



WOMEN'S PRESS RELEASE

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BOSTON COLLEGE AND BOSTON UNIVERSITY ADVANCE TO WOMEN'S FROZEN FOUR \sim League sends two teams to Frozen Four for first time in nine-year history \sim

Wakefield, Mass. -- Boston College and Boston University will both compete in the 2011 Women's Frozen Four this weekend at Tullio Arena in Erie, Pa., beginning with the semifinals on Friday, March 18th.

The No. 4 seed Boston College Eagles (24-6-6) will faceoff with No. 1 seed Wisconsin (35-2-2) on Friday night at 5pm, while the No. 3 seed Boston University Terriers (26-6-4) will square off with No. 2 seed Cornell (31-2-1) in the late game at 8pm. It marks the first time in league history that two Hockey East teams have qualified for the Frozen Four.

The Eagles advanced to the semifinals with a 4-1 victory in the NCAA quarterfinals on Saturday against Minnesota at Conte Forum. BC is appearing in their second Frozen Four in school history, including its first appearance since 2007. The Eagles own a 2-2 record all-time in the NCAA Tournament. BC finished the conference regular-season schedule with a 13-4-4 record and earned the league tournament's No. 2 seed. The Eagles defeated No. 3 seed Providence, 3-2 in overtime on Saturday, March 5, in semifinal play and captured Hockey East's automatic bid to the NCAA Championship with a 3-1 win over Northeastern for their first WHEA Tournament Championship in school history.

The Terriers were victorious in their quarterfinal matchup with Mercyhurst on Saturday at Walter Brown Arena by a 4-2 score. Boston University owns a 1-1 record all-time in the NCAA Tournament and will be making their first appearance in the Women's Frozen Four in school history. The Terriers earned an at-large bid in the tournament after finishing their league schedule with a 15-3-3 record and a first-place finish in the WHEA standings. BU was knocked out by No. 5 seed Northeastern in the WHEA semifinals by a 4-2 score.

Hockey East two entries into the Frozen Four mark the fourth and fifth teams in league history to accomplish the feat, as New Hampshire also qualified in 2006 and 2008.

The winners of each game will advance to the 2011 Women's National Championship Game on Sunday, March 20th at Tullio Arena (2pm)

For more information regarding the Women's Frozen Four, log on to www.NCAA.com.

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