

# NWMSU's Pitts Named 2017 DIIB Player of the Year



## Player of the Year



**Justin Pitts**  
**Northwest Missouri**

### 2016-17 Player of the Year

#### Pitts' Stat Sheet

<b>2016-17</b>	
Points	20.9
Assists	5.3
FG%	49.9

  

#### 2016-17 Awards

- MIAA Player of the Year
- DIIB 1st Team All-American
- NABC Player of the Year

Northwest Missouri State junior guard Justin Pitts has been named the 2017 *Division II Bulletin* Player of the Year.

The Player of the Year in the MIAA, Pitts averaged 20.9 points and 5.3 assists per game. He scored in double figures 25 times and surpassed 20 or more points 14 times. He ranks fifth in Northwest history with 1,686 points and is fourth all time in made field goals with 613 and in made three point field goals with 191.

Pitts became the first player in Northwest history to ever be named MIAA Player of the Year twice. He is also the first player to earn three-straight first team All-MIAA nods since 1937.

Pitts headlines the *DIIB* All-Americans, where he is joined on the first team by Matt Bingaya of Fairmont State, Michael Smith from California Baptist, Valdosta State senior Jeremiah Hill and Jeril Taylor of Southern Indiana.

*Division II Bulletin* has named a Player of the Year every year since the 1991-92 season.



## 2017 All-Americans

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### All-Freshman Team

Malik Bocook	Alderson Broaddus
Tray Boyd	Union
Elyjah Clark	Missouri Southern
Harrison Cleary	Minn. Crookston
Amir Hinton	Lock Haven
Juvaris Hayes	Merrimack
Anthony Davis	Tarleton State
Tate Hall	Indianapolis
Tony Miller	Seattle Pacific
William Christmas	Cal Poly Pomona

### 2017 Division II Bulletin All-Americans

#### First Team

Justin Pitts	Northwest Missouri	Junior	Guard
Matt Bingaya	Fairmont State	Senior	Forward
Michael Smith	California Baptist	Senior	Guard
Jeremiah Hill	Valdosta State	Senior	Guard
Jeril Taylor	Southern Indiana	Senior	Guard

#### Second Team

Taylor Stafford	West. Washington	Senior	Guard
Justin Reyes	St. Thomas Aquinas	Junior	Guard
Dustin Sleva	Shippensburg	Junior	Forward
Joshua Blaylock	Fort Lewis	Senior	Guard
Devin Schmidt	Delta State	Senior	Guard

#### Third Team

Devin Gilligan	So. New Hampshire	Senior	Forward
Phil Taylor	Shorter	Senior	Guard
Aaron Lien	Minn. Moorhead	Senior	Forward
Zach Hankins	Ferris State	Soph.	Center
Keshun Sherrill	Augusta	Senior	Guard

#### Fourth Team

Adam Klie	UC San Diego	Senior	Guard
Luquon Choice	Lincoln Memorial	Senior	Guard
Braxton Reeves	East Central	Senior	Guard
Ray Anderson	Virginia Union	Senior	Guard
Charles Clark	Carson-Newman	Junior	Guard

### Honorable Mention

Kevin Bracy-Davis, D&E, Sr.  
 Jacob Diaz, Indiana (Pa.), So.  
 Brandon Morris, Benedict, Jr.  
 Jaymon Mason, Edinboro, Jr.  
 Tyaire Ponzo-Meek, Wilmington, Sr.  
 Elvar Fridriksson, Barry, Sr.  
 Jeylyn Sharpe, Rogers St., Sr.  
 A.J. Clark, Pfeiffer, Sr.  
 Daeshon Francis, UT Perm. Basin, Jr.  
 Seth Youngblood, AR Fort Smith, Sr.  
 Sekou Wiggs, UA Anchorage, Sr.  
 Jordan Spencer, Augustana, Jr.  
 Chauncey Orr, Hawai'i Pacific, Sr.  
 Michael Mallory, So. Connecticut, Sr.  
 Akaemji Williams, Lake Superior, Jr.  
 Will Voorhees, Notre Dame, Jr.  
 Gage Davis, St. Cloud St., So.  
 Charles Marquardt, Molloy, Sr.  
 Rusty Troutman, Bellarmine, Sr.  
 Tim Guers, St. Anselm, So.  
 Joe Tagarelli, Quincy, Sr.  
 Seab Webster, UA Huntsville, Sr.  
 David Chavlovich, WTAM, Jr.  
 Martyce Kimbrough, Findlay, Jr.  
 Javonte Douglas, Montevallo, Sr.  
 Gokul Natesan, Colo. Mines, Sr.  
 Jalin Alexander, Queens (NC), Jr.  
 Warren Jackson, SF State, Jr.  
 Chris Perry, Lincoln Memorial, Sr.  
 Zac Carter, Walsh, Sr.  
 Romond Jenkins, Tarleton St., Sr.  
 Josh Johnson, Kutztown, Sr.  
 Rob Davis, Fort Hays St., Sr.  
 Adam Eberhard, Bellarmine. So.  
 Adrian Gonzalez, Barry, Sr.