



GENEVA COLLEGE
Deep learning. Growing faith. Real life.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

A Proud Past...An Exciting Future

This is an exciting time to be a part of the Golden Tornadoes Women's Basketball program because there has been an expectation of excellence. Over the past decade our program has had a tremendous amount of success including a trip to the NAIA national tournament in 2007. The Lady Golden Tornadoes are looking to return to its tradition in success after experiencing two sub .500 seasons. With several key players returning and the addition of new players, the prospects for success are in place. Our focus for the 2010-11 season is to make it to the NCCAA post season tournament.

Our student athletes are surrounded by a coaching staff that is dedicated to encouraging academics, athletics, and spiritual growth. Our team is a family and we strive daily to promote positive team chemistry. Our commitment is to honor and glorify God both on and off the court.

Coaching Staff

Renee Drake is in her second year as head coach. Coach Drake is no stranger to Geneva College – she played for the Golden Tornadoes from 1999-2003. She also served as an assistant to legendary coach Ron Galbreath from 2004-2007, including the program's appearance at the NAIA national tournament. Drake is currently ninth on Geneva's all-time scoring list with 1153 points and 6th in rebounding with 766 for her career.

Drake is joined by assistant Erin Nietupski. Nietupski joined the program in 2009. Her background in strength and conditioning is vital to the women's basketball team.

"The Birthplace of College Basketball"

No college basketball program in the United States has a richer tradition than that of Geneva College. Geneva has the distinction of being the first institution to introduce the game of collegiate basketball in February 1893. We have built a strong tradition of success both on the court and in the classroom. Geneva College has moved to the NCAA Division III and participates in the Presidents Athletic Conference as well as the East Region of the National Christian College Athletic Association. It has been an exciting change as Geneva has renewed old-time rivalries with schools across Western Pennsylvania.

We take pride in our state of the art wood floor in Metheny Fieldhouse which was newly installed in 2003. We have one of the finest small college facilities in Western, Pennsylvania. Since 2003, the Golden Tornadoes have compiled a record of 62-29 when competing on our new home court.

We have a great fan base support from our campus and community that provides a great atmosphere for college basketball.

Recruiting Process

If you have the desire to be a part of our program, please begin by filling out our online questionnaire. Next, we would love to help you set up a visit to campus so you can explore Geneva and our basketball program. Please feel free to contact Coach Drake to help you in the recruiting process. She can be reached at the number above or by email at rmdrake@geneva.edu.





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HISTORY Geneva, a private four-year Christian college of the liberal arts and sciences, was founded in 1848 by the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America in Northwood, Ohio. In 1880 we were moved to our current campus in historic Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania.

LOCATION Our 55-acre campus is situated in the foothills of the Allegheny Mountains, only 35 miles from downtown Pittsburgh.

ENROLLMENT Of the nearly 1,400 undergraduate students who call Geneva home, 45 percent are male, 55 percent are female, and approximately 10 percent are ethnic minorities. We come from across the country and around the world, representing 35 states and 13 nations. Geneva also enrolls 300 graduate students and 350 undergraduate degree completion students.

ACADEMIC ENVIRONMENT Since our student-to-professor ratio is 14 to 1, you're assured of one-on-one time with professors both during and outside of class.

FAITH TRADITION While our roots are Reformed, our students come from over 60 Christian denominations.

ATHLETICS Geneva's Golden Tornadoes compete in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA Division III), the President's Athletic Conference, and the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA). Geneva offers men's baseball and football; softball, tennis and volleyball; and men's and women's basketball, cross country, soccer, and indoor/outdoor track and field.

NON-TRADITIONAL PROGRAMS At over 11 sites, we offer an adult degree completion program that allows students to finish a degree in human resources management, organizational development, community ministry or human services in 15 months. The Center for Urban Theological Studies and the Center for Urban Biblical Ministry are inner-city programs that train urban church leaders in ministry leadership.

GRADUATE PROGRAMS Geneva's offers master's degrees in business, counseling, higher education, organizational leadership, special education and reading.

CAMPUS VISIT Be our guest for a campus visit where you can stay in a residence hall with a current student, attend classes and meet professors, and enjoy meals in our dining hall.

