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## Record 73 Hockey East Alumni Named to NHL Rosters

League Boasts Most Skaters on Opening Night Rosters For Seventh Straight Year

**WAKEFIELD, Mass.** - A record 73 alumni of the Hockey East Association will start the 2018-19 season on National Hockey League rosters, reestablishing the bar for the most alumni on NHL rosters on opening night for the seventh season in a row. The number also nearly doubles the 44 alumni who suited up in the NHL on opening night in 2011.

Hockey East alumni on NHL rosters to start the season represent 11 different schools. Boston University sends 15 players for opening night, while Boston College boasts 13, and Massachusetts claims 6 NHL players. Maine, UMass Lowell, and New Hampshire each send five, Northeastern and Providence have four, and UConn and Vermont each have one alumnus skating in the NHL today. Additionally, four former Notre Dame skaters who spent time in Hockey East also appear on NHL rosters.

Three players that skated in Hockey East in 2017-18 were named to an NHL club as Boston University's Jordan **Greenway** (Potsdam, N.Y./Minnesota) and **Brady Tkachuk** (St. Louis, Mo./Ottawa) and Providence's **Erik Foley** (Mansfield, Mass./St. Louis) will all start 2018-19 at the game's highest level.

Hockey East alumni are featured on 28 of 31 NHL teams.

**ABOUT HOCKEY EAST:** The Hockey East Association is an 11-team Division I college men's hockey conference founded in 1984 and a nine-team Division I women's league which began play in 2002-03. The men's league has won nine NCAA championships in the past 25 years including Providence College in 2015 at TD Garden in Boston. Since 1999, Hockey East has won seven NCAA Championships with 15 NCAA Championship Game appearances, while placing 25 teams in the Frozen Four and 68 teams in the NCAA Tournament during that time. Overall, Hockey East has sent 112 teams to the NCAA Tournament since its inaugural season, more than any other conference in that span.

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## Hockey East Alumni on NHL Opening Night Rosters 2018-19

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First Name	NCAA Team	Position	NHL Team
Patrick Eaves*	Boston College	F F	ANA
Brian Gibbons	Boston College		ANA
Brandon Montour	Massachusetts	D D	ANA
Josh Manson Kovin Pov*	Northeastern Northeastern	F	ANA ANA
Kevin Roy*		F	ANA ARI
Clayton Keller Vinnie Hinostroza	Boston University Notre Dame	F	ARI
Matt Grzelcyk	Boston University	D	BOS
Charlie McAvoy	Boston University	D	BOS
Anders Bjork	Notre Dame	F	BOS
Noel Acciari	Providence	F	BOS
Kevan Miller	Vermont	D	BOS
Jack Eichel	Boston University	F	BUF
Evan Rodrigues	Boston University	F	BUF
Tage Thompson	UConn	F	BUF
Conor Sheary	Massachusetts	F	BUF
Carter Hutton	UMass Lowell	G	BUF
Scott Wilson*	UMass Lowell	F	BUF
Scott Darling*	Maine	G	CAR
Warren Foegele	New Hampshire	F	CAR
Brett Pesce	New Hampshire	D	CAR
Trevor van Riemsdyk	New Hampshire	D	CAR
Cam Atkinson	Boston College	F	CBJ
Adam Clendening	Boston University	D	CBJ
Johnny Gaudreau	Boston College	F	CGY
Noah Hanifin	Boston College	D	CGY
Mark Jankowski	Providence	F	CGY
Matt Taormina*	Providence	D	CGY
Matt Nieto	Boston University	F	COL
Colin Wilson	Boston University	F	COL
Ben Bishop	Maine	G F	DAL
Devin Shore	Maine Natra Darra		DAL
Stephen Johns*	Notre Dame	D	DAL
Jimmy Howard Gustav Nyquist	Maine	G F	DET
Alex Chiasson	Maine Boston University	F	DET EDM
Matt Benning	Northeastern	F D	EDM
Mike Matheson	Boston College	D	FLA
Frank Vatrano	Massachusetts	F	FLA
Jonathan Quick	Massachusetts	G	LA
Charlie Coyle	Boston University	F	MIN
Jordan Greenway^	Boston University	F	MIN
Brian Boyle	Boston College	F	NJ
Steven Santini	Boston College	D	NJ
Cory Schneider*	Boston College	G	NJ
Miles Wood	Boston College	F	NJ
Eric Gryba	Boston University	D	NJ
Nick Bonino	Boston University	F	NSH
Matt Irwin	Massachusetts	D	NSH
Anthony Bitetto	Northeastern	D	NSH
John Stevens*	Northeastern	F	NYI
Kevin Hayes	Boston College	F	NYR
Chris Kreider	Boston College	F	NYR
Kevin Shattenkirk	Boston University	D	NYR
Colin White	Boston College	F	OTT
Brady Tkachuk^	Boston University	F	OTT
James van Riemsdyk	New Hampshire	F	PHI
Christian Folin	UMass Lowell	D	PHI
Brian Dumoulin	Boston College	D	PIT
Casey DeSmith	New Hampshire	G	PIT
Jamie Oleksiak	Northeastern	D	PIT
Bryan Rust	Notre Dame	F	PIT
Chad Ruhwedel	UMass Lowell	D	PIT
Justin Braun	Massachusetts	D	SJ
Erik Foley*^	Providence	F	STL
Ron Hainsey	UMass Lowell	D	TOR
Thatcher Demko*	Boston College	G D	
Ben Hutton Tim Schaller	Maine Providence	D F	VAN VAN
Alex Tuch*	Boston College	F	VAN VGK
Brandon Tanev	Providence	F	WPG
Connor Hellebuyck	UMass Lowell	G	WPG *
Brooks Orpik	Boston College	D	WSH /
	Doton Concyc		

\* will start year on IR ^ played in Hockey East in 2017-18











