



# MEN'S SOCCER

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## 2016 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Overall: 3-1-1 • MAC: 0-0  
Home: 2-0-1 • Road: 0-0 • Neutral: 1-1

### MATCH 6: #23 WEST VIRGINIA VS. GEORGE MASON

Saturday, September 17, 2016 | 7 p.m. ET | Dick Dlesk Soccer Stadium | Morgantown, W.Va.

Dollar Night | Youth Night | Tickets: WVUGAME.com, 1-800-WVU GAME

#### FOLLOWING ALONG:

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Live Stats WVUsports.com  
Live Video Stream (Free) WVUsports.com

Fri., Aug. 12	Gold/Blue Intrasquad #	7 p.m.
Tues., Aug. 16	Pitt #	W, 2-0
Sat., Aug. 20	at Loyola, Md. #	L, 2-1
Tues., Aug. 23	Charleston #	W, 2-0
Fri., Aug. 26	vs. No. 9 Seattle &	L, 2-0
Sun., Aug. 28	vs. No. 7 Georgetown &	W, 1-0
Sat., Sept. 3	Princeton	W, 1-0
Fri., Sept. 9	ETSU	W, 1-0 (OT)
Wed., Sept. 14	UMBC	T, 0-0 (2OT)
Sat., Sept. 17	George Mason	7 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 20	American	7 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 24	at UNCG	7 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 1	St. Mary's (Calif.)	TBD
Fri., Oct. 7	Bowling Green *	7 p.m.
Mon., Oct. 10	Maryland	7 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 15	Buffalo *	7 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 22	at Akron *	7:30 p.m.
Tues., Oct. 25	at Penn	7 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 29	at Western Michigan *	1 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 5	at Northern Illinois *	8 p.m.

\* - Mid-American Conference Match  
& - Akron Classic, Akron, Ohio  
# - Exhibition

All times Eastern and subject to change  
Home matches, in **bold**, played at Dick Dlesk Soccer Stadium

#### MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Team	MAC	Pct.	Overall	Pct.	Streak
Buffalo	0-0	0.000	7-0	1.000	W7
Bowling Green	0-0	0.000	5-1	0.833	W1
Western Michigan	0-0	0.000	5-1	0.833	L1
<b>West Virginia</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>3-1-1</b>	<b>0.700</b>	<b>T1</b>
Akron	0-0	0.000	4-2	0.667	W2
Northern Illinois	0-0	0.000	0-4-2	0.167	L2

#### WEST VIRGINIA MOUNTAINEERS

Record (MAC) 3-1-1 (0-0-0)  
NSCAA Ranking / Final 2015 RPI NR / 106  
Head Coach (Years) Marlon LeBlanc (11th)  
Record at WVU / Career Record 100-72-28 / 104-75-28  
All-Time Program Record 447-372-90



#### WVU LEADERS

Goals Tucker Stephenson (2)  
Assists Joey Piatczyc (2)  
Points Tucker Stephenson (4)  
Shots Joey Piatczyc (11)  
Shots On Goal Rushawn Larmond, Tucker Stephenson (4)

#### GEORGE MASON PATRIOTS

Record (America East Conference) 1-3-1 (0-0-0)  
NSCAA Ranking / Final 2015 RPI NR / 122  
Head Coach (Years) Greg Andruilis (12th)  
Record at ETSU / Career Record 105-76-34 / 239-148-61  
Series History vs. WVU (Last Meeting) Mason leads, 2-1 (1999)



#### MASON LEADERS

Goals Five Players with 1  
Assists Henning Dirks (2)  
Points Henning Dirks (4)  
Shots Henning Dirks (13)  
Shots On Goal Henning Dirks (7)

### NO. 23 MOUNTAINEERS WELCOME PATRIOTS TO MORGANTOWN

On a four-match unbeaten streak, the No. 23 West Virginia University men's soccer team's homestand continues against George Mason on Saturday, September 17, at 7 p.m. ET, at Dick Dlesk Soccer Stadium.

Saturday is a Dollar Night, where tickets and select concession items – small soda, popcorn and Skittles – can be purchased for just \$1 each. Tickets can be purchased online at WVUGAME.com, by calling 1-800-WVU GAME or at the ticket office before the match. Free parking is available at the Natatorium/Band lot, adjacent to DDSS.

Fans unable to cheer on the Mountaineers in person can watch a free live stream, courtesy of CityNet, and follow live stats on WVUSports.com. Additional updates, news and notes will be available on social media by following and connecting with @WVUMensSoccer on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

The Mountaineers (3-1-1) are unbeaten in their last four matches, including a three-match winning streak that was snapped with a 0-0 draw to UMBC on Wednesday night. WVU and junior goalkeeper Jose Santos have not allowed a goal during the four-match unbeaten streak. It's a shutout streak that stretches more than 435 minutes, since the first half of WVU's season-opening game against No. 9 Seattle.

George Mason (1-3-1) is coming off a 2-1 loss to Gonzaga on Sunday. The Patriots opened the year with back-to-back road losses to American and ETSU before a 1-1 draw to Longwood and a 1-0 win in overtime over Cornell.

Sophomore midfielder Tucker Stephenson has scored two of WVU's three goals this season and has a team-best four points and 11 shots. Junior midfielder Joey Piatczyc leads the team with two assists and is tied with freshman defender Logan Lucas for second on the team with two points. Stephenson and sophomore forward Rushawn Larmond have a team-high-tying four shots on goal. In goal, Santos owns a 3-1 record and has made five saves.



## QUICK FACTS

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Location	Morgantown, W.Va.
Founded	1867
Nickname	Mountaineers
Enrollment	31,514
Colors	Old Gold (PMS 124 C) and Blue (295 C)
President	Dr. E. Gordon Gee (Utah, '68)
Director of Athletics	Shane Lyons (WVU, '87)
Conference	Mid-American
Athletic Department Phone	304-293-5621
Ticket Office Phone	1-800-WVU GAME

### TEAM HISTORY

First Year	1961
Seasons	56th Season
All-Time Record	447-372-90 (.541)
NCAA Tournament Appearances (Record)	12 (5-12) (1966-68-71-72-73-81-92-2005-06-07-10-11)
Conference Championships	5 (1 Reg, 4 Tourney)
Reg. Season: 2006 (Big East)	
Tournament: 1965, 1966, 1967 (Eastern 8); 1992 (A-10)	
All-Time MAC Record (Since 2012)	11-8-4

### COACHES AND STAFF

Head Coach	Marlon LeBlanc (11th season)
Alma Mater	Penn State, '00
Record at WVU	100-72-28 (.570)
Career Record	104-75-28 (.570)
Assistant Coach	Andy Wright (1st Season)
Alma Mater	West Virginia, '08
Assistant Coach	Scott Bowers (3rd season)
Alma Mater	Salisbury, '00
Strength Coach	Tanner Kolb
Athletic Trainer	Simon Gomez

### TEAM INFORMATION

Lettermen Returning/Lost	13/12
Starters Returning/Lost	5/6
Newcomers	14
2015 Record (MAC)	7-12 (2-3)

### DICK DLESK SOCCER STADIUM

Capacity	1,650
First Season	2004
Men's All-Time Record	84-27-15 (.728)
Playing Surface	Natural Grass
Largest Crowd	2,938 (9/4/09 vs. UCSB)

### FOLLOWING THE MOUNTAINEERS

Website	WVUsports.com
Twitter	@WVUMensSoccer
Facebook	Facebook.com/WVUMensSoccer
Instagram	@WVUMensSoccer

## MEDIA INFORMATION

### INTERVIEWS & CREDENTIALS

Any member of the media wishing to interview a student-athlete or member of the coaching staff or obtain a credential for home matches should contact West Virginia men's soccer SID Charlie Healy, via email (Charles.Healy@mail.wvu.edu) or by phone (304-293-2821), at least 24 hours in advance.

### RECEIVING INFORMATION

Media members may receive men's soccer press releases, notes and more via e-mail. To be added to the e-mail list, please send your requests to Charles.Healy@mail.wvu.edu.

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Visit WVUsports.com for player and coaching staff bios, the latest stories, updated stats and the WVU men's soccer record book.

## STATISTICAL COMPARISON

(NCAA/Conference Rankings in parentheses)



Overall Record	3-1-1	1-1-2
Versus Top 25	1-1-0	0-0-0
NSCAA National Rank	NR	NR
NSCAA Region Rank	8 (Great Lakes)	NR
W-L-T Percentage	0.700 (39/4)	0.300 (152/9)

Total Goals	3 (177/5)	6 (115/5)
Total Assists	5 (119/5)	5 (119/6)
Total Points	11 (170/5)	17 (124/6)
Scoring Offense	0.60 (182/5)	1.20 (113/4)
Shots Per Game	14.80 (45/4)	10.60 (129/8)
Shots on Goal Per Game	4.80 (115/5)	4.60 (121/7)

Saves Per Game	1.20 (201/6)	4.80 (37/5)
Save Percentage	.750 (75/4)	.727 (99/8)
Team Goals Against Avg.	0.38 (9/3)	1.72 (154/8)
Shutout Percentage	0.80 (3/2)	0.20 (103/6)
Shutouts	4	1
Goals Allowed	2	9

## SCOUTING GEORGE MASON

George Mason comes to Morgantown with a 1-3-1 record and an 0-2 mark away from home. The Patriots are coming off a 2-1 loss to Gonzaga at home on Sunday. George Mason has scored five goals on the young season, with each tally coming from a different player. Henning Dirks leads the team with four points, with a goal and two assists.

Greg Andrusis is in his 12th season with the Patriots. He owns a 105-76-24 record, which includes NCAA Tournament berths in 2006, 2008 and 2013.

### SERIES HISTORY VS. THE PATRIOTS

West Virginia is 2-1 all-time against George Mason, with the last meeting coming in 1999. The series began with a 4-1 loss in 1988 and a 4-0 defeat in 1998, both on the road. In 1999, the two teams met in Morgantown, where the Mountaineers earned a 3-1 victory.

DATE	SITE	RESULT	SCORE
9/17/1988	Away	L	1-4
11/4/1998	Away	L	0-4
9/22/1999	Home	W	3-1

## UP NEXT: VS. AMERICAN

The Mountaineers' homestand concludes on Tuesday, September 20, against American at 7 p.m. ET. It will be Boy Scout Night at Dick Dlesk Soccer Stadium, and all troops will receive free admission.

For fans unable to attend the match, a free live stream, courtesy of CityNet, and live stats can be found on WVUsports.com.

## LAST TIME OUT: DOUBLE-OT DRAW

West Virginia played to a scoreless draw with UMBC on Wednesday night. WVU extended its unbeaten streak to four matches and controlled play for much of the match, but they could not find the back of the net. The Mountaineers recorded 13 shots, four on goal, and held the Retrievers to just one shot.

Junior goalkeeper Jose Santos faced one shot and made one save, on a slow roller from the center of the box. UMBC goalkeeper Billy Heavener collected four saves.

Four players, senior Jack Elliott, juniors Jad Arslan and Joey Piatczyc and freshman defender Logan Lucas, registered two shots for WVU. Arslan and Lucas were joined by sophomore forward Rushawn Lammond and freshman defender Sebastian Garcia-Herreros with one shot on goal.

## AWARDS BREAKDOWN

### TUCKER STEPHENSON

Akron Classic All-Tournament Team	Aug. 28
WVU Student-Athlete of the Week	Aug. 29
National Team Of The Week - College Soccer News	Sept. 5

### JAD ARSLAN

Akron Classic All-Tournament Team	Aug. 28
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### JACK ELLIOTT

Akron Classic All-Tournament Team	Aug. 28
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## IN THE RANKINGS

For the third consecutive week, West Virginia is nationally ranked, at No. 23 in the Soccer America Men's Top 25 poll. WVU was ranked No. 24 in the first poll, on Aug. 29, and No. 22 last week.

Additionally, the Mountaineers come in at No. 30 in this week's College Soccer News poll for the second consecutive week.

## LEBLANC HITS THE CENTURY MARK

Marlon LeBlanc won his 100th match as WVU head coach in West Virginia's 1-0 overtime victory over ETSU on Sept. 9. In his 11th season at the helm, he owns a 100-72-27 record with the Gold and Blue and is the second coach in WVU's 56-year history to eclipse the 100-win mark.

Additionally, with WVU's 3-0 win over Penn State on Oct. 13, 2015, LeBlanc won his 100th career match. LeBlanc's milestone win came against his alma mater and where he earned his first four career victories. A 2000 PSU graduate, LeBlanc was an assistant coach at Penn State from 2001-05 and earned four wins as interim head coach in 2002. His career record is 104-75-27.

## RECORD-SETTING DEFENSE

WVU has put together record-setting numbers defensively. In their upset win over No. 7 Georgetown on Aug. 26, the Mountaineers held the Hoyas to three shots, none on goal. The following match, on Sept. 3, WVU held Princeton to one shot in the match and no shots on goal. Two matches later, WVU held UMBC to one shot in the double-overtime match.

The win over Princeton and draw to UMBC marked the first time in program history that WVU has held the opposition to just one shot in a contest. Georgetown and Princeton's zero shots on goal also ties a WVU record, set on seven previous occasions.

### OPPONENTS WITH ONE OR FEWER SHOTS

Date	Opponent	Shots/SOG	Final
9/3/2016	Princeton	1/0	W, 1-0
9/14/2016	UMBC	1/1	T, 0-0 (2OT)

### OPPONENTS WITH NO SHOTS ON GOAL

Date	Opponent	Shots/SOG	Final
9/10/2007	Duquesne	4/0	W, 1-0
9/25/2009	#3 USF	3/0	W, 1-0 (OT)
8/26/2011	vs. #22 Virginia	3/0	W, 1-0
10/12/2011	at Pitt	4/0	W, 2-0
9/23/2012	Florida Atlantic	2/0	W, 4-0
8/30/2015	San Francisco	3/0	W, 6-0
8/28/2016	vs. #7 Georgetown	3/0	W, 1-0
9/3/2016	Princeton	1/0	W, 1-0

## THREE IN A ROW WITH OT WINNER

WVU won its third consecutive match on Sept. 9, as freshman defender Logan Lucas scored the overtime winner in the 100th minute in a 1-0 victory over ETSU. Lucas' golden goal was his first goal of his collegiate career, and he was assisted by junior Joey Piatczyc off a free kick and junior Steven James.

In goal, junior Jose Santos notched his third consecutive shutout and made a career-best four saves. WVU held an 18-12 edge in shots and an 8-4 advantage in shots on goal.

## RECORD BREAKDOWN

	OVERALL	MAC
Overall	3-1-1	0-0-0
Home	2-0-1	0-0-0
Road	0-0-0	0-0-0
Neutral	1-1-0	0-0-0
Day Games	1-1-0	0-0-0
Night Games	2-0-1	0-0-0
Games Following a Victory	2-0-1	0-0-0
Games Following a Loss	1-0-0	0-0-0
Games Following a Tie	0-0-0	0-0-0
Playing in Overtime	1-0-0	0-0-0
Playing in Double Overtime	0-0-1	0-0-0
Playing Ranked Opponents	1-1-0	0-0-0
Playing Unranked Opponents	2-0-1	0-0-0
In One-Goal Games	3-0-0	0-0-0
WVU Scores First	3-0-0	0-0-0
Opponent Scores First	0-1-0	0-0-0
Leading at Halftime	1-0-0	0-0-0
Trailing at Halftime	0-1-0	0-0-0
Tied at Halftime	2-0-1	0-0-0
Playing Televised Games	0-0-0	0-0-0
Playing in the Rain	1-0-1	0-0-0
Scoring 1-2 goals	3-1-0	0-0-0
Scoring Three Goals or More	0-0-0	0-0-0
Wearing White Jerseys	1-1-1	0-0-0
Wearing Blue Jerseys	2-0-0	0-0-0
Wearing Gold Jerseys	0-0-0	0-0-0
August	1-1-0	0-0-0
September	2-0-1	0-0-0
October	0-0-0	0-0-0
November	0-0-0	0-0-0
Monday	0-0-0	0-0-0
Tuesday	0-0-0	0-0-0
Wednesday	0-0-1	0-0-0
Friday	1-1-0	0-0-0
Saturday	1-0-0	0-0-0
Sunday	1-0-0	0-0-0

## WVU SCORING BREAKDOWN

1st-15th minute	WVU 0, Opponents 1
16th-30th minute	WVU 0, Opponents 0
31st-45th minute	WVU 1, Opponents 1
46th-60th minute	WVU 0, Opponents 0
61st-75th minute	WVU 0, Opponents 0
76th-90th minute	WVU 1, Opponents 0
First Overtime	WVU 1, Opponents 0
Second Overtime	WVU 0, Opponents 0

## WVU W-L-T BREAKDOWN

	WINS (3)	LOSSES (1)	TIES (1)
Goals	3 (1.00)	0 (0.00)	0 (0.0)
Assists	5 (1.66)	0 (0.00)	0 (0.0)
Shots	45 (15.00)	16 (16.00)	13 (13.0)
Shots on goal	16 (5.33)	4 (4.00)	4 (4.0)
Corner kicks	22 (7.33)	8 (8.00)	5 (5.0)
Saves	4 (1.33)	1 (1.00)	1 (1.0)
Fouls	36 (12.00)	9 (9.00)	7 (7.0)
Yellow/Red Cards	8/0	0/0	0/0
Allowed 0-1 goals	3	0	1
Allowed 2+ goals	0	1	0

## WVU GAME WINNERS BY PERIOD

First Half	1
Second Half	1
First Overtime	1
Second Overtime	0

## HOME SEASON STARTS WITH WIN

West Virginia held Princeton to just one shot on its way to a 1-0 victory on September 3. Tucker Stephenson netted his second goal in as many matches and the defense put up record-tying numbers to lead WVU to its second consecutive win.

WVU held the Tigers to one shot in the match and no shots on goal. It marked the first time in program history that WVU has held the opposition to just one shot in a contest. Princeton's zero shots on goal also ties a WVU record, set on seven previous occasions, including in August 28's upset win over No. 7 Georgetown.

Stephenson's goal came in the 43rd minute on a set piece. A free kick was awarded to the Mountaineers about 30 yards out on the left side. Junior midfielder Joey Platzyc sent the kick into the box, directly to Stephenson who headed it in.

## 2016 BEGINS WITH AN UPSET

WVU opened the season at the Akron Classic in Akron, Ohio. After falling to No. 9 Seattle in the season opener, West Virginia earned a 1-0 upset victory over No. 7 Georgetown on Sunday.

It was the highest-ranked team West Virginia had beaten since taking down No. 1 UConn at home in 2011. The win was WVU's first against a top-10 foe since the Mountaineers won at No. 8 Indiana in 2013 and the first neutral-site ranked win since 2011 against No. 11 Virginia.

Sophomore midfielder Tucker Stephenson scored in the 81st minute to break a scoreless tie after the Mountaineers played right with the Hoyas for the first 80 minutes. Junior defender Louis Thomas and freshman defender Sebastian Garcia-Herrerros recording assists. It was Stephenson's third career goal, all game-winning tallies, while it was the first assist of Garcia-Herrerros' collegiate career.

The Mountaineer defense held the Hoyas to just three shots, none on goal. It marked the seventh time in program history West Virginia allowed no shots on goal and the 20th time an opposing team had three or fewer shots against WVU.

Stephenson, along with senior defender Jack Elliott and junior midfielder Jad Arslan were named to the Akron Classic All-Tournament Team.

## FACING THE MINIMUM

The West Virginia defense has provided plenty of help to the WVU goalkeepers in Marlon LeBlanc's 11 seasons.

Opponents have averaged fewer than 12.5 shots per game every year of LeBlanc's tenure, and in seven of his first 10 seasons the opposition has averaged fewer than five shots on goal in a game.

This year's defense has been especially good. In WVU's win over No. 7 Georgetown on Aug. 28, the Mountaineer defense held the Hoyas to just three shots, none on goal. The following match, WVU held Princeton to just one shot, which was not on goal. It marked the eighth time in program history West Virginia allowed no shots on goal and the first time WVU allowed just one shot in a match.

YEAR	AVG. OPP. SHOTS	AVG. OPP. SOG
2006	12.2	5.0
2007	11.1	4.2
2008	10.9	5.0
2009	9.8	4.7
2010	9.8	4.0
2011	9.2	4.0
2012	7.7	3.1
2013	11.2	4.2
2014	11.1	4.7
2015	12.5	5.6
2016	6.0	1.6

## HOME SWEET HOME

In the past six seasons, the WVU men's soccer team holds a 44-14-4 record at home, including 13-straight victories from 2010-11.

YEAR	RECORD
2010	10-1-0
2011	6-3-0
2012	8-1-0
2013	5-3-3
2014	7-2-0
2015	6-4-0
2016	2-0-1

## TWO OR MORE = VICTORY

Since Marlon LeBlanc's arrival in 2006, the Mountaineers are 64-9-4 when they have scored at least two goals in a game.

The first loss came to Akron in the second round of the 2010 NCAA tournament, while WVU also fell to Elon in 2012. While West Virginia suffered four defeats in 2014 and three in 2015 when it scored at least two goals, the first in 2014 came to No. 9 UC Irvine, 3-2, two of the seven came in overtime periods and four occurred away from home.

YEAR	RECORD
2006	11-0-1
2007	4-0-1
2008	2-0-0
2009	3-0-0
2010	10-1-0
2011	8-0-0
2012	7-1-0
2013	6-0-2
2014	9-4-0
2015	5-3-0
2016	0-0-0

## HOMEGROWN TALENT

Three players on the 2016 roster hail from West Virginia and are playing for their home-state team. It is tied for the most-represented state, along with Florida, Missouri and Pennsylvania.

PLAYER	POS.	YEAR	HOMETOWN
Kyle Davis	F	Fr.	Charleston
Trevor Moon	D	R-Jr.	Fairmont
Tyler Shaffer	D	Fr.	Charleston

## SPANNING THE GLOBE

The 2016 WVU men's soccer team features student-athletes from 14 states and four countries outside of the U.S., including England, Germany, Spain and Trinidad.

STATE	COUNTRY
Florida	England 2
Missouri	Germany 1
Pennsylvania	Spain 1
West Virginia	Trinidad 1
Georgia	United States 24
Texas	
Delaware	
Illinois	
Iowa	
Kansas	
Louisiana	
Maryland	
Ohio	
Virginia	



### PACKING THE HOUSE

A big reason for WVU's success at home is the support of the Mountaineer fans at Dick Dlesk Soccer Stadium. Last year, West Virginia was second in the league with an average of 699 fans per game. A total of 6,993 fans filled the stands in 2015 in 10 home matches.

Table with columns: YEAR, HOME TOTAL, GAMES, AVG. showing fan attendance data from 2006 to 2016.

### WVU'S HOUSE OF HORRORS

The Mountaineers own a 58-25-9 record at Dick Dlesk Soccer Stadium in Marlon LeBlanc's 10 seasons.

The Mountaineers have also continued to have great success against ranked opponents at home. WVU defeated No. 1 Connecticut, No. 13 Georgetown and No. 25 Xavier in 2011. In 2010, WVU won over No. 17 UNC Wilmington and earned a victory against No. 22 Notre Dame.

Table with columns: DATE, OPPONENT, RESULT showing away game results from 9/2/06 to 9/30/07.

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, Result showing home game results from 10/19/07 to 10/28/15.

### PACKING THE STANDS

With the help of the WVU Sports Marketing Department, the Mountaineers broke the single game attendance record in WVU men's soccer history on Sept. 4, 2009, against No. 16 UC Santa Barbara.

West Virginia had 1,786 come through the turnstiles against Hartford in the 2012 season opener, the fifth-highest ever to witness a men's game at Dick Dlesk Soccer Stadium.

Below are the top five men's home crowds in Dick Dlesk men's soccer history:

Table with columns: NO., OPPONENT, ATTENDANCE, YEAR listing the top 5 home crowds.

### WVU VOTED THIRD IN MAC POLL

In a vote among the league's coaches, WVU was picked to finish third in the Mid-American Conference Preseason Poll. Akron was voted to win the league, with 29 points and five first-place votes, while Western Michigan was second.

### 2016 MAC COACHES PRESEASON POLL

Table with columns: Team (First Place Votes), Points showing the 2016 MAC coaches preseason poll results.

### A SEASON OF ASSISTS

Joey Piatczyk notched a school-record 13 assists as a sophomore in 2015, a total that ranked No. 2 in the country. He had two multi-assist matches, and six of his 13 assists resulted in game-winning goals, also a school record. His 17 points were best on the team.

The record-setting assist came in the regular season finale on Nov. 5 on a goal scored by Jack Elliott.

In WVU's 6-0 win over San Francisco on Aug. 30, Piatczyk posted a program-record four assists. In WVU history, 14 players had tallied three assists in a game, but Piatczyk became the first to record four in a contest.

After his record match, Piatczyk was named to the Top Drawer Soccer Team of the Week, in addition to earning Student-Athlete of the Week accolades by WVU Athletics. He was also nominated for the Hero Sports Division I Men's Soccer Stud of the Week.

### NSCAA RANKINGS

Table with columns: TEAM, PTS., W-L-T, PREV. showing NSCAA rankings for September 6, 2016.

Receiving Votes: Buffalo (51), UMass-Lowell (44), UNC-Wilmington (43), North Florida (42), Delaware (39), Vermont (33), New Mexico (20), William & Mary (20), American (19), Louisville (18), Colgate (14), Elon (11), Old Dominion (9), Washington (6), Brown (6), Portland (4), California (3), UConn (2), Dartmouth (1), Marist (1)

### SOCCER AMERICA

Table with columns: TEAM, W-L-T, PREV. showing Soccer America rankings for September 12, 2016.

WVU Opponents Listed in Bold

### COLLEGE SOCCER NEWS

Table with columns: TEAM, W-L-T, PREV. showing College Soccer News rankings for September 11, 2016.

Receiving Votes: Washington, Furman, American, Dartmouth, Saint Louis, Xavier, Western Michigan, Colgate, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rider, Brown, Marquette, Bowling Green

### TOP DRAWER SOCCER

Table with columns: TEAM, W-L-T showing Top Drawer Soccer rankings for September 12, 2016.

Others considered: Duke (2-1-1), Seattle (2-3-0), North Florida (3-0-1), UNC Wilmington (4-0-0), Western Michigan (5-1-0)



## WVU HONORED FOR ACADEMICS

For the eighth consecutive year, WVU earned an NSCAA Team Academic Award for its team grade point average, the National Soccer Coaches Association of America announced on Wednesday. The Mountaineers were recognized as one of 306 men's teams to earn a 3.0 GPA or higher during the 2014-15 academic year. A total of 859 teams (306 men, 553 women) were honored by the NSCAA with a team GPA of 3.0 or higher. WVU is one of 211 schools to have both its men's and women's programs honored.

## SCHEDULE BREAKDOWN

The Mountaineers annually have one of the toughest schedules in the country, and this season's 16-match slate proves to be no different.

WVU will face four teams that made the NCAA Tournament last season, with all four advancing to the NCAA Tournament Third Round or later.

Four of WVU's 2016 opponents are ranked in the NSCAA preseason poll, all in the top 15. The matches against ranked foes begin with the season-opening weekend against No. 14 Seattle and No. 10 Georgetown, in Akron, Ohio. At home, the Mountaineers will play No. 2 Akron and No. 4 Maryland.

"We've certainly been known year in and year out to play one of the best non-conference schedules in the country, and this is no different than any other year," LeBlanc said. "Our players came here to play in big games and big moments. We could schedule differently, but at the end of the day, these kids want to play in big matches. Having Georgetown on the schedule, having Maryland come to Morgantown as a national champion contender, those are big ones. Our game is littered with top-level opponents and we're certainly looking forward to the challenge that that's going to bring."

A total of nine regular-season matches will be played at home, accounting for nearly 60 percent of WVU's matches. The home slate features five- and four-match homestands.

"We have a string of a number of games that are going to be here in Morgantown," LeBlanc said. "Over the last decade, we've elevated the program in the community and in our campus as being one of the teams that our fans love to come out and watch. We draw big crowds, and we have fantastic support from the Mountaineer Maniacs and the community. For me, it's been a wonderful evolution to see how much soccer has grown in West Virginia and how much support our kids get. Without a doubt, Dick Dlesk Soccer Stadium is one of the toughest places to come in and get a result, and we're glad that we get to have that advantage here at home."

## SEASON PREVIEW

The West Virginia University men's soccer team is hungry.

Hungry to improve upon a 7-12 season a year ago. Hungry to get back to its winning ways and be on the right side of the win-loss column.

It's a team with a unique mix of 15 returning players, many who were major contributors last season, and 14 newcomers.

As coach Marlon LeBlanc begins his 11th season at the helm, he is looking forward to seeing the continued development of the 15 veterans, and is equally excited for what the newcomers bring to Morgantown.

"We had such a big senior class last year, but what we're returning is a lot of players who contributed quite a few minutes. Yes, we're going to be young this year, but all those returners were major players on our team last year, so the cabinet is not empty.

"We have a hungry group that was disappointed with the results we had last year. This group understands that we didn't play poorly last year. Our record wasn't indicative of the type of

team we were. We had some massive errors in big games that cost us results. You can end up on the right side or the wrong side, and last year we ended up on the wrong side too often. Because of that, this is a hungry group that is certainly very inspired heading into the season."

The returning players are headlined by junior Joey Piatczyc, who finished No. 2 in the country last year with a school-record 13 assists; senior Jack Elliott, who was an Academic All-American a year ago; and sophomore Tucker Stephenson, who had a breakout freshman campaign. That list also includes seniors Felix Angerer, Mike Desiderio and Christian Diaz and junior Louis Thomas, who played key minutes last year.

### FORWARDS

While West Virginia is tasked with replacing its top two goal scorers from a year ago in Jamie Merriam and Ryan Cain, WVU had a productive spring scoring goals.

LeBlanc and the Mountaineers have options to replace the departing duo, who accounted for 13 of WVU's 32 goals in 2015.

"Up front, we have to replace Jamie Merriam and Ryan Cain," LeBlanc said. "They provided quite a bit of offense for us. This spring though, we scored quite a few goals, and that often came through Felix Angerer. He had a wonderful spring season after trying to get himself acclimated in the fall. I certainly think we have found a target center-forward who can score goals at this level and score quite a few of them. We're very excited about Felix up there."

Angerer, a senior from Bayreuth, Germany, scored two goals and added a pair of assists in 15 matches last year. He'll be joined by sophomore Rushawn Larmond, who found the back of the net three times in 12 matches in 2015.

"Rushawn Larmond returns for his sophomore year after scoring a few times as a freshman," LeBlanc added. "He missed quite a bit of the spring, but he's back at full strength and will be another player, along with Felix, who gives us the option to play as a single forward or as a pair. Rushawn provides a great amount of speed up front and is clinical in front of the goal.

"Those two are the leading returning candidates, and with a few young guys coming in, we certainly think we have some ability to score goals. Scoring hasn't been our problem. We've been a pretty high goal-scoring team the past few years. We anticipate we have enough attacking weapons to do the same this year."

Angerer and Larmond could be joined up front by juniors Jad Arslan and Heath Honold and freshman Kyle Davis.

### MIDFIELDERS

The midfield is headlined by Piatczyc. The Lee's Summit, Missouri, native has his name plastered throughout the record books after posting a WVU-record 13 assists as a sophomore.

Piatczyc's total ranked No. 2 in the country and was highlighted by a school-record, four-assist match against San Francisco on Aug. 30. He had two multi-assist matches, and six of his 13 assists resulted in game-winning goals, also a school record. His 17 points were best on the team.

Piatczyc is one of 14 midfielders on the roster, nine of them returners.

"Most of the midfield is back, and that's the crux, including the top play-maker in the country last year in Joey Piatczyc," LeBlanc said. "He's the guy who's the provider and makes things tick for us in the attack. We'll lean on our captain to do the damage from midfield again there."

Another key returner is sophomore Tucker Stephenson, who played in all 19 matches and registered two goals and three assists as a freshman to tie for fourth on the team with seven points.

"Tucker Stephenson is back in the midfield after playing quite a few minutes as a freshman last year," LeBlanc said. "Jad Arslan returns for his junior year, Heath Honold is back. Mike Desiderio and Christian Diaz are seniors. We've got some very good players coming back, and we think that bodes well for us in terms of experience in our system and how we want to play."

Arslan played in 17 contests and had two goals and two assists as a sophomore, while Honold played in 14 matches with three assists, also as a sophomore. Desiderio, who had two goals and three assists, and Diaz, with one assist, return for their final seasons in the Gold and Blue.

The newcomers feature Antonio Bachmann, Luca Barbaris, Ben Boone, Jake Coale and Ethan Shim.

"Again, I think we've added some very nice pieces into that midfield who are going to make it very difficult to zero in on any one player," LeBlanc said. "Going forward, we can score goals and attack in numbers. We anticipate that midfield and front line will be able to do the same in 2016."

### DEFENSE

Senior Jack Elliott and junior Louis Thomas anchor the defensive core for the Mountaineers in 2016. They are two of 11 defenders on the team, along with fellow returners and seniors Griffin Libhart and Trevor Moon, and Zion Gray.

"The defending is something that statistically, we were pretty good at last year, limiting shots and shots on goal," LeBlanc said. "The problem is we conceded far too many goals. We look at that as a team-wide thing. We expect our midfielders to help our defenders even more, and we need our defenders to shut down our opponents and limit shots even more than we did last year.

"Louis Thomas is back in the back four. Jack Elliott is back. We brought in a great addition in Albert Andres-Llop from Vila-Real, Spain, who spent the entire spring semester with us, so he has that under his belt already. He's joined by one of the top Division II players, an All-American in Steven James, who led Louisiana State to the Division II national championship.

"Our young players also include Ryan Kellogg, who was Sporting KC's Young Player of the Year, Logan Lucas, who was on that same Sporting KC team and Zion Gray, who had a fantastic spring in the back. We've got some very good, seasoned players. Trevor Moon will be a senior who's got some experience. We like the makeup of our back four. We like the options that we have to shuffle things around there."

### GOALKEEPERS

Three players are fighting for the starting goalkeeper position, two after redshirting in their first year at WVU in 2015 and one newcomer. The returners are redshirt junior Stephen Banick and redshirt freshman Konrad Dzedzic, while junior Jose Santos comes to WVU after transferring from Tyler Community College.

Santos was the starting goalkeeper on Tyler's team last year that advanced to the NJCAA finals.

"The goalkeeping, we've had some hiccups there the last couple of seasons," LeBlanc said. "We have three new guys battling for time in there this season. Two of those players redshirted last season, Stephen Banick and Konrad Dzedzic. They're back and vying for the No. 1 spot, along with freshman Jose Santos. We're looking forward to that competition for those three to really battle it out for the No. 1 shirt. If we can do a good job in the goal, the sky's the limit for that group, and this team."



## OVERALL TEAM STATISTICS

##	Player	gp-gs	g	a	pts	sh	sh%	sog	sog%	yc	rc	gwg	pk-att	cnr
22	Tucker Stephenson	5-1	2	0	4	11	.182	5	.455	1	0	2	0-0	0
13	Logan Lucas	5-5	1	0	2	5	.200	2	.400	1	0	1	0-0	0
15	Joey Piatczyc	5-5	0	2	2	11	.000	3	.273	1	0	0	0-0	28
17	Sebastian Garcia-Her	5-4	0	1	1	3	.000	1	.333	0	0	0	0-0	0
5	Steven James	5-5	0	1	1	3	.000	1	.333	0	0	0	0-0	0
2	Louis Thomas	5-5	0	1	1	0	.000	0	.000	1	0	0	0-0	0
11	Rushawn Larmond	5-2	0	0	0	9	.000	4	.444	0	0	0	0-0	0
6	Jack Elliott	5-5	0	0	0	8	.000	2	.250	0	0	0	0-0	0
10	Jad Arslan	5-4	0	0	0	7	.000	3	.429	2	0	0	0-0	1
8	Felix Angerer	4-3	0	0	0	5	.000	2	.400	0	0	0	0-0	0
9	Heath Honold	5-5	0	0	0	4	.000	1	.250	0	0	0	0-0	0
3	Albert Andres-Llop	5-5	0	0	0	3	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0
7	Christian Diaz	5-0	0	0	0	2	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	5
4	Ryan Kellogg	5-0	0	0	0	2	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0
16	Ethan Shim	4-0	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	1	0	0	0-0	0
27	Griffin Libhart	4-1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0
21	Zion Gray	1-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0
19	Lucca Barbaris	5-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	1
14	Mike Desiderio	1-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0
1	Jose Santos	5-5	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	1	0	0	0-0	0
Total		5	3	5	11	74	.041	24	.324	8	0	3	0-0	-
Opponents		5	2	2	6	30	.067	8	.267	8	2	1	0-0	-

#	Goalie	gp-gs	Goal Average			Saves		Record			
			min	ga	gaavg	saves	pct	w	l	t	sho/cbo
1	Jose Santos	5-5	479:32	2	0.38	6	.750	3	1	1	4/0
Total		5	479:32	2	0.38	6	.750	3	1	1	4
Opponents		5	479:32	3	0.56	21	.875	1	3	1	2

Team saves: 0

Goals by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
West Virginia	1	1	1	0	3
Opponents	2	0	0	0	2

Corners by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
West Virginia	12	23	0	0	35
Opponents	9	23	1	0	33

Shots by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
West Virginia	32	39	2	1	74
Opponents	13	15	2	0	30

Fouls by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
West Virginia	20	28	4	0	52
Opponents	41	28	2	1	72

Saves by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
West Virginia	2	3	1	0	6
Opponents	10	11	0	0	21

Attendance Summary	WVU	Opponent
Total	2273	0
Dates/Avg Per Date	3/758	0/0
Neutral Site #/Avg	2/100	

## MATCH-BY-MATCH STATISTICS

3-1-1 OVERALL • 0-0-0 MAC • 2-0-1 HOME • 0-0-0 AWAY • 1-1-0 NEUTRAL

1-0-1 OVERTIME GAMES • 1-1-0 VS. TOP 25

	G	A	Pts	Sh	Shot%	SOG	SOG%	CK	YC-RC	PK-ATT
<b>August 26, 2016 - Akron, Ohio</b>										
#9 Seattle	2	3	6	13	.154	3	.231	8	1-0	0-0
West Virginia	0	0	0	16	.000	4	.250	8	0-0	0-0
<b>August 28, 2015 - Akron, Ohio</b>										
#7 Georgetown	0	0	0	3	.000	0	.000	6	1-0	0-0
West Virginia	1	2	4	13	.077	7	.538	2	2-0	0-0
<b>September 3, 2015 - Morgantown, W.Va.</b>										
Princeton	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	6	3-2	0-0
West Virginia	1	1	3	14	.071	1	.071	9	5-0	0-0
<b>September 9, 2015 - Morgantown, W.Va.</b>										
ETSU	0	0	0	12	.000	4	.333	6	1-0	0-0
West Virginia	1	2	4	18	.056	8	.444	11	1-0	0-0
<b>September 14, 2015 - Morgantown, W.Va.</b>										
UMBC	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	7	2-0	0-0
West Virginia	0	0	0	13	.000	4	.308	5	0-0	0-0
<b>September 17, 2015 - Morgantown, W.Va.</b>										
George Mason										
West Virginia										
<b>September 20, 2015 - Morgantown, W.Va.</b>										
American										
West Virginia										
<b>September 24, 2015 - Greensboro, N.C.</b>										
West Virginia										
UNCG										
<b>October 1, 2015 - Morgantown, W.Va.</b>										
St. Mary's (Calif.)										
West Virginia										
<b>October 7, 2015 - Morgantown, W.Va.</b>										
Bowling Green *										
West Virginia										
<b>October 10, 2015 - Morgantown, W.Va.</b>										
Maryland										
West Virginia										
<b>October 15, 2015 - Morgantown, W.Va.</b>										
Buffalo *										
West Virginia										
<b>October 22, 2015 - Akron, Ohio</b>										
West Virginia										
Akron *										
<b>October 25, 2015 - Philadelphia, Pa.</b>										
West Virginia										
Penn										
<b>October 29, 2015 - Kalamazoo, Mich.</b>										
West Virginia										
Western Michigan *										
<b>November 5, 2015 - DeKalb, Ill.</b>										
West Virginia										
Northern Illinois *										



## RESULTS BREAKDOWN

Date	Opponent	Result	Site	Attendance	Record	WVU Goals (Assists)
8/26	vs. #9 Seattle	L, 2-0	Cub Cadet Field - Akron, Ohio	100	0-1-0	
8/28	vs. #7 Georgetown	W, 1-0	Cub Cadet Field - Akron, Ohio	100	1-1-0	Tucker Stephenson (Louis Thomas, Sebastian Garcia-Herreros)
9/3	Princeton	W, 1-0	Dick Dlesk Soccer Stadium	811	2-1-0	Tucker Stephenson (Joey Piatczyc)
9/9	ETSU	W, 1-0 (OT)	Dick Dlesk Soccer Stadium	728	3-1-0	Logan Lucas (Joey Piatczyc, Steven James)
9/14	UMBC	T, 0-0 (2OT)	Dick Dlesk Soccer Stadium	734	3-1-1	
9/17	George Mason					
9/20	American					
9/24	at UNCG					
10/1	St. Mary's (Calif.)					
10/7	Bowling Green *					
10/10	Maryland					
10/15	Bufalo *					
10/22	at Akron *					
10/25	at Penn					
10/29	at Western Michigan *					
11/5	at Northern Illinois *					

\* MAC Match



## ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown	High School/Club Team/Previous School
3	Albert Andres-Llop	D	5-9	158	Fr.	Vila-Real, Spain	IES Francesc Tarrega Vila-Real/Villareal CF Academy
8	Felix Angerer	F	6-6	195	Sr.	Bayreuth, Germany	Graf-Munster Gymnasium/NA/District of Columbia
10	Jad Arslan	MF/F	5-7	151	Jr.	Roswell, Ga.	Roswell HS/Georgia United
28	Antonio Bachmann	MF	5-11	136	Fr.	Gainesville, Va.	Highland HS/Virginia Soccer Association
30	Stephen Banick	GK	6-1	170	R-Jr.	Pickerington, Ohio	Pickerington HS North/Blast FC/Wingate
19	Lucca Barbaris	MF	5-8	142	Fr.	Doral, Fla.	Doral Academy/Weston FC Academy
26	Ben Boone	MF	6-1	163	Fr.	Annapolis, Md.	Broadneck HS/SAC Academy
23	Jake Coale	MF	5-10	151	Fr.	Newark, Del.	Newark HS/Delaware Rush
24	Michael Cormack	D	5-11	162	Fr.	Clearwater, Fla.	IMG Soccer Academy
20	Kyle Davis	F	6-0	164	Fr.	Charleston, W.Va.	Cross Lanes Christian School/West Virginia FC
14	Mike Desiderio	MF	5-11	175	Sr.	Media, Pa.	Penncrest HS/Continental FC Delco
7	Christian Diaz	MF	5-11	174	Sr.	Houston, Texas	Cypress Falls HS/Houston Dynamo
18	Konrad Dziedzic	GK	6-0	175	R-Fr.	Schiller Park, Ill.	East Leyden HS/Chicago Magic PSG
6	Jack Elliott	MF/D	6-6	182	Sr.	London, England	Wilson's School/Old Wilsonians Football Club
17	Sebastian Garcia-Herreros	D	5-6	122	Fr.	Southwest Ranches, Fla.	Cypress Bay HS/Weston FC
21	Zion Gray	MF	5-7	146	So.	Snellville, Ga.	IMG Academy (Fla.)
9	Heath Honold	F	6-0	165	Jr.	Coon Rapids, Iowa	Coon Rapids-Baynard HS/Sporting KC/Wake Forest
5	Steven James	D	6-1	182	Jr.	Sussex, England	Heathfield Community College/Louisburg College
4	Ryan Kellogg	D	5-10	155	Fr.	Parkville, Mo.	Park Hill South HS/Sporting KC Academy
11	Rushawn Larmond	F/MF	5-10	165	So.	Philadelphia, Pa.	Pottsgrove HS/Continental FC Delco
27	Griffin Libhart	MF/D	6-0	169	Sr.	Marietta, Pa.	Donegal HS/Lanco United
13	Logan Lucas	D	6-0	167	Fr.	Lee's Summit, Mo.	Lee's Summit West HS/Sporting KC Academy
25	Trevor Moon	D	5-11	162	R-Jr.	Fairmont, W.Va.	Bridgeport HS/West Virginia Soccer Club
15	Joey Piatczyc	MF	5-8	159	Jr.	Lee's Summit, Mo.	Lee's Summit HS/Sporting KC
1	Jose Santos	GK	6-1	167	Jr.	Marrero, La.	Archbishop Shaw HS/Soccer Innovations/Tyler CC
29	Tyler Shaffer	D	6-1	174	Fr.	Charleston, W.Va.	Capital HS/West Virginia FC
16	Ethan Shim	MF	6-1	155	Fr.	Maraval, Trinidad	St. Mary's College/Premier Football Academy
22	Tucker Stephenson	MF	5-11	160	So.	Overland Park, Kan.	St. Thomas Aquinas HS/Sporting KC
2	Louis Thomas	D	6-0	166	Jr.	Houston, Texas	Lamar HS/Houston Dynamo

## NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.
1	Jose Santos	GK
2	Louis Thomas	D
3	Albert Andres-Llop	D
4	Ryan Kellogg	D
5	Steven James	D
6	Jack Elliott	MF/D
7	Christian Diaz	MF
8	Felix Angerer	F
9	Heath Honold	F
10	Jad Arslan	MF/F
11	Rushawn Larmond	F/MF
13	Logan Lucas	D
14	Mike Desiderio	MF
15	Joey Piatczyc	MF
16	Ethan Shim	MF
17	Sebastian Garcia-Herreros	D
18	Konrad Dziedzic	GK
19	Lucca Barbaris	MF
21	Zion Gray	MF
20	Kyle Davis	F
22	Tucker Stephenson	MF
23	Jake Coale	MF
24	Michael Cormack	D
25	Trevor Moon	D
26	Ben Boone	MF
27	Griffin Libhart	MF/D
28	Antonio Bachmann	MF
29	Tyler Shaffer	D
30	Stephen Banick	GK

## COACHES AND STAFF

**Head Coach:** Marlon LeBlanc (11th season)

**Assistant Coach:** Andy Wright (1st season)

**Assistant Coach:** Scott Bowers (3rd season)

**Strength Coach:** Tanner Kolb

**Athletic Trainer:** Simon Gomez

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Felix <b>Angerer</b>	ang-ERR-er
Jad <b>Arslan</b>	ARZE-lin
Mike <b>Desiderio</b>	dez-uh-DARE-ee-oh
Konrad <b>Dziedzic</b>	JAY-Jitz
Sebastian Garcia- <b>Herreros</b>	Her-air-ooS
Heath <b>Honold</b>	HAHN-old
Rushawn <b>Larmond</b>	LAR-mond
Albert Andres- <b>Llop</b>	Lop
Joey <b>Piatczyc</b>	pee-OTT-sick
<b>Louis</b> Thomas	Lou-ee
Marlon <b>LeBlanc</b>	Luh-Blah-nk

## ROSTER BREAKDOWN

### By Class

Freshmen	12
Sophomores	3
Juniors	8
Seniors	5

### By Position

Goalkeepers	3
Defenders	9
Midfielders/Defenders	2
Midfielders	10
Forwards/Midfielders	2
Forwards	3

### By State/Country

Florida	3
Missouri	3
Pennsylvania	3
West Virginia	3
England	2
Georgia	2
Texas	2
Delaware	1
Germany	1
Illinois	1
Iowa	1
Kansas	1
Louisiana	1
Maryland	1
Ohio	1
Spain	1
Trinidad	1
Virginia	1