

# Football Announces Team Award Winners

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EAU CLAIRE - UW-Eau Claire head football coach Todd Glaser recently announced the 2006 team award winners at the team's end-of-season banquet.

Outside linebacker **Sam Cummings** (*Jr.-Rochester, MN/John Marshall*) was named the team Defensive MVP. Cummings finished the season with 57 total tackles (27 solo, 30 assisted), 6.5 tackles for loss, 3.5 sacks, three pass break-ups, two quarterback hurries, two force fumbles, two blocked kicks and one interception in 10 games. Cummings was an honorable mention All-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) selection in 2006.

Wide receiver **Matt Evensen** (*Sr.-Junction City/Auburndale*) was named the team Offensive MVP. Evensen finished career as a Blugold as the school record holder in career receptions (176), yards (2,293) and touchdowns (20). Evensen's 50 receptions this past season ranks seventh on the school's single season receptions list. Evensen earned first team All-WIAC and first team Academic All-District honors this season.

Cornerback **Craig Polifka** (*So.-Kewaunee*) was named the team Special Teams MVP. Polifka led the WIAC in punt return average at 11.7 yards per return. Polifka was the only punt returner in the league that averaged double-digit yards per return. His longest return of 41 yards was the second longest in the WIAC. Polifka also returned three kickoffs averaging 19.7 yards per return.

Defensive end **Nate Johnson** (*Fr.-Madison/La Follette*) received the team Defensive Newcomer of the Year award. Johnson appeared in nine games for the Blugolds collecting nine tackles (five solo, four assisted), 2.5 tackles for loss, one quarterback hurry and 0.5 sacks.

Tailback **Cory Sartorelli** (*Fr.-Appleton/North*) received the team Offensive Newcomer of the Year award. Sartorelli appeared in eight games finishing second on the team with 217 rushing yards and three touchdowns. Sartorelli also caught three passes for seven yards.

Kicker **Craig Kolb** (*Fr.-Marshfield*) received the team Special Teams Newcomer of the Year award. Kolb set a school record for most field goals made in a season with 11 and tied the record for most field goals in a game with three which he did twice. After one season Kolb ranks sixth on the school's career field goal mark set by Jeremy Braun and Nick Diciula at 21.