Knight becomes the first Boston College netminder to win the league’s top individual award outright after Thatcher Demko shared the honors in 2015-16. During the Hockey East regular season, Knight led the league with 15 wins, five more than any other goalie, and a 15-2-1 record. His .937 save percentage was tied for tops in Hockey East and was third-best in the NCAA while he carried a 1.99 goals against average which was second-best among all league backstoppers. Knight faced 570 shots in his 18 starts, the third-highest total of any league netminder, making 534 saves across 1087:35 of work to average nearly 30 saves per game. He began the season with an 11-game personal unbeaten streak (10-0-1) and did not drop a game until February 6. The sophomore netminder posted 10 games of at least 30 saves, including four straight to start the year, including consecutive shutouts of then-No. 12 Providence College. He was tabbed the Stop It Goaltender of the Month for November and December 2020 and Hockey East Army ROTC Player of the Week on December 7. He was named a finalist for the Mike Richter Award, given annually to the top men’s goaltender in NCAA Ice Hockey, for the second straight year on February 26. Knight spent a month of the season with the U.S. National Junior Team where he won the gold medal as the starting goaltender at the World Junior Championship. During the tournament, the recorded three shutouts for the red, white, and blue, the most by any goalie in the history of a single tournament. The 13th overall selection of the Florida Panthers in the 2019 NHL Draft stopped all 34 shots he faced in the gold medal game, marking the first shutout in the championship game of the World Juniors since 2012. The shutout also marked the first shutout by a USA team in the World Junior Championship medal round and gave Knight sole ownership of the most career shutouts for a Team USA netminder in the tournament.

Spencer Knight - Boston College
Sophomore Goaltender; Darien, Connecticut

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PLAYER OF THE YEAR HISTORY

Year | Player, School |
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1985 | Tim Army, PC   |
1986 | Scott Harlow, BC |
1987 | Brian Leetch, BC |
1988 | Mike McHugh, ME |
1989 | Greg Brown, BC |
1990 | Dave Emma, BC |
1991 | Steve Saviano, UNH |
1992 | Chris Collins, BC |
1993 | John Curry, BU |
1994 | Kevin Regan, UNH |
1995 | Matt Gilroy, BU |
1996 | Bobby Butler, UNH |
1997 | Chris Drury, BU |
1998 | Steven Whitney, BC |
1999 | Johnny Gaudreau, BC |
2000 | Joe Gambardella, UML |
2001 | Adam Gaudente, NU |
2020 | Jeremy Swayman, ME |
2021 | Bobby Trivigno, UM |

# denotes Hobey Baker winner