



UNIVERSITY OF SIOUX FALLS FOOTBALL

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Cougars History

First game: 1902 vs. USD
Last Playoff Appearance.....2010 (NAIA National Runner-up)
First Year of Football 1902
All-Time Record (Years)410-402-20 (97th)
Number of Conference Championships (Last) 19 (2010)
Number of National Championships (Last).....4 (2009)
All-Americans.....95
Player of the Year Award winners.....5
All-Conference Selections.....277
Highest NCAA DII Ranking in Polls...#5 D2Football.com, 2015 week 3; #7, AFCA, 2015 week 3

2014 RESULTS

Sept. 6	MINOT STATE	41-14, W
Sept. 13	@ Bemidji State	52-19, W
Sept. 20	ST. CLOUD STATE	36-0, W
Sept. 27	@ MSU Moorhead	73-21, W
Oct. 4.	CONCORDIA-SP (Homecoming)	38-9, W
Oct. 11	@ Augustana (Key to the City)	23-12, W
Oct. 18	Southwest Minnesota State	44-20, W
Oct. 25	@ Winona State	41-28, W
Nov. 01	@ Minnesota State	27-14, L
Nov. 8	UPPER IOWA	45-21, W
Nov. 15	WAYNE STATE	63-28, W
Dec. 6	Central Oklahoma (Mineral Water Bowl)	42-10, W

2015 SCHEDULE

Sept. 5	U-MARY	55-7, W
Sept. 12	@ Minnesota-Crookston	45-21, W
Sept. 19	#7/7 MINNESOTA-DULUTH	35-31, W
Sept. 26	@ Northern State (Gypsy Days)	28-10, W
Oct. 3.	@ Wayne State	1 p.m.
Oct. 10	WINONA STATE (HOMECOMING)	6 p.m.
Oct. 17	@ Southwest Minnesota State	6 p.m.
Oct. 24	AUGUSTANA (KEY TO THE CITY)	2:30 p.m.
	<i>ESPN 3 game</i>	
Oct. 31	@ Concordia-St. Paul	1 p.m.
Nov. 7	MINNESOTA STATE (SENIOR DAY)	12:00 p .m.
Nov. 14	at Upper Iowa	12:00 p.m.

Game Day Officials - USF vs. WSC

Referee: George Drouches
Umpire: Ivan Cardova
Head Line Judge: Peter Vrieze
Line Judge: Robert Zahradka
Side Judge: Robert Johnson
Field Judge: Tyler Vrieze
Back Judge: Adam Berg



vs.



#7/4 Sioux Falls (4-0, 4-0 NSIC)

vs.

Wayne State (3-1, 3-1 NSIC)

@ Bob Cunningham Field, Wayne, Neb. @ 1:00 p.m.

#7/4 Cougars continue two-week road swing as NSIC

South play opens against Wayne State

SIOUX FALLS (Oct. 1, 2015) -- As NSIC South play opens, Wayne State (3-1, 3-1) will host #7/4 Sioux Falls (4-0, 4-0) at Bob Cunningham Field on Saturday (Oct. 3) at 1 p.m. USF, which is 12-6 in all-time lead road games, will try and win their third road game of the 2015 season.

The Cougars enter the game as the league's most productive offense with league-highs in scoring (40.8 ppg) and total offense (494.0 yards per game). Last week, USF opened up a 28-3 lead and defeated Northern State (0-4, 0-4), 28-10 on the 100th Gypsy Days in Aberdeen. Wayne State, which ranks sixth in the NSIC in points at 30.8 ppg. and total offense at 435.8 yards per game, recorded a 24-10 win over U-Mary on the road. Defensively, the Cougars rank third in the league in scoring defense at 17.2 points per game and third in total defense. Wayne State is 10th in scoring defense at 25.2 points per game and eighth in total defense at 379.0 yards per game.

How things stand for the Cougars

Heading into the game with the Wildcats, USF has won 16-of-17 games, including 15 by double digits. USF's most impressive win to date was the #35-31 victory over then #7 UMD at Bob Young Field. In the DII era, it was USF's first-ever win over a top-10 ranked opponent. The Cougars also own a 55-7 win over U-Mary, 45-21 victory against Minnesota-Crookston and the 28-10 decision of Northern State. It amounts to a 163-to-69 point differential. As a result of a 4-0 run against the NSIC North for the second straight year, USF has a 14-2 mark vs. the North in four seasons in the NSIC.

Meanwhile, Wayne State opened with a 58-16 win over Minnesota-Crookston before falling to Minnesota-Duluth, 48-7, on the road. They defeated Northern State, 34-27, at home and ran past U-Mary, 24-10 on the road. They have a 123-to-101 point differential.

Series Notes

USF is 3-0 all-time vs. Wayne State College, including a 63-28 victory at Bob Young Field on a snowy day last Nov. 15. Sioux Falls won the first-ever meeting between the two programs, 24-14, on Nov. 10, 2012 as John Tidwell had a 77-yard punt return for a TD to lead the then #22 ranked Cougars at Bob Young Field. Two years ago, USF defeated the Wildcats, 35-10, at Bob Cunningham Field in Wayne, Neb. Solomon St. Pierre had his first career interception return for a TD (70-yards) and the Brady Rose had 111 yards rushing and two TDs. A year ago, USF had 538 yards in

total offense, led by Nephi Garcia's career-best 225 yards rushing and three TDs and QB Luke Papilion's four TD passes and 225 yards rushing. USF led 21-7 after one quarter and 56-28 after three. For Wayne State, Ryan Ludlow had 252 yards and three TDs rushing.

Lightning Quick "O"

In USF's spread offense, Harlon Hill candidate Luke Papilion and his teammates, directed by offensive coordinator Dusty Hovorka, have fashioned an offense that strikes lightning quick. In the last 16 games, USF has had 60 TD drives in three minutes or less, including 18 this season. Of that, 39 TD drives have taken less than two minutes with 19 in under a minute. In 26 of those 58 drives, USF scored in four plays or less.

USF moves up to #4 in D2Football.com; remains #7 in AFCA and #5 in NCAA Power Rankings

In this week's national polls, USF remained #7 in the AFCA rankings while they jumped from #5 to a program-best #4 in the D2Football.com poll. In addition USF has remained #5 in David Boyce's DII power rankings at NCAA.com. The three rankings are the best ever by USF in national DII polls.

Where to Watch/Listen

The radio broadcast will be on KWSN 1230 AM at KWSN.com with veteran play-by-play announcer Tom Frederick, who is in his 18th year with the Cougars. Tim Hiatt is in his 15th year as the analyst on the USF game broadcasts. The Jed Stugart Pre-game Show airs 30 minutes prior to kickoff. Join Tom and Tim after the game for a wrapup and interviews. Live stats are available at usfcougars.com with each game webcast through the NSIC's partnership with Stretch Internet. All USF games are available for live streaming at portal.stretchinternet.com/siouxfalls.

USF vs. ranked opponents

With the 35-31 win over #7 UMD, USF, Coach Jed Stugart teams are 9-7 against DII or NAIA foes in top 25 matchups.

2014: #1 Minnesota State 27 #10 USF 14, Blakeslee Stadium, Mankato, Minn., Nov. 1

2014: USF 36 #17 St. Cloud State 0, Bob Young Field, Sept. 19

2013: #11 Minnesota-Duluth 32 USF 7, Sept. 7, James Malovsky Stadium, Duluth, Minn.

2013: #1 Minnesota-Mankato 52 USF 17, Nov. 9, Bob Young Field

2012: USF 32, #16 St. Cloud State 19, Husky Stadium, St. Cloud, August 30

2012: #6 Minnesota State 27 #17 USF 13, Blakeslee Stadium, Mankato, Minn., Nov. 3

2011: #2 Northwest Missouri State 52 USF 17, Bearcat Stadium, Maryville, Mo., Sept. 10

2011: #18 Washburn University 33, USF 17, Bob Young Field, Sept. 1

At NAIA

2010: #2 Carroll College 10 #1 Sioux Falls 7, Dec. 18, Rome, Ga. (national title game)

2010: #1 Sioux Falls 38 Mid-America Nazarene 0, Dec. 4, Bob Young Field (national semifinals)

2010: #1 Sioux Falls 27 #12 McKendree 7, Nov. 27, Bob Young Field

2010: #1 Sioux Falls 33 Northeast Oklahoma State 14, Nov. 20, Bob Young Field

2010: #1 Sioux Falls 28 #4 Morningside 3, Oct. 16, Bob Young Field

2010: #1 Sioux Falls 34 #22 Hastings College 10, Sept. 25, Hastings, Neb.

2010: #1 Sioux Falls 41 Northwestern College 24, Sept. 4, Korver Field, Orange City, Iowa (Northwestern campus)

WSC Notes

About WSC Head Coach Dan McLaughlin

Dan McLaughlin is in his 11th season as head football coach at

Head Coaches Sketch



Jed Stugart
Sioux Falls
Azusa Pacific, '94
48-13 (6th year)
74-20 (8 years)
3-0



Coach
School
Alma Mater
Record at School
Career Record
vs. Opponent



Dan McLaughlin
Wayne State
Bellevue '82
62-54
62-54
0-3

Quick Glance at USF

Location.....	Sioux Falls, S.D.
Founded.....	1883
Enrollment.....	1,500
Nickname.....	Cougars
Colors.....	Purple and White
Affiliation.....	NCAA Division II
Conference.....	Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference
President.....	Dr. Mark Benedetto
Director of Athletics.....	Josh Snyder
Stadium (capacity).....	Bob Young Field (5,600)

TEAM FACTS

2015 Record.....	4-0
2014 Overall Record.....	11-1

Assistant Coaches

Offensive Coordinator.....	Dustan Hovorka (Sioux Falls, 2007)
Defensive Coordinator.....	Tremaine Jackson (Houston, 2006)
Linebackers/Recruiting Coor.....	Brandon Andersen (Sioux Falls, 2011)
Special Teams Coordinator/DB.....	Eric Inama (Delaware Valley College, 2005)
Quarterbacks Coach.....	Jon Eastman (Sioux Falls, 2011)
Kickers/Punters.....	Al Hansen (Sioux Falls, 1987)
Offensive Line.....	Ben Blake (Concordia, Wis., 2004)
Running Backs.....	Kristian Porter (Sioux Falls, 2012)
Defensive Line.....	Kingsley Akinwole (Texas Southern, 2012)
Tight Ends/Travel Coordinator.....	Josh Breske (Black Hills, 2010)
Defensive Backs Coach.....	Brian Hermanson (SDSU)
Assistant Linebackers Coach.....	Luke Jarzynka (Notre Dame '09)

Wayne State College with a career record of 62-54, including 58-43 in NSIC play. Inheriting a struggling program, McLaughlin turned Wayne State into a constant winner that included six straight winning seasons (2007-12), a feat never achieved in the program's 99-year history. McLaughlin ranks tied for first on the all-time wins list at WSC with Del Stoltenberg (62-70-5) for the most wins. In his 11th campaign, McLaughlin is also the second-longest tenured coach in school history, trailing only Del Stoltenberg's 14 years from 1969-82. Wayne State finished the 2014 season at 5-6 overall and tied for fourth in the NSIC South Division with a 3-4 record. McLaughlin, who was the 2007 NSIC Coach of the Year, was hired as the 21st head football coach at Wayne State College on Dec. 9, 2004. He came to Wayne State after spending one season as offensive coordinator at Minnesota State in Mankato, Minnesota where he helped the Mavericks to a 6-5 record in 2004. It was Minnesota State's first winning season in football since 1994. He also served as offensive line coach with the Mavericks under head coach Jeff Jamrog. In 2003, McLaughlin was a graduate assistant coach at the University of Nebraska, working as an assistant offensive line coach and assistant special teams coach while coordinating Nebraska's walk-on program. Before moving to the college ranks, McLaughlin achieved success at the high school level in Nebraska by winning state championships at three different schools. He was the head coach at Millard West from 1995 to 2002, guiding the Wildcats to seven consecutive playoff appearances. Believed to be the only head coach in Nebraska high school football history to win state titles at three different schools, McLaughlin compiled a high school coaching record of 110-59. McLaughlin earned his master's degree from Wayne State College in 1992. He is a native of Sheridan, Montana and is a 1982 graduate of Bellevue College. Dan and his wife Nadine have two sons, Scott and Sean, and they reside in Wayne.

Notes on the Wildcats

Wayne State is led on offense by running back Ryan Ludlow, who ranks fourth in rushing with 99.8 yards per game. He has 73 carries for 399 yards (5.5 avg.) and two TDs. With the loss of Zach Osborn to injury, the Wildcats have turned to redshirt freshman Taylor Reedy who has completed 61-of-105 passes for 621 yards and six TDs. At wide receiver, Marcel Dunson has 23 catches for 304 yards and four TDs while Jonathan Parks has 11 catches for 133 yards. On defense, the Wildcats are led by linebacker Nate Kroupa with 33 tackles while safety Jon Davis has 29 tackles and linebacker DeWayne State has 26.

Sioux Falls Notes

Big Offense brings wins

In the DII era (since 2011), the Cougars are 12-1 when totaling more than 500 yards in total offense, including twice in four games this year. The Cougars were on the verge of another 500 yard game vs. UMD, just falling short with 464. Against Northern State, the Cougars had 431 yards, including 274 on the ground. In other words, USF had 274 yards rushing. This season, the Cougars have had three games of 246 yards or more rushing this season with a season-best 280 vs. Minnesota-Crookston. Through the air, USF has had 200 yards three times with a high of 338 in the win over U-Mary in the season opener.

Sioux Falls picked to finish 3rd in NSIC, 2nd in South; Papilion named NSIC Off. POY

USF has been picked to finish third in the 2015 NSIC Pre-season Football Coaches Poll, according to an announcement from the league office. USF was also picked second in the NSIC South Division with junior quarterback Luke Papilion named the NSIC South Preseason Offensive Player of the Year.

The four first place votes and 206 ballot points are the most received by the Cougars in an NSIC preseason poll. USF, which returns 18 starters and 45 letter winners from its 2014 squad, finished just three ballot points (206) behind Minnesota-Duluth (209) and 12 behind Minnesota State (218).

National runner-up Minnesota State was the league favorite with 10 first place votes while Minnesota-Duluth was second with two first place votes. USF, which has been ranked 11th in a NCAA DII preseason poll by Lindy's Magazine, received three of its four first place votes from NSIC South Division Coaches and was just two ballots points behind division favorite MSU (47-to-45). USF's four first-place votes was second to MSU's 10 in the poll. The third place selection in the poll and second in the NSIC South is the highest for USF since joining the league in 2012. USF, which received a first place vote in the 2012 preseason poll was picked eighth that season and fifth overall in both 2013 and 2014. Papilion is the reigning NSIC Offensive Player of the Year and a fourth team All-American. In the preseason poll, each team had two players named "NSIC Players to Watch" and Papilion was joined by six-time All-American and three-time preseason All-American Solomon St. Pierre, a senior cornerback.

2015 NSIC Football Preseason Poll

1. Minnesota State (10), 218
2. Minnesota Duluth (2), 209
3. Sioux Falls (4), 206
4. Augustana, 169
5. St. Cloud State (1), 161
6. Winona State, 157
7. Northern State, 133
8. Concordia-St. Paul, 103
9. Bemidji State, 101
10. MSU Moorhead, 100
11. Southwest Minnesota State, 85
12. University of Mary, 83
13. Upper Iowa 74
13. Wayne State, 74
15. Minot State, 32
16. Minnesota Crookston, 15

South Division

1. Minnesota State (5), 47
2. Sioux Falls (3), 45
3. Augustana, 34
3. Winona State, 34
5. Concordia- St. Paul, 21
6. Southwest Minnesota State, 20
7. Wayne State, 14
8. Upper Iowa, 9

Look at USF at DII

The University of Sioux Falls Football Program has made markable progress in the four years of DII. From 281 points in 2011, USF totaled 512 this year. The Cougars have made inroads on defense, recording 11 more in 2014 than in 2011. In total offense, the Cougars have gone from 3,128 in 2011 to 5,798 in 2014. Here is a statistical breakdown after move to DII.

	2011 (5-4)	2012 (9-2)	2013 (6-5)	2014 (11-1)
Points	281	344	363	512
Opp Points	194	222	295	209
Pts. Avg.	31.2	31.3	33.0	42.7
Opp Pts. Avg.	21.6	20.2	26.8	17.4
1st Down	158	209	274	292
Opp. 1st Downs	167	209	235	223
1st D Rush.	75	73	133	128
Opp. 1st D Rush	63	79	122	94
1st D Pass	70	121	121	150
Opp. 1st. D. Pass	90	114	99	113
Rushing Yards	1,494	1,359	2,705	2,559
Opp. Rushing Yards	1,025	1,335	2,421	2,208
Rushing Attempts	312	376	540	560
Opp. Rushing Att.	363	402	485	454
TDs	12	10	31	30
Opp. Rushing TDs	9	10	23	13
Passing Yards	1,634	2,802	2,442	3,239
Opp. Passing Yards	2,264	2,666	2,431	2,453
Passing Att./Comp.	118-234	221-387	208-396	270-422
Opp. Pass. Att./Com.	169-302	215-425	209-373	218-455
TDs	18	27	16	28
Opp. TDs	14	19	15	12
Interceptions by USF	13	8	13	11
Opp. Interceptions	15	23	9	26
Total Offense	3,128	4,161	5,147	5,798
Opp. Total Offense	3,289	4,001	4,852	4,282
Total Offense Avg.	347.6	378.3	467.9	483.2
Opp. Total Off. Avg.	365.4	363.7	441.1	356.8
Plays	546	763	936	982
Yards Per Play 5.7	5.5	5.5	5.9	
Opp. Plays	665	827	858	909
Opp. Plays Avg.4.9	4.8	5.7	4.7	
Totals TDs	37	42	48	68
Opp. TDs	24	29	38	26
TD Ratio to Opp.	1.54	1.4	1.3	2.62
Sacks	20	21	16	30
Opp. Sacks	13	19	19	24
3rd D. Conv.	42-108	61-157	97-201	87-201
	39%	39%	48%	43%
Opp. 3rd D. Conv.	54-143	64-190	63-184	63-199
	37%	34%	34%	32%
Red Zone Offense	31-35	34-42	45-62	51-59
	89%	81%	73%	86%
Opp. Red Zone Off.	23-30	26-34	32-41	24-34
	77%	26%	76%	71%

Cougars own one of the best marks all-time in NSIC

Since moving to NCAA DII in 2011, USF has compiled a 29-8 record in NSIC play, which ranks first in percentage at .784. The Cougars are 11-6 in road NSIC games.

Cougars sit 53-3 all-time at Bob Young Field

With a 35-31 win over UMD on Sept. 19, USF owns a 53-3 mark (.946) at Bob Young Field. The Cougars, which have won 10 straight at home, were victorious the first 32 games at the stadium and have since taken 22-of-25 at the friendly confines of Young Field. Overall, including play at Howard Wood Field (through 2006), the Cougars have won 73 of the past 76 games and 63-of-65 home conference games, including 47 in the GPAC (NAIA) and 16 as an NSIC member in NCAA DII. Since 2000, USF is 91-8 at home.

By the numbers under Stugart

USF is 46-2 when leading at halftime in the Coach Stugart era. They are 3-9 when trailing at halftime. USF is 39-4 when scoring first and when opponents score first, the Cougars stand 11-9.

Scoring streak hits 118 games

Since moving to DII in 2011, the Cougars have scored 1,663 points in 45 games or 36.95 ppg. In 2015, USF is averaging 40.75 points per game for best in the league. In 13 of past 16 games, they scored at least 35 points. It has been 118 games since USF has failed to score, which was a 55-0 loss to Carroll College in the final game of the 2005. USF had a DII-best 73 points vs. Minnesota State-Moorhead (Sept. 27) in 2014. The previous high was in 2011 when the Cougars defeated the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, 71-0. In the past 22 games, USF has scored over 50 points, six times.

Cougars are 63-0 all-time when scoring 50

When the Cougars reach 50 points, they are 63-0 all-time and 25-0 when scoring over 60 points. They are 7-0 all-time when breaking the 70-point mark. When the Cougars have scored over 40, USF has a 148-1 mark, including 18-1 in DII. When they have scored over 30 points, USF is 220-8. The only time USF has lost when scoring over 40 points was a 45-40 setback to Winona State on Oct. 12, 2013 at Bob Young Field.

Offense lighting it up

With 675 points in the past 16 games (start of 2014 season), USF is averaging 42.19 points. The league's top scoring team in 2015, the Cougars lead the NSIC in total offense at 494 per game of which 245 comes on the ground and 249 through the air. In the past 16 games, the Cougars have scored 91 TDs or 5.69 per game. USF has averaged more than six yards a play in eight of the last 10 games, including seven yards or better in four of the past six games. With 464 yards on 58 plays vs. UMD, USF registered a season-best 8.0



yards per play average.

Yardage - Game-by-Game

9-6-2014 -- Minot State -- 93 plays, 497 yards, 5.34 ypp
9-13-2014 -- Bemidji State -- 93 plays, 477 yards, 5.12 ypp
9-20-2014 -- St. Cloud State -- 87 plays, 417 yards, 4.79 ypp
9-27-2014 -- MSU-Moorhead -- 97 plays, 663 yards, 6.83 ypp
10-4-2014 -- Concordia, SP -- 72 plays, 428 yards, 5.94 ypp
10-11-2014 -- Augustana -- 82 plays, 451 yards, 5.5 ypp
10-18-2014 -- SMSU -- 70 plays, 453 yards, 6.47 ypp
10-25-2014 -- Winona State -- 82 plays, 438 yards, 5.3 ypp
11-1-2014 -- Minnesota State -- 74 plays, 327 yards, 4.4 ypp
11-8-2014 -- Upper Iowa -- 100 plays, 606 yards, 6.06 ypp
11-15-2014 -- Wayne State -- 60 plays, 538 yards, 8.96 ypp
12-6-2014 -- Central Oklahoma -- 70 plays, 503 yards, 7.18 ypp
9-5-2015 -- U-Mary -- 80 plays, 519 yards, 6.48 ypp
9-12-2015 -- Minnesota-Crookston, 79 plays, 562 yards, 7.11 ypp
9-19-2015 -- Minnesota-Duluth, 58 plays, 464 yards, 8.0 ypp
9-26-2015 -- Northern State, 74 plays, 431 yards, 5.8 ypp

Papilion drawing closer to 7K in total offense

USF starting quarterback Luke Papilion is 18-4 as a starter, including 4-0 in 2015. Papilion ranks 8th (4,484) on USF's career passing chart. The Denver, Colo., sophomore now has completed 357-of-622 passes for 4,484 yards with 42 TDs. Papilion's 2,779 yards in 2014 ranks 8th all-time in USF seasonal passing chart. Papilion, who was the league's Offensive Player of the Year in 2014 and the Preseason Offensive Player of the Year in 2015, has accounted for 67 TDs, and 6,784 yards in total offense his career.

In two plus seasons Papilion already has 289 carries for 1,871 rushing yards, which ranks 12th all-time at USF, and 22 TDs, which sits 24th all-time at USF. He ranks second only Dax Michelena (2,779) in rushing yards by a quarterback. With 77 yards rushing on Saturday vs. NSU, Papilion passed Andre McWell (1994-95, 1,801 yards), for 12th all-time in USF career rushing yards with 1,871. He is just 25 yards from 11th, which is held by Nelson Cumana (1981-82) with 1,895 yards.

On per average through four games, QB Luke Papilion is best in the league with 11.0 yards per rush on 30 carries for 329 yards, including a career-best 56-yard jaunt vs. Minnesota Duluth. He already has three runs of 30 yards or better. With two more TD passes Papilion will pass Joe Wright (2002-05, 43) for seventh in passing TDs. With three more TDs he will pass Ed Koester (1985-89) for sixth with 44 TDs and tie his own quarterback coach Jon Eastman for 5th in career passing TDs at 45. Eastman had his 45 TDs in one season as he led the Cougars to the NAIA title game in 2010.

In 2014, he had 153 carries for 804 yards (2nd in NSIC) and six TDs. As a true freshman, Papilion completed 68-of-150 passes for 820 yards and six TDs. In 2013, he also recorded 108 carries for 738 yards and 14 TDs on the ground, the most by a Cougar since current CFL running back Chevon Walker had 14 in 2010.

USF Top-10 Career Passing Leaders

1. Dax Michelena (1997-2001), 7,665 yards, 72 TDs
2. Kurtiss Riggs (1993-96), 7,329, 85 TDs
3. Chad Cavender (2006-07), 7,083, 64 TDs
4. Ed Koester (1985-89), 6,915, 44 TDs
5. Jon Burckhardt (1999, 01-03), 5,559, 39 TDs
6. Lorenzo Brown (2008-09), 5,353, 65 TDs
7. Joe Wright (2003-05), 4,920, 43 TDs
- 8. Luke Papilion (2013--), 4,484, 42 TDs**
9. Taylor Perkins (2011-12), 3,500, 37 TDs

10. Jon Eastman (2010), 3,465, 45 TDs

USF's Top 20 Passing Seasons

1. Kurtiss Riggs (1996), 3,993
2. Chad Cavender (2006), 3,674
3. Jon Burckhardt (2003), 3,544
4. Jon Eastman (2010), 3,465
5. Chad Cavender (2007), 3,409
6. Lorenzo Brown (2009), 3,221
7. Kurtiss Riggs (1995), 3,017
- 8. Luke Papilion (2014), 2,779**
9. Taylor Perkins (2012), 2,677
10. Joe Wright (2005), 2,637
11. Dax Michelena (2001), 2,564
12. Joe Wright (2004), 2,222
13. Lorenzo Brown (2008), 2,132
14. Ed Koester (1987), 1,907
15. Isaac Miller (1999), 1,863

Papilion had his best career passing performance in the win over MSU-Moorhead (9/27/14) when he threw for 318 yards and also rushed for 125. It is the first time in his career when he had 300 yards passing and 100 yards rushing. Against UMD, Papilion had 125 yards rushing on seven carries with two TDs as he recorded his seventh career 100-yard rushing game. In the win over Minnesota-Crookston, Papilion had a career-best five TDs while his career best completions was against MSUM a year ago with 27 when he had a career-high 40 attempts. With 125 yards rushing and 218 passing against UMD, Papilion has rushed for 100 yards and thrown for 200 yards five times. Papilion streak of 10 straight 200 yards passing or more ended against Northern State on Sept. 26 when he had 157 yards.

100 yard rushing games

- 9-19-2015 -- Minnesota-Duluth, 7-125-2 TDs (career best 56, 17)
10-25-2014 -- Winona State, 21-121-2 TDs
10-11-2014 -- Augustana, 18-130-0 TDs
9-27-2014 -- Minnesota State-Moorhead, 17-125-2 TDs
9-14-2013 -- Northern State, 19-240-5 TDs
10-5-2013 -- Southwest Minnesota State, 27-194-3 TDs
10-12-2013 -- Winona State, 19-157-2 TDs

200 yard passing games

- 9-19-2015 -- Minnesota Duluth, 15-28-218-0 TDs
9-12-2015 -- Minnesota-Crookston, 17-34-244-5 TDs (career-best)
9-5-2015 -- U-Mary, 15-26-266-3 TDs
11-15-2014 -- Wayne State, 13-22-225-4 TDs
11-8-2014 -- Upper Iowa, 26-of-33-287-3 TDs
11-1-2014 -- Minnesota State, Mankato, 21-32-250-2 TDs
10-25-2014 -- Winona State, 17-32-230-2 TDs
10-18-2014 -- SMSU, 22-38-2-282-0 TDs
10-11-2014 -- Augustana, 19-34-2-217-TD
10-4-2014 -- Concordia, St. Paul -- 23-33-0-247-3 TDs
9-27-2014 -- Minn. State-Moorhead, 27-40-1-318-3 TDs
10-12-2013 -- Winona State, 16-25-1-200-3 TDs

Sioux Falls successful with big yardage totals

During the D2 era, USF sits 12-1 record when gaining over 500 yards in total offense. Against U-Mary on Sept. 5, USF compiled 519 total yards offense and then added 562 vs. Minnesota-Crookston. With 464 yards vs. UMD, the Cougars fell just short of 500 yards for the first time in five games. When they go over 600 (four times), they stand 4-1. Here is a breakdown of the games over 500 yards total offense.

Game-by-Game Breakdown

9-12-2015 -- Minnesota-Crookston (45-21), 562 (280 rushing, 282



passing)

9-5-2015 -- U-Mary (55-7), 519 (182 rushing, 337 passing)

12-6-14 -- Central Oklahoma (42-10 win), 503 (210 rushing, 293 passing)

11-15-14 -- Wayne State (63-28 win), 538 (324 rushing, 225 passing)

11-8-14 -- Upper Iowa (45-21 win), 606 (282 rushing, 324 passing)

9-27-14 -- MSU-Moorhead (73-21 win), 663 (291 rushing, 372 passing)

9-14-2013 -- Northern State (45-37 win), 522 (411 rushing, 111 passing)

9-28-2013 -- Minnesota-Crookston (52-7 win), 680 (467 rushing, 213 passing)

10-5-2013 -- Southwest Minnesota State (55-48 win), 618 (424

Receiving corps deep and talented

The Cougars' receiving corps ranks as one of the best in the league. A year ago, Josh Angulo, a SF Roosevelt High product, had 61 catches for a team-high 891 yards and a team-high 12 TDs. Brady Rose led USF in receiving with 62 for 772 yards and six TDs. Garrett Shutt of Reno, Nev., had 47 catches for 533 yards and three TDs. The receiving trio combined 170 catches for 2,196 yards and 21 TDs. In 2015, the trio is back at it with 46 catches for 702 yards and 9 TDs.

Angulo moves into 10th in career catches; passes 1,400 career yards

In his career, junior wideout Angulo has passed 100 catches in his career and gone over 1,400 yards. He now has 103 catches, which ranks 11th in school history, for 1,445 yards. To move into the top 10 in receptions, he needs two receptions and with 55 yards, Angulo will become the 10th USF wideout to reach 1,500 yards receiving.. Travis Kant, who played from 1996-98, had 204 catches (10th all-time) for 1,524 receiving yards (10th all-time). Angulo has had at least three receptions in 13 of 15 games. Angulo's career-bests include 12 catches for 124 yards vs. Upper Iowa (30-28 loss) on Nov. 2, 2013.

As for senior Garrett Shutt, he has career totals of 68 receptions for 822 yards and seven TDs while Rose, who had four catches for 20 yards vs. UMD, now has reach 54 catches and gone over 1,000 yards (1,028) with eight TDs. Rose had a career-best 10 catches (90 yards, 2 TDs) against Upper Iowa and a career-best 99 yards (seven catches) against Minot State in 2014. He extended his streak of two or more catches in a game to 15 with four catches vs. NSU. As for Shutt, he has had six receptions four times (Minot State, Bemidji State and CU) with a career-best 98 yards receiving against CU. He had a season best five catches for 84 yards and two TDs vs. NSU. Twice this season, Shutt has had two TD receptions in a game.

St. Pierre tied for 2nd all-time; ranks 2nd nationally in interceptions

With two interceptions against NSU on Saturday, USF All-American

cornerback Solomon St. Pierre has moved within one pick of tying the all-time record at USF held by John Fuller (1982-85) with 18. St. Pierre now has 17 as he moved ahead of a trio of all-time greats at USF with 16 in their career. Those individuals included Trevor Holleman (2006-09, 16-282); Phil Porter (1994-97, 16-115) and Brian Brooks (1989, 1991-93, 16-60). St. Pierre, who already has tied Porter for the season record at USF with 10 in 2014, ranks second nationally with four interceptions in four games. In fact, he has 14 interceptions in the past 15 games, a remarkable run of pass thievery. St. Pierre, who was named the HERO National Defensive Preseason Player of the Year this summer, nine tackles and three pass breakups with seven passes defended so far in 2015.

St. Pierre has been selected to 2015 Preseason Lindy's Sports Magazine Division II All-American first team defense at cornerback. He was also named to the Instant Scouting as well as the USA College Football preseason All-American teams in 2015. Last fall, he was named to six All-American teams (AFCA, AP Little All-American, D2football.com, Daktronics, Don Hansen, BeyondSportsNetwork.com), All-NSIC, and to the Daktronics Super Region 3 Team in 2014. In his career St. Pierre has appeared in 33 games, making 22 starts with 123 career tackles and 90 solo stops. On his 17 interceptions, he has 369 yards, which ranks first all-time at USF. His 10 interceptions in 2014 led NCAA DII and he ranked second for picks per game at .8. A year ago he had an NCAA DII best 214 interception return yards. He also had two interception returns for TD (76, 35), which was tied with four others with the most in DII. He has had five games with at least two interceptions, twice with three picks, St. Pierre has had three interception TD returns (76, 35, 70) and had one called back due to a penalty in the win over NSU.



Newcomers Jackson and Johnson making impact

On the defensively front, Drew Jackson and Westly Johnson have made an earlier impact. Jackson has five tackles, 1.5 TFLs and 1.5 sacks while Johnson has eight tackles, six solo stops, two TFLs and two sacks.

Tidwell a leader on defense

Tidwell, a two-time all-NSIC selection and honorable All-American, started 37 straight games until sitting out the NSU game Saturday. He has accumulated 183 tackles, including five in 2015. He has 7.5 TFLs and 46 passes defended, including 10 interceptions. He has his 10th pick in the game vs. Minnesota-Crookston on Sept. 12. He also has a blocked field goal against U-Mary. In addition, Tidwell has been one of the league's top return specialists. He has 32 punt returns for 573 yards and three TDs. Named Mineral Water Defensive MVP, Tidwell averages 17.9 yards per punt return and 24.89 on kickoff returns. He has returned 19 kicks for 473 yards including one for 69 yards..

Schindler clogs the middle for USF

In his three plus seasons with the Cougars, defensive tackle Grant Schindler



(Chippewa Falls, Wisc.) has recorded 119 tackles with 63 solo stops. He has uncanny ability to knock down passes with eight pass breakups in his career. He also has forced fumble, two fumble recoveries, and 9.5 sacks in his career along with 27 TFLs. Of note, Schindler, a two-time Academic All-NSIC performer and 2014 All-NSIC selection, has had at least one tackle in 27 straight games. In 2015, Schindler ranks fifth on the team in tackles from his defensive tackle slot. He has 24 stops, 12 solo tackles, seven TFLs (30th in DII, 2nd in NSIC) and three sacks.

Linebacking group makes impact

The University of Sioux Falls has a trio of linebackers, who have been a staple in the defense for the Cougars dating back to 2012. As a group, seniors Cameron Ostrom (Buffalo, Wyo.), Carter Ahlers (Flandreau, S.D.) and Clint Wilson (Sturgis, S.D.) have a combined 291 solo tackles, 203 assisted stops and 479 total tackles. Also they accumulated 48 TFLs, four sacks, seven interceptions and four fumble recoveries. All three senior linebackers have twice-been named Academic All-NSIC.

Ostrom, who has made 31 career starts, owns 143 tackles, including 94 solo stops to go with 17.5 tackles for loss and four interceptions. He also has a pair of defensive scores, including an 88-yard score vs. Bemidji State (9/13/14) in 2014. Ostrom, an honorable mention All-NSIC pick in 2014, has 31 tackles (tied for 2nd on the team), 16 solo stops, 3.0 TFLs and an interception.

As for Ahlers, he has played in 31 games with 205 career tackles, including 106 solo stops. Ahlers, a two-time Academic All-NSIC performer, has also 16 TFLs, three interceptions, three sacks, two forced fumbles and three fumble recoveries. He had a standout game vs. U-Mary with four tackles, including three solo stops, a fumble recovery, interception, forced fumble and pass deflection and has 30 tackles in the past three games. On his fumble recovery, he rumbled 53 yards on the final play of the first half vs. U-Mary but came up a little short of the end zone. Ahlers has a team-best 34 tackles with 15 solo stops, with 3.5 TFLs, pass breakup and interception.

Wilson, who has appeared in 36 games, has 146 career stops with 82 solo stops, 12 TFLs, and a fumble recovery. He has 31 tackles (tied for 2nd on team) with 13 solo stops and 1.5 TFLs.

Offensive line play among league's best

The Cougars offensive front is led by all league junior guard Antonio Green and junior center Trevor Westcott. Add in junior Terry Huber and sophomore Jesse Springer, both named honorable mention all-league last year, plus 2013 All-NSIC performer Derek Delaney, and USF has a talented front for the league's most productive offense with 40.8 points per game and 494 yards in total offense. In addition, junior Durant Foote and sophomore Trey Pipkins and others provide top of the line depth for a group that has allowed just two sacks in four games, which is best in the NSIC. They also have led the way for USF to average 245.2 yards rushing, which is second in the league. That total is 32 yards better than the 213.2 yards in 2014.

Gentry continues solid play upfront on D

Evan Gentry, a junior defensive end and media studies major, is continuing to make an impact after an All-NSIC season a year ago as a sophomore. This season, Gentry has 15 tackles, 1.5 TFLs and a sack to go with a fumble recovery. Those totals push his career numbers to 99 career stops, including 63 solo tackles. Gentry has 31 TFLs for a -73 yards and has 11.5 sacks with two fumble recov-

USF Team Captains



John Tidwell, Sr., CB
Aurora, Colo.



Cameron Ostrom, Sr., LB
Buffalo, Wyo.



Luke Papilion, Jr., QB
Denver, Colo.



Trevor Westcott, Jr., OC
Blue Springs, Mo.

eries. He has led USF in sacks two straight years and has two or more TFLs seven times in his career. Gentry has earned Academic All-NCC honors and received the "Outstanding Leadership, College Week" Award from the Media Studies Program last spring.

Keep eye on safety Josh Butler

Sophomore strong safety Josh Butler continues to make an impression through four games. He has 31 tackles, which is tied for second on the team. Of those stops, he has 16 solo stops and 1.5 tackles for loss along with two pass breakups.

Mickey leading way in USF's productive rushing attack

The USF Cougars, which rank second in the league in rushing at 245.5 yards per game and have a league-leading 12 rushing TDs, has been highly productive on the ground. Leading the attack is sophomore running back Max Mickey who is second in the league with 106.2 yards per game. Mickey, averaging 5.8 yards per carry (based on 50 carries or more), has 73 carries for 425 yards and six TDs. On per average, QB Luke Papilion is best in the league with 11.0 yards per rush on 30 carries for 329 yards, including a career-best 56-yard jaunt vs. Minnesota Duluth. Newcomer Justin Fulks has added 33 carries for 165 yards and two TDs.

Two-Deep Chart - USF @ WSC, Bob Cunningham Field, 10-3-2015

USF OFFENSE						WSC DEFENSE					
Pos.	#	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pos.	#	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
QB	15	Luke Papilion	6-5	220	Jr.	DE	92	John Bland	6-3	245	So.
	9	Corbin Lawler	6-3	206	Jr.		55	Michael Sparish	6-0	225	Jr.
RB	22	Max Mickey	5-9	185	So.	NG	98	Eli Vosler	6-3	260	Jr.
	23	Jason Towns	5-6	150	So.		59	Jarrod Bazata	6-2	285	Jr.
HB	5	Brady Rose	6-0	205	Jr.	DT	99	Shawn Barker	6-1	255	Jr.
	10	Andrew Buchele	6-3	200	So.		85	DaQuan Samuel	6-3	250	So.
TE	85	Nicholas Stanke	6-3	235	So.	DE	95	Logan Weinandt	6-3	235	Rfr.
	84	Jonathon Witt	6-4	250	Sr.		91	Randy Bryan	6-1	235	Rfr.
WR	8	Josh Angulo	6-0	200	Jr.	LB	47	Marcus Jenkins-Moore	6-3	225	Sr.
	11	Kyle Athmann	5-11	170	Jr.		21	Nathan Weatherby	6-2	195	So.
WR	24	Garrett Shutt	6-3	193	Sr.	LB	33	DeWayne Scott	6-2	230	So.
	16	Erik Albeck	6-3	211	Jr.		52	Christian Campos	5-11	220	Rfr.
LT	67	Jesse Springer	6-4	250	So.	LB	44	Nate Kroupa	5-11	215	Sr.
	78	Trey Pipkins	6-7	275	So.		45	Taylor HHoffman	6-1	215	So.
LG	71	Terry Huber	6-4	297	Jr.	CB	5	Jamaal Conway-Smith	5-9	170	Rfr.
	63	Nick Zimmerman	6-4	285	RFr.		20	Cole Tirrel	5-10	170	Rfr.
C	77	Trevor Wescott	6-5	265	Jr.	CB	6	Tyri Bethea	6-0	185	So.
	68	Richard Guarascio	6-0	276	Jr.		3	Cam Montgomery	6-1	205	Jr.
RG	73	Antonio Green	6-3	274	Jr.	SS	38	Jon Davis	6-0	180	Sr.
	72	Elijah Perine	6-3	290	Fr.		22	Nick deBuhr	6-0	195	Rfr.
RT	56	Derek Delaney	6-4	272	Sr.	FS	28	Steven Price	5-10	180	So.
	66	Durant Foote	6-1	300	Jr.		36	Zach Johnson	5-11	190	So.

WSC OFFENSE						USF DEFENSE					
Ht.	Wt.	Yr.				Pos.	#	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
QB	12	Taylor Reedy	6-3	190	Rfr.	DL	57	Grant Schindler	6-2	285	Sr.
	18	Layne Sullivan	6-2	190	Rfr.		87	Kray Krowlikowski	6-5	265	So.
RB	34	Ryan Ludlow	6-1	215	Sr.	DL	94	Marco Naughton	6-2	295	Jr.
	11	Lane Yates	5-8	185	So.		52	Zack Tamburo	5-11	270	So.
TE	87	Keaton Slaughter	6-5	225	Rfr.	DE	69	Evan Gentry	6-3	256	Jr.
	88	Payton Hogan	6-2	220	So.		45	Drew Jackson	6-3	250	Jr.
WR	7	Marcel Dunson	6-1	190	So.	DE	44	Westly Johnson	6-5	210	Jr.
	4	Courtney Richardsom	5-11	170	Fr.		91	Brian Mayberry	6-4	240	So.
WR	2	Nick Roth	5-11	175	Jr.	LB	33	Clint Wilson	6-1	228	Sr.
	83	Jacob Hjorth	6-2	180	Rfr.		42	Jess Williams	6-0	211	Jr.
WR	1	Jonathan Parks	6-1	180	Sr.	LB	32	Cameron Ostrum	6-1	215	Sr.
	16	Tayib Toussaint	5-9	175	Fr.		35	Connor Schoepp	5-10	205	Jr.
LT	77	Mike Milenkovich	6-5	300	Rfr.	LB	48	Carter Ahlers	6-0	209	Sr.
	78	Wayne Schuettler	6-6	275	Sr.		40	Nathan Lucs	6-0	200	Jr.
LG	57	Austin Heesacker	6-3	275	Sr.	SS	7	Matt Young	5-10	187	Jr.
	67	Matt Doeschot	6-0	250	Rfr.		2	Maurice Cannon	6-2	200	Sr.
C	63	Kevin Camacho	6-1	280	So.	FS	25	Josh Butler	6-0	197	So.
	71	Josh Roberts	6-3	255	Rfr.		36	Alex Marquignon	6-0	197	Sr.
RG	73	Taylor Jensen	6-3	285	Sr.	CB	26	John Tidwell	6-0	191	Sr.
	68	Mitch Muller	6-4	280	Rfr.		38	Austin Schaffer	6-1	185	So.
RT	62	Shane Finley	6-5	280	Jr.	CB	19	Solomon St. Pierre	5-11	171	Sr.
	64	Brett Boden	6-4	290	Jr.		20	Cliff Redmond	5-10	170	Jr.

WSC SPECIALISTS						USF SPECIALISTS					
Pos.	#	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pos.	#	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
K	19	Sam Simon	6-3	190	Rfr.	P	83	Stuart Vanden Heuvel	6-2	185	So.
P	27	Colton Hough	6-0	215	So.	PK	47	Brett Garner	5-10	175	Fr.
LS	82	Shaun Knipfer	6-0	250	Rfr.	H	16	Kyle Athmann	5-11	170	Jr.
KR	11	Lane Yates	5-8	185	So.	LS	58	Wesley Bertoni	5-11	230	Sr.
	16	Tayib Toussaint	5-9	175	Fr.	PR	26	John Tidwell	6-0	191	Sr.
PR	11	Lane Yates	5-8	185	So.		11	Kyle Groeneweg	5-10	175	So.
	16	Tayib Toussaint	5-9	175	Fr.	KR	11	Kyle Groeneweg	5-10	175	So.
							23	Jason Towns	5-6	150	So.



VS.



Sioux Falls	2015 Totals/Averages	WSC
40.8	Scoring	30.8
17.2	Scoring Defense	25.2
245.2	Rush Yards	210.5
248.8	Pass Yards	225.2
494.0	Total Yards	435.8
147.98	Pass Efficiency	137.00
311.5	Total Defense	379.0
140.8	Rushing Defense	146.8
170.8	Pass Defense	232.2
30.8	Net Punting	38.8
12.5	Punt Returns	7.9
18.2	KO Returns	20.7
10	Sacks	11
2	Sacks Allowed	3

NSIC Conference Football Standings -- 2015

North	Division	Conference	Overall
MSU Moorhead	0-0	3-1	3-1
Minnesota Duluth	0-0	2-2	2-2
St. Cloud State	0-0	2-2	2-2
Bemidji State	0-0	1-3	1-3
Minnesota-Crookston	0-0	0-4	0-4
Minot State	0-0	0-4	0-4
Northern State	0-0	0-4	0-4
U-Mary	0-0	0-4	0-4
South	Division	Conference	Overall
Sioux Falls	0-0	4-0	4-0
MSU-Mankato	0-0	4-0	4-0
SW Minnesota State	0-0	4-0	4-0
Upper Iowa	0-0	3-1	3-1
Augustana	0-0	3-1	3-1
Wayne State	0-0	3-1	3-1
Winona State	0-0	2-2	2-2
Concordia St. Paul	0-0	1-3	1-3

Week 3 Results

Sioux Falls 28 Northern State 10
 Augustana 41 Bemidji State 17
 Bemidji State 47 Concordia St. Paul 7
 Wayne State 24 U-Mary 10
 Southwest Minnesota State 48 Minnesota St. Moorhead 9
 Minnesota State 63 Minnesota-Crookston 3
 St. Cloud State 31 Winona State 20
 Minnesota Duluth 28 Upper Iowa 24

Week 4 Schedule

Sioux Falls at Wayne State, 1:00 p.m.
 Winona State at Concordia, St. Paul, Noon
 Southwest Minnesota State at Augustana, 1 p.m.
 U-Mary at Bemidji State, 2 p.m.
 Minnesota Duluth at Minnesota St. Moorhead, 2 p.m.
 Northern State at Minot State, 6 p.m.
 Minnesota State @ Upper Iowa

AFCA Coaches' Poll (Week 4)

Rk	School	Record	Points
1.	Minnesota State-Mankato (30)	4-0	798
2.	West Georgia (2)	4-0	756
3.	Northwest Missouri State	4-0	735
4.	Ferris State (Mich.)	3-0	703
5.	Delta State (Miss.)	4-0	668
6.	Angelo State (Texas)	4-0	631
7.	Sioux Falls	4-0	596
8.	North Alabama	3-0	561
9.	Valdosta State (Ga.)	3-0	552
10.	Colorado St. Pueblo	3-1	480
11.	Colorado School of Mines	4-0	469
12.	Harding (Ark.)	4-0	448
13.	Ashland (Ohio)	4-0	409
14.	Shepherd (W. Va.)	4-0	346
15.	Pittsburg State (Kan.)	3-1	335
16.	Humboldt State (Calif.)	4-0	301
17.	Tuskegee (Ala.)	4-0	272
18.	Texas A&M Commerce	3-1	197
18.	Michigan Tech	4-0	197
20.	Midwestern State (Texas)	4-0	189
21.	Concord (W. Va.)	3-1	184
22.	Lenoir-Rhyne (N.C.)	3-1	163
23.	Emporia St. (Kan.)	4-0	93
24.	Ouachita Baptist (Ark.)	3-1	87
25.	Minnesota-Duluth	2-2	49

D2 Football.com Poll (Week 4)

1.	Minnesota State	4-0
2.	Ferris State	3-0
3.	West Georgia	4-0
4.	Sioux Falls	4-0
5.	Northwest Missouri State	4-0
6.	Delta State	4-0
7.	CSU-Pueblo	3-1
8.	North Alabama	3-0
9.	Valdosta State	3-0
10.	Angelo State (Texas)	4-0
11.	Colorado Mines	4-0
12.	Pittsburg State (Kan.)	3-1
13.	Harding (Ark.)	4-0
14.	Michigan Tech	4-0
15.	Minnesota Duluth	2-2
16.	Shepherd (W. Va.)	4-0
17.	Texas A&M Commerce	3-1
18.	Lenoir-Rhyne (N.C.)	3-1
19.	Ashland (Ohio)	4-0
20.	Humboldt State (Calif.)	4-0
21.	Emporia State (Kan.)	4-0
22.	Concord (W. Va.)	3-1
23.	Ouachita Baptist (Ark.)	3-1
24.	Grand Valley State (Mich.)	3-1
25.	Central Missouri	2-2

Sioux Falls Roster -- 2015

Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown/schools
2 Maurice Cannon	DB	6-2	200	Sr.	Woodbridge, Va./CC-San Francisco/Dobyns-Bennett HS
3 Justin Fulks	RB	5-10	185	Jr.	Overland Park, Kan./Northwest Mo./Blue Valley HS
4 David Clark	CB	6-1	200	Sr.	San Diego, Calif./Southwestern CC/Serra HS
5 Brady Rose	HB	6-0	205	Jr.	Cumberland, Wis./Cumberland HS
6 Erik Albeck	WR	6-3	211	Jr.	Janesville, Wis./Parker HS
7 Matthew Young	S	5-10	187	Jr.	Phoenix, Ariz./Desert Vista HS
8 Josh Angulo	WR	6-0	200	Jr.	Sioux Falls, S.D./S.F. Roosevelt HS
9 Corbin Lawler	QB	6-3	206	Jr.	Tea, S.D./Tea Area HS
10 Andrew Buchele	WR	6-3	200	So.	Milbank, S.D./Milbank HS
11 Kyle Groeneweg	WR	5-10	175	So.	Inwood, Iowa/West Lyon HS
12 Noah Butler	QB	6-1	180	Fr.	Aurora, Colo./Vista Peak HS
13 Tosin Adedeji	DB	5-6	160	Jr.	Brooklyn Center, Minn./Park Center HS
15 Luke Papilion	QB	6-5	220	Jr.	Denver, Colo./Cherry Creek HS
16 Kyle Athmann	WR	5-11	170	Jr.	Bird Island, Minn./BOLD HS
17 Dalton Elliott	QB	6-0	190	Fr.	Nicollet, Minn./Nicollet HS
18 Delontre Fields	TE/HB	6-4	220	Sr.	Abbeville, La./Mt. San Jacinto/Abbeville HS
19 Solomon St. Pierre	DB	5-11	171	Sr.	Wagner, S.D./Wagner
20 Clifford Redmond	DB	5-10	175	Jr.	Elk Grove, Calif./American River College/Cosumnes Oaks HS
22 Max Mickey	RB	5-9	175	So.	Holden, Mo./Holden HS
23 Jason Towns	RB	5-6	150	So.	Harvey, Ill./Thornton Township HS
24 Garrett Shutt	WR	6-3	193	Sr.	Reno, Nev./Galena HS
25 Josh Butler	DB	6-0	167	So.	Auroro, Colo./Gateway HS
26 John Tidwell	DB	6-0	191	Sr.	Aurora, Colo./Rangeview HS
27 Wyatt Hixon	DB	6-2	190	Sr.	Los Angeles, Calif./College of Canyons/Montclair Prep
28 Riley Waldie	TE	6-1	212	RFr.	Fort Collins, Colo./Jenks (OK) HS
30 Isaiah Osborne	RB	5-10	205	Fr.	San Diego, Calif./Madison HS
31 Michael Mehling	LB	5-11	200	Sr.	Las Vegas, Nev./College of the Desert/Durango HS
32 Cameron Ostrom	LB	6-1	215	Sr.	Buffalo, Wyo./Buffalo HS
33 Clint Wilson	LB	6-1	228	Sr.	Piedmont, S.D./Sturgis Brown HS
34 Isaac Josephson	LB	6-0	190	So.	Minneota, Minn./Minneota HS
35 Connor Schoepp	LB	5-10	205	Jr.	Watertown, S.D./Watertown HS
36 Alexandre Marquignon	DB	6-0	197	Sr.	Paris, FR/Sainte-Norie HS
37 Lucas Lunstra	LB	5-10	180	RFr.	Brandon Valley, S.D./Brandon Valley HS
38 Austin Schaffer	DB	6-1	185	RSo.	Hilbert, Wis./Hilbert HS
39 Keenan Baynard	RB	6-0	190	So.	Minneapolis, Minn./Minnehaha Academy
40 Nathan Lucs	LB	6-0	225	Jr.	West Des Moines, Iowa/Waukee HS
41 Romini Oladejo	LB	6-3	220	Sr.	Sacramento, Calif./American River College/Ouachita Baptist
42 Jess Williams	LB	6-0	211	Jr.	Wall, S.D./Wall HS
43 Joshua Collazo	FB	5-10	220	So.	Orlando, Fla.
44 Westly Johnson	DL	6-5	210	Jr.	Grand Rapids, Mich./College of Canyons/Grand Rapids Christian HS
45 Drew Jackson	LB	6-3	250	Jr.	San Francisco, Calif./Santa Rosa JC/Arch Bishop Riordan HS
46 Derek Landis	LB	6-2	210	So.	Lakewood, Colo./Lakewood HS
47 Brett Garner	K	5-10	175	Fr.	Springfield, Mo./Springfield Catholic
48 Carter Ahlers	LB	6-0	209	Sr.	Flandreau, S.D./Flandreau HS
52 Zack Tamburo	DT	5-11	270	So.	Phoenix, Ariz./Desert Vista HS
54 Daulton Olinger	DL	6-0	270	RSo.	Spring Lake Park, Minn./Spring Lake Park
55 Levi Rozeboom	OL	6-1	270	RFr.	Inwood, Iowa/Lincoln HS
56 Derek Delaney	OL	6-4	272	Sr.	Neligh, Neb./Nebraska-Omaha/Neligh/Oakdale HS
57 Grant Schindler	DL	6-2	265	Sr.	Chippewa Falls, Wis./Chippewa Falls HS
58 Wesley Bertoni	LS	5-11	230	Sr.	Los Angeles, Calif./Santa Monica College/Westview HS
63 Nick Zimmerman	OL	6-4	285	RFr.	Rosendale, Wisc./Laconia HS
66 Durant Foote	OL	6-1	300	Jr.	Reno, Nev./Sierra College/Spanish Springs HS
67 Jesse Springer	OL	6-4	250	So.	Denver, Colo./Mullens HS
68 Richard Guarascio	OL	6-0	276	Jr.	Naples, Fla./Naples HS
69 Evan Gentry	DL	6-3	256	Jr.	Tallahassee, Fla./North Florida Christian HS
71 Terry Huber	OL	6-4	297	Jr.	Yankton, S.D./Yankton HS
72 Elijah Perine	OL	6-3	290	Fr.	Mequon, Wisc./Homestead HS
73 Antonio Green	OL	6-3	274	Jr.	Dublin, Ga./West Laurens HS
75 Matt Baty	OL	6-4	380	Jr.	Prinson, Ala./Eastern Arizona JC/Clay-Chalkville HS
77 Trevor Wescott	OL	6-5	265	Jr.	Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs South HS
78 Trey Pipkins	OL	6-7	275	RFr.	Apple Valley, Minn. (Apple Valley)
81 A.J. Garrow	WR	5-9	175	RFr.	Brandon Valley, S.D./Brandon Valley HS

83	Stuart Vanden Heuvel	P	6-2	185	So.	Watertown, Wis./Lakeside Lutheran HS
84	Jonathon Witt	TE	6-4	250	Sr.	Tacoma, Wash./College of the Siskiyous/River Ridge HS
85	Nicholas Stanke	TE	6-3	235	RSO.	Eau Claire, Wis./Regis HS
86	Adrià Botella	WR	6-5	225	So	Barcelona, Spain/Escola Pia Nostra Senyora
87	Kray Krolkowski	DL	6-5	265	So.	Winner, S.D./Winner H.S.
88	Clarke Cooper	TE	6-3	240	RFr.	Castle Rock, Colo./Valor Christian
89	Cornelius Botha	HB	6-2	218	St.	Brisbane, Queensland/Brisbane Boys' College
90	Logan Dykstra	LB	6-2	220	So.	Hull, Iowa/Boyden-Hull HS
91	Brian Mayberry	DL	6-4	240	So.	Littleton, Colo./Columbine HS
94	Marco Naughton	DL	6-2	295	Jr.	Mineola, Iowa/Saint Albert HS
95	Mitchell Rosenbloom	DL	6-1	261	Jr.	St. Paul, Minn. (St. Paul Johnson)
96	Steven McKee	DL	6-1	254	RFr.	Yankton, S.D./Yankton HS
99	Tyler Heredia	DL	6-0	275	Fr.	Minnetonka, Minn./Minnetonka HS

Newcomers

Zachary Anderson	DL/LS	6-5	264	Fr.	Greeley, Colo./University Schools
Michael Atonio	LB	5-10	235	Fr.	Kodiak, Alaska/Kodiak HS
Gunnar Dean	LB	6-2	208	Fr.	Lincoln, Neb./Lincoln East HS
Alexander DeGarmo	DL	6-2	305	Fr.	Greenwood, Neb./Ashland-Greenwood HS-
Shayden Drey	LB	6-1	205	So.	Winner, S.D./Winner H.S.
Brody Grantham	LB	6-1	208	Fr.	Hayti, S.D./Hamlin HS
Parker Gregston	DB	5-11	175	Fr.	Arvada, Colo./Ralston Valley HS
Colter Haman	OLB	5-10	175	Fr.	Douglas, Wyo./Douglas HS''{
Hunter Haman	DB	6-1	170	Fr.	Douglas, Wyo./Douglas HS
R.J. Helsper	DL	6-3	210	Fr.	Brookings, S.D./Brookings HS
Nolan Kern	OL	6-4	315	Fr.	Eau Claire, Wis./Regis HS
Connor Kuchel	OL	6-2	234	Fr.	Hartley, Iowa/Hartley/Melvin/Sanborn HS
Winston Maxwell	RB	5-6	158	Fr.	Albany, Ga./Kubasaki (Okinawa, Japan)
Tyler Larson	TE	6-1	195	Fr.	Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell High School
Ryan Lehr	DB	5-11	175	Fr.	Indianola, Iowa/Indianola HS
Tristen Leiseth	DE	6-2	215	Fr.	Hayti, S.D./Hamlin HS
Devon Meinen	DL	6-2	270	Fr.	Chippewa Falls, Minn./Chippewa Falls HS
Colton Myles	RB	6-0	210	Fr.	Richfield, Minn./Thomas Jefferson HS
Hunter Nikolai	DB	5-11	175	Fr.	Kenosha, Wis./Kenosha Tremper HS
Ricky Quintana	DB	5-9	175	Fr.	Sioux City, Iowa/Sioux City West
Jacob Ridgeway	RB	5-6	165	Fr.	Eldridge, Iowa/North Scott HS
Joe Rodino	DB	5-10	195	Fr.	Omaha, Neb./Creighton Prep
Connor Schissel	OL	6-4	265	Fr.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Champlain Park HS
Mason Schroyer	RB	5-7	175	Fr.	Fort Collins, Colo./Fort Collins HS
Isaac Schubert	RB	5-7	165	Fr.	Madison, S.D./Madison HS
Tucker Stout	DB	6-0	190	Fr.	Spokane, Wash./Central Valley
Max Sturdevant	LB	6-2	185	Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D./Washington HS
Bronson Wire	OL	6-2	320	Fr.	Belleville, Wis./Belleville High School

USF Football - 2015 Coaches

Jed Stugart - Head Coach
Dustan Hovorka - Offensive Coordinator
Tremaine Jackson - Defensive Coordinator
Ben Blake - Offensive Line Coach
Brandon Anderson - Recruiting Coordinator/Linebackers Coach
Eric Inama - Defensive Backs Coach/Special Teams Coordinator
Jon Eastman - Quarterbacks Coach
Josh Breske - Tight Ends Coach
Al Hansen - Kickers/Punters
Kristian Porter - Running Backs
Kingsley Akinwole - Assistant Defensive Line Coach
Brian Hermanson - Defensive Backs Coach
Luke Jarzynka - Asst. Linebackers Coach

USF PRONUCIATIONS

3 Justin Fulks (Fulks)
8 Josh Angulo (On-gu-low)
10 Andrew Buchele (Buk-a-le)
11 Kyle Groeneweg (Gro-na-weg)
13 Tosin Adedeji (Toe-sin - ah-dead-ah-G)
15 Luke Papillion (Pa-pill-yun)
18 Delontre Fields (Dee-Lant-tray Fields)
24 Garrett Shutt (shut)
31 Michael Mehling (may-ling)
32 Cameron Ostrom (o-strom)
35 Connor Schoepp (shepp)
36 Alexandre Marquignon (Alexandre Mark-king-gnon)
38 Austin Schaffer (shay-fer)

40 Nathan Lucs (lukes)
41 Romini Oladejo (Romini - O-La-Day-Jo)
48 Carter Ahlers (ah-lers)
52 Zack Tamburo (Tam-burro)
57 Grant Schindler (Schind-ler)
58 Wesley Bertoni (Bur-tony)
68 Richard Guarascio (Richard Ger-aus-e-o)
72 Elijah Perine (Elijah Peer-reen)
87 Kray Krolkowski (Kray - Kro-li-kow-ski)

USF Football - 2015 Coaches

Jed Stugart - Head Coach (Stew-gurt)
Dustan Hovorka - Off. Coord. (Ha-vor-ka)
Eric Inama - (I-na-ma)

TEAM STATS -- 2015

Team Statistics	SF	OPP
SCORING	163	69
Points Per Game	40.8	17.2
Points Off Turnovers	34	10
FIRST DOWNS	100	68
Rushing	48	27
Passing	44	33
Penalty	8	8
RUSHING YARDAGE	981	563
Yards gained rushing	1060	666
Yards lost rushing	79	103
Rushing Attempts	171	168
Average Per Rush	5.7	3.4
Average Per Game	245.2	140.8
TDs Rushing	12	5
PASSING YARDAGE	995	683
Comp-Att-Int	67-120-3	64-120-8
Average Per Pass	8.3	5.7
Average Per Catch	14.9	10.7
Average Per Game	248.8	170.8
TDs Passing	10	4
TOTAL OFFENSE	1976	1246
Total Plays	291	288
Average Per Play	6.8	4.3
Average Per Game	494.0	311.5
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	11-200	9-110
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	10-125	6-43
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	8-97	3-43
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	18.2	12.2
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	12.5	7.2
INT RETURN AVERAGE	12.1	14.3
FUMBLES-LOST	4-3	6-3
PENALTIES-Yards	28-233	19-140
Average Per Game	58.2	35.0
PUNTS-Yards	14-474	26-858
Average Per Punt	33.9	33.0
Net punt average	29.4	28.2
KICKOFFS-Yards	28-1534	15-777
Average Per Kick	54.8	51.8
Net kick average	37.5	33.5
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	25:54	34:06
3RD-DOWN Conversions	29/56	21/65
3rd-Down Pct	52%	32%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	2/4	5/7
4th-Down Pct	50%	71%
SACKS BY-Yards	10-43	2-21
MISC YARDS	0	14
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	23	9
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	1-5	2-5
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	(15-22) 68%	(8-12) 67%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(14-22) 64%	(6-12) 50%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(22-23) 96%	(9-9) 100%
ATTENDANCE	4499	9035
Games/Avg Per Game	2/2250	2/4518
Neutral Site Games		0/0

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Sioux Falls	56	62	35	10	0	163
Opponents	10	28	14	17	0	69



LAST TIME....

400+ Passing Yards

Carrington Hanna (407 yards) - 10/19/13 @ Con.-St. Paul

300-399 Passing Yards

Luke Papilion (318 yards) - 9/27/14 @ MSU-Moorhead

50 Pass Attempts

Carrington Hanna (50 att)-11/2/13 @ Upper Iowa

40 Pass Attempts

Luke Papilion (40 att) - 9/27/14 @ MSU-Moorhead

30 Pass Completions

Carrington Hanna (34 comp) - 11/2/13 @ Upper Iowa

25 Pass Completions

Luke Papilion (27) - 9/27/14 vs. MSU-Moorhead

Player Throw for 4 Touchdowns

Luke Papilion (4 TDs) - 9/12/15 vs. Minnesota-Crookston

100-149 Receiving Yards

Josh Angulo (7-142-3 TDs) - 12/6/14 vs. Central Oklahoma

150-199 Receiving Yards

Wes Smith (180 yds- 10 Rec.) - 11/2/13 @ Upper Iowa

200 or more Receiving Yards

Dusty Hovorka (215 yds - 9 Rec.) - 9/24/04 vs. Concordia (Neb.)

Player with 2 Receiving Touchdowns

Garrett Shutt (2) - 9/26/15 vs. NSU

100-149 Rushing Yards

Max Mickey (21-110-TD) - 9/26/15 vs. Northern State

150-199 Rushing Yards

Nephi Garcia (159 yds - 29 att) - 10/26/13 vs. Augustana

200+ Rushing Yards

Nephi Garcia (225 yds - 21 att) - 11/15/14 vs. Wayne State

Player Rush for 3 Touchdowns

Nephi Garcia - 9/13/2014 vs. Bemidji State

Player Rush for 5 Touchdowns

Luke Papilion (240 yds - 19 att) - 9/14/13 vs. Northern State

Kickoff Return for a Touchdown

David Clark (93 yds) - 10/18/14 vs. SMSU at USF

Punt Return for a Touchdown

John Tidwell (55 yds) - 12/6/15 vs. Central Oklahoma

Interception Return for a touchdown

David Clark (33 yds) - 9/19/15 vs. UMD at USF

Fumble Recovery for a Touchdown

David Clark (27 yds) - 11/15/14 vs. Wayne State

500 Yards of Total Offense

562 yards - 9/12/15 vs. Minnesota-Crookston

600 Yards of Total Offense

606 yards - 11/8/14 vs. Upper Iowa

30 First Downs

33 - 9/27/14 @ MSU-Moorhead

Last Shutout

36-0 - 9/20/14 vs. St. Cloud State

Last Time Shutout

55-0 - 12/3/05 at Carroll, 55-0

Held Opponent under 100 yards Total Offense

vs. SD School of Mines and Technology, 70, 10/22/11

Held Opponent under 50 yards Total Offense

vs. Nebraska-Wesleyan, 28, 9/5/09

Held Opponent to negative yards in Total Offense

vs. Northwestern, -4, 11/1/08

Returned 2 Interceptions for TDs

vs. Bemidji, 9/13/14 - David Clark, 40; Cameron Ostrom, 88.

USF installs new turf at Bob Young Field during summer

With a tie to agriculture, the University of Sioux Falls partnered with synthetic turf pioneer AstroTurf to install a visually stunning grass-like surface at Bob Young Field located at the University of Sioux Falls Sports Complex (69th and Cliff). The turf was manufactured from a soy-based synthetic grass.

“At a time when we needed to upgrade our turf, AstroTurf stepped up as a partner and worked with us to make this project come together,” said USF Director of Athletics Josh Snyder. “It was important for us to have the connection to agriculture due to our relationship with farmers such as the late Ron Eiesland,” he said.

Replacement of the turf at USF Stadium began on Wednesday, May 13. The new turf was in place by August 21, just after USF football practice started.

From the outset, AstroTurf took the initiative to be USF’s partner in the turf project, according to USF President Mark Benedetto. They took the extra steps to ensure that all the University needs were met, including student-athlete safety, as well as product performance, university branding and more.

“We are very excited about the new turf at Bob Young Field,” said Benedetto, who visited AstroTurf officials at their home corporate location of Dalton, Ga., more than six months ago. “We felt a connection with AstroTurf and were encouraged by their active interest in what we needed done at Bob Young Field. As a result, the field will have a fresh and impactful look while providing safety for our student-athletes,” added Benedetto.

AstroTurf also assured USF that the new turf would have a long life expectancy.

“Clearly, we were concerned about various aspects of this product, including how long it will hold up to a heavy grind of practices, games, other events, and wear and tear,” said Snyder. “But after visiting with AstroTurf officials, including Jason Berning, all our questions were answered. We are ready to move forward,” he said.

The new turf includes a purple cougar, outlined in white located from the 35-to-35 yard lines. The end zone will have a gray background with “SIOUX FALLS” and “COUGARS” in large purple lettering, outlined in white.

“Clearly we are excited about the opportunity to partner with a winning company, who helped us put a great new look at the stadium with a focus on safety of our student-athletes” said USF head football coach Jed Stugart, whose football program is coming off a school-best 11-1 record at DII and is excited for the new turf and the 2015 season.

“This turf revitalizes the look at our stadium. And, most importantly, addresses safety needs of student-athletes,” said Stugart. “In a very exciting time at USF, this turf replacement will continue to build on the momentum of the football program but other programs as well. It will aid the university in various ways, including helping in recruiting student-athletes,” he said.

USF’s new turf is a renewable product, AstroTurf® 3D, incorporates BioCel™ soy-based polyurethane, in the backing to which the grass-like turf is rooted. Manufactured

by AstroTurf, LLC, the soy backing is produced by incorporating soy oil to manufacture a bio-based polyol, which replaces a significant portion of the petro-based polyol in the old turf. The renewable soy-based backing extends the turf’s life, reduces dependence on foreign oil and supports American farmers, noted Snyder.



The turf system also features a RootZone® infill stabilization system, an extra layer of crimped fibers that act like a net to keep the sand and rubber infill in place. The effect is reduced infill migration, leading to a more uniform surface that provides consistent shock attenuation, withstands wear and tear, and holds up better to UV exposure than traditional turf systems. An added benefit to the 3D product line is improved cleat release owing to the RootZone, according to independently funded research at Michigan State University.

The USF Sports Complex was opened on Sept. 1, 2007 and has continued to be developed over time. By the 2010 season, the press box and donor suites had been completed. The field was named in honor of legendary Hall of Fame coach Bob Young on Sept. 1, 2010.

The turf being replaced at the stadium was originally placed in 2005 and has had an eight-year run when the Cougars’ football program had a reign of dominance at the NAIA level with championships in 2008 and 2009 before a runner-up finish in 2010. Since 2010, USF has continued its excellence at NCAA DII, including three straight winning seasons (9-2, 6-5, and 11-1). It fits the long run of success, unmatched by any school in the region. USF has 21 straight winning seasons, including five straight and a 44-13 mark with head coach Jed Stugart.

Snyder noted that USF will salvage pieces of the turf which will be used for memorabilia as well as possible fundraising uses.

“We value the history of this stadium and the turf being replaced has served the university very well,” said Snyder. “We think alumni and others may want to have a piece of the turf.”

Aside from football, the turf is utilized in training by the other programs at USF. It is also utilized by Sioux Falls Christian High School who play all their home games at the field.



JED STUGART

5th SEASON

AZUSA PACIFIC '94

48-13 (.787)



Jed Stugart is in his sixth season as head coach at the University of Sioux Falls. He has guided the Cougars to five consecutive winning seasons, extending the program's streak to 21 straight winning seasons. Stugart, who led USF to the NAIA national title game in 2010, owns a 48-13 record (.787) at USF and a career mark of 74-20 (.787). In 2015, the Cougars are 4-0 and ranked #4 in the D2Football.com poll and #7 in the AFCA poll. Stugart's 48 wins at USF ranks him third all-time at USF behind Bob Young, 172; Kalen DeBoer, 67.

In four plus seasons at NCAA DII, Stugart has guided the Cougars to a 34-12 record, including 29-8 in the NSIC. USF's all-time .784 winning percentage in NSIC games is the best in the league. During his tenure, 36 Cougars have earned NSIC All-League recognition, along with seven All-Americans, one Academic All-American honor, 10 all-region honorees and 60 were Academic All-NSIC honorees.

Stugart, who was introduced as USF's 20th head coach on February 20, 2010, just finished his fifth year by leading the Cougars to its best year at the DII level. The Cougars finished 11-1 with a 6-1 mark for second in the NSIC South. USF finished with its first-ever DII ranking in both D2football.com at #16 and the final AFCA Poll at #18 in 2014. The Cougars were ranked as high as #10 and finished the regular season at #16 in the AFCA poll. In their first-ever postseason appearance, USF rolled to a 42-10 win over Central Oklahoma of the MIAA in the Mineral Water Bowl. This year, USF is 1-0 and is ranked a program-best #9 in DII by D2Football.com and #15 by the AFCA.

A Greeley, Colo., native with Midwest ties, Stugart has maintained the pride and tradition of USF football while steering the Cougars through the challenging transition from NAIA to NCAA Division II athletics. The 11-win campaign in 2014 was Stugart's second double digit wins mark with USF, going 13-1 in 2010 and advancing to the NAIA title game. He has three seasons of at least nine wins in five years at the helm.

In 2014, USF opened the season with eight straight wins (most at DII level) and lost only to national runner-up Minnesota State. Among the regular season victories was a third consecutive win over city rival Augustana (23-13) at Kirkeby-Over Stadium as the "Key to the City" stayed at USF.

In total, 14 USF players were named to the NSIC All-League team, including eight first (4) or second (4) team honorees. Sophomore quarterback Luke Papiilon was named the school's first-ever NSIC Offensive Player of the Year and a Harlon Hill candidate (DII Player of the Year). Junior defensive back Solomon St. Pierre was named all-league, a Cliff Harris Award candidate (DII Player of the Year) and to six All-American first teams (AFCA, D2football.com, AP Little All-American Team, Daktronics, BeyondSports.com, Don Hansen). Junior defensive back John Tidwell was all-league, all-region (Daktronics) and selected Academic All-District as well as a Don Hansen honorable mention All-American. USF also had 23 Academic All-NSIC selections in 2014.

In 2014, the Cougars were the top scoring team (42.7) in the NSIC and seventh nationally. USF scored 512 points, the most since moving to DII. In addition, USF was second in scoring defense (17.4 ppg), second in total offense (483.2) and third in total defense (356.8). USF ranked fourth nationally (1st, NSIC) in the national in turnover margin, third in turnovers gained, and second nationally with 26 interceptions. USF had a nation-leading seven defensive TDs. In national rankings, the Cougars were 12th in scoring defense and 17th in total offense.

In 2013, Stugart guided USF to an overall mark of 6-5 with a second-straight win over its city rival Augustana College. USF capped the 2013 season by defeating Wayne State College in its season finale by a convincing 35-10 margin. Two Cougars were named to the All-NSIC South First Team and a total of nine players received all-conference recognition. Junior John Batinich was named the NSIC Defensive Newcomer of the Year, while senior Carington Hanna became the first player in the history of the NSIC (records dating to 1973) to be selected as both an all-conference wide receiver and all-conference quarterback in the same year. In addition, NSIC South first team John Tidwell was also named to the 2013 Don Hansen Football Committee All-Super Region 3 Team (Third Team Defense). Nineteen players received Academic All-NSIC honors.

In 2012, the Cougars opened the DII era with a 32-19 road win over #16 St. Cloud State. USF opened the 2012 campaign with five straight victories and finished 9-2 overall. USF claimed a 32-31 double-overtime victory over crosstown rival and new conference foe Augustana College on Oct. 20 in the

inaugural "Key to the City" game. USF was ranked No. 22 at the conclusion of the season and enjoyed six weeks in the NCAA D-II top 25 poll, including a season-best #17 Oct. 27.

Stugart and his staff assembled the No. 1 pass efficiency defense in the NSIC while the Cougar defense ranked among the NCAA D-II top 30 in five categories. In addition, senior cornerback Robert Virgil tied for fifth in

Stugart File

Sioux Falls Head Coach (2010- present)

~48-13 overall

~GPAC Championship (2010)

~NAIA National runner-up (2010)

~74-20 in his career

UNLV Assistant Coach- Linebackers (2009-10)

MidAmerica Nazarene Head Coach (2006-08) -

~26-7 overall, Two Postseason Appear.

~HAAC Championship (2008).

~AFCA Region 3 Coach of the Year

Northern Colorado - Asst. Coach- Def. Coord. (2003-05)

Northern Colorado Asst. Coach- DL/LB (1999-2002)

the nation with an average of 0.64 interceptions per game while classmate Nick Bonte ranked 23rd in tackles for loss (1.59). Senior kicker Braden Wiekling ended his storied career as the school's career field goals leader (52). He was a Don Hansen NCAA Division II All-American. The Cougars placed three players on the All-NSIC South Division First Team in 2012 (Jeremiah Oates, Hanna, Wiekling). Hanna was also named to the 2012 Capital One Academic All-America® NCAA Division II Football Second Team, becoming the first USF student-athlete to be selected to the Academic All-

American Team by CoSIDA. A total of 18 student-athletes received Academic All-NSIC honors and 13 Cougars received All-NSIC recognition. The national recognition wasn't limited to the players, as Stugart was one of five D-II finalists for the 2012 Liberty Mutual Coach of the Year Award, the premier college football-coaching honor.

In 2011, USF finished its first-ever NCAA D-II provisional campaign with a 5-4 mark. Under Stugart's guidance, the Cougars proved not only that they could compete at the D-II level, but concluded the season with a heart-breaking 15-13 near-upset loss at then FCS No. 25 University of North Dakota. All four of USF's 2011 losses came against nationally ranked NCAA DI FCS and NCAA DII programs.

In his first season at USF, Stugart led the Cougars to a 13-1 record, fifth straight Great Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC) crown and fifth consecutive appearance in the NAIA National Championship Game. Stugart coached his first game for the Cougars on September 4, 2010, a 41-24 victory at No. 23 Northwestern College. USF came up just short in the championship game, falling 10-7 in a defensive struggle to No. 2 Carroll College.

Several other USF football student-athletes collected hardware in 2010. Senior receiver Jon Ryan captured the program's fourth NAIA Player of the Year award and was also named the 2010 GPAC Player of the Year. Ryan was one of 22 players to receive GPAC all-conference recognition, with six Cougars picking up first team accolades.

Prior to USF, Stugart served as the linebackers coach at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas (UNLV) and was head coach at MidAmerica Nazarene University (MNU), compiling a 26-7 record at the NAIA school located in Olathe, Kansas.

After leading the Pioneers to an undefeated regular season, a Heart of America Conference title and second consecutive trip to the playoffs, Stugart was named 2008 NAIA Region 3 Coach of the Year by the AFCA. Previous to MNU, he was on the staff at Northern Colorado from 1999-2006. Stugart was the defensive line coach before taking over the linebackers as defensive coordinator in 2003. With he was part of two North Central Conference championship teams and two postseason appearances.

Stugart earned three letters as a linebacker at Azusa Pacific (Calif.) University, where he later began his coaching career. He earned a bachelor's degree in communications in 1994 from APU and a master's degree in communications from UNC in 2003.

He and his wife, Angie, have a son, Gunner, and a daughter, Gracie.

2015 - USF COMBINED STATS

2015 University of Sioux Falls Football Sioux Falls Combined Team Statistics (as of Sep 27, 2015) All games

Date	Opponent	Score	Att.	Record:	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
* Sep 05, 2015	U-MARY	W 55-7	2046	All games	4-0	2-0	2-0	0-0
* Sep 12, 2015	at Minnesota Crookston	W 45-21	902	Conference	4-0	2-0	2-0	0-0
* Sep 19, 2015	#7 MINNESOTA DULUTH	W 35-31	2453	Non-Conference	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
* Sep 26, 2015	at Northern State	W 28-10	8133					

Rushing	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Mickey, Max	4	73	443	18	425	5.8	6	70	106.2
Papilion, Luke	4	30	352	23	329	11.0	2	56	82.2
Fulks, Justin	3	33	167	2	165	5.0	2	22	55.0
Towns, Jason	4	12	50	8	42	3.5	1	14	10.5
Collazo, Joshua	1	8	21	0	21	2.6	0	6	21.0
Angulo, Josh	4	2	20	0	20	10.0	1	13	5.0
Shutt, Garrett	4	1	2	0	2	2.0	0	2	0.5
Baynard, Keenan	1	2	2	2	0	0.0	0	2	0.0
Athman, Kyle	4	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Total	4	171	1060	79	981	5.7	12	70	245.2
Opponents	4	168	666	103	563	3.4	5	40	140.8

Passing	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Papilion, Luke	4	150.76	62-111-1	55.9	885	10	52	221.2
Lawler, Corbin	2	113.78	5-9-2	55.6	110	0	38	55.0
Total	4	147.98	67-120-3	55.8	995	10	52	248.8
Opponents	4	98.81	64-120-8	53.3	683	4	48	170.8

Receiving	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Angulo, Josh	4	16	249	15.6	3	31	62.2
Shutt, Garrett	4	16	238	14.9	4	44	59.5
Rose, Brady	4	14	215	15.4	2	34	53.8
Mickey, Max	4	7	37	5.3	0	24	9.2
Towns, Jason	4	3	77	25.7	0	52	19.2
Albeck, Erik	4	3	57	19.0	0	35	14.2
Groeneweg, Kyle	4	2	53	26.5	0	38	13.2
Stanke, Nick	4	2	26	13.0	1	22	6.5
Buchele, Andrew	4	2	14	7.0	0	14	3.5
Witt, Jonathon	4	1	22	22.0	0	22	5.5
Fulks, Justin	3	1	7	7.0	0	7	2.3
Total	4	67	995	14.9	10	52	248.8
Opponents	4	64	683	10.7	4	48	170.8

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Garner, Brett	1-5	20.0	0-0	1-3	0-1	0-1	0-0	23	1

Scoring	td	fg	PAT				dxp	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass			
Mickey, Max	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	36	
Garner, Brett	-	1-5	22-23	-	-	-	-	25	
Angulo, Josh	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	
Shutt, Garrett	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	
Fulks, Justin	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	
Rose, Brady	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	
Papilion, Luke	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	
Stanke, Nick	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Towns, Jason	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Clark, David	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Total	23	1-5	22-23	-	-	-	-	163	
Opponents	9	2-5	9-9	-	-	-	-	69	

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Sioux Falls	56	62	35	10	0	163
Opponents	10	28	14	17	0	69

Team Statistics	SF	OPP
FIRST DOWNS	100	68
Rushing	48	27
Passing	44	33
Penalty	8	8
RUSHING YARDAGE	981	563
Rushing Attempts	171	168
Average Per Rush	5.7	3.4
Average Per Game	245.2	140.8
TDs Rushing	12	5
PASSING YARDAGE	995	683
Comp-Att-Int	67-120-3	64-120-8
Average Per Pass	8.3	5.7
Average Per Catch	14.9	10.7
Average Per Game	248.8	170.8
TDs Passing	10	4
TOTAL OFFENSE	1976	1246
Average Per Play	6.8	4.3
Average Per Game	494.0	311.5
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	11-200	9-110
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	10-125	6-43
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	8-97	3-43
FUMBLES-LOST	4-3	6-3
PENALTIES-Yards	28-233	19-140
PUNTS-AVG	14-33.9	26-33.0
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	25:54	34:06
3RD-DOWN Conversions	29/56	21/65
4TH-DOWN Conversions	2/4	5/7

Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
St. Pierre, Solomon	4	61	15.2	0	56
Ahlers, Carter	1	0	0.0	0	0
Ostrom, Cameron	1	0	0.0	0	0
Clark, David	1	33	33.0	1	33
Tidwell, John	1	3	3.0	0	3

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Vanden Heuvel, S	14	474	33.9	52	1	2	5	1	0

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Groeneweg, Kyle	5	49	9.8	0	20
Tidwell, John	4	76	19.0	0	39
TEAM	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	10	125	12.5	0	39
Opponents	6	43	7.2	0	15

Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Groeneweg, Kyle	7	162	23.1	0	54
Clark, David	2	37	18.5	0	20
Towns, Jason	1	0	0.0	0	0
Tidwell, John	1	1	1.0	0	1
Total	11	200	18.2	0	54
Opponents	9	110	12.2	0	23

All Purpose	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	lr	total	avg/g
Mickey, Max	4	425	37	0	0	0	462	115.5
Papilion, Luke	4	329	0	0	0	0	329	82.2
Angulo, Josh	4	20	249	0	0	0	269	67.2
Groeneweg, Kyle	4	0	53	49	162	0	264	66.0
Shutt, Garrett	4	2	238	0	0	0	240	60.0
Rose, Brady	4	0	215	0	0	0	215	53.8
Fulks, Justin	3	165	7	0	0	0	172	57.3
Towns, Jason	4	42	77	0	0	0	119	29.8
Tidwell, John	4	0	0	76	1	3	80	20.0
Clark, David	3	0	0	0	37	33	70	23.3
Total	4	981	995	125	200	97	2398	599.5
Opponents	4	563	683	43	110	43	1442	360.5

Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Papilion, Luke	4	141	329	885	1214	303.5
Mickey, Max	4	73	425	0	425	106.2
Fulks, Justin	3	33	165	0	165	55.0
Lawler, Corbin	2	9	0	110	110	55.0
Towns, Jason	4	12	42	0	42	10.5

2015 - NCAA/Conference Statistical Rankings

Sioux Falls - 2015-16 Football Ranking Summary thru games 09/26/2015

Statistic	National Rank	Conference Rank	Value	National Leader	Value	Conference Leader	Value
3rd Down Conversion Pct (169 ranked)	12	3	0.518	Emporia St.	0.671	Southwest Minn. St.	0.539
3rd Down Conversion Pct Defense (169 ranked)	41	4	0.323	Alderson Broaddus	0.156	Minn. St. Mankato	0.230
4th Down Conversion Pct (164 ranked)	49	5	0.500	Ferris St. North Ala.	1.000 1.000	Augustana (SD)	0.750
4th Down Conversion Pct Defense (163 ranked)	155	16	0.714	8 teams tied	0.000	Minot St.	0.000
Blocked Kicks (69 ranked)	24	3	2	Fort Hays St.	6	Southwest Minn. St. Minn. St. Moorhead	3 3
Blocked Kicks Allowed (165 ranked)	57	7	1	56 teams tied	0	6 teams tied	0
Blocked Punts (19 ranked)	19	4	1	Elizabeth City St. Kentucky St.	4 4	Minn. St. Mankato Southwest Minn. St. Upper Iowa	2 2 2
Blocked Punts Allowed (164 ranked)	1	1	0	115 teams tied	0	10 teams tied	0
Completion Percentage (169 ranked)	86	12	0.558	Michigan Tech	0.730	St. Cloud St.	0.655
Defensive TDs (9 ranked)				Indiana (PA)	5	Minn. St. Mankato	2
Fewest Penalties (169 ranked)	75	11	28	Hillsdale	5	Mary	18
Fewest Penalties Per Game (169 ranked)	63	11	7.00	Hillsdale	1.25	Mary	4.50
Fewest Penalty Yards (169 ranked)	59	9	233	Hillsdale	45	Northern St.	114
Fewest Penalty Yards Per Game (169 ranked)	48	9	58.25	Hillsdale	11.25	Northern St.	28.50
First Downs Defense (169 ranked)	43	3	68	Alderson Broaddus	26	Minn. St. Mankato	40
First Downs Offense (169 ranked)	19	2	100	Angelo St.	119	Southwest Minn. St.	109
Fumbles Lost (166 ranked)	70	9	3	4 teams tied	0	Augustana (SD) Northern St.	0 0
Fumbles Recovered (140 ranked)	59	3	3	Clarion	10	Winona St. Augustana (SD)	4 4
Kickoff Return Defense (169 ranked)	7	2	12.22	Ky. Wesleyan	7.82	Minn. St. Mankato	11.23
Kickoff Returns (169 ranked)	115	10	18.18	Colorado St.-Pueblo	43.29	Augustana (SD)	28.13
Net Punting (169 ranked)	145	14	29.36	Livingstone	43.40	Minn. St. Mankato	39.50
Passes Had Intercepted (169 ranked)	48	7	3	14 teams tied	0	Upper Iowa Wayne St. (NE)	0 0
Passes Intercepted (147 ranked)	9	1	8	Henderson St.	12	Sioux Falls	8
Passing Offense (169 ranked)	60	5	248.8	Western N.M.	401.5	Winona St.	313.3
Passing Yards Allowed (169 ranked)	34	2	170.8	Alderson Broaddus	77.3	Minn. St. Mankato	125.8
Passing Yards per Completion (169 ranked)	26	3	14.85	Harding	30.53	Minn. St. Moorhead	15.05
Punt Return Defense (169 ranked)	64	7	7.17	Glenville St.	-2.67	Winona St.	3.80
Punt Returns (169 ranked)	43	5	12.50	Minn. St. Mankato	29.86	Minn. St. Mankato	29.86
Red Zone Defense (163 ranked)	39	6	0.667	Wingate	0.000	Minn. Duluth	0.583
Red Zone Offense (169 ranked)	122	10	0.682	4 teams tied	1.000	Augustana (SD)	1.000
Rushing Defense (169 ranked)	60	5	140.8	West Ala.	37.3	Minn. St. Mankato	77.0
Rushing Offense (169 ranked)	18	2	245.3	Lenoir-Rhyne	433.5	Minn. St. Mankato	278.0
Sacks Allowed (169 ranked)	7	1	0.50	Harding North Ala.	0.00 0.00	Sioux Falls	0.50
Scoring Defense (169 ranked)	24	3	17.3	Wingate	4.0	Minn. St. Mankato	7.5
Scoring Offense (169 ranked)	19	1	40.8	Humboldt St.	52.3	Sioux Falls	40.8
Tackles for Loss Allowed (169 ranked)	26	5	5.00	Ark.-Monticello Hillsdale Carson-Newman	3.00 3.00 3.00	St. Cloud St.	3.50
Team Passing Efficiency (169 ranked)	36	3	147.98	Humboldt St.	224.26	Minn. St. Moorhead	171.08
Team Passing Efficiency Defense (169 ranked)	25	3	98.81	Alderson Broaddus	55.46	Minn. St. Mankato	85.32
Team Sacks (168 ranked)	47	3	2.50	Northwest Mo. St. Bowie St.	4.25 4.25	Minn. St. Mankato	3.00
Team Tackles for Loss (169 ranked)	55	6	7.3	Glenville St.	11.0	Bemidji St.	8.0
Time of Possession (169 ranked)	158	16	25:54	Brevard	37:19	Minn. Duluth	34:07
Total Defense (169 ranked)	29	3	311.5	Alderson Broaddus	126.0	Minn. St. Mankato	202.8
Total Offense (169 ranked)	20	1	494.0	Angelo St.	586.8	Sioux Falls	494.0
Turnover Margin (169 ranked)	20	2	1.25	St. Joseph's (IN)	2.75	Upper Iowa	2.00
Turnovers Gained (165 ranked)	17	1	11	Chowan	15	Sioux Falls	11
Turnovers Lost (167 ranked)	54	7	6	5 teams tied	1	Upper Iowa	1
Winning Percentage (138 ranked)	1	1	1.000	26 teams tied	1.000	Minn. St. Mankato Southwest Minn. St. Sioux Falls	1.000 1.000 1.000

Statistic	Player	National Conference		Value	National Leader	Value	Conference Leader		Value	
		Rank	Rank				Value	Value		
All Purpose (198 ranked)	Max Mickey	107	10	115.50	Daniel McCants, Tarleton St.	241.33	Paul Preston, Winona St.		179.00	
Blocked Kicks (5 ranked)					Marcus Sayles, West Ga.	4	Steve Schutz, Minn. St. Moorhead		2	
Combined Kick Returns (200 ranked)	Kyle Groeneweg	67	5	211	Jarvis McClam, Seton Hill	492	Alquawn Vickers, Concordia-St. Paul		438	
Completion Percentage (164 ranked)	Luke Papilion	94	13	0.559	Brandon Cowie, Michigan Tech	0.727	Demetrius Carr, Minn. St. Moorhead		0.709	
Completions Per Game (150 ranked)	Luke Papilion	88	9	15.50	Mitch Glasmann, Western N.M. Luke Lancaster, Tusculum Dimitri Morales, Upper Iowa	28.25 28.25 28.25	Dimitri Morales, Upper Iowa		28.25	
Field Goal Percentage (110 ranked)	Brett Garner	110	9	0.200	12 players tied		1.000	Andrew Brees, Minn. Duluth		1.000
Field Goals Per Game (128 ranked)	Brett Garner	128	13	0.25	T. Derezcic, Tiffin		3.00	Carter McCauley, Winona St.		2.00
Forced Fumbles (50 ranked)					Evan Mattern, Bentley Kentarius McDonald, Delta St.	0.75 0.75	Jeff Brown, Winona St. Evan Perrizo, Minn. St. Mankato		0.50 0.50	
Fumbles Recovered (33 ranked)	Carter Ahlers Marco Naughton	33 33	4 4	1 1	Kyle Kitchens, Catawba Raymond Malone, Kentucky St. Jarrett Wood, Winona St.	3 3 3	Jarrett Wood, Winona St.		3	
Interceptions (121 ranked)	Solomon St. Pierre David Clark	2 121	1 12	1.0 0.3	Antion McBee, Southwest Baptist		1.5	Solomon St. Pierre, Sioux Falls		1.0
Kickoff Return TDs (2 ranked)					Ty Hill, West Ala.		2	Jason Greenway, Augustana (SD) Alquawn Vickers, Concordia-St. Paul		1 1
Kickoff Returns (125 ranked)	Kyle Groeneweg	66	5	23.1	CJ Davis, Shepherd		43.7	Jason Greenway, Augustana (SD)		39.0
Passes Defended (81 ranked)	Solomon St. Pierre Clifford Redmond	17 81	2 5	1.8 1.3	Darnell Walker, Jr., Pittsburg St.		3.0	D Fletcher, Minn. Duluth		2.5
Passing Efficiency (150 ranked)	Luke Papilion	34	4	150.8	Robert Webber, Humboldt St.		209.0	Demetrius Carr, Minn. St. Moorhead		177.9
Passing TDs (96 ranked)	Luke Papilion	20	1	10	Justin Dvorak, Colorado Mines Rocky Moore, East Central	16 16	Blake Gimbel, Southwest Minn. St. Luke Papilion, Sioux Falls		10 10	
Passing Yards (200 ranked)	Luke Papilion	53	7	885	Mitch Glasmann, Western N.M.		1,588	Jack Nelson, Winona St.		1,253
Passing Yards Per Game (200 ranked)	Luke Papilion	63	7	221.3	Mitch Glasmann, Western N.M.		397.0	Jack Nelson, Winona St.		313.3
Passing Yards per Completion (150 ranked)	Luke Papilion	38	6	14.27	Jeremy Buurma, Eastern N.M.		19.21	Jake Hodge, Minn. St. Moorhead		15.63
Points Responsible For (166 ranked)	Luke Papilion Max Mickey	20 120	1 12	72 36	Justin Dvorak, Colorado Mines		120	Blake Gimbel, Southwest Minn. St. Luke Papilion, Sioux Falls		72 72
Points Responsible For Per Game (195 ranked)	Luke Papilion Max Mickey	23 141	2 12	18.0 9.0	Justin Dvorak, Colorado Mines		30.0	Blake Gimbel, Southwest Minn. St.		18.5
Punt Return TDs (1 ranked)					40 players tied		1	Jordan Rommes, Upper Iowa Tate Thompson, Upper Iowa		1 1
Punt Returns (98 ranked)	Kyle Groeneweg	39	4	9.8	Kyle Riggott, Minn. St. Mankato		29.8	Kyle Riggott, Minn. St. Mankato		29.8
Punting (137 ranked)					Matt Klinger, Lindenwood (MO)		47.9	Aaron LaDeaux, Minot St.		44.5
Receiving TDs (116 ranked)	Garrett Shutt Josh Angulo Brady Rose	23 53 116	3 7 13	4 3 2	Jesstin Hamm, Gannon Matt Lehman, Clarion	9 9	Charlie Hayes, Augustana (SD) Adam Jiskra, Minn. St. Moorhead		5 5	
Receiving Yards (200 ranked)	Josh Angulo Garrett Shutt Brady Rose	123 133 165	14 16 20	249 238 215	Reece Horn, UIndy		649	Charlie Hayes, Augustana (SD)		431
Receiving Yards Per Game (200 ranked)	Josh Angulo Garrett Shutt Brady Rose	136 148 182	14 16 20	62.3 59.5 53.8	Reece Horn, UIndy		162.3	Charlie Hayes, Augustana (SD)		107.8
Receptions Per Game (194 ranked)	Josh Angulo Garrett Shutt	163 163	18 18	4.0 4.0	Justin Houston, Tusculum		11.3	Jalen Amis, Upper Iowa		8.0
Rush Yards Per Carry (30 ranked)					Andre Anderson, New Haven		9.31			
Rushing TDs (78 ranked)	Max Mickey	18	2	6	Park Parish, Harding		11	Jaden Huff, St. Cloud St.		7
Rushing Yards (199 ranked)	Max Mickey Luke Papilion	30 74	2 7	425 329	Cameron Mcdondle, Colorado St.-Pueblo		724	Davontay Stevens, Southwest Minn. St.		472
Rushing Yards Per Game (199 ranked)	Max Mickey Luke Papilion Justin Fuks	38 80 165	2 7 16	106.3 82.3 55.0	Cameron Mcdondle, Colorado St.-Pueblo		181.0	Davontay Stevens, Southwest Minn. St.		118.0
Sacks (96 ranked)	Grant Schindler	46	6	0.75	Morgan Fox, Colorado St.-Pueblo		2.50	AJ Page, Southwest Minn. St.		1.25
Scoring (156 ranked)	Max Mickey Brett Garner Josh Angulo Garrett Shutt	48 152 156 156	4 15 16 16	9.0 6.3 6.0 6.0	Park Parish, Harding		16.5	CJ Ham, Augustana (SD) Jaden Huff, St. Cloud St.		10.5 10.5
Solo Tackles (170 ranked)					Connor Harris, Lindenwood (MO)		8.5	Devin Olson, Northern St.		6.3
Tackles For Loss (149 ranked)	Grant Schindler	30	2	1.8	Morgan Fox, Colorado St.-Pueblo		3.3	AJ Page, Southwest Minn. St.		2.0
Total Offense (200 ranked)	Luke Papilion Max Mickey	22 194	2 19	303.5 106.3	Antonio Pipkin, Tiffin		466.8	Dimitri Morales, Upper Iowa		328.5
Total Tackles (189 ranked)	Carter Ahlers Josh Butler Cameron Ostrom Clint Wilson	113 166 166 166	11 16 16 16	8.5 7.8 7.8 7.8	Connor Harris, Lindenwood (MO)		15.0	Collin Corcoran, Winona St.		11.5
Yards per Pass Attempt (30 ranked)					Nick Lonergan, Quincy		11.21	Demetrius Carr, Minn. St. Moorhead		10.31
Yards per Reception (30 ranked)					Jalen Tolliver, Ark.-Monticello		33.22	Damon Gibson, Minn. St. Moorhead		27.90

2015 - GAME BREAKDOWN -- GAME 1 -- #10/17 USF 55 U-Mary 7

While the field surface has changed, the #10/17 University of Sioux Falls' winning tradition at Bob Young Field remained firmly entrenched in the form of a dominating 55-7 win over University of Mary on Saturday before 2,046 in attendance on a hot, muggy afternoon.

USF (1-0, 1-0 NSIC), which has won four straight games dating back to 2014, scored at a frenetic pace on its new turf and built a 55-0 lead before U-Mary (0-1, 0-1 NSIC) scored a TD midway through the fourth quarter. The win improved USF's record to 52-3 at Bob Young Field. USF has now won 13-of-14 games dating to 2013 with every win by double digit variety and 10 by 20 points or better.

Leading the Cougars' offense was Harlon Hill candidate and junior quarterback Luke Papilion, who completed 15-of-26 passes for 266 yards and three TDs. Papilion, who is 15-4 as a starter, had 200 yards passing for an eighth straight game and now has 11 200-yard passing games in his career. He also had three TD passes for the fourth time in his career.

USF's 48-point victory is the largest at Bob Young Field as an NSIC member. In addition, the Cougars are now 63-0 all-time when scoring at least 50 points.

Papilion also rushed for 65 yards on eight carries for a ground game that produced 181 yards on 46 carries. Overall, USF had 519 yards on 80 plays as they pushed their record to 11-1 when gaining 500 yards or more in total offense. The Cougars have had 500 yards or more rushing in three straight games, dating to last fall.

Aside from Papilion, newcomer Justin Fulks, a transfer from Northwest Missouri State, had 10 carries for 52 yards and two TDs (1, 1) while sophomore Max Mickey added 10 carries for 31 yards and TD runs of one and four yards. In total, USF rushed for five TDs.

Another key for USF was the defense, which only allowed a fourth quarter TD and forced four turnovers. A year ago, the Cougars were among the national leaders in forced turnovers and turnover margin. Today, they forced four more turnovers as senior linebacker Carter Ahlers, who had four tackles and a TFL, recorded an interception and fumble recovery. In addition, USF blocked both a field goal (John Tidwell) and blocked a punt (Erik Albeck). The defense limited Mary to 200 yards in total offense on 65 plays, including just 88 rushing yards on 38 attempts. Junior linebacker Nathan Lucs led the Cougars with seven tackles. In total, USF had a sack, six TFLs, three fumble recoveries, an interception and three forced fumbles.

The Cougars, the league's highest scoring team a year ago (42.7 ppg.), started fast against Mary. A year ago, USF had 42 TD drives in three minutes or less of drive time. The Cougars had seven TD drives that took less than three minutes. The eighth? The Cougars took all of 3:23 to push the ball across the goal line in the second quarter.

On the opening drive of season, Papilion directed the Cougars 55 yards in seven plays, using just 1:56 off the clock to build a 7-0 lead on a 22-yard TD pass to sophomore tight end Nicholas Stanke. After USF Ahlers had his third career interception, the Cougars used 2:10 of the clock to move 34 yards in seven plays for a 14-0 lead after a Mickey one-yard TD plunge. After USF's Erik Albeck blocked U-Mary's kick, Papilion connected with Brady Rose, who had four catches for 72 yards, on the ensuing play from 34-yards out for a 21-0 lead with 5:39 left in the first quarter. The Cougars continued their offensive onslaught with two TDs in the second quarter. A four-yard TD run by Mickey moved the score to 28-0 with 8:39 left in the second quarter. Then, after junior defensive tackle Marco Naughton recovered a fumble, the

Cougars added to their lead on a one-yard TD run by Justin Fulks, who scored his first career TD as a Cougar at the 3:05 mark.

In the third quarter, junior wide receiver Josh Angulo, who led USF with five catches for 85 yards, hooked up with Papilion on a dazzling 31-yard TD reception with 9:13 left in the third quarter. Angulo caught the ball on the right sideline, reversed field, picked up several blocks and dived into the end zone for his first TD of the season for a 41-0 USF lead.

After U-Mary was forced to punt, Fulks' second TD run at the 6:14 mark culminated a 67 yard-four play drive in just 1:29. The big play of the drive was a 52-yard screen play from Papilion to sophomore running back Jason Towns. USF's final tally was a 12-yard TD run by Towns, who scored his first career rushing TD.

The drive, which covered 57 yards in six plays, also took just 1:51 off the clock. As for U-Mary, they were led in rushing by Adam Woroniecki with 53 yards on 20 carries. McCann was 8-of-14 for 53 yards and Zach Roberson hit on 6-of-13 passes for 59 yards. The Marauders' only TD was a Woroniecki two-yard TD run with 8:31 left in the fourth quarter.

Quickie Statistics (Final) U-Mary vs #10 Sioux Falls (Sep 05, 2015 at Sioux Falls, SD)

	MARY	SF
Score	7	55
FIRST DOWNS	10	27
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	38-88	46-181
PASSING YDS (NET)	112	338
Passes Att-Comp-Int	27-14-1	34-19-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	65-200	80-519
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	1-53
Punt Returns-Yards	2-5	2-2
Kickoff Returns-Yards	2-23	2-42
Interception Returns-Yards	2-39	1-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	9-23.8	2-38.5
Fumbles-Lost	5-3	2-1
Penalties-Yards	1-5	3-20
Possession Time	32:49	27:11
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 17	10 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-2	5-7

U-Mary

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Woroniecki,Adam	20	60	7	53	1	11	2.7
Graves,Zach	9	36	2	34	0	12	3.8
McCann,Nick	4	11	6	5	0	2	1.2
Court,Tanner	1	1	0	1	0	1	1.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
McCann,Nick	8-14-0	53	0	12	1
Roberson,Zach	6-13-1	59	0	48	0

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Doan,Brennan	5	60	0	48
Vrooman,Joey	3	25	0	12
Jolliffe,Ben	2	7	0	4
Farmer,Colton	1	11	0	11

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Olivas,Coleman	4	109	27.2	47	1	0
Johnson,David	4	97	24.2	25	0	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Whitaker,Danielle	2	5	0	4

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Vrooman,Joey	1	0	0	0
Graves,Zach	1	23	0	23

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Tescher,Preston	6-2	8	0.0	0.0
Walton,Seth	5-2	7	0.0	1.5
Eggleston,Jordan	6-0	6	0.0	1.0
Whitaker,Danielle	4-1	5	0.0	0.5

Sioux Falls

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Papilion,Luke	8	65	0	65	0	18	8.1
Fulks,Justin	10	52	0	52	2	12	5.2
Mickey,Max	10	37	6	31	2	12	3.1
Collazo,Joshua	8	21	0	21	0	6	2.6

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Papilion,Luke	15-26-0	266	3	52	0
Lawler,Corbin	4-8-2	72	0	35	0

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Angulo,Josh	5	85	1	31
Rose,Brady	4	72	1	34
Albeck,Erik	3	57	0	35
Shutt,Garrett	3	21	0	15

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Vanden Heuvel,S	2	77	38.5	46	1	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Greeneweg,Kyle	1	2	0	2
TEAM	1	0	0	0

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Greeneweg,Kyle	1	22	0	22
Clark,David	1	20	0	20

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Lucs,Nathan	5-2	7	0.0	0.0
Wilson,Clint	5-1	6	0.0	0.0
Young,Matt	4-2	6	0.0	0.0
Clark,David	3-2	5	0.0	0.0

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	13:04	SF - Stanke, Nick 22 yd pass from Papilion, Luke (Garner, Brett kick), 7-55 1:56	0 - 7
	06:46	SF - Mickey, Max 1 yd run (Garner, Brett kick), 7-34 2:10	0 - 14
	05:39	SF - Rose, Brady 34 yd pass from Papilion, Luke (Garner, Brett kick), 1-34 0:06	0 - 21
2nd	08:39	SF - Mickey, Max 4 yd run (Garner, Brett kick), 12-79 3:23	0 - 28
	03:05	SF - Fulks, Justin 1 yd run (Garner, Brett kick failed), 8-45 2:44	0 - 34
3rd	09:13	SF - Angulo, Josh 31 yd pass from Papilion, Luke (Garner, Brett kick), 5-53 1:41	0 - 41
	06:14	SF - Fulks, Justin 1 yd run (Garner, Brett kick), 4-67 1:29	0 - 48
	02:06	SF - Towns, Jason 12 yd run (Garner, Brett kick), 6-57 1:51	0 - 55
4th	08:31	MARY - Woroniecki,Adam 2 yd run (Goetz, Cody kick), 8-46 4:33	7 - 55

2015 - GAME BREAKDOWN -- GAME 2 -- #9/15 USF 45 Minnesota-Crookston 21

CROOKSTON, Minn. – Junior quarterback Luke Papilion threw for 244 yards and a career-best five TD passes to lead the #9/15 University of Sioux Falls Football Team (2-0, 2-0 NSIC) to a 45-21 victory on the road over Minnesota-Crookston (0-2, 0-2 NSIC) on Saturday at Ed Widseth Field.

For the fourth straight game - all wins - the high-powered USF offense recorded more than 500 yards (562) in total offense. It was the fifth straight win for the Cougars, which has compiled a 250-to-87 point differential in those victories.

While the Cougars suffered through some missed tackles and dropped passes, the offense clicked all day long, led by Papilion, who hit some career milestones in the win. Papilion, a Harlon Hill candidate, completed 17-of-34 passes for 244 yards and five TDs. In the game, he surpassed 4,000 yards (4,109), becoming the eighth quarterback in school history to reach that mark. In addition, the dual threat standout added four carries for 62 yards, which allowed him to move into 14th in career rushing yards at USF with 1,669.

Cameron Ostrom, John Tidwell and Solomon St. Pierre had picks against UM-Crookston. St. Pierre, a senior from Wagner, S.D., had his first of the season and 14th of his career, tying him for 7th all-time. Sacks were recorded by Evan Gentry, Westly Johnson (2nd in two games), Marco Naughton and Drew Jackson.

Ostrom also had a big day on defense as he had a career best 12 tackles to go with the pick. Senior linebacker Carter Ahlers added 11 tackles while Josh Butler had a career best 10 stops and Grant Schindler was a beast inside with 10 stops.

USF's quick-strike offense was on display again with five scoring drives in under three minutes. In the last 14 games, the Cougars have accumulated 54 TD drives in three minutes or less. In the opener vs. Mary, USF had seven TD drives of three minutes or fewer and added five more against UMC for 12 in 14 drives this season. In last year plus, the Cou have had 34 TD drives of two minutes or less and 15 in less than a minute. In 21 of those 54 drives, it took USF four plays or less to reach paydirt.

Aside from his interception, Tidwell added four tackles and the all-league cornerback shined on special teams with three returns for 70 yards, two of which set up scores.

Sophomore running back Max Mickey led the Cougars' rushing attack, going 149 yards in 20 carries with a TD. Junior Justin Fulks had 13 carries for 56 yards. Meanwhile, senior Garrett S had six catches for 70 yards and two TDs while his running mate Josh Angulo added four catches for 69 yards and a pair of TDs. Junior Brady Rose added three catches for 40 yards and a score.

The Cougars opened the scoring in the first quarter by putting together a nine-play, 85-yard scoring drive in 3:11 for a 7-0 lead after Papilion hit Angulo on a 5-yard TD pass. Mickey did the lion's share of the work on the drive, gaining 56 on five carries.

The home-standing Golden Eagles were ready with an answer. On the ensuing possession, quarterback Nathan Cole directed a 10-play, 70-yard TD drive (4:58). He hit Adam Connette on a 26-yard TD throw with 13 seconds left in the first quarter to draw UMC even with USF.

From there, the Cougars used its patented quick strike offense and an opportunistic defense to put up 14 points in 1:19. First, speedy sophomore Kyle Groeneweg had a career-best 54-yard kickoff return to set up the Cougars at the UMC 36-yard line. After Mickey had a nine-yard run, Shutt caught a 27-yard TD pass from Papilion for a 14-7 lead. On the next UMC possession, the Cougars' defense caused a turnover (Ostrom's interception). From there, the Cougars moved 39 yards in seven plays, using just

1:07 of the clock for a 21-7 lead on Mickey's six-yard scoring run.

But the Golden Eagles responded as Connette again flashed his athleticism and scored on a 22-yard run off a reverse. With 4:50 to halftime, USF's lead was cut to 21-14.

USF once again answered with a 7-play, 63-yard scoring drive, engineered by Papilion, who threw a 15-yard TD pass to Shutt in the left corner of the end zone. Down 28-14, Cole found some openings in the USF defense, driving UMC 75 yards in seven plays for a TD and within 28-21. The Golden Eagles scored on a six-yard TD strike from Cole.

At halftime, Stugart and staff made some adjustments and basically shut down the UMC offense while putting up 17 points for the 45-21 win. USF added a pair of TDs in the third quarter as Angulo caught a 12-yard TD strike from Papilion at the 11:48 mark of the third quarter. Then, Rose hauled in a 10-yard TD strike from Papilion at the 2:36 mark. In the fourth quarter, freshman kicker Brett Garner connected on a 23-yard field goal – his first as a collegian – at the 8:42 mark for the final score of the game.

Quickie Statistics (Final) #15 Sioux Falls vs Minnesota Crookston (Sep 12, 2015 at Crookston, Minn.)

	SF	UMC
Score	45	21
FIRST DOWNS	27	21
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	44-280	37-111
PASSING YDS (NET)	282	241
Passes Att-Comp-Int	35-18-0	36-20-3
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	79-562	73-352
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	3-70	1-15
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-72	3-38
Interception Returns-Yards	3-3	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-28.8	6-35.7
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	0-70	4-28
Possession Time	25:58	34:02
Third-Down Conversions	10 of 18	5 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 2	1 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	6-7	2-3

Sioux Falls						Minnesota Crookston									
Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg	Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Mickey, Max	20	151	2	149	1	40	7.4	Halcomb, Harold	9	48	1	47	0	13	5.2
Papilion, Luke	4	62	0	62	0	38	15.5	Cole, Nathan	11	54	21	33	0	23	3.0
Fulks, Justin	13	58	2	56	0	13	4.3	Connette, Adam	2	25	0	25	1	22	12.5
Towns, Jason	4	18	3	15	0	14	3.8	Person, Dre	9	11	2	9	0	5	1.0

Sioux Falls						Minnesota Crookston					
Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack	Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Papilion, Luke	17-34-0	244	5	31	0	Cole, Nathan	17-28-1	212	2	26	3
Lawler, Corbin	1-1-0	38	0	38	0	Hearn, Tra	3-7-1	29	0	15	1

Sioux Falls						Minnesota Crookston					
Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long	Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long		
Shutt, Garrett	6	70	2	27	Stewart, Rodney	5	60	0	20		
Angulo, Josh	4	69	2	31	Connette, Adam	4	54	1	26		
Rose, Brady	3	40	1	28	Daniels, Lamar	4	40	0	12		
Groeneweg, Kyle	1	38	0	38	Richert, T.	3	56	0	23		

Sioux Falls						Minnesota Crookston									
Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	Out20	TD	Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	Out20	TD
Vanden Heuvel, S	4	115	28.8	47	1	0	0	Day, Stephen	6	214	35.7	43	2	0	0

Sioux Falls				Minnesota Crookston					
Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long	Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Tidwell, John	3	70	0	39	Connette, Adam	1	15	0	15

Sioux Falls				Minnesota Crookston					
Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long	Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Tidwell, John	1	1	0	1	Smith, Tommy	1	18	0	18
Clark, David	1	17	0	17	Loquist, Chuck	1	0	0	0

Sioux Falls					Minnesota Crookston				
Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL	Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Ostrom, Cameron	3-9	12	0.0	0.5	Callender, Leth	0-7	15	0.0	0.0
Ahlers, Carter	2-9	11	0.0	0.5	Davidson, Brody	2-6	8	0.0	0.5
Butler, Josh	3-7	10	0.0	0.0	Alkhatib, Ali	4-2	6	0.0	0.0
Schindler, Grant	1-9	10	0.0	0.5	Newman, Jake	4-2	6	0.0	0.0

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	Yds
1st	05:14	SF - Annuke, Josh 5 yd pass from Papilion, Luke (Garner, Brett kick), 9-85 3:11	7-0
	00:13	UMC - Connette, Adam 26 yd pass from Cole, Nathan (Maw, Mike kick), 10-70 4:58	7-7
2nd	14:52	SF - Shutt, Garrett 27 yd pass from Papilion, Luke (Garner, Brett kick), 2-36 0:12	14-7
	12:31	SF - Mickey, Max 6 yd run (Garner, Brett kick), 4-39 1:07	21-7
	04:50	UMC - Connette, Adam 22 yd run (Maw, Mike kick), 5-55 2:11	21-14
	02:50	SF - Shutt, Garrett 15 yd pass from Papilion, Luke (Garner, Brett kick), 7-63 1:52	28-14
	00:36	UMC - Zitzmann, Josh 6 yd pass from Cole, Nathan (Maw, Mike kick), 7-75 2:14	28-21
3rd	11:48	SF - Angulo, Josh 12 yd pass from Papilion, Luke (Garner, Brett kick), 3-13 0:52	35-21
	02:36	SF - Rose, Brady 10 yd pass from Papilion, Luke (Garner, Brett kick), 4-26 0:51	42-21
4th	08:42	SF - Garner, Brett 23 yd field goal, 12-70 3:47	45-21

2015 - GAME BREAKDOWN -- GAME 3 -- #6/12 USF 35 #7/7 Minnesota-Duluth 31

STIOUX FALLS – With #7/7 Minnesota-Duluth knocking at the door late, the #6/12 University of Sioux Falls defense stepped up as cornerback Clifford Redmond knocked away a fourth-down pass in the end zone to preserve a 35-31 win at Bob Young Field before 2,453 in attendance. The win was USF's first-ever over a top-10 ranked program in the DII era (since 2011).

The victory was USF's 10th straight at Bob Young Field, where the Cougars (3-0) improved its overall record to 53-3. USF is 2-0 on its new turf while avenging a 32-7 loss to Minnesota-Duluth two years ago on the road. Redmond, who stepped in for all-league and honorable mention All-American cornerback John Tidwell, had five tackles, TFL and two pass breakups to lead a defense that allowed 432 yards but made the play late to seal the win. Indeed. On the ensuing USF drive, quarterback Luke Papilion connected with Brady Rose, who wrestled the ball away from two UMD defenders for a 17-yard gain and conversion of a crucial third down. Then facing a 3rd and five with the clocking winding under two minutes, junior wide out Josh Angulo grabbed a nine-yard pass for a first down at the 40-yard line. After that play and UMD out of time outs, the Cougars went to victory formation and celebrated a key NSIC victory.

While the USF offense was slowed a bit in the second half, they still rolled up 464 yards on just 58 plays for a season-best eight yards per play. In the first half, the Cougars churned out 347 yards as they took a 35-14 lead over the Bulldogs. Junior quarterback Luke Papilion, a Harlon Hill candidate, completed 15-of-28 passes for 218 yards and added seven carries for 125 yards and two TDs, including a career-best 56-yard TD. It was Papilion's fifth time when he has rushed for 100 yards and thrown for 200. He also had his 10th straight (12th overall) game of 200 yards passing or more. Papilion also went over 100 yards rushing for the seventh time in his career. Sophomore running back Max Mickey had his second straight 100-yard rushing game (3rd in his career) as he totaled 124 yards on 21 carries with two TDs. It is the first time since last Sept. 27 against Minnesota-Moorhead that two Cougars had rushed for 100 yards in the same game.

The Cougars' receiving corps were led by Angulo with five catches for 53 yards while Mickey had five catches for 19 yards and Rose had three for 83 yards with senior Garrett Shutt grabbing two receptions for 63 yards. With his five catches, Angulo has 101 in his career as he surpassed 100 (101) catches in his career and ranks 10th all-time at USF.

In some ways, this was a game of two-halves as the Cougars jumped to the 21-point halftime lead (35-14) against the Bulldogs, who had a 17-0 edge in the second half. While both teams came in with vaunted offensive units. It was the defense - USF specifically, that struck first in one of the most watched games in the league and in DII.

Opening the scoring was senior safety David Clark who had a 33-yard interception return with 7:58 left in the first half. It was USF's first defensive score of the season after having seven a year ago.

Late in the quarter Mickey broke off his 70-yard TD run, breaking in the open on a option pitch from Papilion as USF led 14-0 after one quarter. Early in the second quarter, UMD rebounded with a 5-play, 69-yard TD drive, capped by a Beau Bofferding 23-yard TD run.

In a back and forth sequence, the Cougars moved the ball 61 yards on three plays, using just 45 seconds off the clock to take a 21-7 advantage with 13:10 left in the half. With 2:42 to play, UMD's Bauer connected with Dominic Bonner on a 35-yard TD strike.

Once against USF had an answer with Papilion going a career-best 56-yards for a TD on a drive that used just 18 seconds of clock time. Then after holding UMD, the Cougars built on their lead as

Mickey scored on a one-yard TD run with 18 seconds left in the half. Mickey's score capped a seven play, 61-yard scoring drive. With USF seemingly in a comfortable situation at halftime, UMD came out in the second half on fire. They put up two TDs in the third quarter, including a four-yard run by Lauters and a two-yard run by Bauer to cut the lead to 35-28. At the 10:17 mark of the fourth quarter, Andrew Brees had a 31-yard field goal to slice the deficit to 35-31.

UMD had momentum and looked poised to come all the way back after recovering a fumble at the USF 36-yard line with 9:27 to play. After moving the ball to the Cougars' 11, two runs by Lauters gained two yards total and then USF's defense stepped up and broke up two straight passes, including Redmond's swat on fourth down. USF's defense was led by senior linebacker Clint Wilson with 11 tackles and 1.5 TFLs. For the second straight week, sophomore safety Joshua Butler had 10 tackles and added a pass breakup. Senior defensive tackle Grant Schindler had a big day with five tackles, including two sacks and a season-best 3.5 tackles for loss. In addition, Solomon St. Pierre had his second interception of the season and his 15th all-time to move into a tie for 5th all-time at USF with Leo Fenceroy (2001-02) and DJ Edman (1975-78).

#7 Minnesota Duluth vs #6 Sioux Falls (Sep 19, 2015 at Sioux Falls, SD)

	UMD	SF
Score	31	35
FIRST DOWNS	24	19
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	56-224	30-246
PASSING YDS (NET)	208	218
Passes Att-Comp-Int	28-14-2	28-15-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	84-432	58-464
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	3-23	2-21
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-45	5-86
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	2-33
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-37.5	5-37.2
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	5-50	6-51
Possession Time	40:30	19:30
Third-Down Conversions	8 of 18	5 of 11
Fourth-Down Conversions	2 of 3	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-4	2-3

Minnesota Duluth

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Lauters, Logan	33	123	9	114	1	20	3.5
Bofferding, Beau	5	74	4	70	1	23	14.0
Bauer, Drew	12	34	4	30	1	9	2.5
Newell, Jamiah	2	7	0	7	0	5	3.5

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Bauer, Drew	13-27-2	198	1	47	2
Bofferding, Beau	1-1-0	10	0	10	0

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Bonner, Dominic	3	87	1	47
Lauters, Logan	3	21	0	12
Bofferding, Beau	2	39	0	24
Ricci, Nate	2	22	0	12

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Brees, Andrew	4	150	37.5	41	2	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Ricci, Nate	2	19	0	11
Fowlkes, Justin	1	4	0	4

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Fowlkes, Justin	1	22	0	22
Bofferding, Beau	1	23	0	23

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Bassuener, Zach	5-2	7	0.0	1.0
Nahomiak, Mark	4-2	6	0.0	2.0
Boegel, David	5-0	5	0.0	0.0
Bates, Beau	3-2	5	0.0	0.5

Sioux Falls

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Papilion, Luke	7	127	2	125	2	56	17.9
Mickey, Max	21	131	7	124	2	70	5.9
TEAM	2	0	3	-3	0	0	-1.5

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Papilion, Luke	15-28-0	218	0	39	0

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Angulo, Josh	5	53	0	24
Mickey, Max	5	19	0	20
Rose, Brady	3	83	0	34
Shutt, Garrett	2	63	0	39

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Vanden Heuvel, S	5	186	37.2	52	2	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Tidwell, John	1	6	0	6
Groeneweg, Kyle	1	15	0	15

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Groeneweg, Kyle	5	86	0	28

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Wilson, Clint	5-6	11	0.0	1.5
Butler, Josh	6-4	10	0.0	0.5
Ahlers, Carter	5-4	9	0.0	2.0
Ostrom, Cameron	4-4	8	0.0	0.5

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	07:58	SF - Clark, David 33 yd interception return (Garner, Brett kick)	0 - 7
	00:59	SF - Mickey, Max 70 yd run (Garner, Brett kick), 1-70 0:13	0 - 14
2nd	14:00	UMD - Bofferding, Beau 23 yd run (Brees, Andrew kick), 5-69 1:59	7 - 14
	13:10	SF - Papilion, Luke 17 yd run (Garner, Brett kick), 3-61 0:45	7 - 21
	02:42	UMD - Bonner, Dominic 35 yd pass from Bauer, Drew (Brees, Andrew kick), 14-87 6:14	14 - 21
	02:18	SF - Papilion, Luke 56 yd run (Garner, Brett kick), 2-71 0:18	14 - 28
	00:18	SF - Mickey, Max 1 yd run (Garner, Brett kick), 7-61 1:28	14 - 35
3rd	08:46	UMD - Lauters, Logan 4 yd run (Brees, Andrew kick), 12-72 6:05	21 - 35
	02:51	UMD - Bauer, Drew 2 yd run (Brees, Andrew kick), 10-52 5:00	28 - 35
4th	10:17	UMD - Brees, Andrew 31 yd field goal, 9-66 3:59	31 - 35

2015 - GAME BREAKDOWN -- GAME 3 -- #7/5 USF 28 Northern State 10

The #5/7 University of Sioux Falls Football Team (4-0, 4-0 NSIC) put up more than 400 yards in offense for the fourth straight game in recording their seventh win in a row (dating to 2014) with a 28-10 decision over Northern State (0-4, 0-4 NSIC) before 8,133 fans gathered for the 100th Gypsy Day game at Swisher Field.

On a windy day in front of a partisan homecoming crowd, the Cougars moved to 4-0 by racing to a 28-3 lead and putting together a 431-to-262 advantage in total offense. Led by sophomore running back Max Mickey's third straight 100-yard rushing game, the Cougars had 274 yards rushing on 51 carries or 5.4 yards per carry. Mickey, who now has 425 yards on the season, had 21 carries for 110 yards and his sixth TD of the season.

With the win, USF retained a spot at the top of the NSIC South with its 4-0 record as they defeated a fourth straight NSIC North opponent. In fact, the Cougars are now 14-2 against North teams in their fourth year in the league. While pleased with the win, USF head coach Jed Stugart, who won his 48th game at USF (61 games), felt his team had a few too many penalties and missed opportunities. "We were not as sharp as I would have liked," said Stugart, whose team lost a pick-six by Solomon St. Pierre in the fourth quarter due to a penalty, one of 11 in the game. In addition, USF had a pair of first and goal chances that failed to produce any points. "Fumbles, penalties and missed chances cost us today. I think we just have to have a little better focus. Still, I am proud of this team, which did a bunch of positive things out there and won before a large partisan crowd."

Harlon Hill candidate Luke Papilion showed his dual threat ability with three runs of 19 yards or better and 77 yards on 11 carries. He also completed 15-of-23 passes for 157 yards and two TDs. His streak of 11 straight 200-yard passing games came to an end. A junior from Denver, Colo., Papilion, who now has 329 yards rushing (11.0 avg. per rush) this season, raised his career rushing total to 1,871 and sits 12th on USF's career list. Senior wide out Garrett Shutt had five catches for 84 yards and two TDs to lead the receiving. Josh Angulo, who had two catches for 42 yards, added a 13 yard TD run, the first of his career at USF.

Defensively, All-American cornerback Solomon St. Pierre continued to shine as he had two more interceptions to run his total to an NSIC-best four this season. In fact, St. Pierre, who prepped at Wagner High School, has 14 interceptions in his past 15 games at USF. On one of his interceptions St. Pierre, the career leader in interception return yardage, had a 56-yard return.

Another pair of seniors shined on defense for USF, which held NSU to 122 yards passing and 140 yards rushing on 37 attempts. Linebacker Carter Ahlers led USF with 10 tackles, his second double figure total in the past three games. Cameron Ostrom also shined with seven tackles, including six solos, and two of the teams seven TFLs.

Early on, USF won the toss and elected to defer as to utilize a wind advantage. And, the strategy worked as they forced NSU to punt on the first series. But, the Cougars mishandled the punt, which provided NSU an opportunity.

It has not been often that USF has fallen behind in the game. In fact, USF had scored first in each of the opening three wins. Coming into the game, USF was 10-9 in games when the opponent put up the first score on the game. Make that 11-9 - as the Cougars shook off the shaky start and took control of the game on the ensuing possession.

After USF's turnover, NSU drove the ball 28 yards on 11 plays and took the 3-0 lead after Adam Krupka hit a 21-yard field goal at the 6:21 mark of the first quarter.

Yet, the one constant with the Cougars this season has been its

ability to respond quickly. On the ensuing drive, USF did just that. While the offense had 15 TD drives in three minutes or less coming into the game, this time, the Cougars used nearly four minutes (3:58) to take the lead. Led by Papilion and Mickey, the Cougars moved the ball 70 yards on 11 plays for the score. Mickey scored on a 21-yard run off an option pitch from Papilion as USF took a 7-3 lead.

Later in the first quarter, the Cougars returned to their familiar ways of quick strike offense by taking just 55 seconds to build a 14-3 lead. A 44-yard TD strike to a wide open Garrett Shutt capped the drive which included covering 53 yards in three plays.

USF added another first-half tally when Shutt caught his second TD of the game, hauling in a 15-yard strike with 4:22 left in the second quarter.

While the Cougars moved the ball throughout the third quarter, they were unable to put up any points. That changed in the fourth quarter when the Cougars capped a 12 play, 44-yard drive with Angulo's 13-yard TD run for a 28-3 advantage.

Northern State finally broke through with a score a little later in the fourth quarter as quarterback Kyle Lavand hit Cody Kraft with a five-yard TD pass at the 11:01 mark.

2015 University of Sioux Falls Football #7 Sioux Falls vs Northern State (Sep 26, 2015 at Aberdeen, S.D.)

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Total
Sioux Falls	14	7	0	7	28
Northern State	3	0	0	7	10

Qtr Time Scoring play

1st	06:21	NSU - Krupka, A. 20 yd field goal, 11-28 5:29
	02:19	SF - Mickey, Max 21 yd run (Garner, Brett kick), 11-70 3:58
	00:41	SF - Shutt, Garrett 44 yd pass from Papilion, Luke (Garner, Brett kick), 3-53 0:55
2nd	04:22	SF - Shutt, Garrett 15 yd pass from Papilion, Luke (Garner, Brett kick), 6-48 2:24
4th	14:53	SF - Angulo, Josh 13 yd run (Garner, Brett kick), 12-44 5:23
	11:01	NSU - Kraft, C. 5 yd pass from Lavand, K. (Krupka, A. kick), 13-75 3:52

	SF	NSU
FIRST DOWNS	27	13
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	51-274	37-140
PASSING YDS (NET)	157	122
Passes Att-Comp-Int	23-15-1	29-16-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	74-431	66-262
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	3-32	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	1-0	1-4
Interception Returns-Yards	2-61	1-4
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-32.0	7-40.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	11-92	9-57
Possession Time	30:57	29:03
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 12	4 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 2	1 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-5	2-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-4	2-21

RUSHING: Sioux Falls-Mickey, Max 21-110; Papilion, Luke 11-77; Fulks, Justin 10-57; Angulo, Josh 2-20; Towns, Jason 3-11; Shutt, Garrett 1-2; TEAM 3-minus 3. Northern State-Truen, N. 21-108; McAlvain, Ch. 3-17; Erlandson, S. 4-10; Lavand, K. 6-9; Pudwill, C. 1-2; Kelly, C. 1-0; Anderson, T. 1-minus 6.

PASSING: Sioux Falls-Papilion, Luke 15-23-1-157. Northern State-Lavand, K. 16-29-2-122.

RECEIVING: Sioux Falls-Shutt, Garrett 5-84; Rose, Brady 4-20; Angulo, Josh 2-42; Fulks, Justin 1-7; Towns, Jason 1-6; Stanke, Nick 1-4; Mickey, Max 1-minus 6. Northern State-Barber, Z. 6-36; Anderson, T. 4-46; Cullbreath, Z. 1-14; Truen, N. 1-10; Kraft, C. 1-5; Doherty, C. 1-5; Kelly, C. 1-3; Erlandson, S. 1-3.

INTERCEPTIONS: Sioux Falls-St. Pierre, Solomon 2-61. Northern State-Thorson, M. 1-4.

FUMBLES: Sioux Falls-Groeneweg, Kyle 1-1. Northern State-None.

Sioux Falls (4-0,4-0) vs. Northern State (0-4,0-4)
Date: Sep 26, 2015 • Site: Aberdeen, S.D. • Stadium: Swisher Field
Attendance: 8133

Kickoff time: 2:30 pm • End of Game: 5:17 • Total elapsed time: 2:47
Officials: Referee: Mike Budion; Umpire: Dennis Harris; Linesman: Roger Artis;
Line judge: Steve Vekich; Back judge: Rolf Erickson; Field judge: Steve Wolvin;
Side judge: Chad Crosby;
Temperature: 81 • Wind: 20 mph • Weather: Sunny, Clear Skies

2015 University of Sioux Falls Football
Sioux Falls Overall Defensive Statistics (as of Sep 27, 2015)
All games

#	Defensive Leaders	gp	Tackles				tfl/yds	Sacks no-yds	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot				int-yds	brup	qbh	rcv-yds	ff	kick	saf
48	Ahlers, Carter	4	15	19	34	3.5-2	.	1-0	1	.	1-53	.	.	.	
25	Butler, Josh	4	16	15	31	1.5-3	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
33	Wilson, Clint	4	14	17	31	1.5-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
32	Ostrom, Cameron	4	16	15	31	3.0-11	.	1-0	.	.	.	.	.	.
57	Schindler, Grant	4	12	12	24	7.0-20	3.0-10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
94	Naughton, Marco	4	9	7	16	3.0-12	1.5-9	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	
4	Clark, David	3	9	6	15	.	.	1-33	1	.	.	.	.	.
69	Gentry, Evan	4	8	7	15	1.5-8	1.0-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7	Young, Matt	4	9	5	14	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
19	St. Pierre, Solomon	4	5	4	9	.	.	4-61	3	.	.	.	.	.
91	Mayberry, Brian	4	3	6	9	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
40	Lucs, Nathan	4	5	4	9	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
20	Redmond, Clifford	4	5	3	8	0.5-2	.	.	5	.	.	.	.	.
36	Marquignon, Alex	4	3	5	8	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	Johnson, Westly	4	6	2	8	1.5-9	2.0-8	.	1	1	.	1	.	.	
42	Williams, Jess	4	2	5	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
45	Jackson, Drew	4	2	3	5	1.5-8	1.5-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	Tidwell, John	4	2	3	5	.	.	1-3	.	.	.	.	1	.
38	Schaffer, Austin	4	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52	Tamburo, Zack	4	1	2	3	1.0-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
11	Groeneweg, Kyle	4	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
35	Schoepp, Conner	2	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
6	Albeck, Erik	4	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
18	Fields, Delontra	2	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
87	Krowlikowski, Kray	3	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
34	Josephson, Isaac	2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM	TEAM	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
90	Dykstra, Logan	1	.	1	1	0.5-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
78	Pipkins, Trey	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
54	Olinger, Daulton	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
46	Landis, Derek	1	1	.	1	.	1.0-0	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
95	Resenbloom, Mitchell	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
28	Waldie, Riley	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2	Cannon, Maurice	4	1	.	1	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Total	4	158	148	306	29-87	10-43	8-97	13	1	3-53	2	2	.	
	Opponents	4	167	120	287	20-67	2-21	3-43	12	4	3-0	3	1	.	

2015 - USF INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

2015 University of Sioux Falls Football Sioux Falls Overall Individual Statistics (as of Sep 27, 2015) All games

Rushing	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Mickey, Max	4	73	443	18	425	5.8	6	70	106.2
Papilion, Luke	4	30	352	23	329	11.0	2	56	82.2
Fulks, Justin	3	33	167	2	165	5.0	2	22	55.0
Towns, Jason	4	12	50	8	42	3.5	1	14	10.5
Collazo, Joshua	1	8	21	0	21	2.6	0	6	21.0
Angulo, Josh	4	2	20	0	20	10.0	1	13	5.0
Shutt, Garrett	4	1	2	0	2	2.0	0	2	0.5
Baynard, Keenan	1	2	2	2	0	0.0	0	2	0.0
Athman, Kyle	4	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
TEAM	4	9	3	26	-23	-2.6	0	3	-5.8
Total	4	171	1060	79	981	5.7	12	70	245.2
Opponents	4	168	666	103	563	3.4	5	40	140.8

Passing	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Papilion, Luke	4	150.76	62-111-1	55.9	885	10	52	221.2
Lawler, Corbin	2	113.78	5-9-2	55.6	110	0	38	55.0
Total	4	147.98	67-120-3	55.8	995	10	52	248.8
Opponents	4	98.81	64-120-8	53.3	683	4	48	170.8

Receiving	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Angulo, Josh	4	16	249	15.6	3	31	62.2
Shutt, Garrett	4	16	238	14.9	4	44	59.5
Rose, Brady	4	14	215	15.4	2	34	53.8
Mickey, Max	4	7	37	5.3	0	24	9.2
Towns, Jason	4	3	77	25.7	0	52	19.2
Albeck, Erik	4	3	57	19.0	0	35	14.2
Groeneweg, Kyle	4	2	53	26.5	0	38	13.2
Stanke, Nick	4	2	26	13.0	1	22	6.5
Buchele, Andrew	4	2	14	7.0	0	14	3.5
Witt, Jonathon	4	1	22	22.0	0	22	5.5
Fulks, Justin	3	1	7	7.0	0	7	2.3
Total	4	67	995	14.9	10	52	248.8
Opponents	4	64	683	10.7	4	48	170.8

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Groeneweg, Kyle	5	49	9.8	0	20
Tidwell, John	4	76	19.0	0	39
TEAM	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	10	125	12.5	0	39
Opponents	6	43	7.2	0	15

Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
St. Pierre, Solomon	4	61	15.2	0	56
Ahlers, Carter	1	0	0.0	0	0
Clark, David	1	33	33.0	1	33
Tidwell, John	1	3	3.0	0	3
Ostrom, Cameron	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	8	97	12.1	1	56
Opponents	3	43	14.3	0	39

Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Groeneweg, Kyle	7	162	23.1	0	54
Clark, David	2	37	18.5	0	20
Towns, Jason	1	0	0.0	0	0
Tidwell, John	1	1	1.0	0	1
Total	11	200	18.2	0	54
Opponents	9	110	12.2	0	23

Fumble Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Ahlers, Carter	1	53	53.0	0	53
Total	1	53	53.0	0	53
Opponents	0	0	0.0	0	0

COUGAR HISTORY

Since football started at the University of Sioux Falls in 1902, the Cougars have tasted success at both the NAIA and NCAA Division II level. During that period, USF has won NAIA league titles and four times been crowned a national champion. The Cougars won NAIA national titles in 1996, 2006, 2008, and 2009.

Since the move to NCAA DII in 2011, the Cougars have put together a 34-12 record. In NSIC play, beginning in 2012, the Cougars are 29-8 for a .784 winning percentage, which ranks as the top winning percentage among NSIC league members. Since moving to DII, the Cougars have finished third (9-2, 5-2, NSIC South, 2012), fourth (6-5, 4-3 NSIC South, 2013) and second (10-1, NSIC South, 2014) in the NSIC South. #7/4 USF is 4-0 in 2015.

To this point, USF has won 19 league titles, had 94 All-Americans and 291 all-league players, including 14 this season in the NSIC. In total USF has had 35 players recognized on the NSIC All-League team, including 14 in 2014, eight in 2013, and 13 in 2012. USF has had nine players named first team, 13 to the second team and 13 honorable mention. John Tidwell and Carrington Hanna are the school's two-time NSIC all-league players.

Former USF quarterback Kurtiss Riggs was inducted into the NAIA Hall of Fame in 2013. Riggs led USF to a two-year record of 25-1, setting NAIA records for TD passes in a season (55), and most attempts without an interception (290) during the 1996 season. He directed the Cougars to its first national title in 1996. In leading USF to a 14-0 record, Riggs set schools records in single season passing yards with 3,993, completions, 265, and had single game passing marks in passing yards with 457, completions, 30 and TDs (9). He was a 1996 NAIA first team All-American.

In the title game win over Western Washington,

he threw for 455 yards and five TDs. Riggs, who accumulated 496 completions in 801 attempts for 7,329 passing yards and 85 TDs in his career, was the third athlete from USF named to the NAIA Hall of Fame. USF punter Brian Hansen was inducted in 1995 and track and field standout Wally Diehl was inducted in 1968.

Former head coach Bob Young, who was inducted into the NAIA Hall of Fame in 2010, has the most wins in school history with a 172-69-3 mark from 1983-2004. USF's home field is named in Young's honor. He was a two-time GPAC Coach of the Year (2002, 2003). Kalen DeBoer, who owns the school's best all-time winning percentage at .957, was the GPAC Coach of the Year three times (2006, 2007, 2006) and named the AFCA/NAIA Coach of the Year in 2006, 2008 and 2009. He led USF to a 67-3 record and three national titles (2006, 2008, 2009).

Four USF players were named NAIA National Players of the Year, including Nick Kortan in 2002, Chad Cavender in 2007, Lorenzo Brown in 2009 and Jon Ryan in 2010.

Two former Cougars played in the NFL, including Rick Danmeier (1972-75) who was with the Minnesota Vikings from 1977-82. He ranks sixth on the Vikings all-time scoring list with 364 points. Punter Brian Hansen (1980-83) played with the Washington Redskins, New York Jets, Cleveland Browns, New England Patriots, and New Orleans Saints from 1984-99. He is the only player in school history to be drafted by the NFL as he was taken in the ninth round of the 1984 draft. He averaged 42.3 yards per punt in the NFL.

In 1902, the school played its first game against the University of South Dakota, falling 33-0. Over the 96 years of football, USF has a 405-402-20 record. The Cougars claimed its 400th all-time win in 2014 in a 38-9 win over Concordia, St. Paul on Oct. 4.

At the NAIA level, USF was 36-12 in the playoffs with four national titles, three runner-up finishes and three semifinal appearances. The Cougars won their first ever league title (SDIC) in 1981 and had their first unbeaten regular season in 1988 when they also appeared in the playoffs for the first time. In 1995, USF won the program's first playoff game.

Look Back over the Years

After that first game in 1902 USF did not play again until the 1911 season when they lost to Huron, 24-9. In 1915, the program tasted the winning feeling for the first time with a 41-0 win over Pipestone. In

USF has recorded 15, 10-win seasons

A list of the 15 top seasons in Cougars football history follows. The rankings are listed according to best mark. USF has recorded four unbeaten seasons, all in the national championship years of 1996, 2006, 2008, 2009. The Cougars have registered 11 seasons of just one loss.

2009 -- 15-0

1996 -- 14-0

2006 -- 14-0

2008 -- 14-0

2007 -- 13-1

2010 -- 13-1

2002 -- 12-1

2003 -- 12-1

2001 -- 12-2

1995 -- 11-1

2004 -- 11-1

2014 -- 11-1

1997 -- 11-2

2005 -- 11-2

1988 -- 10-1

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1916, the program had the first winning season at 3-2-2. The Cougars recorded a 46-0 win over Augustana.

Records suggest that USF hired T.R. Johnson in 1919 when the Cougars were 0-2. Later, USF hired another USD graduate in Frank McCormick, who led the program from 1924-27 (4-18, .182). Francis Olson, who is tied with Philip Tinsworth (6-45-1, .130, 1949-55) and Richard Sterup (20-40, .333, 1962-68), for the second longest tenure (seven years) at USF, had a 19-24-6 (.388) mark from 1928-34.

The early years at USF were tough with just five .500 or better seasons in the first 30 years of the program. However, the 6-1-1 season in 1934, including a 108-to-35 scoring edge, was a standout season. In 1960, the Cougars, which included USF Hall of Fame members Bob Young and Reid Beier, were 6-2 with a 188-to-151 scoring margin. In 1966 and 1967, USF put together a 13-5 combined record (6-3, 7-2).

Later in 1980, the Cougars began a six-year winning run of 38-18, including a 6-3-1 record in 1981 when the Cougars captured their first-ever league title, winning the SDIC. The 1981 produced the school's first-ever league title as the Cougars won the SDIC with head coach Dave Schroeder. In a 9-1 campaign in 1982 USF held a 234-to-92 scoring edge but finished second in the SDIC, although they were ranked ninth in the NAIA poll as Dave Schroeder was named the District 12 Coach of the Year.

Head Coach Bob Young took over 1984, directing the Cougars to its most successful period ever. In 22 seasons (1983-2004), Young let his teams to a 172-69-3 (.711) record and the school's first NAIA championship in 1996 (47-25 win over Western Washington). In his first season in 1984, USF went 8-2 with an SDIC title and a 233-to-145 scoring edge.

In 1988, USF had the school's best season in history as they went 10-1 with a 14-9 playoff loss to Northwestern (Iowa) spoiling an undefeated regular season. USF had a 278-to-115 scoring margin in that season as they reached the playoffs for the first time. They finished ranked 8th in the final NAIA DII poll. It was the first time that USF had won 10 straight games and set 16 school records, including rushing offense of 2,104 and 21 rushing TDs. Bob Booth was named the SDIC MVP, USF's first league MVP. Bob Young was named Coach of the Year. Booth was the first defensive player to win the award since 1981.

By 1994, the Cougars were ready to take a step up. After going 18-22 over the previous four seasons (1990-93), the Cougars put together an 8-2 campaign before going 11-1 in 1995 as they went unbeaten in the regu-

lar season. A 42-17 loss to U-Mary ended the perfect run. But it was a precursor of things to come.

In 1996, the Cougars, who were ranked as high as #2 in the national rankings in the regular season, dominated from start to finish as they opening with a 58-6 decision against Concordia (Neb.). In the opening four games, USF had a 199-to-61 scoring edge. It was a margin that continued as the Cougars rolled up a 636-to-227 scoring margin. After an unbeaten season, which included six games of 50 points or more, USF defeated U-Mary, 56-19, gaining a little revenge for the loss in 1995. Then they defeated rival Northwestern (Iowa), 52-21, and edged Evangel (Mo.), 28-22.

In the finals, the Cougars received a big-time performance from quarterback Kurtiss Riggs, who completed 25-of-33 passes for 431 yards and five TD in a 47-25 win over Western Washington (11-2) before 4,000 in attendance at Jim Carroll Stadium in Savannah, Tenn. Both USF and #6 Western Washington played in their first ever championship game. In the win, David Ruter, who had 19 carries for 55 yards and four catches for 98 yards, scored three TDs, including receptions of 20 and 64 yards and a nine-yard run. Riggs, who was the Offensive Player of the Game, connected with Kalen DeBoer, who caught 10 passes for 131 yards, for two TDs (5, 19). DeBoer also had a 54-yard TD run. Overall, the Cougars had 518 yards in total offense. Jeremy Gardner also cracked 100 yards receiving with six receptions for 133 yards. USF defensive end Travis Dumke (eight tackles, 2 TFLs) was the Defensive Player of the Game.

In the 1996 season, Riggs threw 55 TDs with just three picks and DeBoer had 99 catches for 1,374 yards and 17 TDs. Gardner accumulated 50 catches for 955 yards and 16 TDs in the season. In a season when USF generated 6,863 yards in total offense (4,144 passing), they had a season high of 678 yards in offense against Nebraska-Wesleyan when they scored 65 points. In total they had 86 TDs, including 57 passing.

Before Coach Young retired in 2004, he started USF on its greatest run of success. From 2001-to-2010 the Cougars compiled an unbelievable mark of 127-9 or a winning percentage of .934. In USF's run, they reached the quarterfinals in the NAIA every year while win three national titles, and finishing second three times with two semifinal appearances. In that run, every USF team won at least 10 games.

In 2001, Young took the Cougars to the finals, falling to Georgetown, Kentucky, 49-27, in a season when they finished 12-2 and won a GPAC title. A year

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later, they were unbeaten in the regular season and 12-1 overall as USF, which won the GPAC again, reached the national semifinals where the Cougars lost to Carroll College (Mt.), 20-17. It was the first matchup of several in the playoffs between the schools and the beginning of a rivalry.

The Cougars again claimed the GPAC crown and had a second straight unbeaten regular season in 2003. After two playoff wins, including a 33-7 win over Northwestern (IA), the Cougars dropped a 16-13 loss to Northwest Oklahoma State in the national semifinals. In Young's final season (2004), the Cougars had a third straight unbeaten regular season before falling to Azusa Pacific, 24-3 in the quarterfinals. Young ended his career by guiding the Cougars to 44 straight regular season wins, including perfect regular seasons from 2002-04.

In 2005, Kalen DeBoer, a wide receiver on the 1996 title winning team, took over the USF program. After Young's departure, the winning continued under one of the school's all-time great players in DeBoer, who earned NAIA All-American honors and finishing his career with a then record 234 receptions from 1993-96.

In a five-year run, DeBoer led USF to a record of 67-3 (.957) and three national titles. Under his watch, the Cougars captured four GPAC titles, three national titles and had a streak of 50 straight home wins.

DeBoer's first season in 2005 ended in an 11-2 record and a trip to the national quarterfinals. In the that second round playoff game, USF fell to Carroll College, 55-0. It is the last game, to date, that USF has failed to score, a run of 113 straight games.

The 2005 season set up the 2006 run when everything came together for USF. The Cougars defeated St. Francis (Ind.), 23-19, in a title game that matched teams with the same mascot name and abbreviation (USF). The Cougars, which broke from a 13-13 half-time tie with 10 points in a four-minute period of the third quarter, won by forcing four turnovers, including three fumbles. Before a crowd of 5,805 at Jim Carroll Stadium in Savannah, Tenn., USF, which was ranked #2 in the country, won the 51st annual NAIA national title as QB Chad Cavender (15-of-21-155) was named game MVP.

In 2008, the Cougars winning streak continued all the way to Rome, GA. The #2 Cougars defeated #1 Carroll College, 23-7, to win a second title in three seasons. Before 6,500, the Cougars scored TDs on offense, defense and special teams. Carroll had won five

of the six previous championships including the 17-9 win in 2007 over USF. In a season when USF recorded seven shutouts, an eighth nearly came in the championship game but Carroll scored with 6:15 to play in the game. In total, USF allowed just 83 points all season, a school record. In the 14-0 season, the Cougars had a 125-to-26 advantage in four playoff wins. Three times scored seven points or less in the playoffs. Overall, the only close game was a 34-31 win over Morningside the regular season finale. 11 teams were held to seven points or fewer.

A year later, the Cougar Pride kept rolling. In a 15-0 season, USF had an 184-to-70 edge in the playoffs. In the title game, USF edge #3 Lindenwood (13-1), 25-22 in Rome, Ga. Braden Wieking, a Sioux Falls native, was offensive player of the game with three field goals and two extra points. Linebacker Dominic Studzinski was defensive player of the game after seven tackles and two sacks. A Wieking field goal from 42 yards gave USF a lead they didn't relinquish as USF increased their winning streak to 29 straight games.

After the season, HC Kalen DeBoer took a position at Southern Illinois and USF hired Jed Stugart, who led USF to a 13-1 season. In fact, the 29-game streak went to 42 straight before a loss to nemesis Carroll College, 10-7 in the title game. In the season, USF had a 577-to-119 scoring edge, including 105-to-31. USF won a 10th straight GPAC title. The next year in 2011, the program began a transition to NCAA DII. Since the transition, USF has built a 23-8 record in three seasons in the NSIC with two campaigns of nine wins or more. The 2014 season, which included the first 10-win campaign, was magical with the team's highest DII ranking of #10 on Oct. 27. The Cougars were ranked nine straight weeks.

One of the school's most memorable wins occurred in the 15-0 campaign in 2009. The then NAIA Cougars defeated NCAA DII power North Dakota, 28-