



2025-26 NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S HOCKEY MEDIA KIT

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NOTES

NCAA Division I men's hockey is enjoying an era of unprecedented talent, parity, and success. Consider:

- More than half of the nation's teams (33/63) have reached the NCAA Tournament over the last five years.
- 258 NHL draft picks will play college hockey this season, including 18 first-round selections.
- Sixteen new college hockey venues have opened since 2010.
- More college hockey alumni than ever before are playing in the National Hockey League.
- A record 42% of all NHL debuts last season were made by college hockey alumni.
- Nearly half (14/32) of the NHL's general managers played college hockey.
- 93% of NCAA Division I men's hockey players earn a degree, among the top graduation rates of all men's sports.

KEY DATES

Sept. 26	First exhibition games
Oct. 3	Regular season begins
Oct. 10-11	Ice Breaker Tournament at Arizona State (w/ Alaska, Notre Dame, Quinnipiac)
Nov. 28-29	Friendship Four in Belfast, Ireland (Miami, RIT, Sacred Heart, Union)
Nov. 29	Red Hot Hockey (Cornell vs. Boston University @ Madison Square Garden)
Nov. 29	U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame Game (Denver vs. Minnesota @ Ball Arena)
Dec. 26-31	U.S. Collegiate Selects at Spengler Cup (Davos, Switzerland)
Dec. 26-Jan. 5	IIHF World Junior Championship (Minneapolis Saint Paul)
Feb. 2 & 9	72nd annual Beanpot (TD Garden, Boston)
March 3	Conference tournament play begins in Atlantic Hockey America
March 5-7	United Collegiate Hockey Cup (Maryland Heights, Mo.)
March 6	Conference tournament play begins in CCHA, NCHC
March 6 or 7	Conference tournament play begins in ECAC Hockey
March 11	Conference tournament play begins in Big Ten, Hockey East
March 20	Conference championship game in CCHA
March 20 or 21	Conference championship game in Big Ten
March 21	Conference championship game in Atlantic Hockey America, ECAC Hockey, Hockey East, NCHC
March 22	NCAA Selection Show (ESPN)
March 27-29	NCAA Regionals (Albany, N.Y. Loveland, Colo. Sioux Falls, S.D. Worcester, Mass.)
April 9 & 11	NCAA Frozen Four (T-Mobile Arena, Las Vegas)

DIVISION I PLAYERS BY GEOGRAPHY

United States – 56% (984 players)

Canada – 36% (628 players)

Outside of North America – 8% (148 players from 20 countries):

- 43 players – Sweden
- 25 players – Finland
- 19 players – Slovakia
- 15 players – Latvia
- 10 players – Czechia, Russia
- 6 players – Norway
- 3 players – Belarus
- 2 players – Austria, Hungary, Slovenia, Switzerland, Ukraine
- 1 player – China, Croatia, Germany, Italy, Japan, Scotland, South Korea

American players come from 37 different states. The top 10:

Minnesota – 223

New York – 94

Michigan – 91

Massachusetts – 86

Illinois – 67

California – 53

New Jersey – 44

Pennsylvania – 38

Connecticut – 37

Wisconsin – 29

Canadian players come from 11 different provinces and territories. The top six:

Ontario – 208

British Columbia – 126

Alberta – 114

Quebec – 82

Saskatchewan – 39

Manitoba – 29

BY JUNIOR LEAGUE**Division I players come from more than 21 junior/high school leagues. The top North American leagues sending players directly to Division I:**

USHL – 632 players

NAHL – 317

BCHL – 343

CHL – 174 (WHL-77; OHL-59; QMJHL-38)

AJHL – 62

U.S. NTDP – 48

OJHL – 25

USPHL/NCDC – 22

ACTIVE CAREER LEADERS ENTERING 2025-26*(Source: College Hockey News)***Points:**

T.J. Hughes, Michigan – 122
Jeremy Wilmer, Quinnipiac – 109
Lucas Wahlin, St. Thomas – 92
Andre Gasseau, Boston College – 88
Aiden Fink, Penn State – 87
Owen McLaughlin, Boston University – 84
Jay Ahearn, UMass Lowell – 81
Davis Burnside, Ohio State – 80
Daniel Russell, Michigan State – 80
Cruz Lucius, Arizona State – 78
Joe Miller, Harvard – 78

Goals:

T.J. Hughes, Michigan – 47
Josh Zary, Ferris State – 44
Aiden Fink Penn State – 38
Davis Burnside, Ohio State – 37
Andre Gasseau, Boston College – 37
Sam Harris, Denver – 37
Matthew Wilde, UMass – 37
Jay Ahearn, UMass Lowell – 36
Lucas Wahlin, St. Thomas – 35
Three players tied w/ – 34

Assists:

Jeremy Wilmer, Quinnipiac – 79
T.J. Hughes, Michigan – 75
Owen McLaughlin, Boston University – 64
Lucas Wahlin, St. Thomas – 57
Nate Hanley, Union – 56
Max Itagaki, Ferris State – 54
Chris Hedden, Air Force – 52
Cruz Lucius, Arizona State – 52
Three players tied w/ – 51

Power-Play Goals:

Josh Zary, Ferris State – 25
T.J. Hughes, Michigan – 22
Aiden Fink, Penn State – 16
Sam Harris, Denver – 14
John Lundy, Ferris State – 14
Brody Lamb, Minnesota – 13
Andon Cerbone, Quinnipiac – 12
Brody Waters, Bowling Green – 12
Matthew Wilde, UMass – 12
4 players tied w/ – 11

Shorthanded Goals:

Carter Korpi, Union – 5
Tyler Mahan, RIT – 5
Erik Bargholtz, Clarkson – 4
Dylan James, North Dakota – 4
Garrett Schifsky, Michigan – 4
10 players tied w/ – 3

Game-Winning Goals:

Daniel Russell, Michigan State – 11
Ryan St. Louis, Brown – 10
Adam Eisele, Ohio State – 9
Sam Harris, Denver – 9
Josh Nadeau, Maine – 8
Jay Ahearn, UMass Lowell – 7
Brandon Buhr, Union – 7
Kyle Kukkonen, Wisconsin – 7
Joey Muldowney, UConn – 7
Ryan Walsh, Cornell – 7

Plus/Minus Rating:

Boston Buckberger, Denver – +62
Luke Mittelstadt, Minnesota – +56
Andre Gasseau, Boston College – +46
Drew Fortescue, Boston College – +41
Tom Messineo, UConn – +41
Victor Czerneckianair, Quinnipiac – +40
Mason Marcellus, Quinnipiac – +40
Lukas Gustafsson, Boston College – +37
Nick DeSantis, Cornell – +36
Mason Wheeler, Minnesota State – +36

Games Played:

Rieger Lorenz, Denver – 125
Davis Burnside, Ohio State – 118
Matt DeBoer, Holy Cross – 118
Victor Czerneckianair, Quinnipiac – 117
Brody Lamb, Minnesota – 117
Nic Belpedio, Ferris State – 116
T.J. Hughes, Michigan – 116
Luke Mittelstadt, Minnesota – 116
Mack Oliphant, Holy Cross – 115
Dylan James, North Dakota – 114
Owen McLaughlin, Boston University – 114

ACTIVE CAREER LEADERS ENTERING 2025-26*(Source: College Hockey News)***Points by Defensemen:**

Chris Hedden, Air Force – 74
Mac Gadowsky, Penn State – 65
Zach Bookman, Western Michigan – 61
Vinny Borges, Northeastern – 60
Matt Basgall, Michigan State – 59
Luke Mittelstadt, Minnesota – 59
Eric Pohlkamp, Denver – 59
Boston Buckberger, Denver – 57
Jake Livanavage, North Dakota – 57
Ben Dexheimer, Wisconsin – 56

Goals by Defensemen:

Chris Hedden, Air Force – 22
Eric Pohlkamp, Denver – 22
Mac Gadowsky, Penn State – 20
Mikey Adamson, Sacred Heart – 17
William Gilson, Quinnipiac – 17
CJ Foley, Dartmouth – 16
Nic Belpedio, Ferris State – 15
Ryan Healey, Harvard – 15
6 players tied w/ – 14

Assists by Defensemen:

Chris Hedden, Air Force – 52
Zach Bookman, Western Michigan – 50
Ben Dexheimer, Wisconsin – 50
Luke Mittelstadt, Minnesota – 50
Vinny Borges, Northeastern – 49
Matt Basgall, Michigan State – 48
Jake Livanavage, North Dakota – 48
Mac Gadowsky, Penn State – 45
Mack Oliphant, Holy Cross – 44
Boston Buckberger, Denver – 43

Power-Play Goals by Defensemen:

Chris Hedden, Air Force – 11
Max Burkholder, Colorado College – 8
Ryan Healey, Harvard – 8
Eric Pohlkamp, Denver – 8
Mikey Adamson, Sacred Heart – 7
Evan Murr, Minnesota State – 7
Matt Basgall, Michigan State – 6
Matthew Campbell, Merrimack – 6
Alex Pineau, Brown – 6
Joaquim Lemay, Northeastern – 6

Shorthanded Goals by Defensemen:

Rhys Bentham, Yale – 2
CJ Foley, Dartmouth – 2
Chris Hedden, Air Force – 2
23 players tied w/ – 1

Game-Winning Goals by Defensemen:

Mikey Adamson, Sacred Heart – 5
Evan Orr, Stonehill – 5
Mac Gadowsky, Penn State – 4
Chris Hedden, Air Force – 4
Cole Hutson, Boston University – 4
Evan Murr, Minnesota State – 4
Eric Pohlkamp, Denver – 4
Broten Sabo, Ohio State – 4
9 players tied w/ – 3

Plus/Minus Rating by Defensemen:

Boston Buckberger, Denver – +62
Luke Mittelstadt, Minnesota – +56
Drew Fortescue, Boston College – +41
Tom Messineo, UConn – +41
Lukas Gustafsson, Boston College – +37
Mason Wheeler, Minnesota State – +36
Eric Pohlkamp, Denver – +35
Charlie Leddy, Quinnipiac – +32
Cole Crusberg-Roseen, Western Michigan – +31
Aram Minnetian, Boston College – +31

Games Played by Defensemen:

Nic Belpedio, Ferris State – 116
Luke Mittelstadt, Minnesota – 116
Mack Oliphant, Holy Cross – 115
Matt Basgall, Michigan State – 113
Mason Wheeler, Minnesota State – 113
Chris Hedden, Air Force – 112
Lukas Gustafsson, Boston College – 111
Charlie Leddy, Quinnipiac – 111
Ben Dexheimer, Wisconsin – 110
Tom Messineo, UConn – 110

ACTIVE CAREER GOALTENDING LEADERS ENTERING 2025-26*(Source: College Hockey News)***Games Played:**

Kaidan Mbereko, Colorado College – 98
Phil Svedebäck, Providence – 95
Simon Latkoczy, Omaha – 85
Kyle Chauvette, New Hampshire – 81
Aaron Trotter, St. Thomas – 78
Connor Hasley, Arizona State – 77
Alex Tracy, Minnesota State – 76
Michael Hrabal, UMass – 66
Trey Augustine, Michigan State – 65
Jared Whale, New Hampshire – 62

Wins:

Phil Svedebäck, Providence – 46
Kaidan Mbereko, Colorado College – 45
Alex Tracy, Minnesota – 45
Simon Latkoczy, Omaha – 44
Trey Augustine, Michigan State – 42
Connor Hasley, Arizona State – 37
Kyle Chauvette, New Hampshire – 35
Michael Hrabal, UMass – 35
Albin Boija, Maine – 33
Keenan Rancier, Clarkson – 26
Aaron Trotter, St. Thomas – 26

Goals-Against Average (Min. 25 GP):

Matej Marinov, Quinnipiac – 1.79
Albin Boija, Maine – 1.88
Ajeet Gundarah, Sacred Heart – 1.90
Hampton Slukynsky, Western Michigan – 1.90
Alex Tracy, Minnesota State – 1.91
Connor Hasley, Arizona State – 2.27
Noah Rupprecht, Ferris State – 2.27
Phil Svedebäck, Providence – 2.29
Keenan Rancier, Clarkson – 2.31
Gibson Homer, North Dakota – 2.32
Josh Kotai, Augustana – 2.32

Save Percentage (Min. 25 GP):

Ajeet Gundarah, Sacred Heart – .936
Josh Kotai, Augustana – .926
Alex Tracy, Minnesota State – .926
Albin Boija, Maine – .924
Gibson Homer, North Dakota – .924
Matej Marinov, Quinnipiac – .923
JJ Cataldo, Army West Point – .922
Hampton Slukynsky, Western Michigan – .922
Trey Augustine, Michigan State – .919
Michael Hrabal, UMass – .919

Shutouts:

Connor Hasley, Arizona State – 14
Alex Tracy, Minnesota State – 8
Trey Augustine, Michigan State – 6
Albin Boija, Maine – 6
Kaidan Mbereko, Colorado College – 6
Kyle Chauvette, New Hampshire – 5
Simon Latkoczy, Omaha – 5
Phil Svedebäck, Providence – 5
Michael Hrabal, UMass – 4
Matej Marinov, Quinnipiac – 4
Jared Whale, New Hampshire – 4

Minutes Played:

Kaidan Mbereko, Colorado College – 5682:30
Phil Svedebäck, Providence – 5647:47
Simon Latkoczy, Omaha – 4912:17
Connor Hasley, Arizona State – 4516:32
Kyle Chauvette, New Hampshire – 4499:08
Aaron Trotter, St. Thomas – 4465:07
Alex Tracy, Minnesota State – 4463:53
Trey Augustine, Michigan State – 3937:08
Michael Hrabal, UMass – 3914:41
Jared Whale, New Hampshire – 3522:59

RETURNING OFFENSE FROM 2024-25 *(does not include incoming transfers)***Most Returning Goals:**

Penn State – 115
UConn – 111
Western Michigan – 95
Holy Cross – 94
Quinnipiac, Denver – 92
Harvard – 79
Union – 78
Army West Point, Ohio State – 76

Most Returning Points:

Penn State – 282
UConn – 273
Holy Cross – 270
Western Michigan – 264
Quinnipiac – 249
Denver – 237
Army West Point – 204
Wisconsin – 202
Union – 198
Harvard – 197

Highest Percentage of Returning Goals:

Harvard – 93%
Princeton – 90%
UConn, St. Cloud State – 85%
Penn State, Stonehill – 83%
Yale – 79%
Army West Point, Holy Cross – 72%
Augustana, Union – 70%

Highest Percentage of Returning Points:

Princeton – 89%
Harvard – 87%
St. Cloud State – 83%
UConn – 79%
Stonehill – 78%
Penn State – 75%
Holy Cross – 74%
Army West Point – 71%
Augustana, Robert Morris, Yale – 70%

Fewest Returning Goals:

Miami – 13
Minnesota State – 21
Northern Michigan – 27
RPI – 28
Alaska, Omaha – 29
St. Lawrence – 33
Northeastern, RIT – 36
Merrimack – 37

Fewest Returning Points:

Miami – 32
RPI – 66
Alaska – 77
Lindenwood, Minnesota State – 84
St. Lawrence – 88
Northern Michigan – 89
Canisius – 96
Northeastern – 100
Omaha – 101

Lowest Percentage of Returning Goals:

Minnesota – 19%
Miami – 21%
Omaha, RPI – 28%
Minnesota – 32%
Arizona State – 36%
Niagara – 37%
LIU, UMass, North Dakota – 38%

Lowest Percentage of Returning Points:

Miami – 18%
RPI – 25%
Minnesota State – 29%
Minnesota, Omaha – 36%
Niagara – 37%
Arizona State – 38%
Canisius – 39%
UMass – 40%
Alaska, Northeastern – 41%

TEAMS BY THE NUMBERS**10 biggest teams, by average height:**

UMass – 6'1.9"
Cornell – 6'1.7"
Boston University, St. Cloud State – 6'1.4"
Canisius – 6'1.3"
Michigan State, North Dakota – 6'1.2"
Harvard – 6'1.1"
Brown, Notre Dame, Providence, RIT, RPI – 6'1"

10 smallest teams, by average height:

Omaha – 5'10"
Maine – 5'11"
Yale – 5'11.3"
Lindenwood – 5'11.4"
Bemidji State, LSSU, Mercyhurst, Quinnipiac – 5'11.6"
Bentley – 5'11.9"
Army, LIU – 6'0"

10 biggest teams, by average weight:

Notre Dame – 200.3 pounds
Cornell – 195.3
North Dakota – 195.0
Clarkson – 194.5
St. Cloud State – 194.3
Harvard – 194.0
UMass – 193.8
Brown – 193.0
Boston College – 192.5
Vermont – 192.2

10 smallest teams, by average weight:

Yale – 179.2 pounds
Quinnipiac – 180.2
Lindenwood – 180.5
Augustana – 182.3
Mercyhurst – 182.5
Alaska Anchorage – 183.0
Maine – 184.0
Alaska – 184.5
Wisconsin – 184.7
Penn State – 184.8

10 oldest teams, by average age (as of Oct. 1):

Canisius – 23.0 years
Ferris State, Niagara – 22.9
RIT, Sacred Heart – 22.7
Mercyhurst, Stonehill – 22.6
Alaska Anchorage, Augustana, Colgate, Union – 22.5

10 youngest teams, by average age (as of Oct. 1):

Boston University – 19.9 years
Michigan – 20.6
Boston College – 20.8
Harvard, Michigan State – 20.9
Denver – 21.0
Minnesota, Providence – 21.1
Cornell, New Hampshire, North Dakota – 21.2

Tallest player:

6'8" – Jack Sparkes (D), Clarkson
6'7" – Pavol Funtek (D), Alaska Anchorage
6'7" – Dean Letourneau (F), Boston College
6'7" – Michael Hrabal (G), UMass
6'7" – James Mackey (D), Harvard

Shortest player:

5'6" – Anthony Cipollone, Quinnipiac
5'6" – Justin Cote (F), Clarkson
5'6" – Max Itagaki (F), Ferris State

Youngest players:

8/3/08 – Ilia Morozov, Miami
6/19/08 – Keaton Verhoeff, North Dakota
4/11/08 – Adam Valentini, Michigan
12/20/07 – Gavin McKenna, Penn State
11/28/07 – Lincoln Kuehne, Arizona State
10/4/07 – Landon Nycz, UMass



TEAMS BY THE NUMBERS

Most graduate students:

- 3 – Miami
- 2 – Canisius, North Dakota, Notre Dame, RPI, Stonehill

Largest senior classes:

- 12 – Ferris State
- 11 – Canisius
- 9 – Holy Cross, Princeton, Sacred Heart, St. Cloud State
- 8 – Niagara, St. Thomas, Union

Largest junior classes:

- 11 – Robert Morris
- 10 – Augustana, Ohio State
- 9 – Alaska Anchorage, Bentley, Mercyhurst, Notre Dame, RPI

Largest sophomore classes:

- 12 – LIU
- 11 – Alaska, Alaska Anchorage, Minnesota Duluth
- 10 – Air Force, Lindenwood, Robert Morris, Western Michigan

Largest freshman classes:

- 13 – Michigan Tech
- 12 – Alaska, Boston University, Bowling Green, Colorado College, Cornell, UMass Lowell, Miami
- 11 – Air Force, Arizona State, Clarkson, Maine, Michigan, Michigan State
- 10 – Denver, Lindenwood, Merrimack, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Providence, Quinnipiac, St. Lawrence, St. Thomas

Most freshmen and sophomores:

- 23 – Alaska
- 22 – Michigan Tech
- 21 – Air Force
- 20 – Boston University, Clarkson, Colorado College, Lindenwood, UMass Lowell, Miami

Fewest seniors

- 1 – Boston University, Merrimack, Providence
- 2 – Colorado College, Lindenwood, Robert Morris, RPI
- 3 – Air Force, Clarkson, Denver, UMass, Miami, Ohio State, Western Michigan

Fewest freshmen

- 3 – Ferris State
- 5 – Alaska Anchorage, Augustana, Colgate, Niagara, Sacred Heart, Stonehill



RETURNING HOBIEY BAKER AWARD TOP-10 FINALISTS

F Aiden Fink, Penn State (2024-25)
D Mac Gadowsky, Penn State (2024-25)
G Alex Tracy, Minnesota State (2024-25)

RETURNING MIKE RICHTER AWARD FINALISTS

Trey Augustine, Michigan State (2024-25)
Kaidan Mbereko, Colorado College (2023-24)
Albin Boija, Maine (2024-25)
Alex Tracy, Minnesota State (2024-25)

RETURNING ALL-AMERICANS

G Trey Augustine, Michigan State (West – first team, 2024-25)
D Matt Basgall, Michigan State (West – second team, 2024-25)
G Albin Boija, Maine (East – second team, 2024-25)
F Aiden Fink, Penn State (West – second team, 2024-25)
D Mac Gadowsky, Penn State (East – first team, 2024-25 with Army West Point)
D Cole Hutson, Boston University (East – first team, 2024-25)
D Jake Livanavage, North Dakota (West – second team, 2024-25)
G Kaidan Mbereko, Colorado College (West – first team, 2023-24)
F Joey Muldowney, UConn (East – second team, 2024-25)
G Alex Tracy, Minnesota State (West – second team, 2024-25)

RETURNING 2024-25 ALL-CONFERENCE FIRST TEAM SELECTIONS

Atlantic Hockey America

D Mac Gadowsky, Army West Point (*AHA Best Defenseman, now at Penn State*)
D Matthew Wilde, RIT (*now at UMass*)

Big Ten

G Trey Augustine, Michigan State (*Big 10 Goaltender of the Year*)
D Matt Basgall, Michigan State
F Aiden Fink, Penn State

CCHA

D Evan Murr, Minnesota State (*CCHA Defenseman of the Year*)
Alex Tracy, Minnesota State (*CCHA Player of the Year, Goaltender of the Year, Student-Athlete of the Year*)
F Lucas Wahlin, St. Thomas

ECAC Hockey

D CJ Foley, Dartmouth
F Ellis Rickwood, Clarkson (*now at North Dakota*)

Hockey East

D Cole Hutson, Boston University (*HEA Rookie of the Year*)

NCHC

G Simon Latkoczy, Omaha (*NCHC Goaltender of the Year*)
D Jake Livanavage, North Dakota



NCAA TOURNAMENT

Most NCAA Appearances:

Minnesota – 42
Michigan – 41
Boston University – 40
Boston College – 38
North Dakota – 35
Denver – 33
Michigan State – 29
Harvard, Wisconsin – 27
Cornell – 25

Longest Active NCAA Appearance Streaks:

Quinnipiac – 6
Minnesota – 5
Denver, Western Michigan – 4
Boston University, Cornell – 3

Most Appearances, Last 10 Tournaments:

Denver – 9
Boston University, Quinnipiac – 8
Minnesota, Minnesota State, St. Cloud State – 7

Most Appearances, Last 5 Tournaments:

Minnesota, Quinnipiac – 5
Boston University, Denver, UMass, Michigan, Minnesota State, Western Michigan – 4
Boston College, Cornell, Michigan Tech, North Dakota, St. Cloud State – 3

Most Frozen Four Appearances:

Michigan – 28
Boston College – 26
Boston University – 25
Minnesota – 23
North Dakota – 22

Most Championships:

Denver – 10
Michigan – 9
North Dakota – 8
Wisconsin – 6
Boston College, Boston University, Minnesota – 5
Lake Superior State, Michigan State, Michigan Tech, Minnesota Duluth – 3
Colorado College, Cornell, Maine, RPI – 2
Bowling Green, Harvard, UMass, Northern Michigan, Providence, Quinnipiac, Union, Western Michigan, Yale – 1

NCAA Men's Frozen Four History: <https://www.collegehockeyinc.com/mens-frozen-four/>

COLLEGE COACHES**Most Career Wins entering 2025-26 (Division I wins):**

Jerry York (Boston College, Bowling Green, Clarkson) – 1,123
Jack Parker (Boston University) – 897
Red Berenson (Michigan) – 848
Ron Mason (Michigan State, Bowling Green, Lake Superior State) – 815
Rick Comley (Michigan State, Northern Michigan, Lake Superior State) – 783

Source: CollegeHockeyNews.com

Most Career Wins Among Active Coaches (Division I wins):

Rand Pecknold, Quinnipiac – 591
Frank Serratore, Air Force (and Denver) – 521
Scott Sandelin, Minnesota Duluth – 469
Rico Blasi, St. Thomas (and Miami) – 446
Bob Motzko, Minnesota (and St. Cloud State) – 437

Source: CollegeHockeyNews.com

Most NCAA Tournament Appearances, Active Coaches:

Bob Motzko, Minnesota (and St. Cloud State) – 13
Rand Pecknold, Quinnipiac – 11
Scott Sandelin, Minnesota Duluth – 11
Rico Blasi, St. Thomas (all at Miami) – 10
Mike Hastings, Wisconsin (and Minnesota State) – 9

Active NCAA Head Coaches to Have Won NCAA Championship:

David Carle, Denver (2022, 2024)
Greg Carvel, UMass (2021)
Pat Ferschweiler, Western Michigan (2025)
Nate Leaman, Providence (2015)
Rand Pecknold, Quinnipiac (2023)
Scott Sandelin, Minnesota Duluth (2011, 2018, 2019)

Teams with New Head Coaches in 2025-26:

Army West Point, Zach McKelvie
Cornell, Casey Jones
Ferris State, Brett Riley
Lindenwood, Keith Fisher
LIU, Brendan Riley
Michigan Tech, Bill Muckalt
North Dakota, Dane Jackson
Notre Dame, Brock Sheahan
RIT, Matt Thomas
RPI, Eric Lang
Yale, Joe Howe (interim)



Longest Tenure at Current School:

Rick Gotkin, Mercyhurst – 38th and final season
Rand Pecknold, Quinnipiac – 32nd season
Frank Serratore, Air Force Academy – 29th season
Scott Sandelin, Minnesota Duluth – 26th season
Tom Serratore, Bemidji State – 25th season

Youngest Head Coaches:

Brendan Riley, LIU – Turns 30 on March 29
Brett Riley, Ferris State – Turns 35 on Jan. 25
David Carle, Denver – Turns 36 on Nov. 9
Joe Howe, Yale – Turns 36 on March 5
Erik Largen, Alaska – Turns 39 on Oct. 17
Garrett Raboin, Augustana – Turns 40 on March 27
Steve Wiedler, Vermont – Turns 40 on September 15

Coaches with Sons or Daughters Playing NCAA Division I Hockey:

David Berard, Stonehill head coach (son Brady is a Boston College senior F)
Chris Brooks, Clarkson associate head coach (son Barrett is a Mercyhurst senior F)
Chris Brown, Cornell associate head coach (son Conner is a Ferris State sophomore D)
Guy Gadowsky, Penn State head coach (son Mac is a Penn State junior D)
Cory Laylin, St. Thomas assistant coach (son Casy is a St. Thomas sophomore F & son Luc is a St. Thomas senior F)
Greg Powers, Arizona State head coach (daughter Isabel is a Union freshman D)
Eric Rud, St. Cloud State assistant coach (son Max is a Minnesota sophomore D)
Derek Schooley, Robert Morris head coach (daughter Kaitlyn is an RMU junior D & daughter Taylor is a Delaware freshman D)
Andy Slaggert, Notre Dame associate coach (son Carter is a Notre Dame junior F)
Luke Strand, Minnesota State head coach (son Bryce is a Minnesota State freshman D)

Coaches Coaching their Alma Mater in 2025-26 (25 out of 63 / 40%):

Norm Bazin, UMass Lowell
Greg Brown, Boston College
David Carle, Denver
Greg Carvel, UMass (*master's degree*)
Ted Donato, Harvard
Pat Ferschweiler, Western Michigan
Mike Gabinet, Omaha
Mike Harder, Colgate
Jean-François Houle, Clarkson
Dane Jackson, North Dakota
Casey Jones, Cornell
Erik Largen, Alaska
Zach McKelvie, Army West Point
Brandon Naurato, Michigan
Adam Nightingale, Michigan State
Jay Pandolfo, Boston University
Greg Powers, Arizona State
Tom Serratore, Bemidji State
Matt Shasby, Alaska Anchorage
Brock Sheahan, Notre Dame
Dave Shyiak, Northern Michigan
Mike Souza, New Hampshire
Matt Thomas, RIT
Brendan Whittet, Brown
Dennis Williams, Bowling Green



Head Coaches with NHL Coaching Experience:

Greg Brown, Boston College (assistant coach with NY Rangers)
Greg Carvel, UMass (assistant coach with Anaheim and Ottawa)
Reid Cashman, Dartmouth (assistant coach with Washington)
Pat Ferschweiler, Western Michigan (assistant coach with Detroit)
Brandon Naurato, Michigan (player development consultant with Detroit)
Adam Nightingale, Michigan State (assistant coach with Detroit; video coach with Buffalo)
Jay Pandolfo, Boston University (assistant coach with Boston)

Head Coaches with NHL Playing Experience:

Dane Jackson, North Dakota (45 GP with Vancouver, Buffalo, NY Islanders)
Greg Brown, Boston College (94 GP with Buffalo, Pittsburgh, Winnipeg)
Ted Donato, Harvard (796 GP with Boston, NY Islanders, Ottawa, Anaheim, Dallas, Los Angeles, St. Louis, NY Rangers)
Bill Muckalt, Michigan Tech (256 GP with Vancouver, NY Islanders, Ottawa, Minnesota Wild)
Jay Pandolfo, Boston University (899 GP with New Jersey, NY Islanders, Boston)
Scott Sandelin, Minnesota Duluth (25 GP with Montreal, Philadelphia, Minnesota North Stars)

IN THE NHL

Most NCAA Alumni in the NHL, by Season

349 – 2021-22
341 – 2024-25
334 – 2022-23
327 – 2018-19
326 – 2023-24

A total of 341 college hockey alumni, representing 46 schools, played in the NHL in 2024-25. Colleges with the most:

Michigan – 31
Boston College – 28
Boston University, Minnesota – 25
Northeastern – 15
UMass, Minnesota Duluth, North Dakota, Notre Dame, Providence – 14
Harvard, St. Cloud State, Wisconsin – 13
Denver – 10

**NHL players by years in school
(65% played at least three years)**

Played six years – 1
Played five years – 2
Played four years – 87
Played three years – 130
Played two years – 86
Played one year – 34

By NHL Draft status:

89 – First round
45 – Second round
38 – Third round
29 – Fourth round
23 – Fifth round
17 – Sixth round
12 – Seventh round
87 – Undrafted FAs (55% of undrafted NHL players)

By position:

195 forwards ▪ 122 defensemen ▪ 23 goaltenders

46 schools have at least one NHL Draft pick on their roster. Schools with the most draft picks:

Boston University – 19
Michigan State – 15
Denver – 14
Michigan, Minnesota – 13
Boston College, North Dakota – 12
Harvard, Western Michigan, Wisconsin – 10
Colorado College, Cornell – 9
Notre Dame – 8

All 32 NHL teams have prospects in college. Those with the most:

Boston – 17
Detroit, Ottawa – 14
Montreal – 12
Calgary, Nashville, Philadelphia, San Jose – 11
Anaheim, Buffalo, Columbus, Tampa Bay – 10

14 of 32 current NHL GMs played college hockey:

Kevyn Adams, Buffalo (Miami)
Jason Botterill, Seattle (Michigan)
Craig Conroy, Calgary (Clarkson)
Tom Fitzgerald, New Jersey (Providence)
Chris Drury, NY Rangers (Boston University)
Mike Grier, San Jose (Boston University)
Bill Guerin, Minnesota (Boston College)
Kent Hughes, Montreal (Middlebury)
Chris MacFarland, Colorado (Pace)
Kelly McCrimmon, Vegas (Michigan)
Chris Patrick, Washington (Princeton)
Don Sweeney, Boston (Harvard)
Don Waddell, Columbus (Northern Michigan)
Bill Zito, Florida (Yale)

10 of 32 NHL head coaches played college hockey:

Jeff Blashill, Chicago (Ferris State)
Rod Brind'Amour, Carolina (Michigan State)
Spencer Carbery, Washington (Alaska Anchorage, St. Norbert)
Jim Hiller, Los Angeles (Northern Michigan)
John Hynes, Minnesota (Boston University)
Jim Montgomery, St. Louis (Maine)
Dan Muse, Pittsburgh (Stonehill)
Martin St. Louis, Montreal (Vermont)
Mike Sullivan, NY Rangers (Boston University)
Ryan Warsofsky, San Jose (Sacred Heart, Curry College)

Full list of former NCAA players in NHL roles: <https://www.collegehockeyinc.com/former-collegians-in-nhl-front-offices/>

More than 70 active NCAA players are sons of former NHLers, including:

Jack Blake (Bowling Green) – son of Rob Blake
Caden Brown (Ferris State) – son of Jeff Brown
David and Marek Hejduk (Harvard) – sons of Milan Hejduk
Joel Lehtinen (Stonehill) – son of Jere Lehtinen
Brayden Morrison (Miami) – son of Brendan Morrison
Jackson Niedermayer (Bowling Green) – son of Scott Niedermayer
Matthew Rafalski (Stonehill) – son of Brian Rafalski
Ryan St. Louis (Brown) – son of Martin St. Louis
Dylan Sydor (Alaska) – son of Darryl Sydor

Full list: <https://www.collegehockeyinc.com/sons-of-nhlers-in-college-hockey/>

Players with brothers who have played in the NHL:

Grant Ahcan, St. Cloud State (Jack Ahcan)
Nic Belpedio, Ferris State (Louie Belpedio)
Seth Bernard-Docker, Bentley (Jacob Bernard-Docker)
Jordan Brisson, Colorado College (Brendan Brisson)
Marcus Broberg, Omaha (Philip Broberg)
Caden Brown, Ferris State (Logan Brown)
Michael Cicek, Michigan Tech (Nick Cicek)
Tyler Duke, Michigan (Dylan Duke)
Luca Fantilli, Michigan (Adam Fantilli)
Brendan Fitzgerald, New Hampshire (Casey Fitzgerald)
Justin Gibson, Stonehill (John Gibson)
Kai Greaves, Princeton (Jet Greaves)
Dylan Hryckowian, Northeastern (Justin Hryckowian)
Cole Hutson, Boston University (Lane Hutson & Quinn Hutson)
Oskar Komarov, Maine (Leo Komarov)
Jack Malinski, Vermont (Sam Malinski)
John and Luke Mittelstadt, Minnesota (Casey Mittelstadt)
Josh Nadeau, Maine (Bradly Nadeau)
Max Namestnikov, Bemidji State (Vladislav Namestnikov)
Dalton Norris, Bowling Green (Josh Norris)
Aaron Pionk, Minnesota Duluth (Neal Pionk)
Mason Poolman, St. Thomas (Tucker Poolman)
Carter Slaggert, Notre Dame (Landon Slaggert)

Some other current players with notable bloodlines:

Callum Arnott (Minnesota Duluth) & Grayson Arnott (Maine) – nephews of former NHL player Jason Arnott
Alexander Bales (Providence) – son of Buffalo Sabres assistant coach and former NHL goalie Mike Bales
Diego Buttazzoni (UMass Lowell) & Mirko Buttazzoni (UMass Lowell) – cousins of NHL forward Zach Benson
Matt DeBoer (Holy Cross) – son of longtime NHL head coach Peter DeBoer
Riley Fitzgerald (Mercyhurst) – son of San Jose Sharks Director of Player Personnel Scott Fitzgerald
Jack Gorton (RPI) – son of Montreal Canadiens Executive VP of Hockey Operations Jeff Gorton
Larry Keenan (UMass) – grandson of former NHL player Larry Keenan
Max Lacroix (Boston Univ.) – son of former NHL player Eric Lacroix, grandson of Hockey HOF builder Pierre Lacroix
Alton McDermott (Canisius) – grandson of former NHL player Paul Henderson
Shawn McEwen (Miami) – grandson of former NCAA coach and NHL scout Don "Toot" Cahoon
Tom Molson (Yale) – son of Montreal Canadiens co-owner, president and CEO Geoff Molson
LJ Mooney (Minnesota) – cousin of Utah Mammoth player and former Golden Gopher Logan Cooley
Chad Muller (LIU) – nephew of former NHL player Kirk Muller
Jacob Oster (Vermont) – cousin of NHL players Brady and Matthew Tkachuk
Aidan Park (Michigan) – nephew of former NHL player Richard Park
Dakota Rhéaume-Mullen (Michigan) – son of Manon Rhéaume, the first woman to play in an NHL game
Ryder Ritchie (Boston Univ.) – son of former NHL player Byron Ritchie, nephew of former NHL player Andreas Johansson
Erick Roest (Cornell) – nephew of Tampa Bay assistant GM Stacy Roest
Noah Serdachny (LIU) – brother of PWHL Seattle forward Danielle Serdachny
Josh Sparkes (Clarkson) – grandson of former NHL player and coach Al MacNeil
Calvin Vachon (Alaska) – grandson of former NHL player Rogie Vachon and son of former NHL player Nick Vachon
Abram Wiebe (North Dakota) – nephew of former NHL defenseman Keith Brown
Ethan Warrenner (Alaska Anchorage) – nephew of former NHL player Rhett Warrenner
Josh Zary (Ferris State) – cousin of current Calgary Flames forward Connor Zary

HOCKEY HALL OF FAME**Players**

Hobey Baker, Princeton – 1945
Frank Brimsek, St. Cloud State – 1966
Ken Dryden, Cornell – 1983
Tony Esposito, Michigan Tech – 1988
Joe Mullen, Boston College – 2000
Rod Langway, New Hampshire – 2002
Brett Hull, Minnesota Duluth - 2009
Brian Leetch, Boston College - 2009
Ed Belfour, North Dakota - 2011
Joe Nieuwendyk, Cornell - 2011
Adam Oates, RPI – 2012
Chris Chelios, Wisconsin - 2013
Rob Blake, Bowling Green - 2014
Paul Kariya, Maine - 2017
Martin St. Louis, Vermont – 2018
Duncan Keith, Michigan State – 2025

IIHF HALL OF FAME**Players**

Bill Cleary, Harvard – 1997
John Mayasich, Minnesota – 1997
Marshall Johnston, Denver – 1998
Jack McCartan, Minnesota – 1998
Terry O'Malley, Harvard – 1998
Jim Craig, Boston University – 1999
Mike "Lefty" Curran, North Dakota – 1999
Mark Johnson, Wisconsin – 1999
Brian Leetch, Boston College – 2023
Lou Nanne, Minnesota – 2004
Rob Blake, Bowling Green – 2018
Chris Chelios, Wisconsin – 2018

U.S. HOCKEY HALL OF FAME

Full list of honorees: <https://www.collegehockeyinc.com/hall-of-fame-honorees/>

Builders

John Mariucci, Minnesota – 1985
Bob Johnson, Minnesota – 1992
Bill Torrey, St. Lawrence - 1995
Craig Patrick, Denver - 2001
Herb Brooks, Minnesota – 2006
Harley Hotchkiss, Michigan State – 2006
Lou Lamoriello, Providence – 2009
Bill "Red" Hay, Colorado College – 2015
Jerry York, Boston College – 2019
David Poile, Northeastern – 2024
Jack Parker, Boston University – 2025

Builders

Herb Brooks, Minnesota – 1999
John "Jack" Riley, Jr., Dartmouth – 1998
Ben Smith, Harvard – 2016



COLLEGE ARENAS

New Arenas Since 2010:

2010: Amsoil Arena (Minnesota Duluth), Sanford Center (Bemidji State)
2011: Compton Family Ice Arena (Notre Dame)
2013: Pegula Ice Arena (Penn State)
2014: Gene Polisseni Center (RIT), HarborCenter (Canisius)
2015: Baxter Arena (Omaha)
2016: Class of 1965 Arena (Colgate)
2018: Bentley Arena (Bentley)
2019: Centene Ice Center (Lindenwood)
2021: Ed Robson Arena (Colorado College)
2022: Mullett Arena (Arizona State)
2023: Martire Family Arena (Sacred Heart), Toscano Family Ice Forum (UConn)
2024: Midco Arena (Augustana)
2025: M&T Bank Center (Union)

Oldest arenas:

Matthews Arena, Northeastern – 1910
Baker Rink, Princeton – 1923
Yost Ice Arena, Michigan – 1923 (did not have ice until 1973)
Houston Field House, RPI – 1949
Appleton Arena, St. Lawrence – 1951
Bright-Landry Hockey Center – 1956 (originally Watson Rink)
Lynah Rink, Cornell – 1957
Ingalls Rink, Yale – 1958

OLDEST PROGRAMS

Yale – 1896
Brown, Harvard – 1898
Princeton – 1900
Cornell, Rensselaer – 1901

NEWEST PROGRAMS

2004 – Robert Morris
2012 – Penn State
2015 – Arizona State
2020 – Long Island
2021 – St. Thomas
2022 – Lindenwood, Stonehill
2023 – Augustana

OTHER RESOURCES

- College Hockey, Inc. Media Center: <https://www.collegehockeyinc.com/media-center/>
- NHL Matchup Tool – NCAA alumni on NHL rosters: <https://www.collegehockeyinc.com/men/nhlteams.php>