



# MEN'S PREVIEW

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## Hockey East Newcomer UConn Travels to Merrimack for First League Matchup UNH Takes on Big Ten's No.10 Michigan; No. 13/14 Quinnipiac and No. 9 UMass Lowell Square Off

### UConn at Merrimack

• UConn travels to Merrimack in their first head-to-head Hockey East matchup against HEA Defensive Player of the Week **Rasmus Tirronen** and the Merrimack Warriors. Tirronen posted a .942 SV% and 1.50 GAA en route to Merrimack winning two games against Holy Cross.

### No. 7/8 Boston College at RIT

• Despite jumping out to an early lead, No. 7/8 Boston College failed to spoil banner night last weekend at the Tsongas Center against No. 9 UMass Lowell, falling 5-2. The Eagles will have another crack at getting their first win of the season Saturday on the road against RIT.

### No. 14/13 Boston University vs. U.S. National Under-18 Team (Ex)

• Coming off of an 8-1 road win against Massachusetts with strong performances from forwards **Danny O'Regan** (2G, 1A) and **Jack Eichel** (2G, 2A), No. 13/14 Boston University will face the U.S. National Under-18 Team at home in an exhibiton game on Thursday night.

### Maine vs No. 2 Union

• Coming off of two dropped contests in the Kendall Hockey Classic, Maine has an opportunity to take two games against the defending NCAA Champions, No. 2 Union in front of their home crowd in Orono.

### Massachusetts at Michigan State

• The Big Ten/Hockey East Challenge continues as Massachusetts looks to take two games from Michigan State in East Lansing. The Minutemen fell in their home and league opener last Friday.

### No. 9 UMass Lowell vs. No. 13/14 Quinnipiac

• After upending No. 7/8 Boston College thanks to goals from five different players on banner night, No. 9 UMass Lowell will look for another balanced attack against No. 13/14 Quinnipiac in a home-and-home series this weekend.

### New Hampshire at No. 10 Michigan

• In another Big Ten/Hockey East Challenge matchup, New Hampshire travels to Ann Arbor to take on No. 10 Michigan. The Wildcats went a perfect 5-for-5 on the penalty kill last week against No. 2 Union, but fell just short in a 3-1 road loss.

### Northeastern at No. 6/4 Colgate

• Looking to bounce back from a loss to Vermont on opening night, Northeastern hits the road for the first time this season to take on No. 6/4 Colgate for two contests this weekend.

### Lake Superior State at Notre Dame

• Notre Dame faces former CCHA-rival Lake Superior State this weekend in a pair of games.  
 • For 23 seasons until 2013, the Irish and the Lakers competed in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association. Over that span, the two teams met 64 times with Notre Dame holding a 32-25-7 advantage. Last year, they met for two games as non-CCHA members, with the Irish taking both contests.

### No. 5 Providence vs. U.S. National Under-18 Team (Ex)

• Providence is coming off of a weekend split on the road against No. 17/16 Ohio State. Freshman Friar **Brian Pinho** earned Pro Ambitions Rookie of the Week honors after burying a goal each game against OSU, including the overtime winner on Saturday night.

### Vermont at Clarkson

• Vermont returns to the Gutterson Fieldhouse for their home opener after a 6-2 road victory last weekend against Hockey East rival Northeastern.  
 • Sophomore forward **Jonathan Turk** earned Warrior Hockey Player of the Week honors for netting a hat trick and adding an assist at Northeastern, posting a plus-4 rating against the Huskies.

## Upcoming Games

### Thursday, October 16

U.S. National U18 Team  
 at No. 5 Providence - 7 p.m. (Ex)

### Friday, October 17

Northeastern at No. 6/4 Colgate - 7 p.m.  
 No. 2 Union at Maine - 7 p.m.  
 Massachusetts at Michigan State - 7 p.m. ^  
 Clarkson at Vermont - 7 p.m.  
 No. 13/14 Quinnipiac at  
 No. 9 UMass Lowell - 7:15 p.m.  
**Lake Superior State at Notre Dame -  
 7:35 p.m. (NBCSN)**  
 New Hampshire at Michigan - 7:35 p.m. ^

### Saturday, October 18

UConn at Merrimack\* - 7 p.m.  
**Lake Superior State at Notre Dame -  
 6:05 p.m. (NBCSN)**  
 Vermont at Clarkson - 7 p.m.  
 Northeastern at Colgate - 7 p.m.  
 Union at Maine - 7 p.m.  
 Massachusetts at Michigan State - 7 p.m. ^  
 No. 7/8 Boston College at RIT - 7 p.m.  
 No. 9 UMass Lowell at  
 No. 13/14 Quinnipiac - 7 p.m.  
 U.S. Nat'l U18 Team at  
 Boston University - 7 p.m. (Ex)  
 New Hampshire at No. 10 Michigan - 7:35 p.m. ^

^ Big Ten/Hockey East Challenge

## HEA in the Polls

### USA Today/USA Hockey Magazine Men's College Hockey Poll

Rk.	School	Pts. (FPV)	Record	LR
5.	Providence	340	1-1-0	4
8.	Boston College	313	0-1-0	3
9.	UMass Lowell	241	1-0-0	NR
13.	Boston University	121	1-0-0	15

**Others receiving votes:** Vermont, 12; Notre Dame, 9; Northeastern, 3

### USCHO.com Div. I Men's Poll

Rk.	School	Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
5.	Providence	745	1-1-0	3
7.	Boston College	663	0-1-0	4
9.	UMass Lowell	585	1-0-0	17
14.	Boston University	328	1-0-0	20

**Others receiving votes:** Vermont, 107; Notre Dame, 77; Northeastern, 45; New Hampshire, 40; Merrimack, 9

## 2014-2015 HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

Rk.	Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	Boston University	1	1	0	0	2	1-0-0	8.00 (8)	1.00 (1)
	UMass Lowell	1	1	0	0	2	1-0-0	5.00 (5)	2.00 (2)
	Vermont	1	1	0	0	2	1-0-0	6.00 (6)	2.00 (2)
4.	UConn	0	0	0	0	0	0-1-1	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
	Maine	0	0	0	0	0	0-2-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
	Merrimack	0	0	0	0	0	2-0-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
	New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	0	0-1-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
	Notre Dame	0	0	0	0	0	0-2-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
	Providence	0	0	0	0	0	1-1-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
	Boston College	1	0	1	0	0	0-1-0	2.00 (2)	5.00 (5)
	Massachusetts	1	0	1	0	0	0-1-0	1.00 (1)	8.00 (8)
	Northeastern	1	0	1	0	0	0-1-0	2.00 (2)	6.00 (6)