

## **2016-17 SCHEDULE**

NOVEM	BER				
Nov. 5					
	(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	10:30 a.m.			
	Stevens (@Madison Square Garden)	12:30 p.m.			
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DECEM	<u>BER</u>				
Dec. 2 -Dec. 3	at Messiah Petrofes Tournament	All Day			
	(Grantham, PA - Messiah College)				
Dec. 22	Wilkes Open	9:00 a.m.			
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<u>JANUAR</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{Y}}$				
Jan. 7	at North-South Duals	9:30 a.m.			
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.			
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Feb. 3	TCNJ	7:00 p.m.			
Feb. 5	John Reese Duals				
	Scranton	11:00 a.m.			
	RIT	1:00 p.m.			
l	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.			
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Mar. 10-11	at NCAA Championships	TBA			
	(La Crosse, WI – La Crosse Center)				
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# No. 17 Wilkes at Grapple at the Garden



Grapple at the Garden Sunday, November 27

Start Time: 10:30 a.m. / 12:30 p.m. New York, N.Y. • Madison Square Garden

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## **Colonels Notebook**

- Wilkes makes its second consecutive appearance in the Grapple at the Garden event after posting a 30-6 win over LIU Post last season.
- The Colonels pushed their win streak 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 Josh 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. Guesseppe Rea is ranked fifth at 125-pounds, Matthew Grossmann second at 141-pounds, and Evans fifth at 149-pounds.
- Seven Colonels have already totaled five or more wins this season including three wrestlers with eight or more victories.

# **Wilkes University Colonels**

## Weighing In

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Michael Paskas

Justin Contreras

Ricky Fornaciari

<u>Weight</u>	Name	Rcd.	Weight	Name	Rcd.
125	Guesseppe Rea	4-0	184	Jacob Brook	0-0
125	Denzel Tovar	7-1	184	Nasser McCummings	3-3
133	Pankil Chander	4-0	197	Zachary Faust	7-2
141	Matthew Grossmann	2-0	197	Jordan Nochimson	3-0
141	Jessie Lopez	5-0	285	Jacob Huling	8-2
141	Kyle Medrow	8-3	285	Dane Tarantelli	0-0
149	Josh Evans	6-0			
149	Jake Dimarsico	3-2			
157	Nicholas Racanelli	9-3	$\mathbf{R}$	XCAS	Т
157	Ashton Gyenizs	4-2			_
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## **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 atleast 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 #2 November 16, 2016

### Ranking Record **Team** 1. Wartburg College (IA) (0 - 0)2. Wabash College (IN) (1 - 0)3. Ithaca College (NY) (0 - 0)University of Wisconsin – La Crosse (0 - 0)4. 5. Roger Williams University (RI) (0 - 0)Johnson & Wales University (RI) (0 - 0)6. 7. Concordia College – Moorhead (MN) (0 - 0)8. SUNY Cortland (NY) (0 - 0)9. Augsburg College (MN) (0 - 0)Central College (IA) (0 - 0)10. Stevens Institute of Technology (NJ) (1 - 0)11. 12. Coe College (IA) (0 - 0)Messiah College (PA) 13. (0 - 0)14. College of New Jersey (0-1)University of Wisconsin – Whitewater 15. (0 - 0)New York University (4 - 0)16. Wilkes University (PA) (3 - 1)17. York College (PA) 18. (0 - 0)Baldwin Wallace College (OH) 19. (1 - 0)Cornell College (IA) (1 - 0)20. 21. SUNY Brockport (NY) (1 - 0)22. Ursinus College (PA) (0 - 0)US Coast Guard Academy (CT) 23. (0 - 0)

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Delaware Valley College (PA)

# National Wrestling Coaches Association Division III Individual Ranking – November 16, 2016

- 1. Lucas Malmberg Messiah College (sr)
- 2. CJ Pestano Central College (jr)
- 3. Zac Denny *UW Whitewater* (sr)
- 4. Arnulfo Olea Wartburg College (sr)
- 5. Guesseppe Rea *Wilkes University* (sr)
- 6. Jakob Stageberg Concordia College Moorhead (jr)
- 7. James Kaishian *Ithaca College* (sr)
- 8. Jan Rosenberg Coe College (sr)
- 9. Carlos Feuntez Wheaton College (jr)
- 10. Nick Mancini *University of Mount Union* (jr)

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- 1. Devin Broukal Wabash College (jr)
- 2. Matt Grossmann Wilkes University (jr)
- 3. Josh Martin Cornell College (jr)
- 4. Gregg Warner York College (so)
- 5. Dustin Weinmann *UW La Crosse* (sr)
- 6. Connor Campo Wartburg College (sr)
- 7. Nick Wahba *Ithaca College* (sr)
- 8. Alvontae Drummond *McDaniel College* (sr)
- 9. Layten Binion North Central College (sr)
- 10. Joe Ferinde *Johnson & Wales University* (so)

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- 1. Grant Parker Augsburg College (sr)
- 2. Nick Bova Wabash College (sr)
- 3. Derek Arnold *Ursinus College* (sr)
- 4. Christopher Sullivan US Coast Guard Academy (jr)
- 5. Jeff Hojnacki Messiah College (jr)
- 6. Logan Thomsen Wartburg College (jr)
- 7. Aaron Engle Cornell College (sr)
- 8. Ty Herzog *Roger Williams University* (sr)
- 9. Ray Jazikoff New York University (jr)
- 10. Thomas Poklikuha Stevens Institute of Technology (so) 10. Tristan Zurfluh Luther College (sr)

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- 1. Ben Swarr Messiah College (jr)
- 2. Eric Devos Wartburg College (jr)
- 3. Sonnieboy Blanco Washington & Jefferson College (sr) 3.
- 4. Josh Sibblies Centenary College (sr)
- 5. Garrett Beaman Saint Olaf College (so)
- 6. Richard Carlson UW La Crosse (sr)
- 7. John Messinger New York University (sr)
- 8. Stephen Jarrell Johnson & Wales University (sr)
- 9. Jon Goetz *UW Platteville* (so)
- 10. Mason Mergener Concordia Wisconsin (sr)

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

- 1. Chris Williams *Millikin University* (so)
- Troy Stanich Stevens Institute of Technology (fr)
- Ryan Flynn *York College* (sr)
- 4. Sam Bennyhoff Augsburg College (so)
- 5. Joe Brodman *UW Whitewater* (sr)
- 6. Michael Triplett Loras College (jr)
- 7. Ryan Weinmann *UW La Crosse* (sr)
- 8. Austin Sisco Oneonta State (jr)
- 9. Zach Bylykbashi Washington & Lee University (so)
- 10. Jay Albis Johnson & Wales University (so)

- Seth Lansberry *Lycoming College* (sr)
- 2. Daniel Del Gallo *University of Southern Maine* (sr)
- 3. Ben Williamson North Central College (so)
- 4. Cross Cannone Wartburg College (so)
- 5. Josh Evans Wilkes University (ir)
- 6. Brendon Seyfried Williams College (so)
- 7. Sam Schneider Ithaca College (fr)
- 8. Zach Wilhelm Stevens Institute of Technology (jr)
- 9. Zack LeBarron *Keystone College* (fr)
- 10. Alex Kramer *Ursinus College* (sr)

- 1. Logan Hermsen UW Stevens Point (sr)
- 2. Ryan Harrington Coe College (sr)
- 3. Nick Velez *Ithaca College* (jr)
- 4. Larry Cannon Messiah College (sr)
- 5. Nolan Barger Lycoming College (sr)
- 6. Colin Navickas Stevens Institute of Technology (sr)
- Stephen Aiello Wheaton College (sr)
- 8. Ryan Vandall Central College (sr)
- 9. Nick Herring The College of New Jersey (sr)

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- 1. Justin Kreiter *Luther College* (sr)
- 2. Austin Cook *UW La Crosse* (so)
- Jordan Newman *UW Whitewater* (jr)
- 4. Grant Wedepohl *UW Platteville* (so)
- Dillen Decker Heidelberg University (so)
- 6. AJ McBroom Central College (sr)
- 7. Patrick Rooney US Merchant Marine Academy (sr)
- 8. Bryan Levsen Wartburg College (sr)
- 9. Ricky Briggs Concordia College Moorhead (jr)
- 10. Jordan Bushey Oswego State (fr)

- 1. Zach Roseberry Delaware Valley College (sr)
- 2. Lance Evans Wartburg College (jr)
- 3. James Bethel *Oneonta State* (so)
- 4. Paul Triandafilou Gettysburg College (so)
- 5. Kyle Foster Roger Williams University (sr)
- 6. Nino Majoy Heidelberg University (sr)
- 7. Matan Peleg *Ursinus College* (sr)
- 8. Justice Davis Concordia College Moorhead (sr)
- 9. Austin Bellile Milwaukee School of Engineering (jr)
- 10. D'Andre Johnson *UW Platteville* (so)