

Chad Christensen will return to Nebraska

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Chad Christensen could not agree to contract terms with the Miami Marlins on Friday and will return to the University of Nebraska for his senior campaign with the Cornhuskers.

"I'm going back to school," he told the Metro Sports Report on Friday night.

Christensen, who starred at Cedar Rapids Washington High School, was picked in the 35th round of the Major League draft on June 6 as the 1,067th player selected overall.

The signing deadline was Friday at 4 p.m. "I talked to them the whole time and talked to them today," said Christensen. "I appreciate the Marlins taking me in the draft and giving me a chance."

He declined to reveal what the Marlins offered and what he wanted in terms of a financial package. "I don't really want to talk about that too much," he said.

Christensen hit .311 for Nebraska this season with 10 homers and 48 RBIs. He played mostly shortstop for the Cornhuskers, but was drafted as an outfielder and anticipates playing the outfield at Nebraska next season.

Christensen will be eligible for the Major League draft again next year.

Christensen plans to get his degree in finance. He'll get another chance to play on the same college team with his brother Austin, who was redshirted at Nebraska this past season as a true freshman because of an arm injury.