

## ATHLETICS

Montclair State University participates in 17 varsity sports that compete on the intercollegiate level. The Red Hawks compete on the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III level, and are also members of the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) and the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC).

The Montclair State men's soccer team captured its first New Jersey Athletic Conference Championship since 1989 as the Red Hawks posted a program-best 20-1-1 record and advanced to the "Round of 16" in the NCAA Division III Tournament. MSU went unbeaten in the NJAC during the season winning all nine games plus two more in the conference tournament to win its first league crown in 17 years. Seniors Bill Anthes and Ryan Morgan were named to the National Soccer Coaches Association (NSCAA) Division III All-America Team while head coach Brian Sentowski was chosen as the NJAC and NSCAA Metro Region Coach of the Year.

MSU's women's soccer team made its second appearance in the NCAA Division III Tournament. The Red Hawks reached the second round before falling to Elizabethtown College in the second round, 1-0 in overtime. Head coach Eileen Blair, the NJAC Coach of the Year, earned her 100<sup>th</sup> career victory as she guided MSU to the NJAC Championship Game for the fourth time in the last five years. Senior goalkeeper Kristin Kuhmann was named First-Team Mid-Atlantic Region by the NSCAA.

The Red Hawk field hockey team posted its second straight 17-win campaign and won the ECAC Division III Mid-Atlantic championship for the third time in school history. Senior Kristen Swartz was named the Most Outstanding Player of the Tournament as Montclair edged Johns Hopkins, 3-2 in the title game. Junior forward Jennifer Tanis was named the NJAC Attack Player of the Year and First-Team All-Region by the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFCHA).

MSU's women's basketball team reeled off three straight wins to end the year as the Red Hawks won the ECAC Division III Metro crown for the fifth time in program history. Montclair knocked off Farmingdale, 85-70 in the championship game thanks in part to the outstanding play of senior forward Stephanie Machin, who was named the Most Valuable Player of the Tournament. Machin earned her fourth All-NJAC selection and became the first player since Carol Blazejowski to be named All-American in consecutive years.

Junior sprinter Tony Williams earned the second All-American honor in his career as he finished fourth in the 55 meters at the NCAA Division III Indoor Track and Field Championships. Williams posted a school-record time of 6.39 seconds and was also named the Most Outstanding Male Track Athlete at the NJAC Indoor Championships. Head coach Aubrey Lewis, Jr., was selected as the NJAC Men's Indoor Coach of the Year.

The Montclair State softball team put together one of its finest seasons in a decade as the Red Hawks posted a 38-8 overall record and captured the NJAC regular-season championship. Montclair made its first trip to the NCAA Division III Regional Tournament for the first time since 1999 and had three players named to the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) Division III All-America Team. Junior pitcher Carolyn McCrea, who led Division III in victories (30), was named First Team along with sophomore shortstop Jennifer Jimenez. Junior Jackie Ferranti was chosen Second Team. Jimenez and McCrea were named Player and Pitcher of the Year in the NJAC with head coach Anita Kubicka collecting conference Coach of the Year honors.

Montclair State's women's lacrosse team captured its second consecutive Skyline Conference Championship and added another milestone for the program as it qualified for the NCAA Division III Tournament for the first time in school history. MSU downed Eastern Connecticut, 17-7 in the opening round. Seniors Brianna Gillin, the Skyline Conference Player of the Year, and Dina Morrone became the first Red Hawks in program history to be named to the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association (IWLCA) All-American Team.

Sophomore shot putter Eugene Asimou earned All-American honors at the NCAA Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships as he finished seventh in the event. Asimou had a best throw of 15.95 meters (52-feet, 4-inches) in the finals of the event.

Anthes was named the NJAC Male Athlete of the Year for 2006-07. Anthes became the fourth Montclair State male in the last seven years to win the award. A total of 34 student-athletes were named to the NJAC's Academic Team while 11 members of the field hockey team were named to the NFHCA Division III Academic Squad. The Red Hawks also inducted eight new members into the National Student-Athlete Honor Society (Chi Alpha Sigma)

Sophomore men's basketball player Maurice Torres was named the recipient of the Courageous Student-Athlete Award by the National Consortium for Academic and Sports for his heart-warming story of survival from adverse conditions growing up to becoming a role model.

The University sponsors the following sports:

<b><i>Sport</i></b>	<b><i>Men</i></b>	<b><i>Women</i></b>	<b><i>Conference</i></b>
Baseball	X		New Jersey Athletic Conference
Basketball	X	X	New Jersey Athletic Conference
Field Hockey		X	New Jersey Athletic Conference
Football	X		New Jersey Athletic Conference
Indoor Track & Field	X	X	New Jersey Athletic Conference
Lacrosse	X	X	Skyline Conference
Soccer	X	X	New Jersey Athletic Conference
Softball		X	New Jersey Athletic Conference
Swimming/Diving	X	X	New Jersey Athletic Conference
Outdoor Track & Field	X	X	New Jersey Athletic Conference
Volleyball		X	New Jersey Athletic Conference