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Winford Named to Preseason All-America Team

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Augsburg's Royce Winford named to D3Football.com Preseason All-America second team
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MINNEAPOLIS (7/23/08) -- Augsburg College wide receiver Royce Winford (SR, Brooklyn Park, Minn./Osseo HS) was named to the D3Football.com Preseason All-America second team; it was announced on Wednesday.

Winford, a senior, was one of three Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference players to be named to the 50-member first and second teams by D3Football.com, a national web site that covers Division III football. St. John's a senior defensive tackle Nick Gunderson was also named to the first team, while Bethel junior cornerback Tim Cornish was named to the second team.

The honor is the latest for Winford, who was named to the Consensus Draft Services Division III Preseason All-American first team last month. Winford will enter his senior campaign after earning multiple honors as one of the top receivers in the MAC in 2007. He was named to the D3Football.com All-America second team and the D3Football.com All-West Region first team, in addition to being named as a first-team All-MAC selection.

In 2007, Winford set a single-season school record with 16 receiving touchdowns, while becoming the first Auggie since 1998 to record a 1,000-yard receiving season. He caught 101 passes for 1,403 yards, the second-most receptions and receiving yards in a single season in school history. He had seven 100-yard-plus receiving yardage games in 2007, including three straight games with 200 or more receiving yards midway through the season. In Augsburg's 38-16 victory over Carleton on Oct. 20, Winford set a team and MAC single-game record with 20 receptions, a total that was tops among all NCAA football players, regardless of division, during the 2007 campaign.

His 10.1 receptions per-game finished second-best among all NCAA Division III receivers, and his 140.3 receiving yards per-game and 1,403 receiving yards were third-best among all Division III receivers and were tops among all MAC receivers in overall play. In league games-only, his 89 receptions (11.1 per-game) and 1,189 yards (148.6 per-game) were both tops among all MAC receivers.

Among all college football receivers (all NCAA divisions and NAIA) in 2007, Winford's 10.1 receptions per game ranked seventh-highest nationally, while his 140.3 receiving yards per-game were fifth-highest nationally and his 1,403 receiving yards were eighth-highest nationally.

In 28 career games, Winford has 154 catches (fourth-most in school history) for 2,143 yards (fourth-most in school history) and 24 receiving touchdowns (third-most in school history).

Under Haege, in his third year as Augsburg's head coach, the Auggie football team finished 5-5 overall, 3-5 in MAC play in 2007, marking the first time Augsburg had reached the .500 mark since 2003 (5-5 overall, 4-4 MAC). With its five victories, Augsburg also eclipsed its number of wins from the previous three seasons combined (4-26).

Augsburg opens its 2008 campaign on Sept. 6 with a game at Crown (Minn.). Augsburg's home opener is on Sept. 13 at 7 p.m., when Wartburg (Iowa) visits Edor Nelson Field. Last season, Augsburg claimed one of its most dramatic victories in program history with a 14-13, come-from-behind win at Wartburg, which at the time was ranked No. 11 in the D3Football.com Division III national poll and No. 10 in the American Football Coaches Association Division III national poll.

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