




BOX SCORE

	81	▶ Augustana	20-1 (16-1 NSIC)
	53	Minnesota Crookston	6-11 (6-15 NSIC)

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Augustana	19	18	18	26	81
Minnesota Crookston	8	12	21	12	53

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Slow Start Proves to be Downfall For Minnesota Crookston in 81-53 Loss to No. 7 Augustana



CROOKSTON, Minn. - The University of Minnesota Crookston women's basketball team fell to No. 7 Augustana University 81-53. The Viking jumped out in front early and maintained their lead for the rest of the night Fri., Feb. 2 at Lysaker Gymnasium in Crookston, Minn.

The Golden Eagles got off to a slow start and struggled shooting the ball as they fell behind early and just could not overcome their deficit. Minnesota Crookston also struggled on the glass as they gave up 18 offensive rebounds to the Vikings Friday. The Golden Eagles were able to make a dent in the lead in the second quarter as they cut the lead to 52-40 late in the third quarter. However, Augustana ended the game on a dominant note as they controlled Minnesota Crookston by the tune of 31-13 in the final 11 minutes of Friday's tilt.

Minnesota Crookston falls to 6-15 (6-11 NSIC) with Friday's loss. This loss comes after picking up five of their six wins since Dec. 31. Augustana improves their record to 20-1 (16-1 NSIC) with Friday's victory. The only loss for the Vikings on the 2017-18 season came Jan. 12 at Minnesota State University Moorhead.

The Golden Eagles looked to [Caitlin Michaelis](#) (Jr., G, Marshfield, Wis.), as she contributed 13 points along with two rebounds and two steals. Michaelis has averaged 15.0 points per game over the last five contests for Minnesota Crookston. The Golden Eagles also looked to [Abby Guidinger](#) (Fr., F, Walpole, Wis.) as she added 11 points and two rebounds. Odor added nine points and seven rebounds, but she struggled from the field going just 3-of-12.

[Emily Gruber](#) (Sr., F/C, Monticello, Minn.) had 7 points to surpass 1,000 points. She will be the first player to reach the mark. [Ashley Freund](#) (Fr., G) had six points in four minutes.


Minnesota Crookston shot 15-of-54 from the field for 27.8 percent. They were 20-of-27 at the foul line for 74.1 percent. Minnesota Crookston was also out-rebounded by Augustana 48-33. The Golden Eagles were plagued by ball

Team Statistics

	AUGIE	UMC
FG%	.463	.278
3FG%	.300	.150
FT%	.722	.741
RB	48	33
TO	15	16
STL	9	6

Game Leaders

Scoring

 **#03 Michaelis, Caitlin**

PTS 13	FGM 4
3FGM 1	FTM 4
MIN 29	

 **#12 Guidinger, Abby**

PTS 11	FGM 4
3FGM 0	FTM 3
MIN 28	

 **#15 Odor, Isieoma**

PTS 9	FGM 3
3FGM 0	FTM 3
MIN 25	

 **#22 Gruber, Emily**

PTS 7	FGM 1
3FGM 1	FTM 4
MIN 27	

Players Mentioned

#22 Emily Gruber
F/C / 5' 11" / Senior

#3 Caitlin Michaelis
G / 5' 8" / Junior

#12 Abby Guidinger
G / 5' 10" / Freshman

#11 Ashley Freund
F / 5' 11" / Freshman

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control issues as they had just five assists to 16 turnovers.

The Vikings were led by Logan O'Farrell with 16 points and three rebounds. She was 6-of-10 from the field and 3-of-4 at the free throw line. Naomi Rust added 10 points and three rebounds. Presley O'Farrell chipped in nine points and seven rebounds. Augustana had help from their bench as the Vikings bench outscored the Golden Eagles bench 30-13 paced by eight points from Paige Peterson.

Augustana shot 31-of-67 from the field for 46.3 percent. The Vikings shot 6-of-20 from behind the arc. They also shot 13-of-18 for 72.2 percent at the free throw line.

Augustana won the tip off and quickly got the scoring started with a layup from Logan O'Farrell. Augustana would score four more points before Guidinger put Minnesota Crookston on the board with two free throws. Guidinger continued to spark the Golden Eagle offense by scoring four more points to tie things up at 6-6 in the first quarter. Augustana looked to the three-ball to extend their lead to 16-6 paced by triples by Logan O'Farrell and Lynsey Prosser. Minnesota Crookston remained quiet until Michaelis made two free throws cutting the score to 16-8 with a few seconds left in the first quarter. Augustana responded with a three-pointer to extend their lead to 19-8 ending the first quarter.

Rust got the scoring started for Augustana to open up the second quarter making the score 21-8. Gruber scored Minnesota Crookston's first points of the second frame on two free throws as the Golden Eagles remained perfect from the free throw line. After a 6-0 run Minnesota Crookston was able to cut the deficit to single digits making the score 27-18. The Vikings would quickly respond with a 10-2 run to end the half with a 37-20 lead.

Guidinger got the scoring started with a nice layup as the second half started. The Vikings quickly responded with two points. Gruber then hit a three pointer and Michaelis got a turnover on the other end that led to a fast-break layup as Minnesota Crookston pulled within 43-29. Both teams went back and forth for the first five minutes of the third quarter but Augustana continued to stay hot and extend their lead to 49-35. The Vikings continued to hit timely shots as they extended their lead every time Minnesota Crookston cut into the deficit. Minnesota Crookston trailed 55-41 to end the third quarter.

Logan O'Farrell put Augustana on the board first as the final quarter started. The Vikings started the fourth quarter on a 13-0 run pushing their lead to 68-41. After five minutes of not scoring in the fourth quarter, Odor put Minnesota Crookston on the board with two free throws. Guidinger went one-for-two at the line shortly after as free throws continued to be the main source of the Golden Eagles scoring options. Freund added a three pointer for the Golden Eagles but the Vikings quickly responded with a three pointer by Hana Metoxen. Minnesota Crookston would not be able to make a dent late as they fell to Augustana 81-53.

Minnesota Crookston will continue a four-game home stand as they host Wayne State Feb. 3 at 4 p.m. at Lysaker Gymnasium.

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