

Monday, September 29, 2025

Western Michigan Ranked No. 1 in Preseason USA Hockey Men's College Hockey Poll

Boston University, Michigan State, Denver and Penn State round out top five

Rank	School	2024-25 Final Rank	2024-25 Record	Weeks in Top 20
1	Western Michigan University, 642 (22)	1	34-7-1	1
2	Boston University, 617 (4)	2	24-14-2	1
3	Michigan State University, 612 (6)	6	26-7-4	1
4	University of Denver, 562	3	31-12-1	1
5	Penn State University, 546 (1)	5	22-14-4	1
6	Boston College, 465	4	27-8-2	1
7	University of Minnesota, 445	8	25-11-4	1
T-8	University of Maine, 392	7	24-8-6	1
T-8	Providence College, 392	14	21-11-5	1
T-10	University of Connecticut, 350	9	23-12-4	1
T-10	University of North Dakota, 350	18	21-15-2	1
12	University of Michigan, 318 (1)	17	18-15-3	1
13	Quinnipiac University, 278	13	24-12-2	1
14	Arizona State University, 215	16	21-14-2	1
15	University of Massachusetts, 182	10	21-14-5	1
16	Cornell University, 181	11	19-11-6	1
17	Ohio State University, 140	12	24-14-2	1
18	Minnesota State University, 127	15	27-9-3	1
19	University of Wisconsin, 60	NR	13-21-3	1
T-20	Clarkson University, 55	19	24-12-3	1
T-20	University of St. Thomas, 55	NR	19-14-5	1

Others Receiving Votes: Colorado College, 31; Northeastern University, 29; University of Massachusetts Lowell, 27; University of Minnesota Duluth, 24; University of Notre Dame, 13; Bentley University, 7; Sacred Heart University, 6; Harvard University, 5; St. Cloud State University, 4; Brown University, 3; University of Nebraska Omaha, 3; Bemidji State University, 1; Bowling Green University, 1; Dartmouth College, 1; Union College, 1.

Top 20 Matchups: Friday, Oct. 3; No. 5 Penn State at No. 14 Arizona State, No. 13 Quinnipiac at No. 6 Boston College. **Saturday, Oct. 4;** No. 5 Penn State at No. 14 Arizona State.

Notes: The Big Ten and Hockey East each have six teams in the rankings, while the NCHC has four. ECAC Hockey has three and the CCHA has two... Team records are listed as W-L-T.

About the Poll: The 31st annual [USA Hockey Men's College Hockey Poll](#) is conducted each week in conjunction with the [American Hockey Coaches Association](#). The poll includes input from coaches and journalists representing each of the six NCAA Division I ice hockey conferences, as well as composite votes from officers of the AHCA and USA Hockey.