



MEN'S ICE HOCKEY WEEKLY RELEASE MARCH 19, 2019

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STANDINGS

	WIAC							OVERALL						
<u>School</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>OTL</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>N</u>	
UW-Stevens Point*	8	0	0	0	16	4-0	4-0	27	0	2	16-0-1	11-0-1	0-0	
UW-Eau Claire	4	3	1	0	9	3-1	1-2-1	19	7	2	11-2-1	8-5-1	0-0	
UW-Superior	3	3	2	0	8	1-1-2	2-2	10	14	3	5-5-3	5-9	0-0	
UW-River Falls	1	4	3	0	5	1-2-1	0-2-2	12	11	5	8-4-2	4-7-3	0-0	
UW-Stout	0	6	2	0	2	0-3-1	0-3-1	13	12	2	5-6-1	7-6-1	1-0	

*Regular-Season Champion

In conference standings, points are awarded as follows:

-2 points are awarded for a win in regulation.

-1 point is awarded to each team advancing to an overtime.

-1 additional point is awarded to a team winning in overtime.

UW-STEVENS POINT ADVANCES TO NATIONAL SEMIFINALS

UW-Stevens Point clinched a spot in the Frozen Four of the NCAA Division III Men's Ice Hockey Championship with a 3-0 victory over St. Norbert College (Wis.) in the quarterfinals at K.B. Willett Arena on March 16.

The No. 1 ranked Pointers (27-0-2) will square off against Hobart College (N.Y.) (21-7-2) in a national semifinal contest on March 22. Faceoff at K.B. Willett Arena is slated for 7:00 pm. State University of New York-Geneseo (25-1-2) and Norwich University (Vt.) (22-4-3) will meet in the other semifinal game at 3:00 p.m. Tickets for all three games of the NCAA Championship go on sale on March 19.

This marks the sixth time in the last seven years that a team from the WIAC has advanced to the Frozen Four.

The win against No. 3-ranked St. Norbert College (23-5-3) was a program-record 29th consecutive unbeaten game for the Pointers. Connor Ryckman backed up his WIAC Player of the Year honor with 17 saves in the shutout. It was his 24th win of the year, a single season program record for the Pointers. The shutout was the third of the year for Ryckman.

Late in the first period, Kelly O'Brien put the Pointers in front. He fired a shot that was turned aside, but he pursued and flipped a backhand into the net for a 1-0 lead. Carter Roo and Chris Allemon picked up assists on the goal.

UW-Stevens Point extended its lead to 2-0 early in the second. Tanner Karty tapped home the puck into an empty net off a feed from Zach Zech. O'Brien added his second point of the night with an assist on the goal.

A late power play in the second gave the Pointers a 3-0 lead. TJ Roo walked out from behind the goal and after his initial shot crept up the shoulder of Green Knights goaltender T.J. Black, he tapped in the rebound. Carter Roo and Drew McLean tallied assists for UW-Stevens Point.

St. Norbert goaltender Black took the loss made 32 saves in the loss.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

NCAA Division III Championship Semifinals
(at Stevens Point)

#3/4 Norwich (VT) vs. #2/2 SUNY-Geneseo, 3:00 PM

#8/7 Hobart (NY) at #1/1 UW-Stevens Point, 7:00 PM

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

NCAA Division III Championship (at Stevens Point)
Semifinal winners, 7:00 PM

Polls: D3hockey.com / USCHO.com

**All start times are subject to change.

WIAC Statistics

(<http://static.wiacsports.com/custompages/mhockey/1819/confstat.htm>)

NCAA Division III Statistics

(<http://collegehockeystats.net>)

2018-19 WIAC Men's Ice Hockey

WIAC COACHES ALL-TIME TOP WINNING RECORDS

(Updated on 3/18/19) (Based on available info.)
(Ranked by number of wins)

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>(Seasons) Years</u>	<u>W-L-T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
Steve Freeman	RF	(23) 1997-present	388-220-57	.626
Joe Baldarotta	STP	(16) 1992-2007	265-171-38	.600
Terry Watkins	ST	(23) 1997-present	265-322-42	.455
Dan Stauber	SUP	(16) 2001-16	258-148-58	.619
Steve Nelson	SUP	(14) 1987-2000	248-168-21	.592
Matt Loen	EC	(12) 2008-present	190-117-27	.609
Wally Akervik	SUP	(12) 1966-77	89-100-4*	.472
	EC	(7) 1980-86	73-121-3	.378
Mark Mazzoleni	STP	(6) 1986-91	135-52-10	.711
Chris Brooks	STP	(6) 2012-17	119-45-13	.709
Don Joseph	RF	(8) 1974-81	116-97-1	.544
Dean Talaious	RF	(7) 1990-96	110-84-18	.561
Gary Harker	SUP	(9) 1978-86	107-154-7	.412
Ian Perrin	EC	(9) 1991-99	88-139-14	.394
Tom Slupe	ST	(11) 1973-83	87-171-4	.340
George Gwozdecky	RF	(3) 1982-84	66-29-2	.691
Rick Kozuback	RF	(3) 1987-89	65-26-5	.703
Wil Nichol	STP	(4) 2008-11	54-48-8	.527
Tyler Krueger	STP	(2) 2018-present	48-6-5	.856
Troy Ward	EC	(3) 1988-90	45-43-8	.510
Marlin Muylaert	EC	(3) 2000-02	30-48-3	.389
Jim Helminiak	RF	(4) 1970-73	28-37-1	.432
Richard McKenna	SUP	(3) 2017-present	27-48-8	.373
Jean Francois-Laforest	EC	(3) 2003-05	23-49-7	.335
Mike McGraw	RF	(1) 1985	15-12	.555
Craig Dahl	RF	(1) 1986	15-12-3	.550
Luke Strand	EC	(2) 2006-07	11-35-8	.278

*Some Results Missing

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS

UW-Eau Claire
1984^, 2013

UW-River Falls
1983^, 1988, 1994

UW-Stevens Point
1989, 1990, 1991, 1993, 2016

UW-Superior
1976^, 2002

^National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics
(NAIA) title

WIAC ACTIVE COACHES W-L RECORDS

<u>Name, School</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>At School</u>	<u>WIAC Only</u>
Matt Loen, EC	190-117-27	190-117-27	59-50-11
Steve Freeman, RF	388-220-57	388-220-57	118-71-19
Tyler Krueger, STP	48-6-5	48-6-5	14-0-2
Terry Watkins, ST	265-322-42	265-322-42	68-127-13
Richard McKenna, SUP	27-48-8	27-48-8	6-14-4

WIAC IN THE POLLS (D3HOCKEY.COM / USCHO.com)

	<u>EC</u>	<u>RF</u>	<u>STP</u>	<u>ST</u>	<u>SUP</u>
Preseason	RV/RV	--/--	2/2	--/--	--/--
Oct. 29	14/14	--/--	4/4	--/--	--/--
Nov. 5	12/10	--/--	1/1	--/--	--/--
Nov. 12	6/5	--/RV	1/1	--/--	--/--
Nov. 19	9/5	--/--	1/1	--/RV	--/--
Nov. 26	10/7	--/--	1/1	--/RV	--/--
Dec. 3	8/6	--/--	1/1	--/--	--/--
Dec. 10	4/4	--/--	1/1	--/--	--/--
Jan. 7	3/3	--/--	1/1	--/RV	--/--
Jan. 14	3/3	--/--	1/1	--/RV	--/--
Jan. 21	4/4	--/--	1/1	--/RV	--/--
Jan. 28	4/4	--/--	1/1	--/--	--/--
Feb. 4	3/3	--/--	1/1	--/--	--/--
Feb. 11	7/6	--/--	1/1	--/--	--/--
Feb. 18	8/6	--/--	1/1	--/--	--/--
Feb. 25	10/9	--/--	1/1	--/--	--/--
March 4	12/10	--/--	1/1	--/--	--/--

2018-19 WIAC Men's Ice Hockey

D3HOCKEY.COM TOP 15 - MARCH 4

	<u>W-L-T</u>	<u>Prev</u>
1. UW-Stevens Point (20)	26-0-2	1
2. SUNY Geneseo	24-1-2	2
3. Norwich (VT)	21-4-3	3
4. St. Norbert	22-4-3	4
5. Augsburg (MN)	21-3-3	6
6. Trinity (CT)	19-3-5	7
7. Oswego State (NY)	19-6-2	5
8. Hobart (NY)	19-7-2	8
9. Mass.-Boston	19-7-1	12
10. Adrian (MI)	20-8-1	9
11. Univ. of New England (ME)	20-6-2	14
12. UW-Eau Claire	19-7-2	10
13. Utica (NY)	20-7-2	11
14. Salve Regina (RI)	18-7-2	13
15. Manhattanville (NY)	17-8-5	NR

Others Receiving Votes: Babson (MA); Plymouth State (NH); Amherst (MA); New England College (NH)

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WIAC REGULAR-SEASON CHAMPIONSHIPS

Eau Claire (2)	2013, 2016 (c)
River Falls (18)	1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986 (c), 1987, 1988, 1999 (c), 2001, 2004 (c), 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016 (c)
Stevens Point (13)	1986, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1993, 1997, 1998, 1999 (c), 2000, 2015, 2017, 2018, 2019
Stout (1)	2011 (c)
Superior (7)	1992, 1994, 2002, 2003, 2004 (c), 2009, 2011 (c)
(c): Co-Champion	

WIAC TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIPS (COMMISSIONER'S CUP)

Eau Claire (2)	2014, 2018
River Falls (1)	2015
Stevens Point (3)	2016, 2017, 2019