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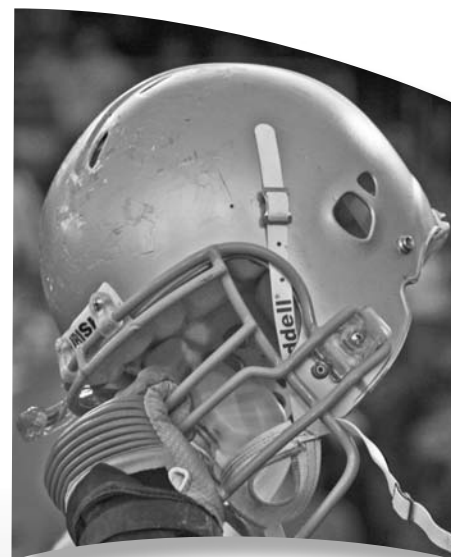
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NOTRE DAME TRADITION



- Since the Associated Press poll began in 1936, Notre Dame has won eight national crowns (1943, 1946, 1947, 1949, 1966, 1973, 1977, 1988), the most of any school. The

Irish also earned consensus national titles in 1924, 1929 and 1930 prior to the origination of the AP ratings, giving them 11 total consensus crowns. Overall, Notre Dame has had 21 different seasons in which it has been voted the national champion by at least one selector.

- Notre Dame's first victory came in a 20-0 triumph over the Harvard School of Chicago in 1888, almost a year after it played its first game. The Irish have been victorious in 823 more games since then, second-most in the NCAA. Only Michigan's 869 victories trump the 824 wins claimed by the Irish.

11 National Championships
most of any school

824 All-Time Victories
Second-most in college football

- On Wednesday, Nov. 23, 1887, Notre Dame played its first football game. Since the first snap against a group of students from the University of Michigan, the Irish have amassed a winning percentage of .739, second only to the Wolverines' .745. In fact, over the last 100 seasons, no school has a higher winning percentage than Notre Dame's .741.

.739 All-Time Win Percentage
Second highest in college football



- Seven Irish players have won the Heisman Trophy: Angelo Bertelli (1943), John Lujack (1947), Leon Hart (1949), John Lattner (1953), Paul Hornung (1956), John Huarte (1964) and Tim Brown (1987). No other school boasts more Heisman winners.

7 Heisman Trophy Winners

no other school has more

- Notre Dame has appeared in a bowl game in 27 of the last 38 seasons including BCS appearances two of the last three campaigns. The Irish defeated previously undefeated opponents in 1973, 1977 and 1988 that earned national championships for Notre Dame. They played in New Year's Day games in nine straight years (1988-96) and own a 13-15 overall record in bowl games. Notre Dame's athletic policy did not permit bowl participation for many years but that position changed in 1969.

28 Bowl Games

BCS appearances in two of the last three years





NOTRE DAME ALL-AMERICANS

From quarterback Frank Carideo in 1929 to Jeff Samardzija in 2005, Notre Dame has had 31 unanimous first-team All-Americans, more than any other school.



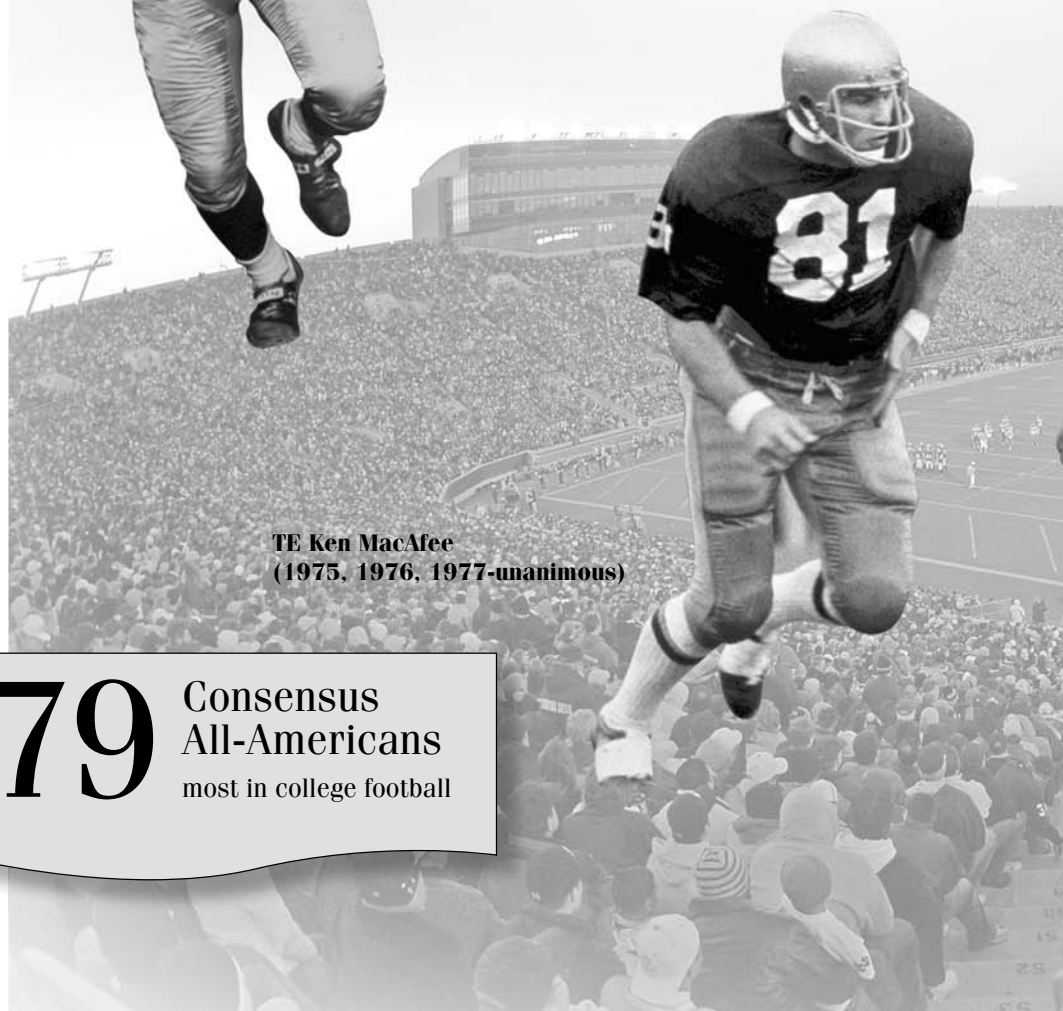
**DE Ross Browner (1976,
1977-both unanimous)**



QB Joe Theismann (1970)



**DE Alan Page
(1966)**



**TE Ken MacAfee
(1975, 1976, 1977-unanimous)**

181 First-Team
All-Americans
most in college football

79 Consensus
All-Americans
most in college football

**WR Jeff Samardzija
(2005, 2006)**



The Irish have had 79 different consensus All-Americans – also a collegiate high – as designated by the NCAA. Overall, Notre Dame has had 181 selections on All-America first teams.

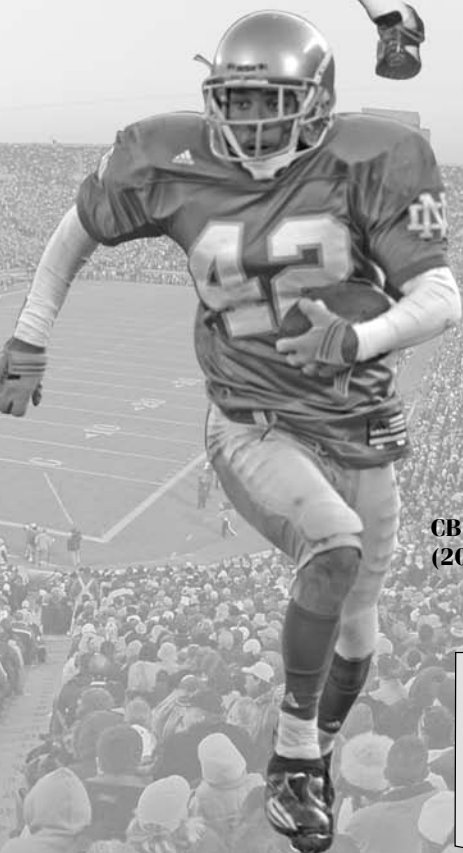
42 College Football
Hall of Famers
most of any school



**TE Dave Casper
(1973)**



**CB Todd Lyght
(1989-unanimous)**



**CB Shane Walton
(2002-unanimous)**

31 Unanimous First-Team
All-Americans
most in college football



**LB Bob Golic
(1978-unanimous)**



**FL Raghilb "Rocket" Ismail
(1990-unanimous)**



NOTRE DAME IN THE NFL

Notre Dame has a long and storied history of producing NFL players and NFL champions. From Bill Shakespeare in 1936 to John Sullivan in 2008, no school has had more players drafted by the NFL than the 461 student-athletes Notre Dame has had selected.

10 Pro Football
Hall of Famers



DT Trevor Laws (Eagles)



DE Bertrand Berry
(Cardinals)



WR Maurice Stovall
(Bucs)

36 Super Bowl
Champions



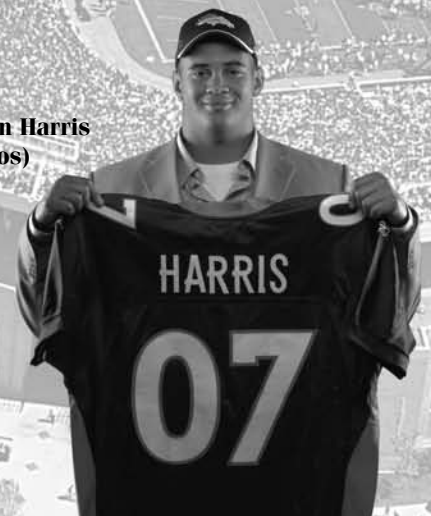
RB Ryan Grant (Packers)

461 All-Time NFL
Draft Picks
most of any school



P Hunter Smith
(Colts)

OL Ryan Harris
(Broncos)



61 All-Time NFL
First Round
Draft Picks



Thirty-six former Irish players have raised the Lombardi Trophy as Super Bowl champion and the Pro Football Hall of Fame has immortalized 10 ex-Notre Dame players.

5 Players Selected No. 1 Overall in NFL Draft tied for most of any school



DE Victor Abiamiri (Eagles)



QB Brady Quinn (Browns)



DE Justin Tuck (Giants)

11 Draft Picks In Last Two NFL Drafts



S Chinedum Ndukwe (Bengals)



CB Mike Richardson (Pats)



C John Sullivan (Vikings)

30 Former Notre Dame Players on NFL Active Rosters on 2007 Opening Weekend



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



Notre Dame's Academic Services for Student-Athletes, housed in the Coleman-Morse Building, is designed to help Notre Dame fulfill its commitment to all student-athletes in their pursuit of a college degree and academic excellence.

In order to achieve these goals, Academic Services has several major objectives:

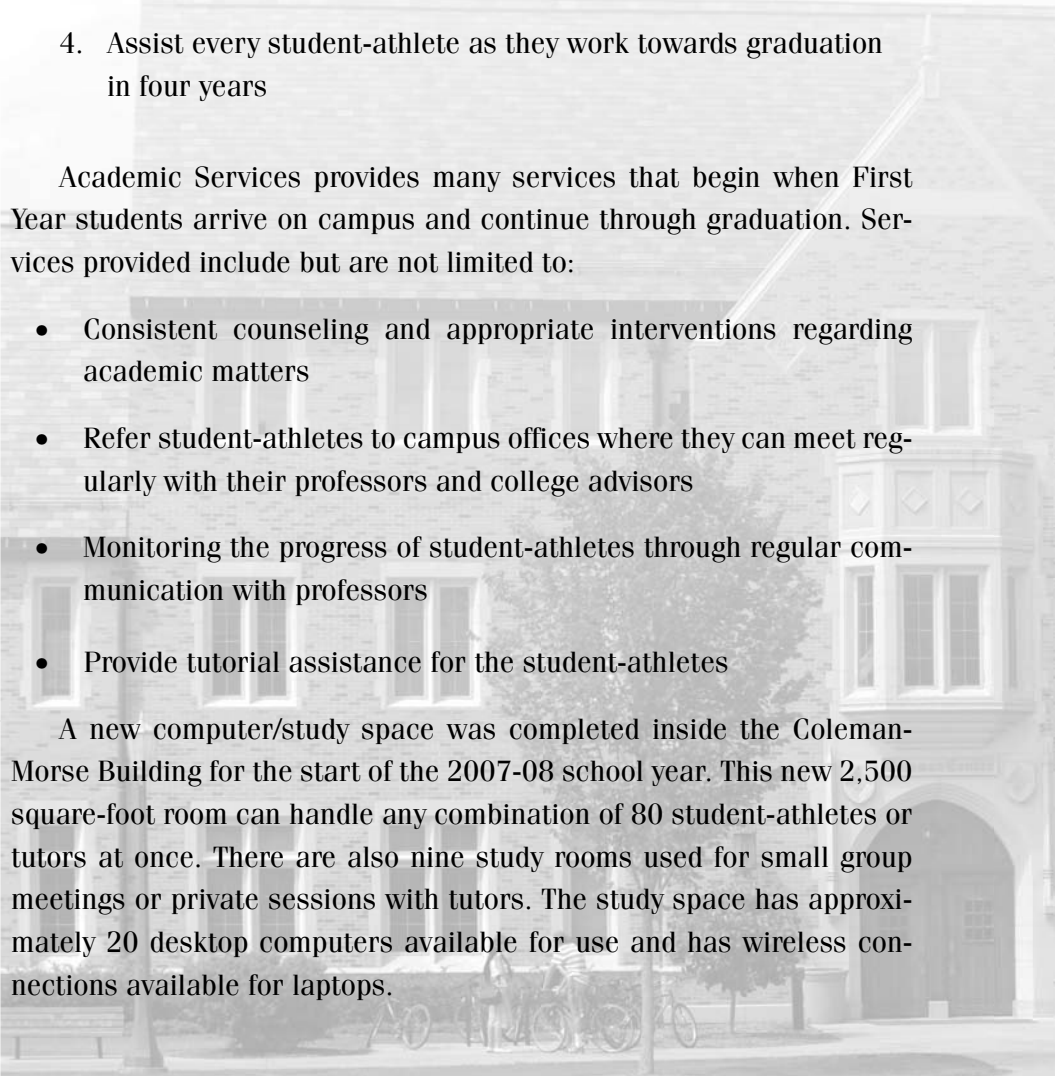
1. Maintain the academic integrity of the University
2. Help student-athletes maximize their academic potential
3. Comply with University and NCAA rules and regulations
4. Assist every student-athlete as they work towards graduation in four years

The University of Notre Dame ranks number one in the country in terms of graduating its student-athletes, according to statistics released recently by the NCAA.

Academic Services provides many services that begin when First Year students arrive on campus and continue through graduation. Services provided include but are not limited to:

- Consistent counseling and appropriate interventions regarding academic matters
- Refer student-athletes to campus offices where they can meet regularly with their professors and college advisors
- Monitoring the progress of student-athletes through regular communication with professors
- Provide tutorial assistance for the student-athletes

A new computer/study space was completed inside the Coleman-Morse Building for the start of the 2007-08 school year. This new 2,500 square-foot room can handle any combination of 80 student-athletes or tutors at once. There are also nine study rooms used for small group meetings or private sessions with tutors. The study space has approximately 20 desktop computers available for use and has wireless connections available for laptops.





Whether measured by the federal government in its Department of Education report or by the NCAA through its newer Graduation Success Rate (GSR) numbers, graduation rates for Notre Dame student-athletes rank among the national leaders in most categories among major football-playing colleges and universities.

2007 NCAA Graduation Rates

All data for student-athletes who enrolled between 1997 and 2000 (numbers are percentages)

All Student-Athletes

Federal Rate

1. Duke, 91
2. Stanford, 90
3. **Notre Dame, 89**
4. Northwestern, 87
5. Boston College, 85

GSR

1. **Notre Dame, 98**
(tie) U.S. Naval Academy, 98
(tie) Northwestern, 98
4. Duke, 97
5. Boston College, 96

Male Student-Athletes

Federal Rate

1. Stanford, 90
2. Duke, 89
3. **Notre Dame, 85**
4. Northwestern, 83
5. Boston College, 79

GSR

1. U.S. Naval Academy, 98
2. **Notre Dame, 97**
3. Northwestern, 96
4. Boston College, 95
(tie) Duke, 95

Female Student-Athletes

Federal Rate

1. **Notre Dame, 94**
2. Duke, 93
3. Northwestern, 92
(tie) Rice, 92
5. Penn State, 91

GSR

1. **Notre Dame, 100**
(tie) Vanderbilt, 100
(tie) U.S. Naval Academy, 100
4. Northwestern, 99
(tie) Duke, 99
(tie) Rice, 99
(tie) Wake Forest, 99

Black Student-Athletes

Federal Rate

1. Wake Forest, 86
2. Stanford, 84
3. Vanderbilt, 82
4. Northwestern, 81
5. Boston College, 76
(tie) Rice, 76
(tie) Duke, 76
8. **Notre Dame, 75**

GSR

1. U.S. Naval Academy, 96
2. Wake Forest, 93
(tie) Northwestern, 93
4. **Notre Dame, 91**
5. U.S. Air Force Academy, 88

Football Student-Athletes

Federal Rate

1. Stanford, 91
2. Duke, 90
3. Boston College, 87
4. Vanderbilt, 85
5. Wake Forest, 80
6. **Notre Dame, 79**
(tie) Northwestern, 79

GSR

1. U.S. Naval Academy, 95
2. Northwestern, 94
3. **Notre Dame, 93**
(tie) Boston College, 93
(tie) Stanford, 93
(tie) Duke, 93





ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



- While Notre Dame's football teams have compiled some legendary records on the field, its players also have achieved outstanding marks for earning degrees on the academic side of campus.
- Of the last 44 classes beginning with football players who entered Notre Dame on scholarship in 1962, 987 of 1000 players who remained at the University at least four years received their degrees for an impressive 98.70 percentage.

Of the 1000 scholarship football players since 1962 who have stayed at Notre Dame at least four years, only 13 football players did not earn a degree from Notre Dame.

FOOTBALL GRADUATION RECORD

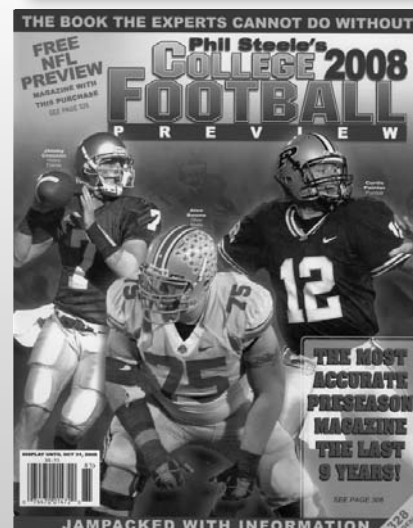
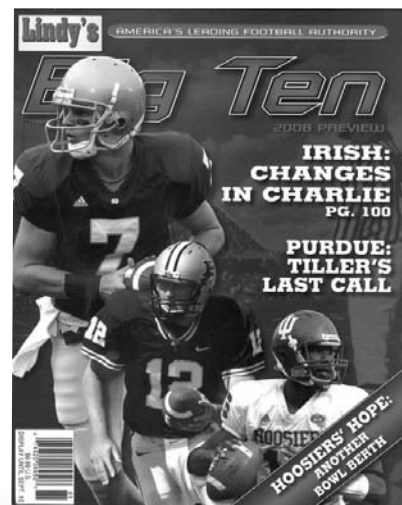
Year Entered	Scholarship Players Who Remained at Least 4 Years	Scholarship Players Who Remained at Least 4 Years And Graduated	Scholarship Players Who Remained at Least 4 Years and Did Not Graduate	Percentage
1962	29	29	0	100.00
1963	35	34	1	97.14
1964	25	25	0	100.00
1965	32	32	0	100.00
1966	31	30	1	96.55
1967	32	32	0	100.00
1968	39	39	0	100.00
1969	28	27	1	96.43
1970	36	35	1	97.14
1971	29	29	0	100.00
1972	26	26	0	100.00
1973	37	37	0	100.00
1974	22	22	0	100.00
1975	25	25	0	100.00
1976	27	27	0	100.00
1977	26	25	1	96.15
1978	27	27	0	100.00
1979	25	25	0	100.00
1980	23	22	1	95.45
1981	25	25	0	100.00
1982	24	24	0	100.00
1983	23	23	0	100.00
1984	14	14	0	100.00
1985	24	24	0	100.00
1986	18	18	0	100.00
1987	25	24	1	96.00
1988	16	16	0	100.00
1989	19	19	0	100.00
1990	18	18	0	100.00
1991	22	22	0	100.00
1992	19	18	1	94.73
1993	19	19	0	100.00
1994	11	11	0	100.00
1995	19	19	0	100.00
1996	22	22	0	100.00
1997	15	13	2	86.67
1998	19	19	0	100.00
1999	18	17	1	94.44
2000	14	13	1	92.85
2001	17	17	0	100.00
2002	17	17	0	100.00
2003	18	17	1	94.44
2004	10	10	0	100.00
2005			(16 still enrolled)	
2006			(19 still enrolled)	
2007			(17 still enrolled)	
Total	1000	987	13	98.70

MEDIA EXPOSURE



- Notre Dame is the only team, professional or college, to have all of its games broadcast nationally on the radio as part of the Notre Dame ISP Sports Network.
- Notre Dame has appeared on national television more times than any other school (306).
- In 2008, Notre Dame will have all 12 games broadcast live on either NBC, ABC, CBS or ESPN. The Irish are the only team in the country that will have games carried nationally on the three major networks – ABC, CBS and NBC.
- Notre Dame's website was the second-most visited site of all University athletics department websites from July 2007 through June 2008. More than five million fans visited UND.com during the '07-'08 year, registering more than 34 million page views.

Notre Dame is the only college to have all of its home games televised nationally and NBC will continue to broadcast Irish home games through at least the 2015 season.





FOOTBALL WEEKENDS AT NOTRE DAME

ALMA MATER

A tradition started with the arrival of current head coach Charlie Weis, the Irish join the student body following a win or loss with the singing of "Notre Dame, Our Mother."

FRIDAY NIGHT PEP RALLY

For the diehard Irish football fan, the Notre Dame football pep rally is a great way to get the adrenaline flowing in preparation for Saturday afternoon's game. The pep rally begins at 6:00 p.m. and features the Notre Dame football team, cheerleaders, the leprechaun and the Band of the Fighting Irish as well as other special guests including the likes of Joe Montana, Jerome Bettis and Dick Vitale.

Pep rally location and ticket demand varies with each home game.

TEAM WALK TO THE STADIUM

Two hours before kickoff, the Notre Dame football team will complete its traditional pre-game mass in the Sacred Heart Basilica and walk to Notre Dame Stadium. The route is traditionally lined with Irish fans, giving the team some last minute encouragement.

A Notre Dame football weekend was ranked 23rd by ESPN.com in a recent poll of the "101 Things Every Fan Must Experience Before They Die."





THE BAND

The Band of the Fighting Irish is an integral part of any football weekend. The band will perform on Friday night at the pep rally and on Saturday at the football game - in addition to a rehearsal on Friday night and a pre-game concert on Saturday.

IRISH GUARD

As the Band of the Fighting Irish enters Notre Dame Stadium for its pregame salute, it is led by the drum major who is closely followed by the famous Irish Guard. Each member is dressed in an Irish kilt and will tower more than eight feet tall including his bearskin shako. The guardsmen are skilled marchers who are chosen for this honor on the basis of marching ability, appearance and spirit.

“If you could find a way to bottle the Notre Dame spirit, you could light up the universe.”

—Joe Theismann, College Football Hall of Famer and Super Bowl Winning Quarterback

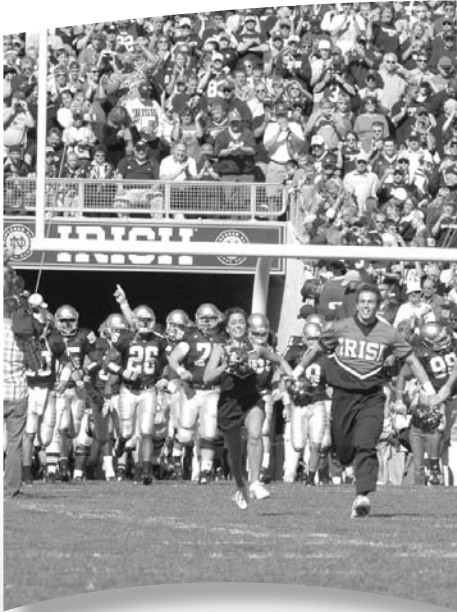
STUDENT BODY

Nearly 95 percent of the 8,000 undergraduate students at Notre Dame acquire season tickets and pack Notre Dame Stadium on Saturdays in the fall.





NOTRE DAME STADIUM



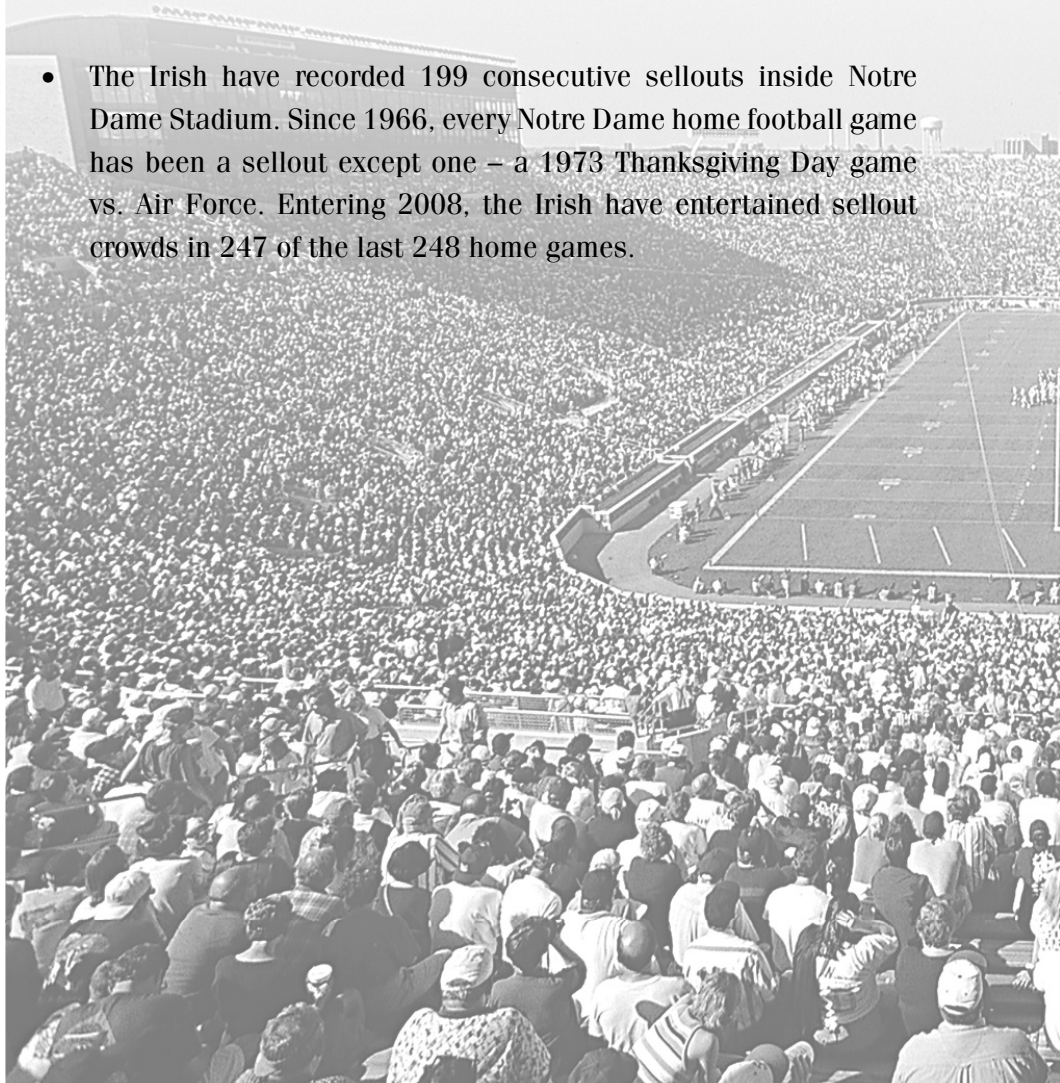
- At every Notre Dame home game, 80,795 screaming fans await the entrance of the Irish while chanting, "Here come the Irish!" The current football players run thru the same tunnel that Notre Dame legends Joe Montana, Jerome Bettis and Tim Brown all ran out and onto the field once patrolled by Knute Rockne, Ara Parseghian and Lou Holtz.

- The spirit that was imbued by the Rockne era – and has been sustained by seven Heisman Trophy winners and dozens more All-Americans who have competed on that turf – has changed little in more than seven decades of football at Notre Dame Stadium.

Entering 2008, the Irish have played 399 games inside Notre Dame Stadium and compiled a 298-96-5 (.753) record. In fact, 310 home games have been played before a capacity crowd.



- The Irish have recorded 199 consecutive sellouts inside Notre Dame Stadium. Since 1966, every Notre Dame home football game has been a sellout except one – a 1973 Thanksgiving Day game vs. Air Force. Entering 2008, the Irish have entertained sellout crowds in 247 of the last 248 home games.





Here is a breakdown of the old and new ticket distribution categories for Notre Dame Stadium:

	Old	New
Students	11,000	10,795
Faculty/Staff	4,000	8,000
Opponents	5,000	5,000
Season Tickets	16,000	20,000
University Allotments	*7,000	7,000
Contributing Alumni	16,000	30,000
Total	59,000	80,795

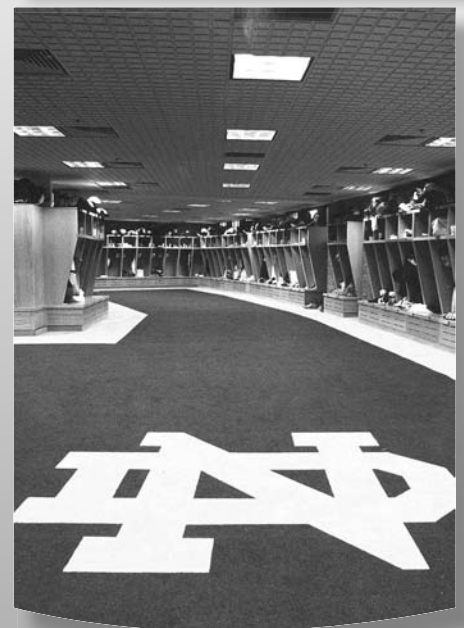
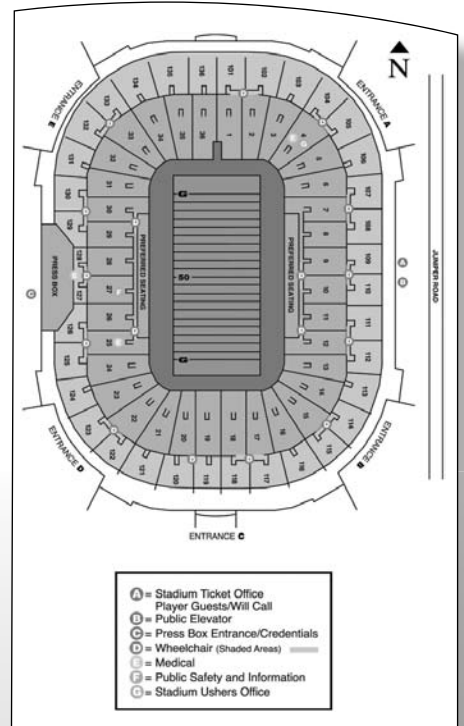
*Includes University Trustees, advisory council members, alumni board, alumni clubs, major benefactors and others

- The 1996 season was the final one played with the customary 59,075 fans gathered at Notre Dame Stadium. Nearly two years worth of additions and improvements were part of a \$50 million expansion that added more than 21,000 seats beginning with the 1997 season.

- Among the improvements made to Notre Dame Stadium included two new scoreboards, lights installed in each corner of the Stadium

bowl, a new three-tier press box and both the locker rooms more than doubled in size.

- Material for the project included 240,000 concrete blocks, 700,000 new bricks, 500 cubic yards of mortar, 25,000 cubic yards of cast-in-place concrete, five miles of new handrails and guardrails, and eight and a half miles of redwood seating.





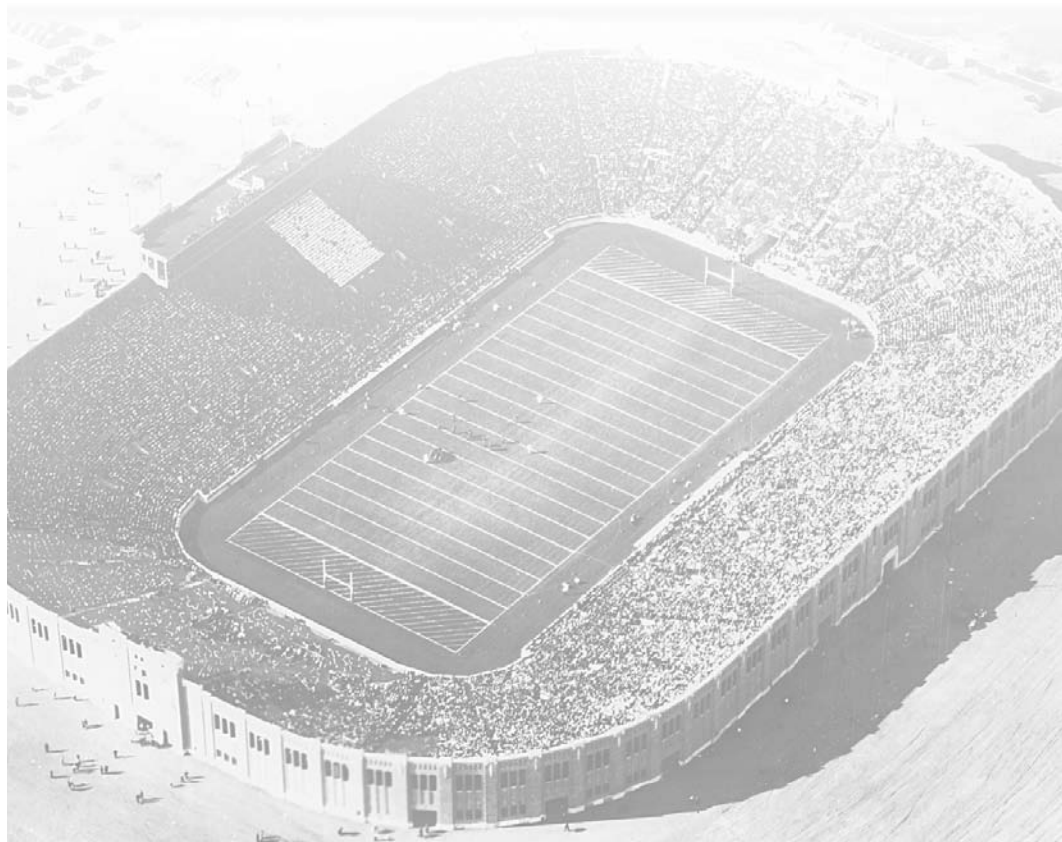
NOTRE DAME STADIUM



- The original Notre Dame Stadium was built in 1930 and was partially designed by Knute Rockne. The sod from Cartier Field (previous site of home games) was transplanted into the new Stadium and Rockne insisted on keeping the area between the field and the stands to a minimum to limit the number of sideline guests.

The success of Knute Rockne's Notre Dame football teams — plus the legendary coach's own personal building blueprint — prompted the addition of the original Notre Dame Stadium to the University's athletic plant back in 1930.

- The original Stadium was patterned after the University of Michigan's stadium and was built by Osborn Engineering Company, the same contractors that had planned Comiskey Park in Chicago, the Polo Grounds in New York City and facilities at Michigan, Indiana, Purdue and Minnesota.
- The Stadium measured a half-mile in circumference, stood 45 feet high and cost just over \$750,000. More than 2,000,000 bricks were used in the original edifice along with 400 tons of steel and 15,000 cubic yards of concrete.



NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL FACILITIES

GUGLIELMINO ATHLETICS COMPLEX

- The building gives the Irish football team a central location for post-practice and pre-practice routines as well as daily positional meetings. Before The Gug opened, the Irish football facilities were spread between Notre Dame Stadium, the Joyce Center and the Loftus Sports Center.

LOFTUS SPORTS CENTER

- Dedicated on April 23, 1988, the Loftus Center saw its first football team practice on Sept. 30 of that season. Designed for use by all Notre Dame athletic teams as well as students, faculty and staff, the \$6.3-million center measures 614 feet by 210 feet and stands tucked in a forested area of campus just north of Cartier Field and is connected to the Guglielmino Athletics Complex.

LaBAR FOOTBALL PRACTICE FIELDS

- Just in time for the 2008 season are three new practice fields located directly south of the Guglielmino Athletics Complex. Thanks to a gift from John R. "Rees" LaBar and his wife Carolyn, two new FieldTurf practice fields and a natural grass field will be available this year for the football team. The Irish lacrosse and soccer teams as well as RecSports will also benefit from the new practice fields.





GUGLIELMINO ATHLETICS COMPLEX



- The Gug houses the football practice-week locker rooms, coaches' offices and meeting rooms in addition to enhanced sports medicine, strength and conditioning and weight room equipment areas for all Notre Dame student-athletes.

The University of Notre Dame is enjoying its fourth full season with access to the sparkling Guglielmino Athletics Complex, affectionately referred to as "The Gug" (pronounced Goog).

- The Gug, underwritten with a gift from the late Don F. Guglielmino and his wife Flora, provides the Notre Dame football team with one of the top facilities in the nation.
- The 96,000-square-foot complex features a 25,000-square foot Haggar Fitness Center (gift of Ed and Patty Haggar, Joe and Isabelle Haggar), the 8,300-square foot Loftus Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Center (a gift of John and Julie Loftus), a state-of-the-art athletic training facility and the Allen Equipment Room (a gift of Marty and Sue Allen).
- The Isban Auditorium (a gift of Leonard and JoAnn Isban) measures 3,800 square feet with 150 theater-style, football-player-sized seats and theater-quality audio-visual equipment, including a 30-foot screen.





- The Haggar Fitness Center is perhaps the most eye-catching feature of The Gug, as the previous fitness center has been doubled in size. The fitness complex features more than 250 pieces of weight training equipment, six plasma TVs, a state-of-the-art sound system, a 50-yards track for speed workouts and a 45x18 Prestige Turf field for team stretching exercises and workouts.
- The Romano Family Locker Room (a gift of D.J. “Buddy” and Florence Romano) has 125 spacious lockers with shoe warmers/driers, 22 showers, a “mud room,” and a players’ lounge that includes a 52-inch plasma TV and kitchen.
- The second floor houses the Smith Family Office Suites (gift of the Smith family in honor of Francis W. and Rita C. Smith) in a 7,800-square foot area with head coach Charlie Weis’ area overlooking the practice complex.
- The Morse Recruiting Lounge (a gift of Jim and Leah Morse) is one of the signature features of The Gug. The recruiting lounge offers a beautiful view of campus and a glimpse of Notre Dame’s football excellence – there are 11 national championship banners hanging in the room to commemorate Notre Dame’s 11 consensus national titles.





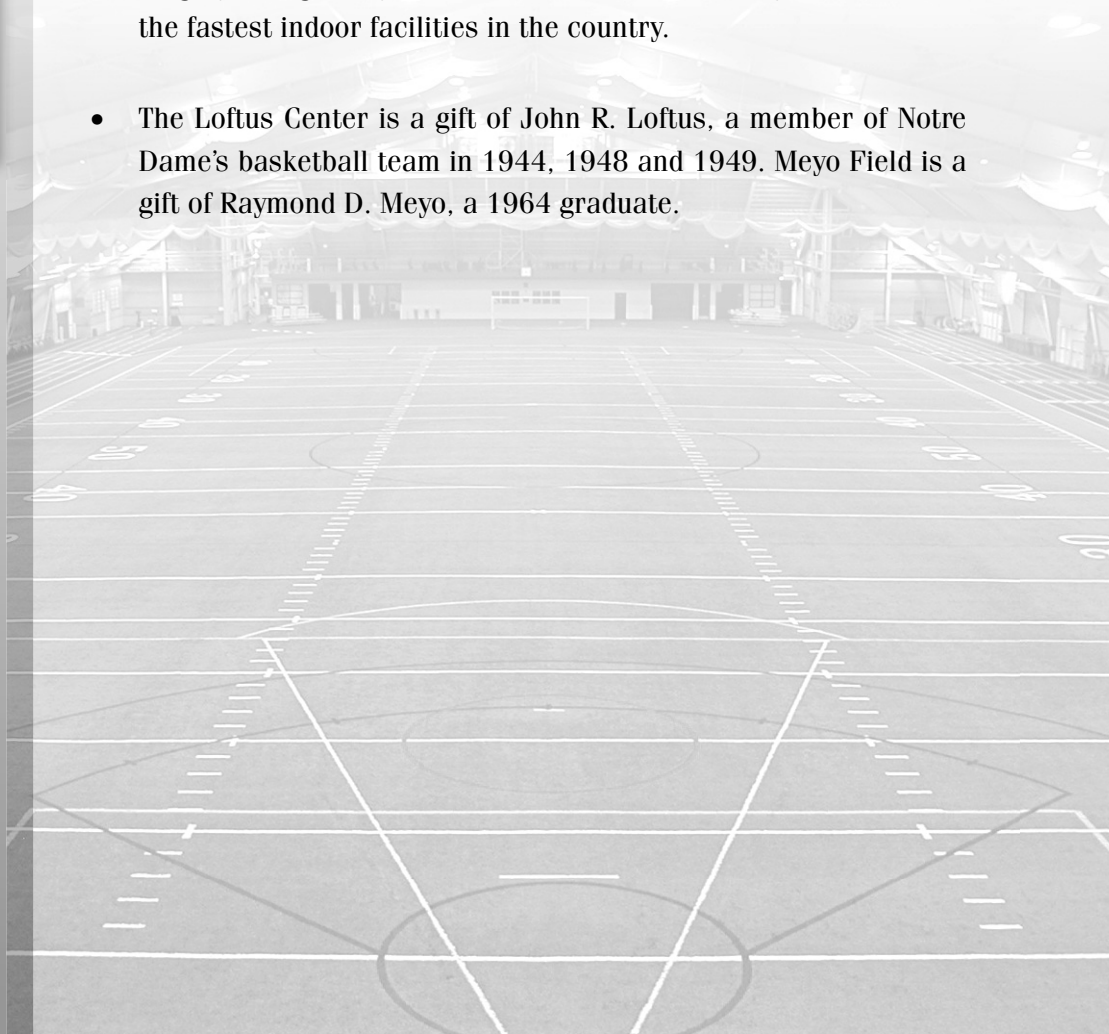
LOFTUS SPORTS CENTER



- One of the most integral athletic buildings on campus, the Loftus Center serves as an indoor practice facility for football, track and field, rowing, women's and men's soccer, women's and men's lacrosse, baseball and softball. It hosts competition for the track and field teams and lacrosse teams.

The Loftus Sports Center is entering its 22nd full year of service of the University of Notre Dame.

- The Loftus Center features Meyo Field, a 100-yard Prestige Turf field with endzones.
- Surrounding the football field is a 320-meter, six-lane track – making it as large as any indoor track in the nation. The Mondo surface is respected as the best track surface in the world and the lengthy straightaways and wide turns make the Meyo Track one of the fastest indoor facilities in the country.
- The Loftus Center is a gift of John R. Loftus, a member of Notre Dame's basketball team in 1944, 1948 and 1949. Meyo Field is a gift of Raymond D. Meyo, a 1964 graduate.



SPORTS MEDICINE **STRENGTH & CONDITIONING**

SPORTS MEDICINE

- Head athletic trainer and physical therapist Jim Russ oversees a staff of three associate and eight assistant athletic trainers, plus two physical therapist/athletic trainers, all of whom are certified and boast nearly 200 years of collective experience.
- Irish athletes have access to three state-of-the-art sports medicine facilities in the Joyce Center, Notre Dame Stadium and the Guglielmino Athletics Complex.
- The Guglielmino facility encompasses more than 8,500 square-feet of cutting-edge sports medicine technology including the latest in physical therapy modalities and rehabilitation equipment, with two 3,500-gallon therapy pools, a full x-ray unit and an MRI machine.

STRENGTH & CONDITIONING

- Director of strength and conditioning Ruben Mendoza is in charge of a department that has eight full-time coaches, an intern and a nutritionist.
- The 25,000 square foot Haggar Fitness Complex is located between the Loftus Sports Center and Guglielmino Athletics Complex.
- The Haggar Fitness Complex features a three-lane development track, a 45x18 yard Prestige Turf plyometric agility area, a Gatorade hydration station, six giant plasma screen televisions and a state-of-the-art sound system with 28 speakers and four subwoofers.





UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME



ABOUT NOTRE DAME

- The University of Notre Dame sits on 1,250 acres containing two lakes and has 137 buildings.
- The Basilica of the Sacred Heart, the 14-story Hesburgh Library with its 132-foot-high mural depicting Christ the Teacher, and the University's beautifully renovated 128-year-old Main Building with its famed 23.9 Karat Golden Dome are among the most widely known university landmarks in the world.
- Notre Dame has 8,332 undergraduate students and a total enrollment of 11,479 students.

RANKINGS

- Notre Dame is rated among the nation's top 25 institutions of higher learning in surveys conducted by *U.S. News and World Report*, *Princeton Review*, *Time*, *Kiplinger's*, and *Kaplan/Newsweek*.
- The *Wall Street Journal* has cited Notre Dame one of the "New Ivies" in American higher education, along with, among others, Duke, Northwestern and Johns Hopkins.
- Notre Dame is one of the few universities to rank in the top 25 in the *U.S. News & World Report* survey of America's best colleges and the U.S. Sports Academy Directors' Cup standings of the best overall athletic programs.

The University of Notre Dame, founded in 1842 by Rev. Edward F. Sorin, C.S.C., of the Congregation of Holy Cross, is an independent, national Catholic university located in Notre Dame, Ind., adjacent to the city of South Bend and approximately 90 miles east of Chicago.



- Notre Dame ranks fifth in a listing of “dream schools” in a survey of parents by the *Princeton Review*. The top seven are Stanford, Princeton, Harvard, Brown, Notre Dame, Duke, and Boston College.

STUDENTS

- Notre Dame’s graduation rate of 95 percent is exceeded by only Harvard and Princeton.
- Notre Dame’s 98 percent retention rate between the freshman and sophomore years is among the highest in the country, thanks in large part to the University’s unique First Year of Studies Program.
- Notre Dame has one of the highest undergraduate residential concentrations of any national university, with 80 percent of its students living in 27 residence halls. Some 40 Holy Cross religious leaders continue to live and provide a pastoral presence in the halls.
- Graduate and undergraduate students at the University come from all 50 states and more than 100 countries worldwide.





UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP



Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C., took office as the 17th president of the University of Notre Dame on July 1, 2005. He was elected by the University's Board of Trustees to a five-year term April 30, 2004.

An associate professor of philosophy and member of Notre Dame's faculty since 1990, Father Jenkins had served from 2000-2005 as a vice president and associate provost at the University.

Prior to his service in the provost's office, Father Jenkins had been religious superior of the Holy Cross priests and brothers at Notre Dame for three years. As religious superior, he was a Fellow and Trustee of the University, but he relinquished those posts to assume his duties in the provost's office.

"If we are clear in our purpose, we will excel in our ideals. This will be my priority and my passion as President of Notre Dame."

– Father Jenkins' Inauguration Speech, 2005

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Father Jenkins specializes in the areas of ancient philosophy, medieval philosophy and the philosophy of religion. He is the author of *Knowledge and Faith in Thomas Aquinas*, published by Cambridge University Press in 1997.

Father Jenkins earned degrees in philosophy from Oxford University in 1987 and 1989. He earned his master of divinity degree and licentiate in sacred theology from the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, Calif., in 1988.

Prior to entering the Congregation of Holy Cross, he earned bachelor's and master's degrees in philosophy from Notre Dame in 1976 and 1978, respectively. Father Jenkins was ordained a priest in Notre Dame's Basilica of the Sacred Heart in 1983. He served as director of the Old College program for Notre Dame undergraduate candidates for the Congregation of Holy Cross from 1991 to 1993.

A native of Omaha, Neb., Father Jenkins was born Dec. 17, 1953.



John B. “Jack” Swarbrick Jr., a Notre Dame graduate who has risen to national prominence as a lawyer, consultant and executive in the collegiate and Olympic sports industries, was appointed July 16, 2008 as the University’s 12th director of athletics.

Raised in Yonkers, N.Y., and Bloomington, Ind., Swarbrick is a 1976 magna cum laude graduate of Notre Dame with a bachelor’s degree in economics. Upon graduating from Stanford Law School in 1980, he returned to Indiana to accept a position as an associate in the Indianapolis law firm Baker & Daniels. He was made partner in 1987.

At the same time that Swarbrick began his career, the city of Indianapolis was beginning its effort to become a world-class center for amateur and professional athletics. An employment law specialist, Swarbrick soon shifted his focus to sports and quickly became active in the city’s initiatives.

As a member of the Indiana Sports Corp., including the chairmanship from 1992 to 2001, Swarbrick led many of the city’s successful proposals to a wide array of athletics organizations – from the NFL to the U.S. Olympic Committee to the Big Ten Conference. His leadership efforts have resulted in the city:

- Earning the bid to host the 2012 Super Bowl to Indianapolis
- Becoming the home of the NCAA national headquarters
- Hosting the 1987 Pan American Games
- Hosting the 1991 World Gymnastics Championships
- Hosting NCAA Final Fours and other college championship competitions and a wide array of national and world championships in the Olympic sports
- Securing rights to host the Big Ten Conference men’s and women’s basketball tournaments for five consecutive years beginning in 2008

Swarbrick’s work has focused on the representation of owners of sports teams and organizations which sanction or conduct athletic competitions. He has served as general counsel for numerous national governing bodies of Olympic sports, including USA Gymnastics and USRowing, and as a consultant to the 1996 Olympic Games. He also served as president and chief executive officer of LMiv, an Internet-based network of radio stations.

- In his work as an advisor to the NCAA, Swarbrick has:
- Coordinated the men’s College Basketball Partnership, an NCAA-led group that addresses the opportunities and challenges in the sport
- Worked with the NCAA’s Corporate Partners and Champions Program
- Served as a member of the NCAA Division I women’s Basketball Discussion Group
- Chaired the NCAA/USOC task force dedicated to developing proposals to expand sponsorship of Olympic sports among NCAA member institutions
- Developed the business plan for the new NBA/NCAA youth basketball enterprise

Before accepting the offer to lead his alma mater’s athletics department, Swarbrick had been a finalist for several high-profile positions in college athletics, including president of the NCAA and commissioner of the Big 12 Conference.

Swarbrick and his wife, Kimberly, are the parents of four children: Kate, a junior at St. Louis University; Connor, a sophomore at Wake Forest University; Cal, a junior in high school; and Christopher, a high school sophomore.





ATHLETIC FACILITIES



Eight years ago, the Notre Dame department of athletics and the University embarked on creating an ambitious athletics facility master plan so Irish student-athletes would have access to state-of-the-art venues for practice, training and competition.

That blueprint, which touched nearly every varsity sport, continues to come to life. By the time the plan is completed, the entire area just east of the Joyce Center and north of Edison Road will boast a comprehensive and impressive athletic quad.

NEW FACILITIES

ALUMNI SOCCER STADIUM

- The new \$5.7 million stadium had its groundbreaking April 26, 2008 and is expected to be completed in June 2009. The stadium will be a lighted facility that will feature a natural grass field, locker rooms, restrooms, concession areas and 2,000 seats.

ARLOTTA FAMILY LACROSSE STADIUM

- Groundbreaking for the \$5 million facility occurred April 17, 2008 and is expected to be completed in June 2009. Arlotta Stadium will feature 2,000 seats, lights, an artificial-turf field, locker rooms, restrooms and concession area.

MELISSA COOK STADIUM

- Located on the southeast corner of campus, the new softball stadium opened April 12, 2008 and can accommodate up to 1,500 fans.

TRACK STADIUM

- Ground was broken for construction of the \$3 million outdoor track in June 2008. The new nine-lane facility will meet IAAF guidelines and completion is expected in late October 2008.

LABAR FOOTBALL PRACTICE FIELDS

- Three new practice fields adjacent to the Guglielmino Athletics Complex will be ready for the start of fall practice in August 2008. Two of the fields will be FieldTurf and the third will be natural grass.



RENOVATED FACILITIES

PURCELL PAVILION

- Home to the Irish men's and women's basketball teams as well as the volleyball squad, construction on the \$26.3 million Joyce Center Arena addition and renovation will begin in September 2008.

CHARLES W. "LEFTY" SMITH, JR. ICE RINK

- Tentative plans for a \$30 million facility will create a new home for the Irish hockey team within the Joyce Center fieldhouse. The project would increase capacity to 4,000 while improving locker rooms, concessions and restrooms.

PROSPECTIVE NEW FACILITIES

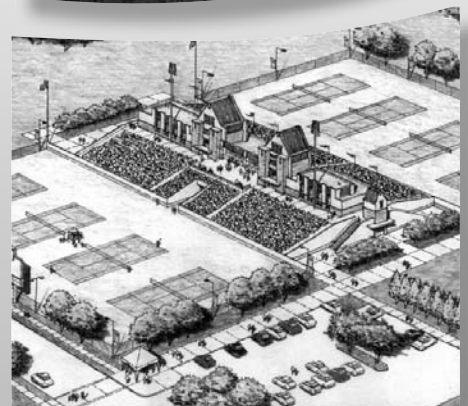
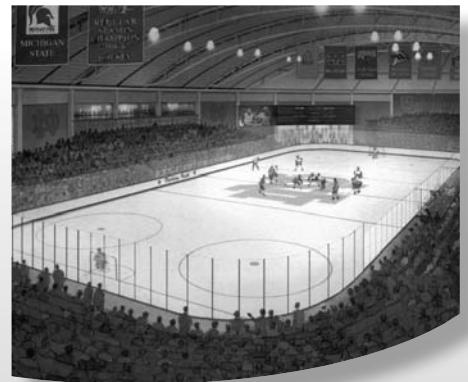
OUTDOOR TENNIS COMPLEX

- The \$4.9 million project will create a new outdoor playing and practice home with seating for 2,000 and will meet NCAA requirements to host national championships on the Notre Dame campus.

ROWING BOATHOUSE

- A new boathouse for the rowing team eventually will be constructed near the existing boathouse on the St. Joseph River.

Nearly \$70 million of the *Spirit of Notre Dame* development campaign has been earmarked for strategic athletics facilities renovation and construction designs.





EXCELLENCE ON THE FIELD...



NOTRE DAME ATHLETICS ... BY THE NUMBERS

- 674** Total number of Irish student-athletes in 2007-08
- 26** Sports offered by Notre Dame
- 25** National Championships (11 in football, seven in fencing, two in women's soccer, two in men's tennis and one in men's golf, men's cross country and women's basketball)
- 93** BIG EAST Championships by Notre Dame in 13 seasons of conference play
- 8** Conference Championships won by Irish teams in 2007-08 (BIG EAST and Great Western Lacrosse League)
- 19** Irish sports that advanced either as a team or an individual to postseason play in 2007-08
- 29** All-Americans during the 2007-08 school year

MOST ACADEMIC All-AMERICANS

- 1. Nebraska 261
- 2. Notre Dame 201**
- 3. MIT 145
- 3. Penn State 145
- 5. Stanford 126
- 6. Augustana (Ill.) 125
- 7. Bucknell..... 116
- 8. Texas..... 112
- 9. UCLA..... 111
- 10. Illinois Wesleyan . 110

DIRECTORS' CUP STANDINGS

For the 10th straight year in 2007-08, Notre Dame posted a top-25 finish (21st) in the United States Sports Academy Division I Directors' Cup all-sports competition sponsored by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (formerly known as Sears Directors' Cup).

Notre Dame is among 14 schools to earn a top-25 finish in each of the past 10 years (1999-2008), as Irish programs finished 25th in '99, 21st in 2000, 11th in '01, 13th in '02 and '03, 19th in '04, 16th in '05, sixth in '06, 22nd in '07 and 21st in '08.

... EXCELLENCE OFF THE FIELD



NOTRE DAME ATHLETICS ... BY THE NUMBERS

- 201** All-Time Academic All-Americans (second all-time)
- 8** Academic All-Americans in 2007-08
- 44** All-Time NCAA postgraduate scholarship recipients
- 18** Notre Dame teams (out of 22) with a graduation rate of 100% (best percentage in NCAA)
- 8** Irish athletic teams that earned a perfect score of 1,000 in the NCAA's Academic Performance Rate in 2007-08 (tied for most among Division I football playing schools)

ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS

- Notre Dame has had 201 Academic All-Americans since 1952, second-most among all NCAA institutions
- From 2006-08, 32 student-athletes earned Academic All-America recognition, the most Academic All-Americans in a three-year stretch in school history
- Eight Irish student-athletes were named Academic All-Americans in 2007-08: Brittany Bock (women's soccer), John Carlson (football), Ashley Jones (women's soccer), Trevor Laws (football), Brett Lilley (baseball), Ryan Miller (men's soccer), Adrienne Nott (women's fencing), Jordan Pearce (hockey).

POST-GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS:

- Notre Dame has had 44 student-athletes receive a postgraduate scholarship from the NCAA since the program was founded in 1964. During the 2007-08 school year, John Carlson (football) and Brett Lilley (baseball) became the most recent recipients of the prestigious scholarship.





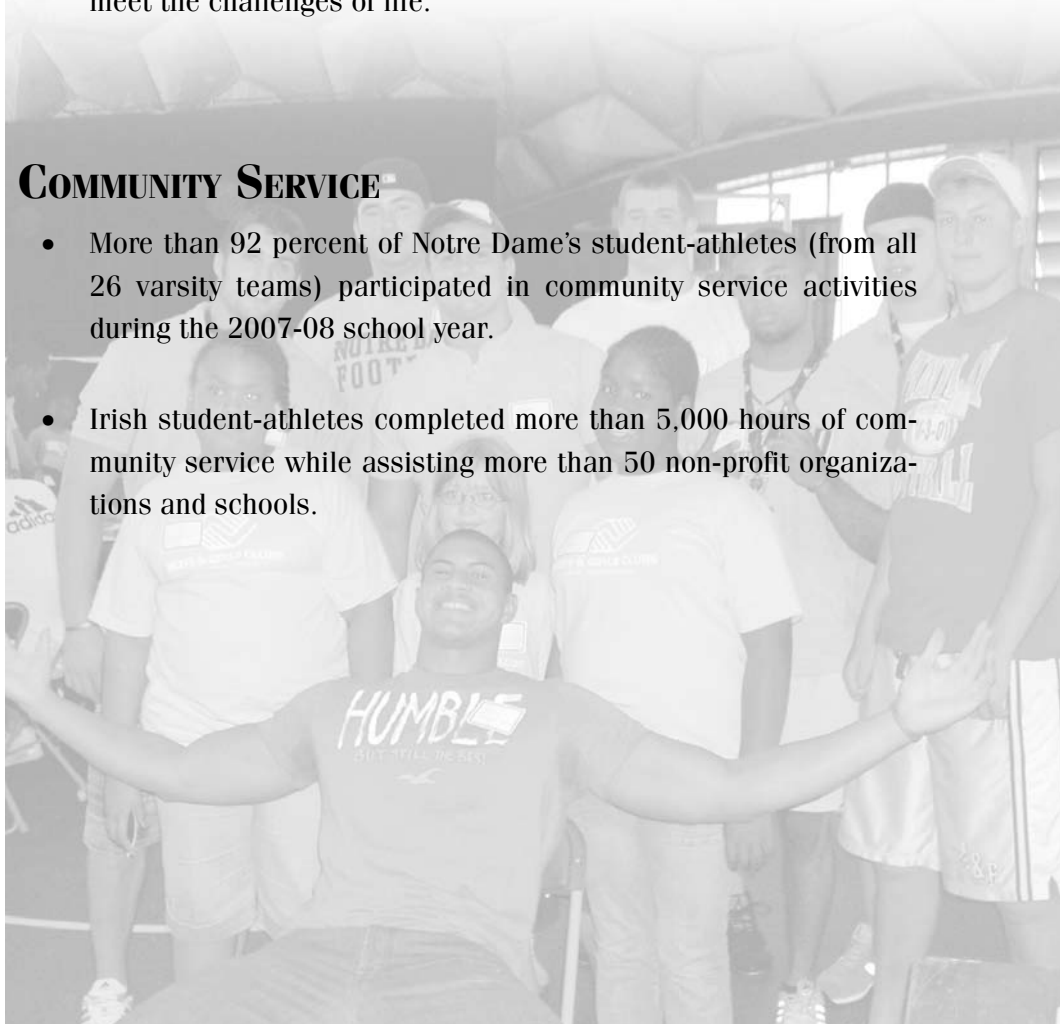
STUDENT WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT

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- The Student Welfare and Development Program implements events and activities that are designed to facilitate learning within five key areas: academic excellence, athletic success, career preparation, community involvement and personal development.
- The program has three components: elective services (community service, leadership, social events); complementary services (encourages administrators and coaches to request coordination of workshops, events and activities); and essential services (student-athletes participate in a series of required skill-building and developmental workshops and activities).
- The Student Welfare and Developmental Program, founded in 1996, continuously seeks to develop programs that educate student-athletes on current issues, so as to ensure that when they graduate from the University, they are prepared to successfully meet the challenges of life.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- More than 92 percent of Notre Dame's student-athletes (from all 26 varsity teams) participated in community service activities during the 2007-08 school year.
- Irish student-athletes completed more than 5,000 hours of community service while assisting more than 50 non-profit organizations and schools.



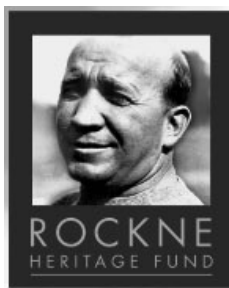
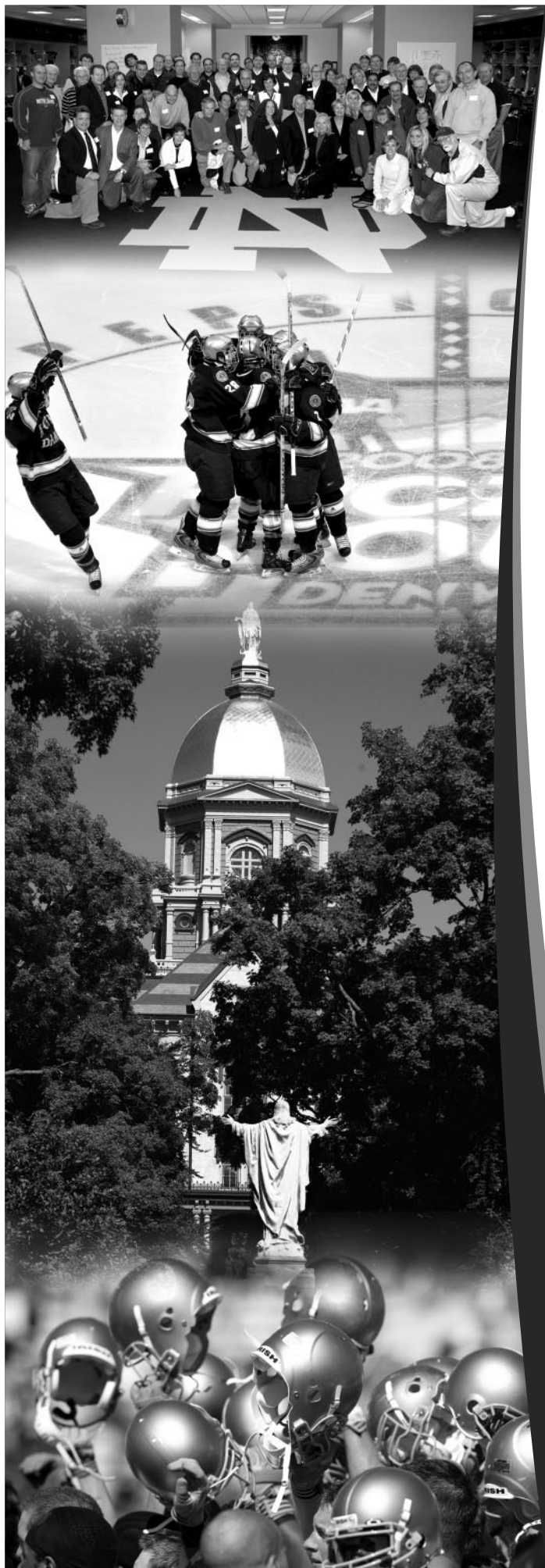
CITY OF SOUTH BEND



South Bend and Mishawaka are the two largest cities in St. Joseph County and help boost the population of the area to 266,431.

- The College Football Hall of Fame is located in downtown South Bend.
- The Studebaker National Museum is located in South Bend and displays carriages of four U.S. Presidents, prototypes and industrial treasures.
- The community's version of "Willy Wonka" can be found at The South Bend Chocolate Company and Chocolate Museum.
- Adventurers can enjoy both rafting and kayaking on the East Race Waterway, the first artificial whitewater course in North America.
- During the summer, the South Bend Silver Hawks (the Class A minor league affiliate of the Arizona Diamondbacks) plays at Coveleski Stadium.
- On Friday's prior to an Irish home football game, downtown South Bend features a Football Friday Tent Party with live music, food and drink on the grounds of the College Football Hall of Fame.





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