



2016-17 SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER

Nov. 5	at Monarch Invitational	3rd Place; 2 Champions
	(Wilkes-Barre, PA - King's College)	
Nov. 12	at NY/PA Duals	
	NYU	Loss 14-22
	Hunter	Win 42-6
	Nassau CC	Win 40-6
	College of Mount Saint Vincent	Win 44-6
Nov. 19	at Muhlenberg Quad	
	Southern Virginia	Win 52-6
	Temple Wrestling Club	Win 41-12
	Muhlenberg	Win 32-12
11/27	at Grapple in the Garden	
	Merchant Marine	Win 32-15
	Stevens (@Madison Square Garden)	Loss 12-25

DECEMBER

Dec. 2-Dec. 3	at Messiah Petrofes	3rd Place; 1 Champion
	(Grantham, PA - Messiah College)	
Dec. 22	Wilkes Open	8th Place

JANUARY

Jan. 7	at North-South Duals	
	Shippensburg	Win 24-21
	Camden County	Win 24-21
	Delaware Valley	Win 25-13
	Cortland	Loss 6-31
Jan. 10	at Centenary	7:00 p.m.
Jan. 14	at Will Able Tournament	9:00 a.m.
Jan. 21	at Middle Atlantic Conference Championships	10:30 a.m.
	(Grantham, PA - Messiah College)	
Jan. 28	Wilkes Quad	
	Oneonta	11:00 a.m.
	Keystone College	1:00 p.m.
	Washington & Jefferson	3:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY

Feb. 3	TCNJ	7:00 p.m.
Feb. 5	John Reese Duals	
	Scranton	11:00 a.m.
	RIT	1:00 p.m.
	West Virginia Tech	3:00 p.m.
Feb. 10	at Ithaca	7:00 p.m.
Feb. 14	at Elizabethtown	7:00 p.m.
Feb. 16	at King's	7:00 p.m.
Feb. 25-26	at Mideast Regional	10:00 a.m.

MARCH

Mar. 10-11	at NCAA Championships	TBA
	(La Crosse, WI - La Crosse Center)	

Home Matches in Bold at the Marts Center

No. 16 Wilkes (10-3) vs. Centenary (2-0)



Tuesday, January 10

Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

Hackettstown, N.J. • John M. Reeves Center

Colonels Notebook

- Wilkes had a strong showing at the North South Duals going 3-1 at the event with an upset win over No. 14 Delaware Valley. The Colonels also posted wins over Division II Shippensburg and Camden County.
- Wilkes finished eighth overall at the 84th annual Wilkes Open with one top-three finisher. Guesseppe Rea claimed second overall at 125-pounds finishing 3-1
- The Colonels took home third place at the Messiah Petrofes Tournament in early December. Matthew Grossmann captured the 141-pound crown while nine other wrestlers earned top-seven finishes.
- Wilkes made its second consecutive appearance in the Grapple at the Garden event going 1-1 with a 32-15 win over Merchant Marine.
- The Colonels pushed their win streak earlier in the year to six matches going 3-0 at the Muhlenberg Quad. Wilkes recorded wins over Southern Virginia (52-6), Temple Wrestling Club (41-12) and Muhlenberg (32-12)
- Wilkes finished 3-1 at the NY/PA Duals with wins against Hunter College (42-6), Nassau CC (40-6) and College of Mount Saint Vincent (44-6).
- Wilkes finished in third place at the Monarch Invitational as two Colonels earned individual championships. Jessie Lopez won the 141-pound title going 5-0 while Evans finished 5-0 with a title at 149-pounds. In total, six Colonels claimed top-six finishes.
- Wilkes features three ranked wrestlers in the latest NWCA individual rankings. Rea is ranked third at 125-pounds, Grossmann first at 141-pounds, and Evans fifth at 149-pounds.
- Seven Colonels have already totaled 10 or more wins this season including four wrestlers with 12 or more victories.

No. 16 Wilkes University Colonels

Weighing In

Weight	Name	Rcd.	Weight	Name	Rcd.
125	#3 Guesseppe Rea	13-2	157	John Ritter	8-6
125	Spencer Reed	4-7	165	Michael Paskas	9-9
125	Denzel Tovar	13-3	174	Justin Morel	7-12
133	Pankil Chander	10-4	184	Jacob Brook	2-6
141	Cory Fleming	7-5	184	Nasser McCummings	4-8
141	#1 Matthew Grossmann	10-1	197	Jordan Nochimson	5-6
149	Kyle Medrow	19-6	285	Dane Tarantelli	1-4
157	Ashton Gyenizs	9-7			

Head Coach Jon Laudenslager

Jon Laudenslager will begin his 14th season at the helm of the Wilkes University wrestling program in the 2016-17 season. During his thirteen years as head coach, Laudenslager has led Wilkes to a dual match record of 202-83-5 (.710), including twelve winning seasons, and has posted at least 13 wins ten times. Prior to appointment as head coach for the 2003-04 season, Laudenslager served as an assistant coach for the Colonels for three years.

Laudenslager coached his first-ever NCAA Division III National Champion in freshman Matthew Grossmann (133) in 2014-15. Grossmann became the Colonels 11th champion and the first Wilkes wrestler to capture a national title since 1975, earning several Freshman of the Year honors in the process.

Under Laudenslager's guidance, the Colonels have become a consistent force in Division III, ranking as high as 5th nationally during the 2013-14 season. Wilkes finished 18-3 capturing the program's first-ever East Regional championship while sending six wrestlers to NCAA's including All-American Mark Hartenstine (4th/149).

In 2012-13, the Colonels set a school record with 19-straight dual match wins breaking the previous mark of 18 set in 1979-80. Wilkes finished 19-3 sending four wrestlers to NCAA's including its second straight National Runner-Up Kris Krawchuk.

With six Metropolitan Conference place-winners, including two-time conference champion and National Runner-Up (two-time All-American) Anthony Dattolo, Laudenslager led Wilkes to a 19-4 record in 2011-12, the fifth straight year with at least 15 victories.

Climbing as high as 15th nationally during the 2009-10 season, the Colonels finished the year with a school record 22 wins and a second place Metropolitan Conference finish. Wilkes boasted seven place-winners, with Frank Heffernan and Zach Pizarro taking home individual titles, while Pizarro earned All-American status.

On January 30 of that season, Laudenslager earned his 100th career dual victory, the second to ever achieve the feat at Wilkes after legendary coach John Reese (514 career wins).

In 2008-09, Laudenslager guided the Colonels to a 17-6-2 record, winning the Metropolitan team championship. The Colonels placed seven wrestlers into the conference tournament finals, with 133 Josh Pauling, 149 Erik Smith and 197 Zach Pizarro claiming titles. The Colonels ranked as high as 12th in the NWCA polls that season, and qualified five wrestlers to the national tournament in Iowa.

In the summer of 2010, Laudenslager was selected by the NWCA as a mentor for the 2010 Leadership Academy. He also served on the Division III NCAA Committee from 2006-2010.

Laudenslager is a former standout wrestler for the Colonels, earning four varsity letters from 1994 to 1998 while wrestling at the Division I level. He broke onto the scene as a rookie when he fashioned an overall record of 24-7 while wrestling at both 126 and 134 pounds. Laudenslager finished fifth at the EIWA Championships and earned EIWA Rookie of the Year honors. His performance helped Wilkes fashion a dual match record of 14-10-1 and cop a tenth place finish at the EIWA Championships. He also ended his freshman season with a team-leading nine wins by fall.

As a junior Laudenslager concluded the season with an overall record of 17-10 at 134 pounds. He posted six wins by fall and came close to knocking off EIWA champion Carl Keske from Cornell University, dropping a hard-fought 11-9 decision. He also earned a second-place finish at the West Point Open, while claiming the team's Shawn Galbreath Academic Coaches Award.

A graduate of Wilkes with a degree in Psychology, Laudenslager is only the seventh head coach in the long and storied history of the Colonels wrestling program.

2016-17 Wilkes University Roster

Wrestler	Yr.	Wt.	Hometown / High School
Denzel Tovar	Fr.	125	Wall, NJ / Wall
Spencer Reed	Fr.	125	Leesburg, VA / Tuscarora
Guesseppe Rea	Sr.	125	Stroudsburg, PA / Stroudsburg
Bryce Bernardine	Fr.	133	Jericho, VT / Mt. Mansfield Union
Richard Gilson	So.	133	Thompsontown, PA / Juniata
Cory Fleming	Sr.	133	Long Valley, NJ / West Morris
Pankil Chander	Sr.	133	Cedarhurst, NY / Lawrence
Edwin Fiscal	Sr.	133	Bogota, NJ / Bogota
Kyle Medrow	Fr.	141	West Chester, PA / West Chester Henderson
Nicholas Moullette	Fr.	141	Pompton Lakes, NJ / Pompton Lakes
Jake DiMarsico	Jr.	141	Thiells, NY / North Rockland
Matthew Grossman	Jr.	141	Lancaster, PA / Manheim Twp.
Jessie Lopez	So.	141	Everett, WA / Everett
Morgan Fuller	Jr.	149	Hamlin, PA / Western Wayne
Josh Evans	Jr.	149	Palmerton, PA / Palmerton
Kelvin Awo	Fr.	149	Lansdown, PA / Penn Wood
Cole Walters	So.	157	Mifflintown, PA / Juniata
Michael Brown	Fr.	157	Plains, PA / Coughlin
Chase Taylor	Fr.	157	Milford, DE / Milford
John Ritter	So.	157	Bethlehem, PA / Liberty
Ashton Gyenizs	So.	157	Wolcott, CT / Daniel Hand
Nicholas Raccanelli	Jr.	157	West Creek, NJ / Southern
Justin Morel	Fr.	165	Corona, NY / Mt. St. Michael Academy
Brett McGill	Fr.	165	Collegeville, PA / Spring-Ford
Sean Kshir	Fr.	165	Mansfield, PA / Mansfield
Matthew Judge	So.	165	Eynon, PA / Valley View
Michael Paskas	Gr.	165	Rutherford, NJ / Rutherford
Tyler Green	Fr.	174	Schuylerville, NY / Schuylerville
Justin Contreras	Fr.	174	Morris Plains, NJ / Morristown
Ricky Fornaciari	Fr.	174	Easton, PA / Nazareth
Alexis Santana-Quintana	Fr.	184	San Jose, CA / Prospect
Nasser McCummings	Fr.	184	Stafford, VA / North Stafford
Jacob Brook	Sr.	184	Layton, NJ / Kittatiny
Zachary Faust	So.	197	Wilkes-Barre, PA / GAR
Jordan Nochimson	Sr.	197	Nutley, NJ / Nutley
Dane Tarantelli	Fr.	285	Ashland, PA / North Schuylkill
Jacob Huling	So.	285	Jersey Shore, PA / Jersey Shore

National Wrestling Coaches Association Division III
Team Ranking #4
January 2, 2017

<u>Ranking</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Record</u>
1.	Wartburg College (IA)	(8 – 0)
2.	Ithaca College (NY)	(2 - 0)
3.	Augsburg College (MN)	(5 - 0)
4.	University of Wisconsin – La Crosse	(5 - 0)
5.	Roger Williams University (RI)	(8 - 0)
6.	Johnson & Wales University (RI)	(5 - 0)
7.	Wabash College (IN)	(1 - 0)
8.	Concordia College – Moorhead (MN)	(6 – 4)
9.	Stevens Institute of Technology (NJ)	(9 - 0)
10.	Central College (IA)	(5 - 0)
11.	Messiah College (PA)	(5 - 2)
12.	Coe College (IA)	(3 – 3)
13.	New York University	(9 - 1)
14.	Delaware Valley College (PA)	(4 – 2)
15.	Baldwin Wallace College (OH)	(10 – 2)
16.	Wilkes University (PA)	(7 - 2)
17.	University of Wisconsin – Platteville	(4 - 0)
18.	University of Wisconsin – Whitewater	(3 - 3)
19.	Cornell College (IA)	(4 – 4)
20.	SUNY Brockport (NY)	(1 – 0)
21.	Olivet College (MI)	(6 – 5)
22.	Ferrum College (VA)	(7 – 1)
23.	Lycoming College (PA)	(10 – 1)
24.	US Coast Guard Academy (CT)	(3 – 1)
25.	Ohio Northern University	(4 – 0)

Ranking Committee: Kevin Bratland (US Coast Guard Academy), Mike Howard (Oswego State), Corey Luce (New York University), Jon Laudenslager (Wilkes University), Eric Keller (Wartburg College), Phil Moenkedick (Concordia College - Moorhead), Joe Norton (North Central College)

Next Ranking: TBA, 2017

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1. Lucas Malmberg – *Messiah College* (sr)
2. Zac Denny – *UW Whitewater* (sr)
3. Guesseppe Rea – *Wilkes University* (sr)
4. CJ Pestano – *Central College* (jr)
5. Arnulfo Olea – *Wartburg College* (sr)
6. Jakob Stageberg – *Concordia College - Moorhead* (jr)
7. James Kaishian – *Ithaca College* (sr)
8. Carlos Feuntez – *Wheaton College* (jr)
9. Jonathan Haas – *SUNY Brockport* (jr)
10. Kordell Rush – *Delaware Valley College* (fr)

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1. Matt Grossmann – *Wilkes University* (jr)
2. Dustin Weinmann – *UW La Crosse* (sr)
3. Josh Martin – *Cornell College* (jr)
4. Tim Ambacher – *Delaware Valley College* (jr)
5. Nick Wahba – *Ithaca College* (sr)
6. Anthony Gagliano – *The College of New Jersey* (fr)
7. Alec Cotton – *University of Mount Union* (jr)
8. Alvontae Drummond – *McDaniel College* (sr)
9. Chase Wilson – *Manchester University* (jr)
10. Daniel Radcliffe – *Central College* (fr)

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1. Logan Thomsen – *Wartburg College* (jr)
2. Nick Bova – *Wabash College* (sr)
3. Grant Parker – *Augsburg College* (sr)
4. Thomas Poklikuha – *Stevens Institute of Technology* (so)
5. Zach Joseph – *Springfield College* (sr)
6. Ty Herzog – *Roger Williams University* (sr)
7. Christopher Sullivan – *US Coast Guard Academy* (jr)
8. Ray Jazikoff – *New York University* (jr)
9. Jimmy Davis – *Loras College* (jr)
10. Joe Heinz – *Concordia College – Moorhead* (jr)

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1. Ben Swarr – *Messiah College* (jr)
2. Eric Devos – *Wartburg College* (jr)
3. Sonnieboy Blanco – *Washington & Jefferson College* (sr)
4. Richard Carlson – *UW La Crosse* (sr)
5. John Messinger – *New York University* (sr)
6. Josh Sibblies – *Centenary College* (sr)
7. Benjamin Schweiger – *Delaware Valley College* (sr)
8. Stephen Jarrell – *Johnson & Wales University* (sr)
9. Jake Voss – *Coe College* (so)
10. Taylor McPhail – *Alma College* (jr)

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1. Riley Lefever – *Wabash College* (sr)
2. Triston Engle – *SUNY Brockport* (so)
3. Mason Baumgartner – *Concordia - Wisconsin* (sr)
4. Michael Swider – *Wheaton College* (sr)
5. Kyle Fank – *Wartburg College* (jr)
6. Carlos Toribio – *Ithaca College* (sr)
7. Luke Fernandez – *Elizabethtown College* (sr)
8. AJ Kowal – *Stevens Institute of Technology* (jr)
9. Guy Patron – *Loras College* (fr)
10. Matt Seabold – *Central College* (sr)

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1. Troy Stanich – *Stevens Institute of Technology* (fr)
2. Ryan Flynn – *York College* (sr)
3. Jay Albis – *Johnson & Wales University* (so)
4. Austin Sisco – *Oneonta State* (jr)
5. Sam Bennyhoff – *Augsburg College* (so)
6. Zach Bylykbashi – *Washington & Lee University* (so)
7. Bryan Israel – *Ithaca College* (jr)
8. Ryan Weinmann – *UW La Crosse* (sr)
9. Cam Timok – *Central College* (so)
10. Freddy Terranova – *Augustana College* (so)

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1. Seth Lansberry – *Lycoming College* (sr)
2. Sam Schneider – *Ithaca College* (fr)
3. Dan Downes – *Roger Williams University* (sr)
4. Daniel Del Gallo – *University of Southern Maine* (sr)
5. Josh Evans – *Wilkes University* (jr)
6. Cross Cannone – *Wartburg College* (so)
7. Sean Peacock – *SUNY Brockport* (jr)
8. Zach Wilhelm – *Stevens Institute of Technology* (jr)
9. Austin Kelly – *Olivet College* (sr)
10. Randle Taborn – *Millikin University* (fr)

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1. Logan Hermsen – *UW Stevens Point* (sr)
2. Ryan Vandall – *Central College* (sr)
3. Alec Golner – *Roger Williams University* (sr)
4. Nick Velez – *Ithaca College* (jr)
5. Ryan Harrington – *Coe College* (sr)
6. Larry Cannon – *Messiah College* (sr)
7. Nolan Barger – *Lycoming College* (sr)
8. Colin Navickas – *Stevens Institute of Technology* (sr)
9. Mitchell Fucile – *Lakeland College* (sr)
10. Connor Brummett – *Wabash College* (sr)

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1. Justin Kreiter – *Luther College* (sr)
2. Owen Webster – *Augsburg College* (fr)
3. Christopher Chorzepa – *Williams College* (sr)
4. Jordan Newman – *UW Whitewater* (jr)
5. Dillen Decker – *Heidelberg University* (so)
6. Bryan Levsen – *Wartburg College* (sr)
7. Jordan Bushey – *Oswego State* (fr)
8. Alex Friedman – *UW La Crosse* (sr)
9. Keajion Jennings – *Millikin University* (so)
10. Grant Wedepohl – *UW Platteville* (so)

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1. Zach Roseberry – *Delaware Valley College* (sr)
2. Donny Logendyke – *Augsburg College* (sr)
3. Lance Evans – *Wartburg College* (jr)
4. James Bethel – *Oneonta State* (so)
5. Paul Triandafilou – *Gettysburg College* (so)
6. Kyle Foster – *Roger Williams University* (sr)
7. Justice Davis – *Concordia College – Moorhead* (sr)
8. Adarios Jones – *Augustana College* (so)
9. Austin Bellile – *Milwaukee School of Engineering* (jr)
10. Austin Shrewsbury – *Worcester Polytechnic Institute* (so)