



WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY WEEKLY RELEASE MARCH 5, 2019

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STANDINGS

	WIAA							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-River Falls*	8	1	0	0	16	4-1	4-0	23	5	0	12-4	11-1	0-0	
UW-Eau Claire	7	2	0	0	14	3-2	4-0	21	5	2	10-3-1	11-2-1	0-0	
UW-Stevens Point	1	6	2	0	4	0-3-1	1-3-1	8	15	4	1-8-2	7-7-2	0-0	
UW-Superior	0	7	2	1	3	0-3-1	0-4-1	7	18	2	4-7-1	3-11-1	0-0	

*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.

WIAA CHAMPIONSHIP/O'BRIEN CUP (PRESENTED BY CULVER'S)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Semifinals

UW-River Falls (#1) 4, UW-Superior (#4) 1 (at River Falls)

UW-Eau Claire (#2) 5, UW-Stevens Point (#3) 1 (at Eau Claire)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Semifinals

UW-River Falls (#1) 5, UW-Superior (#4) 2 (at River Falls)

UW-Eau Claire (#2) 4, UW-Stevens Point (#3) 1 (at Eau Claire)

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

Championship (O'Brien Cup)

UW-Eau Claire 7, UW-River Falls 3 (at River Falls)

UW-EAU CLAIRE AND UW-RIVER FALLS SECURE NCAA BIDS

For the first time since 2014, the WIAA will be represented by two teams in the NCAA Division III Women's Ice Hockey Championship after UW-Eau Claire and UW-River Falls secured bids into this year's event.

UW-Eau Claire (21-5-2) and UW-River Falls (23-5) received two of the four available at-large spots into the 10-team field. The Blugolds are the making their second straight NCAA appearance and will travel to University of St. Thomas (Minn.) (24-1-2) for a quarterfinal contest. A year ago, UW-Eau Claire won its first-ever NCAA postseason game with a 3-2 triple overtime triumph over Gustavus Adolphus College (Minn.). The contest against the Gusties was the longest in NCAA Division III women's ice hockey championship history.

The Falcons are making their league-leading 11th NCAA showing, including a runner-up finish in 2016 and third-place performances in 2014 and 2015. UW-River Falls will travel to Hamline University (Minn.) (21-3-3) for a quarterfinal game.

WIAA Statistics

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

NCAA Division III Statistics

(<http://collegehockeystats.net/>)

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

NCAA Division III Championship Quarterfinals

#7/8 UW-Eau Claire at #3/1 St. Thomas (MN), 2:00 PM

#8/7 UW-River Falls at #6/4 Hamline (MN), 2:00 PM

Polls: D3hockey.com / USCHO.com

**All start times are subject to change.

2018-19 WIAC Women's Ice Hockey

WIAC COACHES ALL-TIME TOP WINNING RECORDS

(Updated on 3/4/19) (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>
Joe Cranston	RF	(20) 2000-present	378-143-43	.708
Dan Laughlin	SUP	(16) 2004-present	250-148-40	.616
Ann Ninnemann	STP	(13) 2007-present	197-123-39	.603
Mike Collins	EC	(15) 2001-15	140-215-38	.405
Brian Idalski	STP	(5) 2002-06	108-21-11	.811
Erik Strand	EC	(3) 2016-present	67-34-12	.646
Jane Norman	SUP	(2) 2001-02^	35-8	.814
Jason Lesteberg	STP	(1) 2001	13-13-1	.500
Tracy Majeske	SUP	(2) 1999-2000*	11-14	.440

*Note: Majeske coached the first 14 games of the 2000 season with a 2-12 record.

^Note: Norman coached the first 20 games of the 2002 season with a 17-3 record.

WIAC ACTIVE COACHES W-L RECORDS

<u>Name, School</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>At School</u>	<u>WIAC Only</u>
Erik Strand, EC	67-34-12	67-34-12	18-17-4
Joe Cranston, RF	378-143-43	378-143-43	47-11-5
Ann Ninnemann, STP	197-123-39	197-123-39	26-25-12
Dan Laughlin, SUP	250-148-40	250-148-40	17-35-11

NCAA DIV. III CHAMPIONSHIP APPEARANCES

UW-Eau Claire
2018

UW-River Falls
2003, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015,
2016, 2017

UW-Stevens Point
2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2014

UW-Superior
2006, 2008

WIAC REGULAR-SEASON CHAMPIONSHIPS

UW-River Falls - 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018,
2019

WIAC TOURNAMENT (O'BRIEN CUP) CHAMPIONSHIPS

UW-Eau Claire - 2018, 2019
UW-River Falls - 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017

D3HOCKEY.COM TOP 10 - MARCH 4

	<u>W-L-T</u>	<u>Prev</u>
1. Elmira (NY) (8)	24-2-1	1
2. Plattsburgh State (NY) (4)	25-2-0	2
3. St. Thomas (MN) (3)	24-1-2	3
4. Adrian (MI)	22-4-2	7
5. Norwich (VT)	21-5-2	6
6. Hamline (MN)	21-3-3	4
7. UW-Eau Claire	21-5-2	8
8. UW-River Falls	23-5-0	5
9. Williams (MA)	20-4-3	9
10. St. Scholastica (MN)	21-7-1	10

Others Receiving Votes: Endicott (MA)

USCHO.COM TOP 10 - MARCH 4

	<u>W-L-T</u>	<u>Prev</u>
1. St. Thomas (MN) (13)	24-1-2	1
2. Plattsburgh State (NY) (2)	25-2-0	2
3. Elmira (NY)	24-2-1	3
4. Hamline (MN)	21-3-3	4
5. Adrian (MI)	22-4-2	6
6. Williams (MA)	20-4-3	7
7. UW-River Falls	23-5-0	5
8. UW-Eau Claire	21-5-2	9
9. Norwich (VT)	21-5-2	8
10. Middlebury (VT)	16-8-3	10

Others Receiving Votes: St. Scholastica (MN); Endicott (MA)

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

	<u>EC</u>	<u>RF</u>	<u>STP</u>	<u>SUP</u>
Preseason	7/9	8/8	--/--	--/--
Oct. 29	9/9	7/7	--/--	--/--
Nov. 5	8/10	7/7	--/--	--/--
Nov. 12	8/10	7/7	--/--	--/--
Nov. 19	10/10	7/7	--/--	--/--
Nov. 26	10/10	5/6	--/--	--/--
Dec. 3	10/10	5/5	--/--	--/--
Dec. 10	9/9	4/4	--/--	--/--
Dec. 17	9/9	6/4	--/--	--/--
Jan. 7	10/10	6/6	--/--	--/--
Jan. 14	10/RV	6/6	--/--	--/--
Jan. 21	9/9	6/5	--/--	--/--
Jan. 28	9/10	4/4	--/--	--/--
Feb. 4	8/9	4/4	--/--	--/--
Feb. 11	7/7	8/6	--/--	--/--
Feb. 18	8/9	6/5	--/--	--/--
Feb. 25	8/9	5/5	--/--	--/--
March 4	7/8	8/7	--/--	--/--