

PLAYER SCOUTING REPORT

Player Information

- Name: Isaiah Placide
- Height/Weight: 6'4" (193cm) / 202 lbs (92kg)
- Nationality / Hometown: Hampton, GA, USA
- Position: Guard (PG/SG)
- Previous Team: Eckerd College (NCAA II) 2023–25
- Current Team: University of Massachusetts (D1 Grad Stud)



OVERVIEW

Isaiah Placide is a versatile 6'4" guard/wing with proven scoring ability and a strong physical presence. After two productive years at Kankakee Community College and a standout run at Eckerd College, he now steps into NCAA Division I as a graduate transfer at UMass. Placide has shown he can score at all three levels, rebound effectively for his size, and handle the responsibility of being a primary option. In his senior season, he averaged over 20 points per game and delivered multiple high-scoring performances, including a 35-point outburst. His size, toughness, and confidence make him a strong candidate to contribute at the D1 level and project as a professional prospect overseas.



COLLEGE CAREER

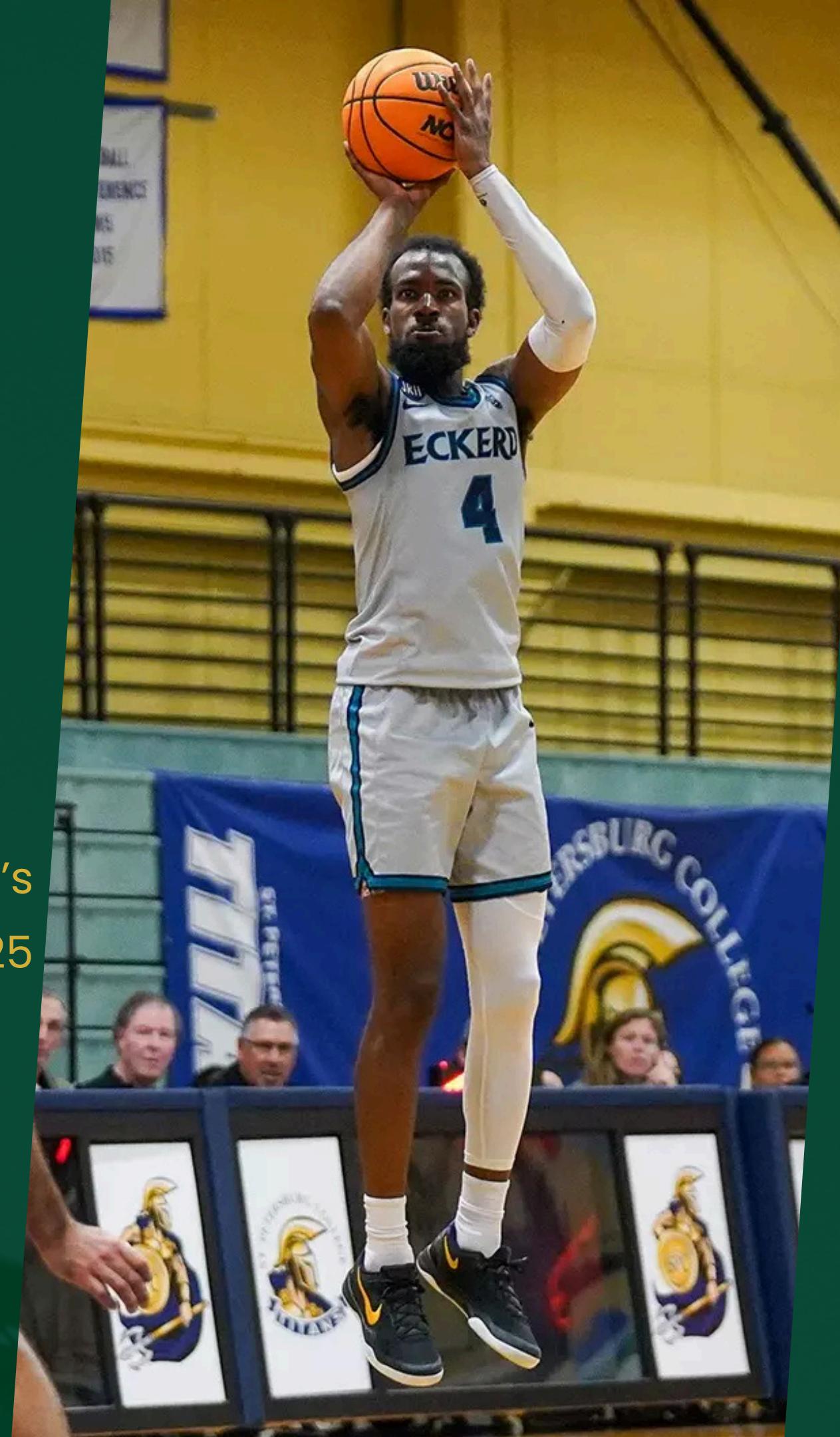
2021–22 – Kankakee CC: 12.3 PPG, 5.8 REB, 26.7 MPG.

2022–23 – Kankakee CC: 13.1 PPG, 6.1 REB, 32 GP (all starts).

2023–24 – Eckerd College: 15.6 PPG, 4.5 REB, 40.9% 3PT, 29 starts.

2024–25 – Eckerd College: 20.1 PPG, 4.1 REB, 4.1 AST, 35.1% 3PT, 83% FT.

Overall: Developed from a steady JUCO contributor into Eckerd's offensive leader. Earned Sunshine State Conference honors in 2024–25 before transferring to UMass as a graduate student.



STRENGTHS

- Proven scoring ability — averaged 20.1 PPG as a senior.
- Confident perimeter shooter; capable of hitting multiple threes in a single game.
- Reliable free-throw shooter (83% in 2024–25).
- Solid rebounder for a guard/wing (career ~5 RPG).
- Strong physical frame, able to finish through contact.
- Four-year starter experience; accustomed to heavy minutes and leadership role.
- Demonstrated ability to take over games with high scoring outputs.

WEAKNESSES

- Overall field goal percentage under 40% as a senior; efficiency can improve.
- Three-point shooting is streaky; not yet elite despite volume.
- Needs refinement in decision-making and limiting turnovers under pressure.
- Defensive impact is modest; must show consistency on-ball and in help defense.
- Consistency game-to-game can fluctuate; reliant on rhythm.
- Limited exposure to top-tier Division I competition until UMass debut.

PLAYING STYLE & PROJECTION

Placide is a scoring guard who blends physicality with perimeter confidence. At 6'4" and 202 lbs, he can create shots off the dribble, score from distance, and crash the boards. His offensive mindset makes him an ideal spark for UMass, where he is expected to bring scoring punch and toughness. With improved efficiency and defensive presence, Placide projects as a valuable rotation player in NCAA Division I and a professional scoring option in mid-tier overseas leagues, with potential to climb higher depending on development.



COMPARABLE PLAYERS

Jordan Loyd (Anadolu Efes, Turkey / EuroLeague)

Isaiah Placide's potential at UMass mirrors the trajectory of Jordan Loyd, a guard who carved out a reputation in Europe with his scoring confidence and adaptability. Loyd, now with Anadolu Efes, thrives as a versatile perimeter threat who can create shots off the dribble or in catch-and-shoot situations. Both bring composure in high-pressure moments and the ability to take over offensively. While Loyd is a proven EuroLeague scorer, Placide shows the foundation to follow that path.



Khalil-Ullah Ahmad (Niagara River Lions, Canada / CEBL)

Placide's offensive style aligns closely with Khalil Ahmad, a dynamic American guard who excels as a high-volume scorer in the CEBL. Both players rely on confidence, quickness, and a versatile scoring package that blends driving, midrange, and perimeter shooting. Ahmad's career reflects the value of relentless scoring energy, something Placide consistently displayed at Eckerd and looks to carry into UMass. While Ahmad adds veteran polish, Placide brings a similar fearless mentality and scoring punch.



CONCLUSION

Isaiah Placide is a confident scoring guard/wing with a strong collegiate track record. His growth from JUCO to Eckerd and now to UMass reflects steady development and resilience. With size, shooting ability, and toughness, he is well-positioned to impact games at the Division I level. If he improves efficiency and defensive consistency, Placide has the tools to succeed as a professional overseas and provide immediate scoring value to his future teams.

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