

Women's 1999 Season Review

For the second straight year, Evansville represented the Missouri Valley Conference at the NCAA tournament. In 1999 however, it took the Purple Aces nearly five overtime periods to earn the berth.

UE defeated host Southwest Missouri State, 3-2 in triple overtime to win the conference crown. In the semifinals, the Purple Aces, 9-9-2, needed two overtime periods to overcome a scrappy Creighton squad, 2-1.

The Valley runner up, SMS, finished the year with a 15-7-1 record.

In Evansville's championship victory, 10:03 into the second, sudden death overtime period, freshman Ashley Sanderfur scored from the far post with an assist from senior Jennifer Lembeck.

The Purple Aces', who shared the regular season title with Illinois State, have won the Missouri Valley Conference tournament the last three seasons.

The Lady Bears only tie of the season came in the semifinals of the tournament. After four, 15 minute, sudden death overtime periods, SMS and Illinois State ended with a 1-1 draw. The Lady Bears advanced on penalty kicks to the championship.

All told, it took more than 80 minutes of overtime to determine which teams would advance in the two semifinal matches.

In the other semifinal game, 150 minutes of regulation and overtime play wasn't enough to determine a winner. With a 1-1 tie, the Lady Bears managed four penalty kicks to the Redbirds three.

Sister kisser...Again

Once again, Evansville and Illinois State share the Missouri Valley Conference regular season title. Both teams finished the year with a 4-0-1 conference mark, with the meeting between the Purple Aces and the Redbirds resulting in a 2-2 knot.

UE...We're number one

To determine the No. 1 seed for the league tournament, Valley procedures dictate that after reviewing head-to-head competition, composite records, records verse other conference teams, and goal differential, Evansville received the top spot

1999 Valley Women's Soccer Standings

	Missouri Valley Games							----- Overall Records -----							
	W	L	T	Pts.	Pct.	G	GA	W	L	T	Pct.	G	GA	T25	Stk.
Evansville	4	0	1	13	.900	10	4	10	10	2	.500	37	44	0-4	L1
Illinois State	4	0	1	13	.900	9	3	14	2	2	.833	41	20	0-0	T1
SMS	3	2	0	9	.600	13	3	14	7	1	.659	63	21	0-0	L1
Creighton	2	3	0	6	.400	9	5	7	13	1	.357	29	36	0-0	L1
Drury	1	4	0	3	.200	6	12	7	12	0	.368	25	39	0-0	L4
Arkansas-LR	0	5	0	0	.000	2	22	4	16	0	.250	20	49	0-0	L7

T25 - games vs. teams in the NSCAA or in SoccerBuzz Top 25. Three points awarded for a league win, one point for a tie and zero points for a loss. Teams ranked by point system, then overall winning percentage.

because of the number of goals the Aces scored, 10, to Illinois State's nine conference goals.

UALR...Walking wounded

In the final regular-season game against Evansville, UALR sustained several injuries throughout the match. After the 17th minute, the Trojans played with just 10 athletes.

Drury/SMS...Starting something

Drury and SMS, located less than one mile apart, met for the first time Oct. 29. In front of more than 700 fans, SMS won 2-0.

CU...Comeback kids

Against Drury, the Bluejays posted their first come-from-behind victory of the season. Entering the match, Creighton had gone 0-9 in games where the opponent scored first and were 0-6 when trailing at halftime. Two second-half goals, one each by Breann Suddock and Heather Houska, gave the Bluejays their first comeback win of the year.

Bluejays...Nail biters

In six games against conference opponents, the Bluejays had five games decided by one goal. Three of those contests went into overtime with the Bluejays going 1-2 in those games. CU's only regulation loss was when Illinois State scored the game-winner with less than 10 minutes remaining. It also includes CU's only come-from-behind victory, a 2-1 win against Drury.

UE...Meek strongest in the Valley

UE senior Krissy Meek concluded her career with the Purple Aces with 106 points to become the Valley all-time points leader. Previously, Beth Aussin of Eastern Illinois held the record with 99 points.

Purple Aces...Third time is a charm

Evansville has won three straight Valley regular season championships, the last two tied with Illinois State, and won its fourth straight Valley tournament title. UE entered the tournament with four victories in its last five matches.

ILS...Mahan lends a hand

Illinois State's sophomore Kelly Mahan scored her fourth goal of the season with seven minutes left in the second period to lift the Redbirds to a 1-0 victory over Creighton. With the win, ILS captured a share of the Valley league title.

SMS...Fabulous Four

After defeating Arkansas-Little Rock 6-0, in the final regular-season match, Southwest Missouri State has advanced to the semifinals of the Valley conference tournament for the fourth straight season.

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SCORING LEADERS

Name	School	MP/MS	G	A	Pts.	PPG
Annie Wayland	Illinois State	18/18	14	3	31	1.72
Krissy Meek	Evansville	22/21	13	5	31	1.41
Jamie Hautzinger	SMS	22/22	9	12	30	1.36
Debbie Stark	SMS	21/18	11	5	27	1.28
Jeni Porter	Drury	19/19	10	1	21	1.10
Kersten Flink	Creighton	20/20	8	4	20	1.00
April Lee	SMS	13/7	6	1	13	1.00
Jennifer Lembeck	Evansville	20/20	6	7	19	0.95
Kelly Mahan	Illinois State	18/18	5	6	16	0.88
Dana Schulte	Illinois State	18/18	5	6	16	0.88
Alina Alaimo	SMS	22/22	7	4	18	0.81
Heather Houska	Creighton	21/21	8	0	16	0.76
Jeanne Pierce	Drury	19/1	6	1	13	0.70

GOAL LEADERS

Name	School	Matches	Goals	GPG
Annie Wayland	Illinois State	18	14	0.77
Krissy Meek	Evansville	22	13	0.59
Debbie Stark	SMS	21	11	0.52
Jeni Porter	Drury	19	10	0.50
April Lee	SMS	13	6	0.46
Kersten Flink	Creighton	20	8	0.40
Jamie Hautzinger	SMS	22	9	0.40
Heather Houska	Creighton	21	8	0.38
Jeanne Pierce	Drury	19	6	0.31
Sarah Houska	SMS	21	7	0.30
Jennifer Lembeck	Evansville	20	6	0.30
Kelly Mahan	Illinois State	18	5	0.27
Dana Schulte	Illinois State	18	5	0.27
Natalie Whiteman	SMS	22	6	0.27
Lotte Reijmers	Drury	19	5	0.26

ASSIST LEADERS

Name	School	Matches	Assists	APG
Jamie Hautzinger	SMS	22	12	0.54
Jennifer Eickmeier	SMS	22	9	0.40
Sara Hovland	Creighton	21	8	0.38
Jennifer Lembeck	Evansville	20	7	0.35
Kelly Mahan	Illinois State	18	6	0.30
Dana Schulte	Illinois State	18	6	0.30
Shannis Stock	SMS	22	6	0.27
Laura Poland	Evansville	20	5	0.25
Krissy Meek	Evansville	21	5	0.24
Kristina Schoeck	Creighton	21	5	0.24
Debbie Stark	SMS	21	5	0.23
Anne Beard	Drury	19	4	0.21

TEAM SCORING STATS

School	M	G	A	Pts.	GPG	Fouls	CK	PK
SMS	22	65	52	182	2.76	170	115	1
Illinois State	18	41	30	112	2.27	169	111	1
Drury	19	35	22	92	1.80	191	71	0
Evansville	22	37	36	110	1.68	218	110	1
Creighton	21	29	29	85	1.38	273	98	4
Arkansas-Little Rock	20	20	17	57	1.00	184	75	2

KEY: A=Assists; CK=Corner Kicks; G=Goals; GA=Goals Against; GAA=Goals Against Average; MP=Matches Played; MS=Matches Started; PK=Penalty Kicks; ShO=Shutouts; SV=Saves.

GOALKEEPING LEADERS

Name, School	MP/MS	Min.	ShO	SV	GA	GAA
Becky Feldmann, Illinois St.	12-12	1089	4(1)	35	9	0.74
Jennifer Grocki, SMS	22-21	1872	1(8)	102	22	1.05
Jen Sandenaw, Illinois St.	8-6	638	2(1)	37	11	1.55
Maggie Phelan, Creighton	21-21	1903	4	82	33	1.56
Beth Csukas, Evansville	22-22	1686	4	76	37	1.97
Sarah Reichart, Drury	19-19	1679	3	101	37	1.98
Kate Ellmo, UALR	20-20	1816	3	134	49	2.45

SAVE LEADERS

Name	School	MP/MS	Saves	SPG
Kate Ellmo	UALR	20-20	134	6.70
Sarah Reichart	Drury	19-19	101	5.30
Jennifer Grocki	SMS	22-21	102	4.90
Beth Csukas	Evansville	22-22	76	4.06
Maggie Phelan	Creighton	21-21	82	3.90
Becky Feldmann	Illinois State	12-12	35	2.89
Jen Sandenaw	Illinois State	8-6	37	1.56

SHUTOUT LEADERS

Name	School	MP/MS	ShO	SPG
Jen Sandenaw	Illinois State	8-6	2(1)	1.56
Becky Feldmann	Illinois State	12-12	4(1)	0.33
Maggie Phelan	Creighton	21-21	4	0.19
Beth Csukas	Evansville	22-22	4	0.18
Kate Ellmo	UALR	20-20	3	0.14
Sarah Reichart	Drury	19-19	3	0.10
Jennifer Grocki	SMS	22-21	1(8)	0.04

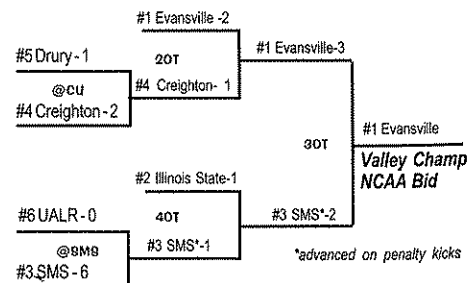
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School	MP	Min.	Saves	GA	GAA	ShO
SMS	20	1835	90	19	0.93	9
Illinois State	18	1727	84	20	1.04	7
Creighton	21	1995	87	36	1.62	4
Evansville	22	2132	104	44	1.86	5
Drury	20	1753	106	37	1.90	3
Arkansas-Little Rock	20	1816	134	49	2.45	3

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