

Women's Basketball



Wheaton's 2008–09 season, much like the one prior, ended with a late charge toward the New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (NEWMAC) Tournament title, but the Lyons narrowly missed earning back-to-back crowns. A 6–2 stretch capped a 17–11 campaign, and Wheaton fell by single digits during its final five losses. After going 9–4 in league play and clinching the tournament's fourth seed in their regular-season finale, the Lyons eventually pulled a semifinal upset of top seed Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI). In the title game, the Blue and White suffered a 51–43 setback to Babson College.

A veteran-laden squad was led by the balanced play of Krystin Hickey '09, who became the program's first four-time all-league selection as well as its career scoring leader (1,540 points). Hickey averaged a team-high 13.3 points while pacing Wheaton in seven other categories. Jenny Champney '10 swatted 46 shots to become the program's career leader while turning in 11.8 points and 6.1 rebounds. Bri Smith '09 nailed 46 three-pointers as the 10th Lyon to reach the 1,000-point plateau, and Andrea Bailey '10 recorded 151 assists and 50 steals. A combo guard, Jennie Pleat '09 showed versatility setting a school record by appearing in 113 career contests, never missing a game.

2009–10 Schedule

November 17	Roger Williams	H	7 p.m.
November 21	Johns Hopkins (MD)	A	1 p.m.
November 22	Johns Hopkins Tip-Off Tournament	N	TBA
November 29	University of New England	A	2 p.m.
December 2	Babson*	A	7 p.m.
December 5	Coast Guard*	A	TBA
December 7	Tufts	H	7 p.m.
December 9	Clark*	H	7 p.m.
December 12	Springfield*	A	TBA
January 2	Elms (Wheaton New Year's Tournament)	H	1 p.m.
January 3	Wheaton New Year's Tournament	H	1/3 p.m.
January 6	Mount Holyoke*	H	7:30 p.m.
January 9	WPI*	H	3 p.m.
January 13	MIT*	H	7 p.m.
January 16	Smith*	A	2 p.m.
January 20	Wellesley*	A	7 p.m.
January 23	Mount Holyoke*	A	2 p.m.
January 27	Babson*	H	7 p.m.
January 30	Coast Guard*	H	3 p.m.
February 3	Clark*	A	7:30 p.m.
February 6	Springfield*	H	2 p.m.
February 10	MIT*	A	6 p.m.
February 13	Smith*	H	2 p.m.
February 17	Wellesley*	H	7:30 p.m.
February 20	WPI*	A	1 p.m.
February 24	NEWMAC Tournament—First Round	TBA	7 p.m.
February 27	NEWMAC Tournament—Semifinal Round	TBA	1/3 p.m.
February 28	NEWMAC Tournament—Final Round	TBA	1 p.m.

* NEWMAC Game



Ida Kruse '10

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Head coach
Melissa L. Hodgdon

Melissa L. Hodgdon joined Wheaton's athletic department as the head coach of the women's basketball program prior to the 2003–04 season. She led the Lyons to their first NCAA Tournament in 13 years during the winter of 2007–08, helping the team capture the program's initial NEWMAC regular-season and tournament titles, before guiding Wheaton back to the title game last winter.

During each of Hodgdon's first five seasons, the Lyons improved upon their previous

year's win total. In 2007–08, Wheaton set a school record for conference victories, and Hodgdon was named league coach of the year. The year prior, she coached the Lyons to their inaugural Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Tournament championship game. In addition to on-court success, Wheaton has compiled better than a 3.0 cumulative grade-point average as a team during each of Hodgdon's six years.

Prior to her arrival at Wheaton, Hodgdon served as the top assistant for the

women's basketball program at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester for four seasons. During her stint, the Crusaders captured three Patriot League championships in addition to advancing to the NCAA Division I Tournament three times.

Hodgdon went to Holy Cross after two seasons as an assistant coach at Niagara University. Prior to Niagara, she spent three years as the top assistant at the University of New Hampshire. Hodgdon began her coaching career in 1991 at Framingham

State College, where she served as an assistant for one year before moving on to Wentworth Institute of Technology as the head coach for two seasons.

Hodgdon is a 1991 graduate of Springfield College, where she earned a bachelor's degree in health education with a minor in psychology. While at Niagara, Hodgdon earned a master's degree in school counseling. A native of East Boothbay, Maine, she was a standout women's basketball player for four years at Springfield.

Women's Basketball Quick Facts

Head Coach	Melissa L. Hodgdon (7th Year, 92–72)
Phone	(508) 286-3990
E-mail	mhodgdon@wheatoncollege.edu
Home Venue	Emerson Gymnasium
Affiliations	NCAA Division III, Eastern College Athletic Conference, New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference
2008–09 Overall (NEWMAC)	17–11 (9–4)
NCAA Appearances (last)	3 (2008)
2009 Athletic Awards	
NEWBA Senior All-Star Classic	Krystin Hickey
NEWMAC All-Conference	Krystin Hickey
2009 Academic Awards	
NEWMAC All-Academic	Stephanie Michals
NEWMAC All-Academic	Jennie Pleat
Records	
Team wins, season	27, 1993–94
Team points, game	104, 2/3/94
Team points, season	2,443, 1993–94
Points, game	35, Terri Salinetti (1/25/92)
Points, season	493, Christine Whelan (1993–94)
Points, career	1,540, Krystin Hickey (2005–09)
Rebounds, game	21, Ann Zarchen (2/10/81)
Rebounds, season	280, Kerri Bucko (1995–96)
Rebounds, career	849, Allison Yelle (1984–88)
Assists, game	12, Cathy Silva (11/30/93)
Assists, season	156, Michele Napier (1989–90)
Assists, career	430, Sharon Morrisseau (1985–89)
Blocks, game	7, Lynne Yenush (1/31/91)
Blocks, season	73, Courtney Riley (2004–05)
Blocks, career	115, Jenny Champney (2006-current)
Steals, game	10, Jennifer Landry (2/5/91)
Steals, season	83, Jennifer Landry (1992–93 & 1989–90)
Steals, career	280, Jennifer Landry (1989–93)

All-Americans

Christine Whelan 1995

Major Conference Awards

Allison Yelle NEW 6 Player of the Year (1986)
Christine Whelan NEW 8 Player of the Year (1994)
Allyson Aube NEW 8 Player of the Year (1995)
Krystin Hickey NEWMAC Rookie of the Year (2006)

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Location Norton, Massachusetts
Founded 1834
Enrollment 1,550
Colors Blue & white
President Ronald A. Crutcher
Athletic Director Chad Yowell

Wheaton at a glance

- Four-year, private liberal arts college located in Norton, Mass.
- 35 miles from Boston and 20 miles from Providence, R.I.
- A student body of 1,550 students
- Student-faculty ratio of 10:1 and average class size between 15 and 20
- Cross-registration opportunities with nearby Brown University
- 45 study abroad programs
- Over 40 academic majors and 50 minors
- More than 80 student clubs and organizations

Admission & Financial Aid

- No fee for online application.
- Submission of standardized test scores (SAT or ACT) is optional.
- The comprehensive fee for 2009–10 is \$49,440.
- Wheaton offers both merit and need-based financial aid.
- Approximately 60 percent of students receive some form of financial aid.
- The Evelyn Danzig Haas Athletic Center is one of the finest NCAA Division III athletic facilities in New England with 102,000 square feet of space with a field house, gymnasium and indoor pool.
- Elsewhere on campus, Wheaton has an impressive \$20 million arts building, National Science Foundation-funded digital imaging center, and state-of-the-art library and language labs.
- The Balfour-Hood Campus Center houses campus activities, as well as a café, pub, game room and fitness center.
- Wheaton's unique Connections program links courses across academic disciplines, allowing students to explore diverse areas of knowledge and approach topics from multiple perspectives.

Fall Application Deadlines

Early Decision I: November 15

Early Decision II: January 15

Regular Decision: January 15

Questions?

Contact the admission office at 1-800-394-6003 or e-mail admission@wheatoncollege.edu.

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