UCM tradition either, winning the Central Region title and taking the Mules to their 14th Division II World Series appearance in his first year. They went 47-17 overall and made it to the national semifinals, finishing in 4th place. For his efforts he was named the NABC Central Region Coach of the Year. He also helped the Mules win the MIAA Tournament crown in 2008.

**Steve Bever** is in his 19th season at Pittsburg State and has compiled a 498-410 record there. He has taken the Gorillas to the NCAA Tournament on four occasions, in 1997, 1998, 1999, and 2002. He has also taken them to seven MIAA Tournaments, last going in 2004.

Myers is 4-0 against PSU while Bever is 9-48 against UCM.

## The Series

The Mules lead the Gorillas by a 48-9 margin, winning the last 10 meetings in the series. Last season Central Missouri took all four and outscored the Gorillas 37-10. Central Missouri played the Gorillas at PSU last year as well.

## Scouting the Competition

The Gorillas come in with a 3-6 overall record after dropping three decisions to Wayne State of Nebraska this past weekend.

They are led by Austin Kirkwood with a .576 average, while Taylor House has a team-high 13 RBI. The Gorillas have a team batting average of .302 and have knocked 24 doubles while scoring 64 runs (7.1 runs per game).

Defensively the Gorillas have a 10.16 ERA and have given up 91 hits in 62 innings pitched. Tim Brown is 3-0 on the season with a 4.50 ERA and 17 strikeouts. The Gorillas have also given up 14 home runs in nine games.

## 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. UCM has a 464-101 overall record since 2000, the most wins of any program in NCAA Division I, II, or III.

## Matlock Em' Down

Mules closer and All-American **Chris Matlock** tied former All-American Nick Webber for the UCM record of 11 saves in a season last year. He also broke the school mark with 33 appearances last season.

He has not allowed a run in his last 26.2 innings coming into the weekend either. The school record is 31.1 innings by UCM Hall of Famer Bob Poisal.

## Mules Baseball By the Numbers

- 20 MIAA Titles (12 of the last 15)
- 17 MIAA Tournament Titles (13 of the last 15)
- 22 NCAA Regional appearances (last 15 in a row)
- 12 Regionals as host site
- 14 Regional Titles
- 12 Top five national finishes
- 4 Third place finishes
- 1 National Runner-up
- 2 National Titles