



# MEN'S PREVIEW

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## Halloween Weekend Packed With Eight Hockey East Matchups No. 6 BU and No. 9 PC Face-Off in Home-and-Home; No. 13 UVM Takes First Trip to No. 20 Notre Dame

### No. 13 Vermont at No. 20 Notre Dame\*

- Vermont travels to Notre Dame for the first time as the Fighting Irish meet their first Hockey East opponent of 2014-15.
- Notre Dame and Vermont have met four times, with the Irish holding a 2-1-1 advantage. The two teams met twice last season at Vermont, with the Catamounts taking game one by a score of 2-1, and the Irish bouncing back for a 3-2 victory.

### No. 9 Providence College at No. 6 Boston University\*

- Providence and Boston University split their season series last year, but in their most recent meeting (Nov. 2, 2013), Providence came away with a 3-1 win at Schneider Arena.
- Reigning Hockey East Defensive Player of the Week netminder **Matt O'Connor** and the Terriers look to start their season 4-0-0 for the first time in 13 years.

### No. 8 UMass Lowell vs. New Hampshire\*

- UMass Lowell split last weekend with a loss to Michigan Friday before a 2-1 win over Michigan State Saturday. Defenseman **Michael Kapla** scored the game winner shorthanded for the River Hawks just 57 seconds into the third period.
- New Hampshire won its sole game last weekend against Colorado College, 6-2, and is one of only two teams left in the nation who are perfect on the penalty kill (16-for-16). Vermont is also an unblemished 14-for-14 on the kill.

### Massachusetts at Maine\*

- Freshman goaltender and Hockey East Pro Ambitions Rookie of the Week **Henry Dill** stood tall between the pipes last weekend for UMass, as the Minutemen picked up their first Hockey East win of the year at Northeastern Friday, 3-2.
- Maine is coming off of a 1-0-1 weekend against previously unbeaten Alaska Anchorage, and will look to continue their history of success against UMass. The two teams have met 74 times, with Maine holding a 46-19-9 lead all-time after a 2-1-1 record in last year's season series.

### Northeastern at Quinnipiac

- Head Coach **Jim Madigan** and the Northeastern Huskies look to earn their first victory of the 2014-15 campaign as they travel for two games at Quinnipiac.

### No. 5 Boston College at No. 11 Denver

- Boston College is 8-3-1 in 12 outings all-time at Denver. The last time the Eagles traveled to the Mile-High City, then No. 1 BC swept the Pioneers by scores of 6-2 and 3-0 in October 2010.
- Through four games, Warrior Hockey Player of the Week **Adam Gilmour** and the Eagles are leading the nation in offense with an average of 4.50 goals per game.

### UConn vs. Merrimack; vs. Yale/Princeton

- UConn closes out a seven-game road trip to begin its inaugural Hockey East season by taking part in the Liberty Invitational in Newark this weekend. The Huskies will look to avenge an overtime loss two weeks ago to league rival Merrimack in a non-conference match-up Friday afternoon.
- Merrimack holds a 24-3-0 edge in the all-time series against UConn, and since the Huskies became a Division I program in 1998-99, sport an 9-2-0 mark.
- UConn will look to get its very first win against either Yale or Princeton, as they are 0-3-0 all-time vs. Princeton, and 0-10-0 all-time vs. the Bulldogs.

### Merrimack vs. Yale/Princeton

- Merrimack heads to the Liberty Invitational with a 4-1-0 record after splitting last weekend at Mercyhurst. Sophomore **Hampus Gustafsson** is off to a quick start with five points (2G, 3A) through the first five games, and leads Hockey East in power play points (1G, 2A) and game-winning goals (2G).

## Upcoming Games

### Friday, October 31

- No. 6 Boston Univ. at No. 9 Providence\* - 7 p.m. (OSN)**  
Massachusetts at Maine \* - 7 p.m.
- No. 8 UML at UNH \* - 7:30 p.m. (WBIN, FCS)**
- No. 13 UVM at No. 20 Notre Dame\* - 8 p.m. (NBCSN)**  
Connecticut vs. Merrimack - 4:30 p.m. #
- No. 5 Boston College at Denver - 9:30 p.m. (ROOT)**

### Saturday, November 1

- No. 9 Providence at No. 6 Boston Univ. \* - 7 p.m.
- Massachusetts at Maine \* - 7 p.m.
- UNH at No. 8 UML \* - 7 p.m.
- No. 13 UVM at No. 20 Notre Dame \* - 7 p.m.
- Northeastern at Quinnipiac - 7 p.m.
- No. 3 Boston College at No. 11 Denver - 9 p.m.

### Sunday, November 2

- Yale/Princeton vs. UConn - 1 p.m./4 p.m. #
- Yale/Princeton vs. Merrimack - 1 p.m./4 p.m. #
- Northeastern at Quinnipiac - 4 p.m.

^ Big Ten/Hockey East Challenge  
 + Played at Webster Bank Arena  
 # Liberty Invitational (Newark, NJ)

**All game times are EST**  
**\* denotes league games**

## HEA In The Polls

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

Rk.	School	Pts. (FPV)	Record	LR
5.	Boston College	374	3-1-0	6
6.	Boston University	295	3-0-0	11
8.	Providence	254	1-2-1	5
9.	UMass Lowell	218	3-1-1	8
14.	Vermont	86	4-0-0	NR

**Others receiving votes:** Notre Dame, 23; New Hampshire, 7

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

Rk.	School	Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
5.	Boston College	788	3-1-0	6
6.	Boston University	637	3-0-0	12
8.	UMass Lowell	601	3-1-1	7
9.	Providence	587	1-2-1	5
13.	Vermont	352	4-0-0	17
20.	Notre Dame	80	4-2-0	NR

**Others receiving votes:** Merrimack, 33; New Hampshire, 20

## 2014-2015 HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

Rk.	Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	Vermont	2	2	0	0	4	4-0-0	4.00 (3)	1.50 (3)
2.	Boston University	1	1	0	0	2	3-0-0	8.00 (1)	1.00 (1)
	UMass Lowell	1	1	0	0	2	3-1-1	5.00 (2)	2.00 (4)
	Merrimack	1	1	0	0	2	4-1-0	2.00 (5)	1.00 (1)
	Boston College	2	1	1	0	2	3-1-0	3.00 (4)	3.00 (6)
	Massachusetts	3	1	2	0	2	2-3-0	1.67 (7)	4.67 (8)
7.	Maine	0	0	0	0	0	1-4-1	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
	New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	0	2-2-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
	Notre Dame	0	0	0	0	0	4-2-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
	Providence	0	0	0	0	0	1-2-1	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
	UConn	2	0	2	0	0	1-3-1	1.00 (8)	2.00 (4)
	Northeastern	2	0	2	0	0	0-4-0	2.00 (5)	4.50 (7)