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71 STUDENT-ATHLETES HONORED ON LEAGUE ALL-ACADEMIC TEAM

WAKEFIELD, Mass. - Hockey East is pleased to announce that 71 student-athletes have been named to the 2009-2010 WHEA All-Academic Team in its eighth season of play, which was announced on Monday afternoon. Each student-athlete achieved a grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or better in each of the two academic periods during which she was actively competing.

The University of Vermont and the University of Maine set the standard in the league this year with 12 student-athletes apiece, while Northeastern registered 11 honorees to the All-Academic squad.

The league also boasted a record setting eight student-athletes that received "Distinguished Scholar" status. Those earning "Distinguished Scholar" status achieved a 3.0 or better in each semester over four varsity seasons. BC's Shannon Webster (Littleton, Col.) and BU's Jennifer Arms (Chapin, S.C.) achieved the honor, while a trio of Maine forwards earned the award, including Abby Barton (Woodstock, N.B.), Jenna Ouellette (Winnipeg, Man.) and Amy Stech (Duluth, Minn.). Northeastern's Katy Applin (Palmer, Alaska) and Cassie Sperry (Southlake, Texas) were also recipients of the honor. Vermont forward Brittany Nelson (Shelburne, Vt.) round out the group of four-year acheivers.

For the first time in league history, four league student-athletes earned 4.0 GPA's as the league's Top Scholar-Athlete. Applin, Arms, New Hampshire defenseman Katie Brock (Marblehead, Mass.) and Vermont forward Chelsea Furlani (Colchester, Vt.) all earned 4.00 GPA's in the academic year. Applin and Arms earned the WHEA Top Scholar-Athlete distinction for the second consecutive season.

Boston College (10)

Corinne Boyles
Laura Hart
Tracy Johnson ***
Kiera Kingston **
Katelyn Kurth **
Elizabeth Olchowski
Kristin Regan **
Mary Restuccia
Megan Shea **
Shannon Webster +

Boston University (7)

Jennifer Arms + (4.00) ^
WHEA Top Scholar-Athlete
Kasey Boucher **
Lauren Cherewyk
Alissa Fromkin
Ashley Leichter **
Holly Lorms
Cristina Wiley

Connecticut (6)

Maude Blaine
Jaclyn Camardo **
Nicole Camardo **
Claire Francis
Alexandra Garcia **
Rebecca Hewett

Maine (12)

Abby Barton +
Jessica Bond **
Candice Carrier **
Danielle Cyr ***
Melissa Gagnon **
Jennie Gallo ***
Ashley Norum **

Jenna Ouellette +
Kylie Smith
Amy Stech +
Dawn Sullivan **
Chloe Tinkler

New Hampshire (5)

Katie Brock (4.00)
WHEA Top Scholar-Athlete
Kayley Herman ***
Micaela Long **
Kelly Paton **
Shannon Sisk **

Northeastern (11)

Lori Antflick **
Katy Applin + (4.00) ^
WHEA Top Scholar-Athlete
Syd Arbelbide **
Ginny Berg ***
Lindsay Domaas
Brittany Esposito
Siena Falino
Annie Hogan ***
Casey Pickett
Florence Schelling
Cassie Sperry +

Providence (8)

Jessica Cohen
Lauren Covell **
Colleen Martin
Arianna Rigano **
Leigh Riley
Alyse Ruff ***
Jessica Vella
Amber Yung **

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Vermont (12)

Erin Barley-Maloney **
Celeste Doucet **
Teddy Fortin **
Ilana Friedman
Chelsea Furlani * (4.00) ^**
WHEA Top Scholar-Athlete
Melanie Greene ***
Brittany Nelson +
Kristen Olychuck ***
Emily Walsh
Maggie Walsh
Erin Wentz
Hannah Westbrook

HEA ACADEMIC ALL-STAR TEAM

(Top GPA's by position)
G: Kristen Olychuck, Vermont (3.96)
D: Katie Brock, New Hampshire (4.00)
D: Jennifer Arms, Boston U. (4.00)
D: Katy Applin, Northeastern (4.00)
F: Chelsea Furlani, Vermont (4.00)
F: Abby Barton, Maine (3.98)
F: Jenna Ouellette, Maine (3.93)

** (denotes two-time honoree)

*** (denotes three-time honoree)

+ (denotes "Distinguished Scholar, 3.0 GPA in each semester over four varsity seasons)