



2011-12 Schedule/Results

Nov.	12	Alderson-Broaddus	W 83-72	
	15	Elizabeth City State	W 65-63	
	18	Duquesne (2K Sports Classic)	L 81-97	
	20	Indiana Kokomo (2K Sports Classic)	W 87-51	
	25	Flagler (Fla. Tech Thanksgiving Tour.)	W 83-70	
Dec.	26	Florida Tech (Thanksgiving Tour.)	W 82-75	
	30	*Queens	W 77-69	
	3	Washington Adventist	W 104-86	
	7	Fairmont State	W 74-68	
	10	*St. Thomas Aquinas	W 72-60	
	30	Dominican	W 74-63	
	Jan.	4	Washington Adventist	W 88-81
		7	*Dowling	W 71-68 (OT)
		11	*NYIT	W 83-74
		14	*Bridgeport	L 75-77
18		*Mercy	W 90-58	
21		*C.W. Post	L 85-92	
25		*Molloy	W 78-65	
28		*St. Thomas Aquinas	W 63-62	
Feb.		4	*Queens	W 91-67
		8	*NYIT	W 109-73
	11	*Dowling	3 p.m.	
	15	*Mercy	7:30 p.m.	
	18	*Bridgeport	3 p.m.	
	22	*Molloy	7:30 p.m.	
	25	*C.W. Post	3:30 p.m.	

Game #22

Dowling College
 (9-11, 5-5 ECC)



at



University of the District of Columbia
 (18-3, 9-2 ECC)

Game Date: Feb. 11, 2012

Game Time: 3:00 p.m.

Video: [Game Central](#) (Eli Pearlstein, play-by-play)

Venue: UDC Gym

Series Record: UDC, 1-0

UDC at UDC Gym: 0-0

UDC at Dowling Gym: 1-0

UDC at Neutral Sites: 0-0

The Series: UDC won the first and only ever meeting between these two programs on Jan. 7, 2012. The Firebirds needed overtime to take care of Dowling on the road, 71-68.

2011-12 Numerical Roster (Probable Starters in Bold)

No.	Name	Pos.	Class	Ht.	Hometown/High School	PPG	RPG	A	B	S
1	Brandon Ennis	G	Jr.	6-4	Ontario, Canada/St. Edmund Campion/Brampton	3.8	2.4	7	4	2
2	Milton Colquehoun	G	Jr.	6-1	Silver Spring, Md./Montgomery Blair HS	0.5	0.3	1	0	0
3	Dishawn Bradshaw	G	Sr.	6-3	Baltimore, Md./St. Frances Academy	13.6	4.9	45	1	22
4	Brandon Herbert	G	Sr.	6-0	Baltimore, Md./McDonough HS	19.6	5.1	37	3	36
5	Diyaaldin Kelley	C	Sr.	6-11	Philadelphia, Pa./Mariana Bracetti HS	8.5	6.3	6	30	2
10	David Sanders	G	Sr.	5-10	Upper Marlboro, Md./Paul VI Catholic HS	0.4	0.1	4	0	1
11	Nigel Munson	G	Sr.	6-2	Washington, D.C./DeMatha HS	20.0	5.3	135	2	20
13	Philip Izevbehai	G	So.	6-3	Long Island, N.Y./Saint Thomas More Prep	1.5	1.1	4	1	1
14	Ziad Ashmawy	F	So.	6-5	Cairo, Egypt/American City College	6.0	5.1	18	20	23
15	Adegbola Adetosoye	G	Sr.	6-1	Silver Spring, Md./Springbrook HS	0.3	0.7	1	0	1
20	Florent Pontens	F	Fr.	6-6	France/Cheshire Academy	3.3	2.7	5	4	4
21	Keith Brooks	G	Jr.	6-3	Harlem, N.Y./Monsignor McClancy HS	5.9	2.0	28	1	14
22	Dyrek Jones	F	Jr.	6-7	Brooklyn, N.Y./Bedford Academy HS	4.6	7.0	16	57	21



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Quick Facts

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District of Columbia vs. Dowling

UDC	Stat	DC
81.6	Points	61.7
71.0	Points Allowed	65.0
.440	Field Goal %	.405
.350	3-Point %	.313
.731	Free-Throw %	.556
42.0	Rebounds	34.9
+1.4	Rebounding Margin	-2.4
14.6	Assists	11.7
12.0	Turnovers	15.4
7.0	Steals	8.2
5.9	Blocks	3.2

Up Next

The Firebirds go on the road to take on ECC foe Mercy College on Wed., Feb. 15 at 7:30 p.m.

Last Time Out

The University of the District of Columbia erupted for a season-high scoring output as the Firebirds cruised past NYIT on the road Wednesday night, 109-73.

“Any time when you can have that many guys in double-figures and you play a little defense – good things are going to happen,” head coach Jeff Ruland said. “[Assistant coach] Terrell Stokes suggested at halftime that we play a little zone defense, and it worked because we caught them in a little dry spell which let us go on that run and gain more momentum.”

Six different Firebirds scored in double-figures, including a game-high 20 points by senior guard Nigel Munson. Junior guard Keith Brooks also pitched in with a season-high 18 points which included 4-of-5 shooting from behind-the-arc.

District of Columbia improved to 18-3 overall and 9-2 in the East Coast Conference with the win. The Firebirds have now won four straight games. Meanwhile, NYIT fell to 8-12 overall and 5-6 in league play.

UDC made eight of its 12 three-point field goals in the second half en-route to its highest-scoring half since Jan. 15, 2011 when the Firebirds scored 67 in the second frame to beat Central State (Ohio), 110-100. Brooks scored 15 of his 18 points, Brandon Ennis scored all 12 of his points, and Brandon Herbert scored 11 of his 13 points in the second half, as UDC cruised to a 36-point victory, 109-73.

Scouting Dowling

The Lions come into Saturday afternoon's game with an overall record of 9-11 and a conference mark of 5-5. They have won five of their last six games, including their last two against Bridgeport and STAC. Dowling features the No. 1 scoring defense in the league, allowing just 65.0 ppg. The Lions (4th in the ECC standings) are led offensively by John Merchant (14.3 ppg).

Men's Basketball in the Media

This season, the Firebirds were featured on *NBC News4*, *FOX* and in the *Washington Post*. Hakem Dermish of News4 filmed a personal feature story of head coach Jeff Ruland, a former NBA All-Star who has revitalized the UDC men's basketball program. Meanwhile, Lindsay Murphy of FOX and Kathy Orton of the Washington Post both did personal feature stories about Nigel Munson which both offer an account of the former DeMatha HS superstar point guard's journey back to the nation's capital to play for UDC.

Firebirds Sit at 2nd Place in ECC Standings

With Bridgeport's 74-66 loss last week to Dowling, UDC moved a game ahead of the Purple Knights for 2nd place in the East Coast Conference standings and currently owns a record of 9-2. Bridgeport fell to 3rd place and is currently 9-3. C.W. Post is No. 1 with a 10-1 record in league play, and Dowling is currently in 4th place at 5-5.

UDC Earns First Top-25 National Ranking Since 1987

The Firebirds earned their first top-25 ranking since Mar. 2, 1987 as they were picked No. 22 in the Jan. 10 NABC Division II national poll.

Herbert and Munson Both Reach 1,000 Career Points

Senior guard Brandon Herbert went over 1,000 career points as he recorded 18 points against Bridgeport on Jan. 14. Just one week later, Nigel Munson topped 1,000 career points with a scoring barrage of 35 points against C.W. Post on Jan. 21.

Munson Ranked 9th in Division II for Assists Per-Game

Senior guard Nigel Munson is ranked 9th in the nation for assists per-game with an average of 6.4 (as of Feb. 6). He is also 33rd in Division II for assist-to-turnover ratio at 2.13. Munson had a season-high 10 assists to go with 19 points for a double-double during a 65-63 Firebirds win over Elizabeth City State on Nov. 15.

Herbert Among Division II's Most Precise Shooters

Senior guard Brandon Herbert is 6th in Division II in three-point field goals per-game with 3.4 and is also ranked 27th in the nation in free-throw percentage at 88.1. (As of Feb. 6)

Racking Up ECC Weekly Honors

UDC has had one of its players named East Coast Conference player of the week on four different weeks. Senior guard Nigel Munson has earned the honor three times: Nov. 21, Dec. 5 and Feb. 6. Fellow senior guard Brandon Herbert took home the honor on Nov. 28.

Dynamic Duo

The Firebirds feature one of the best scoring backcourts in the nation in senior guards Nigel Munson (20.0 ppg) and Brandon Herbert (19.9 ppg). The two rank No. 25 and 27 in the nation in scoring, respectively. (As of Feb. 6). Both have scored in double-figures in all but one game this season and have combined for nearly half of the team's points.

2011-12 Individual Highlights:

Games Leading UDC in Scoring:

Munson (10), Herbert (9), Bradshaw (3)

Games Leading UDC in Rebounding:

Kelley (6), Ashmawy (5), Jones (3), Bradshaw (3), Munson (2), Pontens (2), Herbert (1), Ennis (1)

Games Leading UDC in Assists:

Munson (20), Bradshaw (2), Herbert (1)

Games Leading UDC in Steals:

Herbert (9), Ashmawy (6), Jones (6), Munson (5), Bradshaw (5), Kelley (1), Brooks (1), Ennis (1)

Games Leading UDC in Blocks:

Jones (12), Kelley (7), Ashmawy (6), Herbert (1), Pontens (1)

Games Leading UDC in Minutes:

Munson (15), Herbert (8), Bradshaw (5), Jones (1)

Double-Figures Scoring:

Herbert (21), Munson (20), Bradshaw (16), Kelley (5), Brooks (5), Ashmawy (4), Ennis (3), Jones (2), Pontens (1)

Double-Figures Rebounds:

Jones (4), Ashmawy (3), Herbert (1), Kelley (1), Pontens (1)

Double-Doubles:

Herbert (1), Kelley (1), Munson (1), Pontens (1), Ashmawy (1)

ECC Player of the Weeks:

Munson (3), Herbert (1)

Block Party

UDC has the 9th best shot blocker in Division II in Dyrek Jones. The 6-foot-7 junior forward averages 2.6 blocks per-game. As a team, the Firebirds rank 6th in the nation in blocked shots per-game with 5.8.

Bests in the Business...

Among the NCAA, UDC is ranked: 29th in scoring offense (80.3), 35th in scoring margin (9.4), 12th in field goal percentage defense (39.1), 30th in three-point field goal defense (30.9), 19th in assist-to-turnover ratio (1.21) and 15th in turnovers per-game (11.9). (As of Feb. 6)



UDC Picked 3rd in ECC Pre-Season Coaches Poll

University of the District of Columbia, an inaugural member of the conference, was picked third in the East Coast Conference in the preseason coaches' poll announced October 28, 2011 by the conference office. The poll was voted on by the league's nine head coaches.

C.W. Post, the reigning ECC champions, garnered 74 points and five first-place nods to top the list. Bridgeport, last year's runner-up, was second with 70 points and three first-place votes. UDC came in next with 65 points, while Queens (54) and Molloy (43) rounded out the top-five. NYIT, Dowling, STAC and Mercy completed the list.

UDC in ECC Team Categories (through games of Feb. 8)

Scoring Offense: 2nd/81.7 C.W. Post: 85.6
Scoring Defense: 4th/71.0 Dowling: 65.0

Free Throw Pct.: 2nd/.732 Molloy: .738
Field Goal Pct.: 4th/.440 C.W. Post: .455
Field Goal Pct. Def.: 1st/.391 -

3-Point Field Goal Pct.: 3rd/.350 C.W. Post: .373
3-Point FG Pct. Def.: 2nd/.315 Molloy: .314

Rebounding Offense: 2nd/42.0 C.W. Post: 43.4
Rebounding Defense: 9th/40.6 C.W. Post: 35.7

Blocked Shots: 1st/5.9 -

Assists: 2nd/14.6 NYIT: 14.9

Steals: 5th/7.0 Bridgeport: 9.0

Offensive Rebounds: 3rd/13.5 C.W. Post: 16.6

Defensive Rebounds: 8th/26.8 C.W. Post: 23.0

Firebirds Records Breakdown

UDC leads at halftime.....13-0
trails at halftime.....4-3
tied at halftime.....1-0

UDC outrebounds opponent.....11-0
are outrebounded.....7-3
are tied in rebounds.....0-0

UDC shoots .450+ from the field.....8-1
shoots .449 or worse from the field.....10-2

Opponents shoot .450+ from the field.....2-2
shoots .449 or worse from the field.....16-1

UDC shoots better FG% than opponent.....16-1
opponent shoots better FG%.....2-2
shoot equal FG%.....0-0

UDC commits fewer turnovers..... 8-2
commits more turnovers.....6-1
commits equal turnovers.....4-0

UDC scores 59 points or fewer.....0-0
scores between 60-69.....2-0
scores between 70-79.....6-1
scores between 80-89.....6-2
scores between 90-99.....2-0
scores 100 points or more.....2-0

In games decided by three points or fewer.....3-1
by 4-10 points.....5-1
by 11-20 points.....6-1
by 21-29 points.....1-0
by 30 points or more.....3-0

Single-Overtime games.....1-0

Double-Overtime games.....0-0

Current Streak.....W4

Longest Winning Streak.....11

Longest Losing Streak.....1

Largest Halftime Lead.....20

Largest Halftime Deficit.....11

ECC Schedule

2/11: Molloy at NYIT, 2 p.m.; C.W. Post at St. Thomas Aquinas, 3 p.m.; Dowling at **District of Columbia**, 3 p.m.; Queens at Bridgeport, 3 p.m.

2/15: Queens at C.W. Post, 7 p.m.; St. Thomas Aquinas at NYIT, 7:30 p.m.; **District of Columbia** at Mercy, 7:30 p.m.; Dowling at Molloy, 8 p.m.