

# BETHEL UNIVERSITY

8 NCAA PLAYOFF APPEARANCES • 5 MIAC TITLES • 2 NCAA WEST REGION CHAMPIONSHIPS

## ROYALS FOOTBALL

### Faith

Bethel University is a leader in Christian higher education. Our fusion of evangelical faith with top-ranked academics has transformed men and women, preparing them for unique callings in the Kingdom of God.

As a football program, we want to be blatant about the foundation of our team. Winning is critical and it is our goal to work and prepare in such a way that we will compete for championships...and we do! That being said, the foundation of our team is based on the core values of having gratefulness in all things, toughness in discipline, and being devoted to our brothers and the King.

We understand that everyone is at a different point in their journey of faith, but we want guys that are seeking this in their lives. We are not perfect, but we are forgiven! Because of that, we are able to live with a grateful heart that allows us to love our teammates in authentic ways.

### Academics

As a comprehensive liberal arts university, we have 88 majors, 43 minors and 11 pre-professional programs.

#### *Highlights of our academic programs are:*

- 85% four-year graduation rate (national average is 40%)
- 7th nationally in study abroad programs
- Physics: selected as one of 21 “thriving” departments (of 780 by the National Task Force on Undergrad Physics)
- Communications: 98% of graduates who seek full “assistantships” for grad school, receive them
- Ranked in the Top 50 “Smartest Colleges in America.” Bethel joined other elite academic institutions such as MIT, Princeton, Yale, Harvard, Stanford and Duke
- 12:1 student to faculty ratio
- Math/Science: Top 10 nationally in CoMAP competition
- Math/Computer Science: 100% job placement rate in the last 10 years
- Medical School placement rate above 90% (national average is 35%)

### Location

- 15 minutes from downtown Minneapolis and St. Paul
- 289 acre lakeside campus in suburban Arden Hills, Minn.

### Future

- 96% job/graduate school placement within six months of graduation
- Factoring in total cost of education and alumni earnings, Payscale.com ranked Bethel #2 among all private schools in Minnesota for the return on your investment
- 93% of business students are employed within three months of graduation (90% employed in their direct field of study)

### Financial Aid

- Over 99% of Bethel students receive gift aid to pay for their college tuition
- 7 of 10 families that move through the entire financial aid process end up attending Bethel University
- Of the 13 private colleges in the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, 10 have higher comprehensive costs than Bethel.



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### Football Program

*MIAC Champions:* 2000, 2001, 2006, 2007, 2013

*NCAA Playoffs:* 2000, 2001, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2010, 2012, 2013

*NCAA Region Champions:* 2007, 2010

23 Consecutive winning seasons - Most in the MIAC

5 Conference MVP's in the last 15 years (more than any other MIAC school)

MIAC ranked among the top NCAA Division III conferences in the country

### Head Coach Steve Johnson

- 4th among active college coaches in career wins
- 28 years at Bethel University
- 6-time MIAC Coach of the Year
- 3-time Region Coach of the Year
- Inducted into the Minnesota Football Coaches Hall of Fame

### Coaching Staff

- Over 120 years of coaching experience at Bethel alone
- Greg Peterson: 2012 AFCA National Assistant Coach of the Year
- Scott Kirchoff: 2016 AFCA National Assistant Coach of the Year
- Jimmy Miller: 2-time UMAC Coach of the Year as head coach at University of Northwestern (MN)
- Paul Swan: member of Lake County Coaches Hall of Fame (IL)

### Highlights

- Four AFCA Good Works Team recipients in the last three years
- Five NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships since 2007
- Four student-athletes invited to NFL rookie camps in last seven years



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