



## Notre Dame Fighting Irish

- BIG EAST Tournament Semifinalist
- BIG EAST Regular Season Champion
- 13th Straight NCAA Appearance
- 23rd Straight Winning Season

2011	Records	All-Time
45-9 (.833)	Overall	936-420-3 (.690)
19-1 (.950)	BIG EAST	262-47 (.848)
--	NCAA Championship	23-30 (.434)
24th (NFCA)	Rankings	19th (ESPN)

## NCAA Regionals

Alumni Field (2,800)  
University of Michigan  
Ann Arbor, Mich.





	<b>1</b>	<b>Kelsey Thornton</b> Outfield • 5-6 • Sophomore • L / R Sugar Land, Texas • Elkins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Primarily used as a pinch-runner • 10 stolen bases in 14 attempts</li> <li>• Scored 17 times in 42 games during regular season</li> <li>• Crossed the plate seven times in last nine games</li> <li>• Successful in 27 of 34 career stolen base attempts</li> <li>• Accounted for 44 runs in 90 games played</li> </ul>
	<b>3</b>	<b>Heather Johnson</b> Third Base • 5-8 • Senior • R / R Los Alamitos, Calif. • Mater Dei	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2011 BIG EAST Player of the Year • 2011 First Team all-BIG EAST</li> <li>• League-record 82 career RBI • Led BIG EAST with 29 RBI in 2011</li> <li>• Notre Dame career (212) and single-season (68) RBI leader</li> <li>• Three straight seasons with 60+ hits • 21-game hitting streak from 3.17-4.17</li> <li>• Leads nation with 240 consecutive starts (2007-current)</li> </ul>
	<b>4</b>	<b>Lauren Stuhr</b> Outfield • 5-6 • Freshman • R / R Huntington Beach, Calif. • Huntington	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Used as a designated player and outfielder</li> <li>• Hit walk-off, three-run game-winning homer against Louisville (4.16)</li> <li>• Posted 13 RBI on 16 hits during the regular season</li> <li>• Father (volleyball) and grandfather (golf) were also Notre Dame athletes</li> <li>• Mother played volleyball at Stanford</li> </ul>
	<b>5</b>	<b>Shannon Kelly</b> Pitcher • 5-7 • Senior • R / R Pembroke Pines, Fla. • Hollywood Christian	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Combined with Jody Valdivia for a five-inning no-hitter on Senior Day (5.1)</li> <li>• First career save came against Maryland (3.5) at the Citrus Classic</li> <li>• Fanned six batters during 6.0 innings in the circle on the season</li> <li>• Three times named first team all-Florida • High school valedictorian</li> <li>• 2006 <i>Miami Herald</i> Pitcher of the Year • 2006 <i>Sun-Sentinel</i> Player of the Year</li> </ul>
	<b>6</b>	<b>Kasey O'Connor</b> Second Base • 6-0 • Junior • R / R Yorktown Heights, N.Y. • Yorktown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carries a .261 career batting avg. and .980 fielding pct.</li> <li>• Went 2-for-2 and scored twice against Marist (2.27)</li> <li>• No errors in 12 games at second base</li> <li>• Multi-sport athlete (basketball, softball, soccer) as a prep</li> <li>• Brothers Kevin (Delaware) and Ryan (Boston College) played college lax</li> </ul>
	<b>7</b>	<b>Sadie Pitzenberger</b> Outfield • 5-7 • Senior • L / R Tomball, Texas • Tomball	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2011 First Team all-BIG EAST • 2011, 2010 BIG EAST All-Tournament Team</li> <li>• Led BIG EAST with .561 batting avg. and 32 hits</li> <li>• Did not strike out or draw a walk during regular season</li> <li>• Last struck out during 2010 NCAA Regionals (vs. Michigan)</li> <li>• Tore ACL for third time in February, missed first half of regular season</li> </ul>
	<b>9</b>	<b>Jody Valdivia</b> Pitcher • 5-8 • Senior • R / R Anaheim Hills, Calif. • Canyon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2010 BIG EAST Pitcher of the Year • 2010 First Team all-BIG EAST</li> <li>• Fifth in school history with .765 winning pct.</li> <li>• Resorted to play the role of closer this season • Went 38-7 as a junior in 2010</li> <li>• Combined with Shannon Kelly for five-inning no-hitter over St. John's</li> <li>• Pitched at least 100.0 innings, fanned over 100 batters in last four seasons</li> </ul>
	<b>12</b>	<b>Katie Fleury</b> Shortstop • 5-5 • Senior • R / R San Jose, Calif. • Archbishop Mitty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2011 Second Team all-BIG EAST • 2010 NFCA Third Team All-American</li> <li>• Tied for first with 68 BIG EAST career runs</li> <li>• First in league history with 1.000 (20-for-20) stolen base pct.</li> <li>• Needs five runs to set Notre Dame career record (167)</li> <li>• Second in school history with 99 walks • Tied for 10th with 20 home runs</li> </ul>
	<b>13</b>	<b>Alexa Maldonado</b> Outfield • 5-6 • Junior • L / L Short Hills, N.J. • Millburn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two-time first-team all-BIG EAST performer</li> <li>• Tied for second in league play with 29 hits and seven doubles</li> <li>• Recorded 15 hits in final six games of league play</li> <li>• One of five Irish players ever to score 50+ times in a season</li> <li>• Hit .207 as a freshman, .340 as a sophomore and .420 as a junior</li> </ul>
	<b>14</b>	<b>Monica Torres</b> Outfield • 5-7 • Freshman • R / R Winter Springs, Fla. • Winter Springs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Possesses great speed and sound judgment on the basepaths</li> <li>• Broke a sweat in 32 games • Scored 16 times as a pinch-runner</li> <li>• Scored once in eight of last nine contests</li> <li>• Pair of putouts without an error during her time in the outfield</li> <li>• Two-time Winter Springs (Fla.) Athlete of the Year</li> </ul>
	<b>15</b>	<b>Jackie Bowe</b> Pitcher / Infield • 5-7 • Sophomore • R / R Galesburg, Mich. • Galesburg-Augusta	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provides depth in the circle and at first base • Power hitter at the plate</li> <li>• Held opponents to .193 batting avg. in seven pitching appearances</li> <li>• Struck out 18 batters in 16.2 inning of action along with 2.10 ERA</li> <li>• Scored eight times, recorded eight base hits during regular season</li> <li>• Four-time all-Michigan performer as a prep</li> </ul>



### One-Hitters ...

- During league play, Notre Dame led the BIG EAST in batting avg. (.385), slugging pct. (.636), on-base pct. (.459), runs (162), hits (204) and RBI (145).
- The Irish have won 14 of their last 15 contests and 27 of the last 29 affairs.
- Notre Dame has posted respective winning streaks of nine, six and a pair of 14-game jaunts on the season.
- After winning the BIG EAST Conference regular season crown, Notre Dame was eliminated from the league tournament following a 6-0 semifinal loss to host Louisville.
- During last year's Ann Arbor Regional, the Fighting Irish went 2-2 as both losses came at the hands of host Michigan.



	<b>17</b>	<p><b>Dani Miller</b> First Base • 5-9 • Junior • R / R Huntington Beach, Calif. • Edison</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two-time all-BIG EAST, two-time NFCA all-region</li> <li>• Lone player in school history with 10+ home runs in first three seasons</li> <li>• Fourth on career list with .608 slugging pct., 14th with 116 RBI</li> <li>• Only everyday starter without an error • 15 multi-hit games on the year</li> <li>• Recorded a 21-game hitting streak as a freshman in 2009</li> </ul>
	<b>19</b>	<p><b>Erin Marrone</b> Second Base • 5-9 • Senior • R / R Alexandria, Va. • Bishop O'Connell</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overcame knee injury before returning to starting role at second base</li> <li>• 2009 Third Team all-BIG EAST • 2009 NFCA All-Region</li> <li>• Set season records for batting avg. (.453) and on-base pct. (.604) in 2010</li> <li>• Accounting major with 3.976 GPA • Won school's Kanaley Award</li> <li>• Both parents and 11 other relatives attended Notre Dame</li> </ul>
	<b>22</b>	<p><b>Kathryn Lux</b> First Base • 5-10 • Sophomore • R / R Glendale Heights, Ill. • Glenbard West</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reliable glove in the field with the ability to go yard at any at-bat</li> <li>• Seven starts at first base • 17 games played • Two hits, three runs, three RBI</li> <li>• Sister, Christine ('10), was an All-American softball player for Notre Dame</li> <li>• Homered on the same day as Christine in 2010 (2.27)</li> <li>• Sixth family member to attend Notre Dame • Grandfather gilded Golden Dome</li> </ul>
	<b>24</b>	<p><b>Brianna Jorgensborg</b> Outfield • 5-11 • Senior • R / R Thousand Oaks, Calif. • La Reina</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2008, 2010, 2011 Second Team all-BIG EAST</li> <li>• BIG EAST Player of the Week (May 2)</li> <li>• Solid career numbers with .276 batting avg. and .474 slugging pct.</li> <li>• 13th on career list with 19 home runs • 11th all-time with seven triples</li> <li>• Became school record holder after being hit by a pitch for a 24th time</li> </ul>
	<b>27</b>	<p><b>Alexia Clay</b> Catcher • 5-6 • Senior • R / R Rochester, Ind. • Culver Academy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2011 First Team all-BIG EAST • Led BIG EAST with .571 on-base pct., 23 runs</li> <li>• Carried a big stick with .482 avg. in league play, second-best in BIG EAST</li> <li>• One of two fifth-year seniors (along with Heather Johnson) on Irish roster</li> <li>• Transferred from Tennessee after leading Lady Vols to 2007 World Series</li> <li>• Second on career fielding pct. list (.992) • 2006 Indiana Player of the Year</li> </ul>
	<b>28</b>	<p><b>Brittany O'Donnell</b> Pitcher • 5-9 • Sophomore • R / R Avon, N.J. • Red Bank Catholic</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2011 Second Team all-BIG EAST • One of two pitchers without league loss</li> <li>• Held opponents to only two extra-base hits during BIG EAST play</li> <li>• Flawless with 10-0 overall record during regular season</li> <li>• Tossed one-hit shutout at USF (4.27) • Nine strikeouts against Pitt (5.4)</li> <li>• Two-time New Jersey Player of Year • Two-time ESPN All-American</li> </ul>
	<b>35</b>	<p><b>Kristina Wright</b> Catcher • 5-9 • Junior • R / R Ramona, Calif. • Ramona</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Started 11 contests while playing in 16 games during regular season</li> <li>• Collected two hits with two runs and two RBI</li> <li>• Perfect behind the plate with 1.000 fielding pct. (97 chances)</li> <li>• Finished 2010 season with .995 fielding pct., 12th-best in school history</li> <li>• Three-time all-Valley League (Calif.) performer as a prep</li> </ul>
	<b>40</b>	<p><b>Amy Buntin</b> Outfield / Utility • 5-8 • Sophomore • R / R Franklin, Tenn. • Brentwood</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extremely versatile athlete with the ability to play a number of positions</li> <li>• Saw time at catcher, rightfield and designated player during regular season</li> <li>• Belted a two-run, game-tying run homer against North Carolina (3.4)</li> <li>• Started season with 11-game hitting streak</li> <li>• Hitting .299 through two seasons with .439 slugging pct.</li> </ul>
	<b>42</b>	<p><b>Chloe Saganowich</b> Middle Infield • 5-9 • Freshman • R / R Treasure Island, Fla. • St. Petersburg Catholic</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Athletic middle infielder with quick release and pinpoint accuracy</li> <li>• One of three freshmen to start in season-opener with Miami (Ohio) (2.18)</li> <li>• Her three hits have driven in two runs; scored three times in 13 at-bats</li> <li>• Shelved more than 50 wins as a prep pitcher</li> <li>• Father, Jerry Sags, was member of WWF's "Nasty Boys" tag team</li> </ul>
	<b>44</b>	<p><b>Laura Winter</b> Pitcher • 6-1 • Freshman • R / R San Diego, Calif. • Rancho Bernardo</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2011 First Team all-BIG EAST • Hurlled no-hitter at USF (4.27)</li> <li>• Went 9-1 in league play with 2.96 ERA • Seven shutouts, four combined</li> <li>• Fanned 208 batters in 170. innings of work</li> <li>• Ranks sixth in NCAA with 0.91 walks/game; four saves is 12th-best mark</li> <li>• Second-most wins (23) ever by an Irish freshman pitcher</li> </ul>
	<b>HC</b>	<p><b>Deanna Gumpf</b> Head Coach • 10th season • Nebraska '93</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2011, 2004, 2002 BIG EAST Coaching Staff of the Year</li> <li>• 2004, 2002 NFCA Mideast Region Coaching Staff of the Year</li> <li>• 424-174-1 (.709) entering NCAA Tournament</li> <li>• Winningest coach in program history</li> <li>• Steered Irish to lead NCAA in batting in 2010 (.343 avg.)</li> </ul>