



MEN'S PREVIEW

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#2 UMass vs. UMass Lowell, at American International

- UMass kicks off the second half of the season with tilts against Hockey East opponent UMass Lowell and non-conference foe AIC. The Minutemen look to carry their momentum from the first half and their most impressive start in school history. They currently sit at number two in the national polls after starting the year with a 14-2-0 record.
- Sophomore goaltender **Matt Murray** (St. Albert, Alta.) has been the backbone for the team, going undefeated and posting an 11-0-0 record between the pipes, including a 6-0-0 mark in league play.
- UMass Lowell starts 2019 after dropping a 4-1 decision at the hands of then-#8 Denver over the final weekend of 2018. Last season, the River Hawks and Minutemen split a two-game series, 1-1-0, with each victory coming for the home team.

New Hampshire vs. Merrimack, Yale

- New Hampshire is currently riding a season-best three-game winning streak after knocking off Dartmouth in a home and home series Dec. 7-8, before taking down Bentley in the Wildcats' return after the break on Dec. 30. The Wildcats play host to Merrimack and Yale at the Whittemore Center to open up 2019. Against the two programs last season, New Hampshire went 1-4-0.
- **Angus Crookshank** (Vancouver, B.C.) earned Pro Ambitions Rookie of the Week honors for his role in helping UNH to a win over Bentley. The freshman found the back of the net once and dished out a helper in the 4-3 victory. He now has seven points (3g, 4a) in his last four games.

#10 Providence vs. #16 Miami

- Providence is back on home ice this weekend for a two-game home stand with Miami after the Friars played their previous four games on the road. The two teams have already met once this season, as the Friars shut out the Red Hawks, 4-0, in the opening game of the Ice Breaker Tournament back in October.
- In their most recent outings, the Friars defeated Brown and Dartmouth en route to being crowned Ledyard Bank Classic champions. **Scott Conway** (Basingstoke, England) lead the PC offense, tallying three goals on 10 shots over the weekend at Dartmouth. The senior was named MVP of the tournament and earned Hockey East Co-Player of the Week honors.

Vermont vs. Sacred Heart, #19 Clarkson

- The Catamounts enter this weekend claiming the seventh Catamount Cup title for the first time since the 2015-16 season and the seventh time in the **Kevin Sneddon** era. Vermont defeated non-conference opponents Alabama Huntsville and Sacred Heart by a goal differential of plus-five to push its win streak to three games.
- **Craig Puffer** (New Canaan, Conn.) had his hand in four goals over the weekend, dishing out two helpers in each game and pushing his personal point streak to three games. The senior was named Hockey East Co-Player of the Week for his play.

UConn vs. #17 Western Michigan, vs. St. Lawrence/Air Force

- UConn started off the second half of the season ending to a seven-game skid by defeating then-#15 Yale, 3-1. It was the second meeting between the two teams this year, the first coming in the form of a Bulldog victory overseas in Belfast, Northern Ireland in the Friendship Four Tournament, and marked the first time in program history that UConn defeated in-state rival Yale.
- **Adam Huska** (Zvolen, Slovakia) stood tall in net for the Huskies, turning away 39 shots to match his season high. The junior earned Hockey East Defensive Player of the Week honors for his efforts in the victory.
- The Huskies carry their momentum into Friday's meeting with Western Michigan in the opening round of the Ice Vegas Invitational in Las Vegas, Nevada. This marks the first meeting between the two teams in program history.

Boston College at. #13 Arizona State

- Boston College takes on Arizona State for the first time since they met at Conte Forum back on November 13, 2016. The Eagles posted a 3-1 victory in the inaugural meeting between the two teams and that date also marks the last time the Eagles earned a victory over a non-conference opponent.
- The Eagles four-game point streak was snapped on Monday as they were shutout by former league rival Notre Dame, 4-0. **Jerry York's** squad still has a narrow advantage over the Irish in the all-time series between the two teams with a 22-20-2 record.

Merrimack at New Hampshire, at #11 Northeastern, at Michigan

- Merrimack looks to turn things around after going winless in its last eight games. The Warriors' most games resulted in a pair of setbacks at the hands of non-conference opponents Denver and Colorado College. They fell to the Pioneers, 3-1, before dropping a 5-1 decision to the Tigers last weekend.
- The Warriors have a busy week ahead as they play three games over five days, all on the road. They take on Hockey East opponents New Hampshire and Northeastern, before heading off to Michigan for a non-conference tilt against the Wolverines. Friday will mark their first meeting of the season with the Wildcats, while Saturday will be the finale of a three-game series with the Huskies.
- Northeastern is riding an eight-game winning streak as the Huskies host Merrimack in their only game of the weekend. The game marks the third and final meeting in regular season play for the two teams, with the Huskies holding a 2-0-0 advantage through their first two games. Northeastern has won the previous two contests by a combined score of 16-3.
- The Huskies enter 2019 coming off of victories over RPI and Alabama Huntsville in the Catamount Cup, hosted by Vermont at Gutterson Fieldhouse. **Ryan Ruck** (Coto de Caza, Calif.) made his first starts in over a year in the tournament. He posted 31 saves in Friday's overtime victory, before earning his first shutout since February 17, 2017 on Saturday.

Maine vs. #15 Yale

- Maine heads into its only game of the weekend after putting a stop to a four-game winless streak with a 4-2 victory over Colorado College on Wednesday afternoon. Junior **Tim Doherty** (Portsmouth, R.I.) recorded a goal and an assist in the victory, while **Jeremy Swayman** (Anchorage, Alaska) posted 33 saves in net.
- The Black Bears will take on Yale in Portland, Maine on Monday afternoon in the two teams' first meeting in nearly 20 years. The last time they took the ice together was also in Portland, back on January 13, 1999. Maine came out on top with a 6-1 victory in a season that saw them capture their second national championship.

Boston University at Harvard

- The Terriers return to the ice for the second half of the season as they pay a visit to Harvard on Tuesday evening. The last time the two teams met was in the opening round of last year's Beanpot tournament that saw Boston University edge out the Crimson, 3-2, in overtime to advance to the championship game.

UPCOMING GAMES

Friday 1/4

UML at #2 UMass - 7pm *
MC at UNH - 7pm *^
#16 Miami at #10 PC - 7pm
SHU at UVM - 7:05pm
#17 Western Mich. vs. UConn - 8pm \$
BC at #13 Arizona State - 9:05pm

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\$ Ice Vegas Invitational

Saturday 1/5

MC at #11 NU - 7pm *+
#2 UMass at AIC - 2:05pm
#16 Miami at #10 PC - 7pm !
#15 Yale at UNH
SLU/AF vs. UConn - 8pm/11:30pm \$
BC at #13 Arizona State - 9:05pm #

* Hockey East
+ NESNplus
! NBCSBoston
\$ Ice Vegas Invitational
Gila River Arena

Sunday 1/6

#19 Clarkson at UVM - 4:05pm

Monday 1/7

#15 Yale at Maine - 7pm %

% Cross Insurance Arena (Portland, ME)

Tuesday 1/8

BU at Harvard - 7pm
MC at Michigan - 7:30pm



**USA Today/USA Hockey Magazine
Men's College Hockey Poll - 12/31**

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	St. Cloud State, 498 (22)	13-1-2	1
2.	Massachusetts, 487 (12)	14-2-0	2
4.	Quinnipiac, 431	15-3-0	4
5.	Ohio State, 395	11-4-3	5
3.	Minnesota Duluth, 374	11-5-2	3
6.	Notre Dame, 328	11-5-1	6
7.	Denver, 307	10-4-2	7
9.	Bowling Green, 263	13-3-3	9
10.	Penn State, 236	11-5-2	10
11.	Providence, 211	11-4-3	11
12.	Northeastern, 175	12-3-1	12
8.	Minnesota State, 165	14-5-1	8
13.	Arizona State, 87	14-7-1	13
14.	Clarkson, 59	11-6-0	NR
15.	Yale, 38	7-3-2	15

Others Receiving Votes: Union 14; Western Michigan 7; North Dakota 6; Miami 1.

**USCHO.com
Men's College Hockey Poll - 12/10**

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	St. Cloud State, 990 (40)	13-1-2	2
2.	Massachusetts, 937 (9)	13-2-0	1
3.	Minnesota State, 916 (1)	14-2-0	3
4.	Minnesota Duluth, 790	10-4-2	4
5.	Quinnipiac, 762	14-3-0	8
6.	Notre Dame, 706	11-5-1	5
7.	Ohio State, 686	9-4-3	7
8.	Denver, 667	8-4-2	6
9.	Penn State, 598	11-5-1	9
10.	Providence, 580	9-4-3	10
11.	Northeastern, 507	10-3-1	13
12.	Bowling Green, 450	11-3-3	12
13.	North Dakota, 359	9-7-1	14
14.	Union, 327	8-4-3	11
15.	Arizona State, 283	12-6-0	19
16.	Miami, 204	9-6-3	17
17.	Western Michigan, 182	9-6-1	NR
18.	Yale, 142	7-2-2	NR
19.	Clarkson, 126	9-6-0	16
20.	Cornell, 97	6-5-0	18

Other Receiving Votes: Michigan Tech 65, Michigan 55, Lake Superior 21, Minnesota 17, Wisconsin 14, **Boston College 8**, Air Force 4, **UMass Lowell 4**, American International 3.

2018-19 ARMY ROTC HEA STANDINGS

Rk.	Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	Massachusetts	7	7	0	0	14	14-2-0	4.43 (2)	2.14 (3)
	Boston College	9	6	1	2	14	6-7-2	2.78 (5)	1.22 (1)
3.	Northeastern	8	6	1	1	13	12-3-1	4.38 (3)	2.38 (T5)
	Providence	9	6	2	1	13	11-4-3	4.44 (1)	1.89 (2)
5.	Boston University	12	5	5	2	12	6-8-2	2.33 (6)	2.92 (9)
6.	UMass Lowell	9	4	4	1	9	8-8-1	2.89 (4)	2.78 (8)
7.	Maine	8	3	3	2	8	6-9-2	2.25 (7)	2.38 (T5)
8.	New Hampshire	8	1	4	3	5	5-7-5	1.75 (10)	2.75 (7)
	UConn	12	2	9	1	5	6-11-1	1.92 (9)	3.42 (10)
10.	Merrimack	10	2	8	0	4	4-14-1	2.10 (8)	5.00 (11)
11.	Vermont	8	1	6	1	3	7-8-1	1.38 (11)	2.25 (4)



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