

INDIANAPOLIS---The eight-team field competing for the 2008 National Collegiate Women's Bowling Championship was announced today by the NCAA Women's Bowling Committee.

The University of Nebraska, Lincoln, will host the championship, which will be held April 10-12 at Thunder Alley in Omaha, Nebraska.

The field includes the following teams, all selected at large:

Arkansas State University
University of Central Missouri
University of Maryland, Eastern Shore
Minnesota State University, Mankato
University of Nebraska, Lincoln
New Jersey City University
Sacred Heart University
Vanderbilt University

The qualifying round, which determines a team's seed based on total pinfall, will have each team bowling four five-person regular team games and five four-game Baker matches using total pinfall to determine the winner. The fifth Baker set will serve as the position round. The pinfall from the position round will serve as the tiebreaker. The Baker format allows five team members to follow each other in order, each bowling a complete frame until a complete (10-frame) game is bowled.

Based on the qualifying round, teams are placed in two four-team double-elimination brackets. Teams compete against each other in a best-of seven Baker-style bowling competition. Ties within a Baker game will be decided by another full Baker game.

Once bracket play has commenced, the higher seed receives starting lane preference for the start, during the 7th game of the match, and any tie-breaker game that must be played.

Tickets can be purchased at Thunder Alley during the event or by calling 402/472-3111 prior to the championship.

Vanderbilt University won the title in 2007, defeating the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, in the championship match in Apopka, Florida.

For more information about the National Collegiate Women's Bowling Championship, log on to www.ncaa.com.