

# MEN'S PREVIEW

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#### No. 1 Boston College vs. No. 8 Providence

- As the top seed in conference standings, regular season champion Boston College will host the eighth-seeded Providence Friars for the quarterfinal round of the Hockey East Tournament.
- The pairing is an exact rematch of the 2019 quarterfinals, where Boston College won the series and became the first seven seed to advance all the way to the Hockey East championship game.
- During the regular season, these two faced off twice, each claiming a road win.
- This past weekend, the Eagles earned three out of four possible points off the UNH Wildcats in a home and home series. Friday night's game-winning goal in a 2-1 victory came from freshman defenseman **Marshall Warren** (Laurel Hollow, N.Y.)
- Hockey East Defensive Player of the Week **Spencer Knight** (Darien, Conn.) recorded a career-high 47 saves in Saturday night's 3-3 draw.
- The Friars took a trip to Orono last weekend for a single game weekend against #15 Maine. They fell, 1-0, to the Black Bears after holding them scoreless for a majority of the game. Netminder **Michael Lackey** (Washington, D.C.) tallied 23 saves between the pipes.
- Boston College is 9-4 in eight total postseason clashes against Providence.
- On Thursday it was announced that Providence sophomore **Jack Dugan** (Rochester, N.Y.) is a finalist for Hockey East Player of the Year while Boston College freshman **Alex Newhook** (St. John's, Newfoundland) is a finalist as Pro Ambitions Rookie of the Year. Eagles' head coach **Jerry York** was named a finalist for Bauer Hockey East Coach of the Year.

#### No. 2 Massachusetts vs. No. 7 Northeastern

- Massachusetts, the 2018-19 regular season champions, face off against Northeastern, the defending 2019 Hockey East Tournament champion.
- It was announced Thursday that Minuteman junior forward **John Leonard** (Amherst, Mass.) is a finalist for the Hockey East Player of the Year award. Leonard leads the NCAA with 27 goals.
- Of the three times these teams have met this season, UMass has earned two wins, Northeastern grabbing the other.
- The Minutemen claim the second seed for the first time in program history just one year after winning their first-ever regular season crown in 2018-19. UMass had never before finished in the top four of the Hockey East standings in back-to-back years.
- The Huskies own a 4-1 postseason record over Massachusetts in two prior quarterfinal match ups, most recently in 2018.
- The Minutemen played a solo game against Vermont this past Thursday night, where they defeated the Catamounts 1-0 in the final minutes of play off a goal from freshman **Reed Lebster** (Grand Rapids, Mich.) This tally awarded Lebster the Pro Ambitions Rookie of the Week title.
- Northeastern split a series with the Terriers of Boston University this past weekend, falling 3-0 on Friday, but rallying for a 2-1 victory on Saturday, officially clinching a tournament spot for the Huskies
- Husky goals in Saturday's contest came from forwards **Aidan McDonough** (Milton, Mass.) and **Matt Filipe** (Lynnfield, Mass.) Senior **Ryan Shea** (Milton, Mass.) had assists on both markers.

#### No. 3 UMass Lowell vs. No. 4 Boston University

- The River Hawks, as the number three seed, will host the Terriers of Boston University, the sixth seed, for another rematch of the 2019 quarterfinal pairings. Last season, the Terriers took the series to advance to the semifinal round
- Of the three regular season match ups between UMass Lowell and BU, two of them ended in a tie, and one went down as a victory for BU.
- The Terriers have battled UMass Lowell in 10 previous postseason series and carry an 11-6 mark in those 17 contests, including a 3-1 mark in four Hockey East title game clashes and two wins in consolation games in 1985 and 1996.
- The Terries are coming off a two-game series with Northeastern, where they split the weekend 1-1 with the Huskies. Friday night's 3-0 road win was fueled by a shutout from **Sam Tucker** (Wilton, Conn.), and goals from **Patrick Curry** (Schaumburg, Ill.), **Cam Crotty** (Greely, Ont.), and **Wilmer Skoog** (Tyreso, Sweden.) All three of these goals were set up by defenseman **David Farrance** (Victor, N.Y.)
- Most recently, the #12 River Hawks played a single game against UConn, where they picked up a 3-1 win. Senior goaltender **Tyler Wall** (Leamington, Ont.), blocked 31 shots that came his way.
- River Hawks goals came from Andre Lee (Karlstad, Sweden), Sam Knoblauch (Rochester, Mich.), and Seth Barton (Kelowna, B.C.)
- Terrier forward Trevor Zegras (Bedford, N.Y.) has been selected as a finalist as 2018-19 Pro Ambitions Rookie of the Year.

#### No. 4 Maine vs. No. 5 UConn

- As the fifth seed in the conference standings, the UConn Huskies will travel to Orono to take on the fourth seed, the Maine Black Bears, for the quarter-final round of the Hockey East Tournament.
- The series also features a clash of two finalists for Bauer Hockey East Coach of the Year in Maine's Red Gendron and UConn's Mike Cavanaugh.
- Maine earns the chance to host a quarterfinal series for the first time since 2012, when the Black Bears last appeared at the TD Garden with a runner-up finish.
- The Huskies took two of three from Maine during the regular season, including handing the Black Bears their only home loss of the year, 3-2, on Feb. 14. The following night, the Black Bears earned a 1-0 win with less than a minute left in overtime.
- Hockey East Player of the Week **Jeremy Swayman** (Anchorage, Alaska) posted a 48-save shutout to secure home-ice for the quarterfinal round of the tournament. Swayman was named a finalist for the Hockey East Player of the Year award on Thursday.
- UConn tied its best-ever finish in the Hockey East standings after missing the playoffs in 2018-19 as the Huskies are looking for its first win in the Hockey East postseason. This series will mark the first tournament meetings between the two programs.
- The Huskies hold a 7-5-4 lead in the all-time series with Maine, as seven of those 16 games required overtime, and hold a 7-3-3 mark against the Black Bears since becoming a member of Hockey East in 2014-15.























#### 1 Poston College ve No. 9 Providence

### Friday 3/13

**UPCOMING GAMES** 

No. 8 PC at No. 1 BC - 7pm + No. 5 UConn at No. 4 Maine - 7pm No. 6 BU at No. 3 UML- 7:15pm No. 7 NU at No. 2 UMass - 7:15pm

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#### Saturday 3/14

No. 8 PC at No. 1 BC - 4pm + No. 6 BU at No. 3 UML - 6pm No. 5 UConn at No. 4 Maine - 6pm No. 7 NU at No. 2 UMass - 7pm +

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#### Sunday 3/15

No. 8 PC at No. 1 BC - 4pm! ^ No. 6 BU at No. 3 UML - 4pm! No. 7 NU at No. 2 UMass - 5pm!+ No. 5 UConn at No. 4 Maine - 6pm!

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USA Today/USA Hockey Magazine Men's College Hockey Poll - 3/9								
Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW					
1.	Cornell,	23-2-4	1					
2.	North Dakota,	26-5-4	2					
3.	Minnesota State,	31-5-2	3					
4.	Boston College,	24-8-2	4					
5.	Minnesota Duluth,	22-10-2	5					
6.	Denver,	21-9-6	6					
7	Penn State,	20-10-4	7					
8.	Clarkson,	23-8-3	8					
9.	Massachusetts,	21-11-2	9					
10.	Ohio State,	20-11-5	11					
11.	Bemidji State,	22-10-5	10					
12.	UMass Lowell,	18-10-6	12					
13.	Arizona State,	22-11-3	13					
14.	Quinnipiac,	21-11-2	14					
15.	Michigan,	18-14-4	NR					

Other Receiving Votes: **Maine 28**, Western Michigan 22, **Northeastern 10**, Minnesota 8, Harvard 4.

USCHO.com Men's College Hockey Poll - 3/9							
Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW				
1.	Cornell, 981 (40)	23-2-4	1				
2.	Minnesota State, 927 (5)	31-5-2	3				
3.	North Dakota, 925 (5)	26-5-4	2				
4.	Minnesota Duluth, 828	22-10-2	5				
5.	Boston College, 826	24-8-2	4				
6.	Denver, 738	21-9-6	6				
7.	Clarkson, 685	23-8-3	7				
8.	Penn State, 647	20-10-4	8				
9.	Massachusetts, 611	21-11-2	9				
10.	Ohio State, 526	20-11-5	11				
11.	Bemidji State, 470	22-10-5	10				
12.	UMass Lowell, 459	18-10-6	12				
13.	Arizona State, 377	22-11-3	13				
14.	Quinnipiac, 349	21-11-2	14				
15.	Maine, 289	18-11-5	15				
16.	Western Michigan, 244	18-13-5	17				
17.	Michigan,148	18-14-4	NR				
18.	Minnesota, 126	16-14-7	19				

Other Receiving Votes: **Providence 65**, Bowling Green 27, Sacred Heart 23, Harvard 18, Notre Dame 11, St. Cloud 3, RPI 2, Michigan State 1

18-13-3

21-12-1

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19. Northeastern, 119

20. AIC, 75

## 2019-20 ARMY ROTC HEA STANDINGS

Rk	. Team	GP	W	L	Т	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	Boston College	24	17	6	1	35	24-8-2	3.88 (1)	2.00 (1)
2.	Massachusetts	24	14	8	2	30	21-11-2	2.88 (4)	2.04 (2)
3.	UMass Lowell	24	12	7	5	29	18-10-6	2.50 (8)	2.50 (4)
4.	Maine	24	12	9	2	27	18-11-5	2.33 (9)	2.33 (3)
5.	UConn	24	12	10	2	26	15-15-4	2.96 (2)	3.12 (9)
6.	Boston University	24	10	9	5	25	13-13-8	2.88 (4)	2.67 (6)
7.	Northeastern	24	11	12	1	23	18-13-3	2.75 (6)	2.96 (8)
	Providence	24	10	11	3	23	16-12-6	2.92 (3)	2.62 (5)
9.	New Hampshire	24	9	12	3	21	15-15-4	2.25 (10)	2.88 (7)
10.	Merrimack	24	7	14	3	17	9-22-3	2.62 (7)	3.21 (10)
11.	Vermont	24	2	18	4	8	5-23-6	1.83 (11)	3.46 (11)























