

DIVISION III FIELD HOCKEY ALL TIME CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET NORTH REGIONAL – SECOND ROUND

MIDD 2017

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SSU 1997

20-2 • NCAA Champions

GAA: 1.00 GpG: 4.36 MoV: 3.36

17-3 • NCAA Second Round

GAA: .38 GpG: 2.59 MoV: 2.21

The 2017 Panthers opened with three straight wins, but a loss to Hamilton started a 1-2 slide that put Midd at 4-2 six games into the season. From there, the Panthers rattled off nine straight wins, including four by shutout and two over NCAA-bound teams. The top seed in the NESCAC tournament, Midd outscored their opponents 14-3 over the three games to capture the title and enter the NCAA tournament as the number three seed. In the tourney, a pair of 5-0 wins at home moved the Panthers to the semifinals. An overtime win over Franklin & Marshall in the semis put Midd in the finals, where they defeated top seed Messiah 4-0 to claim the championship. Grace Jennings, Lauren Schweppe, and Annie Leonard all earned All-American honors.

The 1997 Sea Gulls split the opening weekend on the road before putting together three consecutive shutout wins at home. An overtime loss to Plymouth State ignited a 13-game winning streak that saw 10 wins by shutout, including a stretch of five consecutive. The Sea Gulls swept the CAC tournament in that run, winning both with a clean sheet, and entered the NCAA tournament at home as the second seed. A double overtime win by shutout moved Salisbury to the regional final, where they lost to Messiah 1-0, the same score by which they had beaten the Falcons in the third game of the year. Megan Hopper, Kristin Archer, and Laura Getty all earned All-American honors.

