



# University of Wisconsin Stevens Point Sports Information

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## UW-Stevens Point Football Preview

**UW-Stevens Point (6-2, 3-2 WIAC) vs. # 25 UW-Eau Claire (6-2, 3-2 WIAC)**  
**Saturday, November 3rd - 1 p.m.**  
**Goerke Field (4.000) - Stevens Point, Wisconsin**

### 2007 WIAC Standings

	Conf.		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
UW-Whitewater	5	0	7	1
UW-Stevens Point	3	2	6	2
UW-Eau Claire	3	2	6	2
UW-Stout	3	2	4	4
UW-Oshkosh	2	3	5	3
UW-River Falls	2	3	3	5
UW-La Crosse	1	4	3	4
UW-Platteville	1	4	2	6

### This Week in the WIAC

Eau Claire at Stevens Point , 1 pm  
La Crosse at River Falls , 1 pm  
Oshkosh at Platteville , 1 pm  
Whitewater at Stout , 1 pm

### Last Week in the WIAC

Oshkosh 27, Stevens Point 10  
River Falls 42, Platteville 36 (OT)  
Stout 31, La Crosse 28  
Whitewater 41, Mary Hardin-Baylor (TX) 14

### Game Outlook:

Both the Pointers and the Blugolds are 3-2 and tied for second in the WIAC. Stevens Point comes in having lost their last two games, while the Blugolds are coming off of a bye week.

It will be Senior Day and Parents Day at Goerke Field as the Pointers honor 15 of their senior athletes.

### Radio:

The game can be heard live on WKQH (104.9 FM) radio with Scott Krueger calling the play-by-play and Ken Kulick providing the analysis. The game can also be heard on WWSP (89.9 FM) Links to a live internet broadcast is available at:

<http://athletics.uwsp.edu/Sports/gen/2007/liveaudiostats.asp>.

### Series History:

UW-Stevens Point leads the all-time series 40-30-5. The Pointers won every meeting in the 90's, but are just 3-4 in the 21st century. However, the Pointers are 2-1 at home during that span. The teams have played two over-time games since 2001 both won by Stevens Point. Last year the Pointers won 20-17 in overtime at Carson Park.

The Pointers trailed 17-3 in the third quarter, but the defense stepped up holding the Blugolds to just 25 yards of total offense in the fourth quarter and overtime. After stopping the Blugolds on four plays in overtime, Ryan Graboski connected on a then career long 35-yard field goal for the win.

### 2007 UW-Stevens Point Schedule/Results

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Site	Quick Facts
Sept. 1	at Webber Int'l	W 13-7	Lake Wales, Fla.	UWSP blocks punt for game-winning TD with 38 sec. left
Sept. 15	at Iowa Wesleyan	W 54-13	Mt. Pleasant, Iowa	Pointers score school-record 34 points in first quarter
<b>Sept. 22</b>	<b>Waldorf</b>	<b>W 55-0</b>	<b>Stevens Point</b>	<b>UWSP jumps out to 38-0 halftime advantage</b>
<b>Sept. 29</b>	<b>UW-River Falls</b>	<b>W 45-42</b>	<b>Stevens Point</b>	<b>Ferron rushes for 199 of team's 275 total yards</b>
Oct. 6	at UW-Platteville	W 34-31	Platteville	UWSP posts 17th straight victory over Pioneers
<b>Oct. 13</b>	<b>UW-Stout</b>	<b>W 26-23</b>	<b>Stevens Point</b>	<b>Graboski ties a school record with four field goals</b>
<b>Oct. 20</b>	<b>UW-Whitewater</b>	<b>L 14-31</b>	<b>Stevens Point</b>	<b>Warhawks shut out Pointers 14-0 in the second half</b>
Oct. 27	at UW-Oshkosh	L 10-27	Oshkosh	Graboski ties school record with 10th field goal of season
<b>Nov. 3</b>	<b>UW-Eau Claire</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>	<b>Stevens Point</b>	<b>Seven of last nine meetings decided by five or less</b>
Nov. 10	at UW-La Crosse	1 p.m.	La Crosse	Teams meet in season finale for first time since 1961

### Pointers Update:

The 22nd-ranked UW-Stevens Point football team dropped its second consecutive game last week, falling to UW-Oshkosh by a score of 27-10 at J.J. Keller Field.

For the second consecutive game, the Pointers put points on the board on their opening possession. After the Titans were stopped short on 4th and 1 on their own 49 yard line, the Pointers would get down to the Oshkosh 20 yard line, but had to settle for a 37-yard Ryan Graboski field goal.

The 3-0 Pointer lead remained that way until a little over six minutes left in the first half. Following a Stevens Point missed field goal, the Titans drove down the field going 80 yards on 16 plays capped off by an Andy Moriarty three-yard touchdown run to make the score 7-3 Oshkosh. The Pointers would be stopped on their next possession on 4th and 3 at the Titan 23 yard line. The score at the half was 7-3 Oshkosh.

After Stevens Point was intercepted on its first possession of the second half, the Titans took advantage with a 41-yard field goal by Lucas Raschke to make the score 10-3 Titans. The big turning point of the game came with five minutes left in the third quarter. The Pointers were driving deep in Oshkosh territory looking to tie the game up, but a sack by UW-Oshkosh's Eric Stotenbroten forced a fumble, which was picked up and returned 78 yards for a touchdown by David Consiglio to make the score 17-3 Oshkosh.

After an Oshkosh field goal made the score 20-3 in the fourth, the Pointers would score their first touchdown of the afternoon when Jack Marx ran it in from seven yards out to make the score 20-10 with 8:34 remaining in the game. The Pointers went for it on fourth down on their next two possessions, but came up short.

The Titans outgained the Pointers 339-241 in the game, including 292-92 on the ground. Jake Swank was 13-of-26 passing for 128 yards and two

### The Coaches

UW-Stevens Point head coach **John Miech** has a 129-68-2 record in his 20th season. Miech is ranked fourth on the all-time WIAC wins list and is the conference's winningest active coach. Including this year, he has now posted .500 or better records in 18 of his 20 seasons. Miech is a 1975 graduate of UW-Stevens Point.

UW-Eau Claire head coach **Todd Glaser** has a 8-7 record in his two seasons as the Blugolds head coach. Glaser is the 15th head coach in Blugolds history. With the Blugolds, he has compiled a 8-9 record and has a career record of 21-26. Glaser had been the head coach at Marietta College (OH) from 2003-2005 after serving as defensive coordinator for the Blugolds the four seasons prior to that.

interceptions for Stevens Point. He also led the team in rushing with 37 yards on 15 attempts. Jared Jenkins had five catches for 81 yards and Brad Kalsow also had five receptions for 32 yards. Dustin Robinson led the Pointer defense with 13 tackles and one sack.

### Blugolds Update:

The Blugolds had the bye last week and are coming off of a 40-33 win two weeks ago against UW-Platteville. Even though the Blugolds didn't play, they still cracked the top 25 at the 25th position.

The Blugolds started off the season at 3-0 before losing at UW-Whitewater 27-0. After that loss, Eau Claire responded with a 21-20 win over UW-Oshkosh. The Blugolds won that game with first time starter senior Mitch Schaeuble, who had been the team's kicker and punter his first three seasons with the Blugolds. In his sophomore season, Schaeuble kicked 10 field goals, which was then a school record for most field goals in a season. Schaeuble has only connected on 41.7% of his passes and is only averaging 91 yards through the air per game.

Eau Claire's receiving core is pretty solid with brothers Tony and Chris Hull leading the team in receptions. Tony leads the team with 20 receptions, while Chris had 18 catches, seven of which have been for touchdowns.

The key for the Blugolds offense has been running back Cory Sartorelli. Sartorelli had a career-high 209 yards in victory over Alma earlier this sea-

son and rushed for over 200 yards in his last two games.

On defense, safety Dave Wicklund leads the team with 78 tackles and three interceptions. Defensive lineman Nate Rucker has 5.5 sacks this season. At corner, Craig Polifka had two interceptions against Platteville a couple weeks ago, including one for a touchdown. As a returner, Polifka leads the conference in punt return and kick return average. The Blugolds are second in the WIAC with a +9 turnover margin. Zach Paul leads the conference with three fumble recoveries.

### D3football.com Top 25 - Oct. 29

1 Mount Union (25)	8-0
<b>2 UW-Whitewater</b>	<b>7-1</b>
3 St. John's	9-0
4 Wheaton (Ill.)	8-0
5 Central	9-0
6 Mary Hardin-Baylor	7-1
7 St. John Fisher	8-1
8 Wesley	8-1
9 Washington and Jefferson	7-0
10 Wabash	8-0
11 Salisbury	8-1
12 Linfield	5-2
13 Wartburg	7-1
14 Trinity (Texas)	7-1
15 New Jersey	7-1
16 Muhlenberg	8-0
17 Capital	6-2
18 Bethel	7-1
19 Alfred	7-1
20 RPI	7-0
21 Franklin	7-1
22 St. Olaf	6-2
23 St. Norbert	9-0
24 Occidental	6-1
<b>25 UW-Eau Claire</b>	<b>6-2</b>

### **Tale of Two Halves**

After beginning the season 6-0, the Pointers have dropped their last two games by a combined score of 58-24, including 34-7 in the second half. In the last two contests, the Pointers have put points on the board on their first possession of the game. Opponents have controlled the ball for the most part of the second half against the Pointers in the last two games.

Oshkosh held the Pointers to their lowest scoring output of the season last Saturday, limiting UWSP to 10 points. The last time they were held below 10 points was back in the 2005 season when they lost to UW-Eau Claire 17-3. This season the Pointers are outscoring their opponents 139-83 in the first half of games.

### **Conference Title Chances**

Both the Blugolds and the Pointers are 3-2 in the WIAC. UW-Stout is the third team. The Pointers still have a chance at a conference title if they win out and Whitewater loses its final two games, and Stout also wins out. That would mean that the Warhawks would have to fall to the Blue Devils Saturday. If this is the case that means that all three teams have a 5-2 record and have all beaten each other.

According to the second WIAC tiebreaker, "Tied teams are to be eliminated in reverse order of their last playoff appearance, beginning with the 1991 season." The Pointers would get the bid because Whitewater was in the playoffs last year, eliminating them from consideration. The WIAC football tie-breaker rules then state that consideration goes back to criteria No. 1, head-to-head, and Stevens Point defeated Stout, 26-23, on Oct. 13.

### **Not Hurting Themselves**

The Pointers have given up the fewest penalty yards of any other WIAC team in conference play this season. Stevens Point is tied with Platteville with just 24 penalties in WIAC games this season. UW-Eau Claire comes into this week's matchup with the second-most penalties in conference games with 35.

### **Smooth Transition**

In his first season at linebacker, senior Dustin Robinson leads the team and is third in the conference with 72 tackles. He is also tied for the team lead with two interceptions. Robinson, who had been a running back his first three seasons, has made the switch look easy. In his first three seasons at running back Robinson rushed for 633 yards and two touchdowns.

### **Record on the Line**

UW-Stevens Point kicker Ryan Graboski kicked his 10th field goal of the season in last week's game against UW-Oshkosh. In doing so, he tied a school-record for field goals in a season. The feat has been accomplished on two separate occasions, Fred Galecke in the 1995 season and Pat McFaul in the 1070 season.

### **Two-Sport Athlete**

Jared Jenkins, who will be playing basketball for the Pointers in a couple of weeks, is third in the conference averaging 80.2 receiving yards per WIAC contest. He has 28 catches and one touchdown in five WIAC games this season.

### **Around the WIAC**

Second-ranked UW-Whitewater prevailed over Mary Hardin-Baylor 41-14 in a Division III national showdown. Also, with UW-Stevens Point falling to UW-Oshkosh 27-10, the Warhawks clinched at least a share of the WIAC conference championship. Whitewater will look to take the title outright this Saturday when travel to face UW-Stout. The Blue Devils picked up their second straight conference victory with a 31-28 defeat of UW-La Crosse. The Eagles had a chance to tie the game, but a 47-yard field goal came up short. Stout improves to 3-2 in the conference and is in a second place tie with Stevens Point and Eau Claire.

Speaking of which, the game of the week in the conference this Saturday pits the Pointers against the Blugolds in Stevens Point. With a victory the Pointers can do no worse than second place in the WIAC. The most dramatic game last week proved out to be UW-Platteville at UW-River Falls. The Pioneers had the lead in the waning moments when the Falcons scored the tying touchdown with 15 seconds remaining to send the game into overtime. River Falls then blocked a Pioneer field goal attempt on their first possession and the Falcons would score on their possession to defeat the Pioneers 42-36.