SUNY Cortland Lacrosse Teams Ranked Nationally in Pre-Season Division III Polls

The SUNY Cortland men's and women's lacrosse teams are ranked nationally in the Lacrosse Magazine 2004 pre-season Division III polls. The Red Dragon men, 17-3 and national semifinalists last season, are ranked second behind defending champion Salisbury. The Cortland women, 14-5 and tied for ninth nationally last spring, are ranked 11th in the women's poll.

Cortland's men, under fourth-year head coach Lelan Rogers, return their top four scorers from last season team that established a new school single-season win record. Junior attackman Adam Hughes (North Syracuse/Cicero-North Syracuse) led the Red Dragons with 56 points (29 goals and a team-high 27 assists). Senior midfielder Andrew Roth (Ridgewood, NJ/Don Bosco Prep) had 35 goals and 20 assists for 55 points, sophomore attackman Kyle Lambert (Brentwood) scored a team-high 42 goals and added 11 assists for 53 points and senior attackman Drew Hyatt (Jamesville/Jamesville-DeWitt) finished with 28 goals and 24 assists for 52 points. Cortland has qualified for the NCAA Division III playoffs each of the last three seasons.

The Cortland women, led by seventh-year head coach Cynthia Wetmore, looks to make their sixth straight NCAA showing in 2004. The Red Dragons are led by senior midfielder Sara Gorman (Lindenhurst), who finished last season with 57 goals and 66 total points. Senior attacker Michelle Michaels (Syracuse/West Genesee) recorded 12 goals and four assists despite missing seven games due to injury. Sophomore defender Dyan Voorhees (Baldwinsville/C.W. Baker) started all 19 games last spring and sophomore goalie Regina Grosso (Baldwinsville/C.W. Baker) had a 6.93 goals against average and a 13-5 record in 18 starts.

The Cortland men open the season on March 6 at NCAA qualifier Eastern Connecticut State and play their first home game on March 13 versus Gettysburg. The Cortland women face Wesleyan University of Connecticut on March 8 in West Palm Beach, Fla., and play their first home game on March 20 versus national semifinalist The College of New Jersey.

Lacrosse Magazine 2004 NCAA Division III Men's Pre-Season Poll
1. Salisbury
2. Cortland
3. Middlebury
4. Washington (Md.)
5. Lynchburg
6. Washington and Lee
7. Nazareth
8. Hamilton
9. Gettysburg
10. Whitman
11. Franklin and Marshall
12. Hampden-Sydney
13. Ohio Wesleyan
14. Geneseo
15. Springfield
16. Ithaca
17. McDaniel
18. Tufts
19. St. Lawrence
20. Denison

Lacrosse Magazine 2004 NCAA Division III Women's Pre-Season Poll
1. Middlebury
2. Amherst
3. College of New Jersey
4. W illiam Smith
5. Gettysburg
6. Williams
7. Salisbury
8. Mary Washington
9. St. Mary's (Md.)
10. Washington and Lee
11. Cortland
12. Ithaca
13. Franklin and Marshall
14. Colorado College
15. Colby
16. Bowdoin
17. Ursinus
18. Union
19. Hamilton
20. Skidmore

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