

1996 Gateway Academic Honors, First-Round Recaps



Saturday, Nov. 30

at Macomb, Ill.

#10 Western Illinois	0	0	6	0	--	6
#4 Murray State	0	7	3	24	--	34

RB Brian Knuckles managed only one series due to a previous injury, and he scored the only Western Illinois' points, a two-yard touchdown run three minutes into the third quarter. QB Jeff Hecklinski completed 9-of-18 passes for 180 yards, and Jamaine Blalock rolled up 222 all-purpose yards, but the Leathernecks fell to fourth-ranked Murray State.

at Cedar Falls, Iowa

#16 Eastern Illinois	7	7	0	0	--	14
#3 Northern Iowa	7	7	0	7	--	21

Despite an impressive Eastern Illinois ground-control game, Northern Iowa advanced with a seven-point win. UNI had the ball for just 18:40 of the 60 minutes, but the Panthers scored quickly when they did, which included a 97-yard kickoff return by Ty Talton. RB Jeff Stovall scored the game-winner with 7:02 remaining.

Gateway Joins World Wide Web



The Gateway Football Conference is now fully functional on the World Wide Web. If you have access to the internet, you can reach our site at the following:

<http://www.mvc.org/gateway.htm>

Gateway standings, statistics and notes will be available on the internet, and the site will be updated by Mondays each week. You'll find other information on the site, too, with links to each institution's football web site.

1996 Gateway Academic All-Conference Football Team (voting by league SIDs)

FIRST TEAM

Student-Athlete	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
QB Steve Beard	Northern Iowa	Sr.	3.22	Physical Education
QB Kevin Cox	Indiana State	Sr.	3.30	Mathematics
WR Montoi Dixon	SW Missouri State	So.	3.31	Drafting and Design
P Mark Gagliano	Southern Illinois	Sr.	3.32	Marketing
QB Matt Gajewski	Indiana State	So.	3.50	Life Sciences
TE Greg Hawthorne	Northern Iowa	Sr.	3.63	Biology / Pre-med
DT Jake Jacobsmeyer	SW Missouri State	Jr.	3.46	Psychology
DL Dan O'Dowd	Illinois State	So.	3.29	Political Science
TE Corey Roy	SW Missouri State	Sr.	3.52	Physical Education
OLB Travis Schipper	Northern Iowa	Jr.	3.67	Accounting
DE Don Shymkewich	Western Illinois	Jr.	3.36	History
OG Ryan Touhey	SW Missouri State	Jr.	3.50	Physical Education & Recreation
OT Jason Whittle	SW Missouri State	Jr.	3.31	Education

SECOND TEAM

QB Toby Deal	Indiana State	So.	3.60	Secondary Education
LB Brad Duke	SW Missouri State	Jr.	3.22	Business
ILB Joe Dunn	Indiana State	Jr.	3.34	Sports Management
SS Ryan Estes	SW Missouri State	Sr.	3.11	Agriculture
WR Reggie Fowler	Southern Illinois	Jr.	3.02	Administration of Justice
QB Bill Hagman	Illinois State	Sr.	3.21	Industrial Technology
QB Jeremy Hoog	SW Missouri State	Jr.	3.06	Biology
LB Andy Morris	Northern Iowa	So.	3.33	Construction Management
OT Richard Madura	Indiana State	Sr.	3.24	Construction Technology
FB Bryan Nolbertowicz	Southern Illinois	So.	3.18	Pre-Major
OL Nate Orsburn	Southern Illinois	Jr.	3.14	Forestry
DE Tom Procter	SW Missouri State	Sr.	3.14	Agriculture

Honorable Mention

OT Andy Pattee	Northern Iowa	Jr.	3.10	Social Science
OT Alex Sitz	Indiana State	Jr.	3.18	Environmental Health
OL Kevin Skinkis	Southern Illinois	Jr.	3.12	Social Studies
RB Brian Walker	Southern Illinois	Jr.	3.00	Psychology