



Luke Sawicki

High school: Neuqua Valley High School

Hometown: Naperville, Ill.

Majors: Business administration-finance, business administration-management

Minor: Political science

Activities: Varsity football (MVP and National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame's Hampshire Honor Society), Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Athletic Leadership Academy

Internships: Law intern/scan clerk at Tressler LLP in Chicago

Post-grad plans: Attend DePaul Law School

“Luke is exactly the type of student-athlete that any coach would want on their team: self-starter, internally motivated, highly disciplined, mentor and most important, a great teammate. Luke was and will continue to be very successful because he ‘respects’ the process and the daily grind, and he maintains successful habits in his academic and athletic life. Who wouldn’t want that type of player/leader on their team?”

— Steve Bell, head coach, football

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Why Augustana?

I really enjoyed my first recruiting visit and fell in love with the campus. I was also excited about all CORE had to offer. Most importantly, I loved that the professors would support and willingly help work around my athletic schedule.

Are you where you thought you’d be when you first came to campus?

Coming into college, I did not really know what to expect. I could never have imagined all the success and enjoyment I’ve had these past four years. I also was not completely sure if I would be ready for law school, but after my time at Augie, I feel I am prepared and ready!

Who helped you get to where you are now?

There have been so many professors, coaches and teammates who have helped me grow academically and athletically and just made me a better person.

Peak experience?

My peak experience was traveling abroad with the football team to Ireland. It was an amazing experience to learn and be a part of such a fun and unique culture. It was also great representing Augustana and America playing against an Irish football team.

What surprised you?

What surprised me the most at Augustana was the feeling around the school and campus. Even though it is a smaller school in terms of student population, the campus and the environment always felt bigger to me.

How did you use Augie Choice?

I used my Augie Choice to help fund a trip to Ireland in May 2019 with the Augustana football team.

What will you miss the most?

The thing I’ll miss the most is being around all the close friends I’ve made during my time here. I’ll miss constantly being around them from football, classes and living with them.

Advice for the Class of 2024?

Take an active role. Your college experience is what you make of it. Be active with your professors, whatever you are involved in on campus and with your social life. It goes by fast so make the most of it!