



# Wayne State College

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## 2009 WAYNE STATE SOFTBALL PROSPECTUS

### GENERAL INFORMATION

**SCHOOL:** Wayne State College  
**LOCATION:** Wayne, Nebraska  
**ADDRESS:** 1111 Main Street  
Wayne, NE 68787  
**FOUNDED:** 1910  
**ENROLLMENT:** 3,400  
**NICKNAME:** Wildcats  
**SCHOOL COLORS:** Black and Gold  
**HOME FIELD:** WSC Softball Complex  
**SEATING CAPACITY:** 500  
**AFFILIATION:** NCAA Division II  
**CONFERENCE:** Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conf.  
**PRESIDENT:** Dr. Richard Collings  
**ALMA MATER:** University of Louisville  
**DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS:** Eric Schoh  
**ALMA MATER:** Iowa State University  
**ATHLETIC DEPT. PHONE:** (402) 375-7520

### HISTORY

**First Year of Softball:** 1972  
**Overall All-Time Record:** 689-729-1  
**Years in NCAA Tournament:** none

### SPORTS INFORMATION

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### COACHING STAFF

**HEAD COACH:** Krista Unger  
**ALMA MATER:** University of Nebraska-Omaha  
**RECORD AT SCHOOL:** 58-45 (3rd season)  
**OFFICE PHONE:** (402) 375-7522  
**ASSISTANT COACHES:** Stephanie Kuhl – Grad. Asst.  
Ben Banks – Student Assistant  
**ATHLETIC TRAINER:** Muffin Morris  
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**ATHLETIC OFFICE:** (402) 375-7120

### TEAM INFORMATION

**Overall Record Last Year:** 30-22  
**2008 Conference Record / Finish:** 12-6 / 3rd  
**Final Ranking Last Year:** Unranked  
**2008 Conference Tournament Finish:** 1-2 / T 5th  
**Starters Returning/Lost:** 8/2  
**Letterwinners Returning/Lost:** 9/3

### MEDIA INFORMATION

**Radio Stations:** KTCH/KCTY Radio - Wayne, NE  
**Newspaper:** Wayne Herald  
**Newspaper Contact person:** Casey Schroeder  
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**WSC Athletics Homepage:** [www.wscwildcats.com](http://www.wscwildcats.com)

**Media Services:** Final box scores will be available approximately 30 minutes following the completion of all home matches. The WSC Sports Information office will also call and/or fax results to desired location. Contact the Sports Information Office prior to the match with a media list.

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### Returning Starters (8)

<u>YR</u>	<u>POS</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>Applicable Statistics from 2008</u>
Jr.	CF	53-53	.384 avg., 68 hits, 43 runs, 4 HR, 25 RBI, 16 2B
Amber Baird			
So.	P/OF	50-45	.220 avg., 28 hits, 18 runs, 6 RBI
Samantha Earleywine			
So.	C	53-53	.354 avg., 62 hits, 30 runs, 1 HR, 17 RBI, 13 2B
Hannah Engelkamp			
So.	Util.	52-47	.268 avg., 34 hits, 14 runs, 3 HR, 16 RBI, 17 BB
Katie Goetzinger			
So.	P	49-48	.222 avg., 30 hits, 14 runs, 3 HR, 18 RBI
Sarah Gottschalk			
So.	SS	52-52	.143 avg (1-7), 1 run, 1 BB
Blaire Kuhl			
So.	2B	53-53	.305 avg., 51 hits, 33 runs, 10 HR, 39 RBI, 3 SB
Jennifer Radley			
So.	1B/C	53-53	.356 avg., 57 hits, 27 runs, 11 HR, 39 RBI, 23 BB

### Starters Lost (2)

So.	OF	53-53	.274 avg., 43 hits, 25 runs, 2 HR, 24 RBI, 2 SB
Valerie Robinson			
Fr.	3B	50-50	.252 avg., 35 hits, 20 runs, 6 HR, 22 RBI
Alaina Novotny			

### Others Returning (1)

Sr.	OF	35-18	.161 avg., 9 hits, 6 runs, 1 RBI
Kiley Peterson			

### Others Lost (3)

Sr.	INF	15-0	.462 avg. (6-13), 3 RBI, 2 BB
Dawn Spale			
So.	Util.	20-2	.333 avg. (6-18), 2 runs, 4 RBI
Emily Walker			
Fr.	Util.	28-0	.333 avg. (1-3), 5 runs, 1 RBI
Kelli Benes			

### Pitchers Returning (3)

	<u>App./Starts/CG</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>K/BB</u>	<u>Hits</u>	<u>ERA</u>
So.	18 / 10 / 1	2-5	56.2	32/7	79	3.46
Amber Baird						
So.	46 / 36 / 18	23-14	236.1	142/40	253	2.52
Katie Goetzinger						
Sr.	19 / 7 / 3	5-4	62.0	36/24	58	1.81
Kiley Peterson						

### Pitchers Lost (1)

Jr.	5 / 0 / 0	0-0	8.1	1-2	7	1.75
Keri Walsh						

### **2009 Projected Starters**

P – Katie Goetzinger  
 C – Samantha Earleywine  
 1B- Jennifer Radley  
 2B – Blaire Kuhl  
 SS – Sarah Gottschalk  
 3B – Brittany Greenwood  
 LF – Hannah Engelkamp  
 CF – Amy Sandstrom  
 RF – Kiley Peterson

## 2009 WAYNE STATE COLLEGE SOFTBALL OUTLOOK

The 2009 Wayne State College softball team returns nine players and four All-Northern Sun Conference performers from last season's club that posted a 30-23 overall record while finishing third in the NSIC with a 12-6 league mark. The 2008 Wildcat squad logged some impressive numbers last season, setting six new school records that included most home runs, hits, doubles and best fielding percentage. This season, the Wildcats would like to add to that list and shoot for the school's first-ever NCAA post-season appearance while contending for a Northern Sun Conference title.

Head coach Krista Unger has compiled a 58-45 overall record and a 21-15 mark in her first two seasons with the Wildcats, giving WSC back-to-back winning seasons in softball for the first time since 1989 and '90. The 2009 Wildcat squad remains young with just one senior, one junior, seven sophomores and five freshmen to make up the 14-player roster.

"I have high expectations of this team for the 2009 season," remarked Unger. "I am pleased with the improvements I have seen from all of the girls throughout the off-season. They have worked hard everyday lifting, conditioning, hitting and pitching and I expect to see that carry over to the playing field this spring."

The lone senior on this year's team is Kiley Peterson of Utica (Centennial HS). Last season, Peterson split time as a utility player and pitcher, posting a 5-4 record in 19 appearances with three saves and a 1.81 ERA in 62 innings pitched. She also started 10 games in left field last season and will see time this year in left and right field for the Wildcats.

Starting center fielder Amy Sandstrom is the club's only junior and is coming off a stellar 2008 campaign where the Millard North graduate earned First Team All-NSIC honors while setting four new individual school records. Sandstrom hit a team-high .384 last season with four homers and 25 RBI's. She set new school records for at bats (177), hits (68), runs scored (43) and doubles (16) and anchored a Wildcat defense that set a new school record with a .967 fielding percentage.

The sophomore class is a talented group of players led by returning All-Region and All-Northern Sun Conference first baseman Jennifer Radley. The Des Moines (Iowa) East graduate set a new single season school record last season with 11 homers to go with 39 RBI's and a .356 batting average while starting all 53 games to earn NSIC Rookie of the Year honors last season for the Wildcats.

Leading the Wildcats on the mound will be sophomore pitcher Katie Goetzinger. The Harlan, Iowa native earned First Team All-NSIC honors last season with a 23-14 record and a 2.52 ERA, striking out 142 batters in 236.1 innings pitched. Goetzinger set new school records for wins in a season (23), appearances (46) and innings pitched (236.1) while notching five shutouts, the second-most in a single season by a Wildcat pitcher.

Catcher Sam Earleywine is the other returning All-NSIC performer for the Wildcats in the sophomore class. The Sergeant Bluff-Luton (Iowa) graduate hit .354 last season, ranking second on the club in hits with 62 from the leadoff position. Second baseman Blaire Kuhl collected honorable mention All-NSIC honors last season for the Wildcats after belting 10 homers with 39 RBI's to go with a .305 batting average. The 10 homers are the second most by a Wildcat player in a single season as Kuhl ranked second on the team in runs scored with 33.

Sophomore Amber Baird saw action in 50 games last season as a relief pitcher and spot starter along with designated player duties. She hit .220 with six doubles and posted a 2-5 record pitching in 18 appearances with 10 starts, one complete game and a 3.46 ERA. Hannah Engelkamp, a sophomore from Omaha Skutt, started 39 games in left field last season for the Wildcats, hitting .268 with three homers and 16 RBI's and is projected to play left field again this season for WSC. Rounding out the sophomore class is shortstop Sarah Gottschalk of Colon, Nebraska (Wahoo HS), who played the flex position last season while starting 50 games at shortstop. Gottschalk led the Wildcats on defense with 99 assists and had 56 putouts while recording just seven at bats with one hit and one run scored.

The freshman class of five is a talented group of players who will be asked to contribute immediately while adding depth to the Wildcat squad this season. Gabby Ayala of Grand Island will see time at catcher and the outfield after helping Grand Island High to the Class A State Tournament as a senior. Brittany Greenwood of Logan, Iowa (Logan-Magnolia HS) is projected for playing time at third base and shortstop after collecting All-State honors in high school as a junior and senior. Liz Hullinger of Elkhorn High School hit .536 and earned First Team All-State honors as a senior helping the Antlers win the Class B State Title. She is expected to earn playing time at catcher and third base for the Wildcats this season.

Alyssa Kirsch of Papillion-LaVista South High School will see playing time at first base and right field for the Wildcats this season after earning Second Team All-Nebraska honors in high school with a .366 batting average, helping her team to a 36-3 record and the Class A State Tournament. Brooke Vollmer of Smithton, Illinois (Freeburg HS) was a three-sport star in high school and will compete for playing time in the outfield and pitcher for the Wildcats this spring.

Wayne State is scheduled to open the 2009 season February 20-22 in Pueblo, Colorado at the NSIC/RMAC Crossover Tournament. The Wildcats will then play 10 games in Clermont, Florida at the 2009 National Training Center Spring Games. Wayne State is scheduled to play 10 home doubleheaders this season with the first coming on March 17<sup>th</sup> against Northwest Missouri State at the Pete Chapman Softball Complex.

## WAYNE STATE COLLEGE – 2009 Softball Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time</u>
Feb. 20-22	@ RMAC/NSIC Crossover Tournament – Colorado Springs, Colorado	
Feb. 20	vs. Colorado School of Mines	10:00 am
Feb. 20	vs. Chadron State	3:00 pm
Feb. 21	vs. University of Colorado-Colorado Springs	10:00 am
Feb. 21	vs. Nebraska-Kearney	12:30 pm
Feb. 22	vs. Regis University	10:00 am
Feb. 22	vs. Metro State	3:00 pm
March 9-13	@ National Training Center Spring Games – Clermont, Florida	
March 9	vs. Missouri Western State	1:30 pm
March 9	vs. Assumption (Mass.) College	3:30 pm
March 10	vs. Felician (N.J.) College	9:30 am
March 10	vs. Felician (N.J.) College	11:30 am
March 11	vs. Bentley (Mass.) College	11:30 am
March 11	vs. West Liberty State (W.Va.)	1:30 pm
March 12	vs. West Liberty State (W.Va.)	9:30 am
March 12	vs. Univ. of Tampa (Fla.)	1:30 pm
March 13	vs. Bentley (Mass.) College	9:30 am
March 13	vs. So. Connecticut State	11:30 am
<b>March 17</b>	<b>Northwest Missouri State</b>	<b>2/4 pm</b>
<b>March 18</b>	<b>Nebraska-Kearney</b>	<b>2/4 pm</b>
March 21-22	@ Missouri Western Tournament – St. Joseph, Missouri	
March 21	vs. Pittsburg State	2:00 pm
March 21	@ Missouri Western	4:00 pm
March 22	vs. Truman State	2:00 pm
March 22	vs. Northwest Missouri State	4:00 pm
March 25	@ Nebraska-Omaha	2/4 pm
<b>March 28</b>	<b>MSU Moorhead *</b>	<b>12/2 pm</b>
<b>March 29</b>	<b>Minnesota, Crookston *</b>	<b>12/2 pm</b>
April 1	@ Winona State *	1/3 pm
<b>April 5</b>	<b>Augustana *</b>	<b>1:30/3:30 pm</b>
April 7	@ Upper Iowa *	1/3 pm
<b>April 10</b>	<b>University of Mary *</b>	<b>12/2 pm</b>
<b>April 11</b>	<b>Northern State *</b>	<b>12/2 pm</b>
<b>April 14</b>	<b>Nebraska-Omaha</b>	<b>2/4 pm</b>
April 15	@ Minnesota State *	2/4 pm
April 18	@ Minnesota Duluth *	12/2 pm
April 19	@ Bemidji State *	10 am/12 pm
April 22	@ Southwest Minnesota State *	2/4 pm
<b>April 25</b>	<b>Concordia, St. Paul *</b>	<b>12/2 pm</b>
<b>April 26</b>	<b>St. Cloud State *</b>	<b>12/2 pm</b>
April 28	@ Missouri Western	2/4 pm
May 1-2	NSIC Conference Tournament	TBA
May 8-10	North Central Regionals	TBA
May 16-17	North Central Super Regionals	TBA
May 21-24	Division II Nationals	TBA

**Home Games In Bold**

\* = Northern Sun Conference games

**2009 Wayne State College  
Softball Roster**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Pos</b>	<b>Yr</b>	<b>Hometown (Last School)</b>
1	Blaire Kuhl	2B	So.	Logan, Iowa (Logan-Magnolia HS)
2	Amber Baird	P	So.	Sergeant Bluff, Iowa (Sgt. Bluff-Luton HS)
3	Hannah Engelkamp	Util.	So.	Omaha, Nebraska (Skutt HS)
4	Gabby Ayala	C/OF	Fr.	Grand Island, Nebraska (Grand Island HS)
5	Samantha Earleywine	C	So.	Sergeant Bluff, Iowa (Sgt. Bluff-Luton HS)
6	Brooke Vollmer	P/OF	Fr.	Smithton, Illinois (Freeburg HS)
7	Sarah Gottschalk	SS	So.	Colon, Nebraska (Wahoo HS)
9	Liz Hullinger	3B/C	Fr.	Omaha, Nebraska (Elkhorn HS)
11	Kiley Peterson	OF	Sr.	Utica, Nebraska (Centennial HS)
12	Amy Sandstrom	CF	Jr.	Omaha, Nebraska (Loyola University)
15	Alyssa Kirsch	1B/OF	Fr.	Papillion, Nebraska (Papillion LaVista South HS)
17	Katie Goetzinger	P	So.	Harlan, Iowa (Harlan HS)
18	Brittany Greenwood	SS/3B	Fr.	Logan, Iowa (Logan-Magnolia HS)
28	Jennifer Radley	1B	So.	Des Moines, Iowa (Des Moines East HS)

Head Coach: Krista Unger (3<sup>rd</sup> season)

Graduate Assistant Coach: Stephanie Kuhl

Student Assistant: Ben Banks

