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2002 FINAL STANDINGS

Team	LEAGUE				OVERALL				
	W	L	T	Pct.	W	L	T	Pct.	Streak
# Army	5	1	1	.786	12	3	2	.765	-1
Navy	4	0	3	.786	16	1	4	.857	-1
* American	4	2	1	.643	10	9	2	.524	-1
Colgate	4	2	1	.643	7	9	2	.444	-1
Holy Cross	3	4	0	.429	5	9	2	.375	+1
Lafayette	2	5	0	.286	8	8	1	.500	-3
Bucknell	1	5	1	.214	6	9	2	.412	-3
Lehigh	1	5	1	.214	4	13	1	.250	-3

clinched top seed and hosted PL Championship Tournament (Nov. 8, 10)

* Won PL Tournament championship and automatic bid to NCAA Tournament

2002 Post-Season Results

Friday, November 8

PL Semifinal Matches -- at Navy
 #3 AMERICAN 2, #2 NAVY 1 (OT)
 #4 COLGATE 2, #1 ARMY 1

Sunday, November 10

PL Championship Match -- at Navy
 #3 AMERICAN 2, #4 COLGATE 1
MVP: Jr. M Annabel Jiminez, AU

NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP

First Round -- Friday, November 15
 at Maryland 1, AMERICAN 0

2002 WEEKLY HONORS

BRINE Offensive Players of the Week

Sept. 9 Stacy Finley, Jr., forward, Navy
 Sept. 16 Amelia Sheveland, Jr., forward, Navy
 Sept. 23 Emily Myers, Sr., forward, Lafayette
 Sept. 30 Brandy Ault, Sr., forward, Holy Cross
 Oct. 7 Jocelyn Helwig, So., midfield, Lehigh
 Oct. 14 Erica Backstrom, Jr., midfield, Holy Cross
 Oct. 21 Stacy Finley, Jr., forward, Navy
 Oct. 28 Stacy Finley, Jr., forward, Navy
 Nov. 4 Anabel Jimenez, Jr., forward, American

BRINE Rookies of the Week

Sept. 9 Marcela Ricupero, Fr., forward, American
 Sept. 16 Kelly Kuss, Fr., forward, Colgate
 Sept. 23 Delaney Brown, Fr., midfield, Army
 Sept. 30 Morgan Bennett, Fr., keeper, Army
 Oct. 7 Natalie Rodovsky, Fr., defense, American
 Oct. 14 Simone Konig, Fr., midfield, American
 Oct. 21 Kelly Kuss, Fr., forward, Colgate
 Oct. 28 Jennifer Pascucci, Fr., forward, Army
 Nov. 4 Delaney Brown, Fr., midfield, Army

BRINE Defensive Players of the Week

Sept. 9 Kim Bonafede, Jr., keeper, Navy
 Sept. 16 Laurie Purse, Sr., keeper, Bucknell
 Sept. 23 Kate Jassin, Sr., keeper, Colgate
 Sept. 30 Ashley Wesmiller, Sr., keeper, Lafayette
 Oct. 7 Erin Iwaskiewicz, So., keeper, Lehigh
 Oct. 14 Jen Liese, So., keeper, American
 Oct. 21 Kate Jassin, Sr., keeper, Colgate
 Oct. 28 Kate Jassin, Sr., keeper, Colgate
 Nov. 4 Kim Bonafede, Jr., keeper, Navy



Patriot League



In its second decade of academic and athletic excellence, the Patriot League continues to focus on its founding principles.

Participation in athletics at Patriot League institutions is viewed as an important component of a well-rounded education. PL scholar-athletes are academically representative of their class. Those high standards are widely recognized on the national level.

The origins of Patriot League excellence date back to 1986 with the inception of a successful Division I-AA football conference. In 1990, the Patriot League expanded to an all-sports conference, featuring 22 championship sports.

Full League members include American, Army, Bucknell, Colgate, Holy Cross, Lafayette, Lehigh and Navy. Associate members include Fairfield (field hockey), Fordham (football), Georgetown (football), Hobart (men's lacrosse), Towson (football) and Villanova (women's lacrosse).

These member institutions are among the oldest and most prestigious in the nation. Alumni from Patriot League colleges and universities have played a leadership role in the shaping of our country.

League members annually rank among the top Division I programs in the NCAA Graduation Rates Report. Every full-member institution ranked among the Top 20 nationally in each of the last two years.

The PL also ranked first among all Division I conferences in student-athlete graduation rates for the fourth-straight year and second in overall student graduation rates.

Twenty student-athletes representing seven institutions have received



Two-time Patriot League Offensive Player of the Year Navy Sr. Forward Stacy Finley

NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships. PL student-athletes have also earned two Fulbright Scholarships, a Luce Foundation Scholarship, a Marshall Scholarship, two NACDA/Disney Scholarships and three National Football Foundation Scholarships among their many accomplishments.

Excellence has not been confined to the classroom. Among the many achievements on the field are:

Three PL men's soccer teams were awarded bids to the 2002 NCAA Tournament, the highest total in Patriot League history.

For the fourth time in the last five years, the PL football champion upset a higher-seeded team in the opening round and advanced to the quarterfinals of the NCAA Tournament.

Eight PL basketball teams have competed in NCAA, NIT or pre-season NIT tournaments in the last three seasons.

Opening-round victories in the NCAA football, soccer, baseball and softball tournaments, as well as individual All-America recognition in track & field, lacrosse, field hockey and football, are now regular

occurrences for Patriot League teams and student-athletes.

Individual achievement is continually recognized as the League averages approximately a dozen Academic All-Americans each year.

American's Karla Kucerkova was named the 2002 Verizon Volleyball Academic All-American of the Year, becoming the first PL student-athlete to be named Academic All-American of the Year in any sport.

Excellence flourishes in the Patriot League, providing true meaning to "The Patriot League -- Today's Scholar-Athletes, Tomorrow's Leaders."

Patriot League Full Membership

- American University**
Washington, D.C.
- U.S. Military Academy (Army)**
West Point, N.Y.
- Bucknell University**
Lewisburg, Pa.
- Colgate University**
Hamilton, N.Y.
- The College of the Holy Cross**
Worcester, Mass.
- Lafayette College**
Easton, Pa.
- Lehigh University**
Bethlehem, Pa.
- U.S. Naval Academy (Navy)**
Annapolis, Md.



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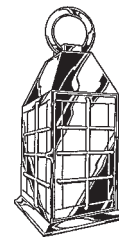


Patriot League



HISTORY

- 1986 Colonial League is founded and begins full round-robin play in football only; Lafayette College associate professor **Alan Childs** is named the Executive Director.
- 1989 **Carl Ulrich** is appointed as the first full-time Executive Director.
- 1990 Colonial League changes its name to Patriot League.
- 1990-91 Patriot League becomes an all-sport conference, sponsoring 22 sports, 11 for women and 11 for men. Membership includes Bucknell University, Colgate University, Fordham University, College of the Holy Cross, Lafayette College, Lehigh University and the United States Military Academy.
- 1991 The United States Naval Academy joins the League as a full member.
- 1993 **Constance (Connie) H. Hurlbut** is named Executive Director of the League, becoming the first woman and youngest person to be selected as the leader of an NCAA Division I conference.
- 1995 Fordham University resigns its full membership but remains in the League as an associate member in football.
- 1996 Change in League policy adopted to allow basketball scholarships beginning with the class entering in the fall of 1998; Fairfield University and Ursinus College begin League play as associate members in field hockey.
- 1997 Creation of League basketball television package, which grows to 12 games on DIRECTV and ESPN, beginning with the 2002-03 season; Towson University begins League play as an associate member in football.
- 1999 **Carolyn Schlie Femovich** is selected as the fourth Executive Director of the League; Villanova University begins League play as an associate member in women's lacrosse and Hobart College as an associate member in men's lacrosse.
- 2000-01 League celebrates its 10th Anniversary; League policy regarding merit aid expanded to include all sports except football, beginning with the class entering in the fall of 2001.
- 2001 American University joins the League as a full member; Georgetown University joins as an associate member in football.
- 2003 U.S. Naval Academy increases participation from 12 sports to 18 by joining PL in men's lacrosse, men's swimming & diving and all cross country and track & field programs.



Charting League Membership

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>PL Sports Sponsored</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>
American University	Washington, D.C.	5,200	18 (8 M; 10 W)	2001-
Bucknell University *	Lewisburg, Pa.	3,400	22 (11 M; 11 W)	1986-
Colgate University *	Hamilton, N.Y.	2,700	21 (10 M; 11 W)	1986-
Davidson College *	Davidson, N.C.	1,600		1986-88
Fairfield University	Fairfield, Conn.	3,000	1 (field hockey)	Field Hockey, 1996-
Fordham University	Bronx, N.Y.	6,578	1 (football)	1990-94, Football, 95-
Georgetown University	Washington, D.C.	6,038	1 (football)	Football, 2001-
Hobart College	Geneva, N.Y.	1,800	1 (men's lacrosse)	Men's Lacrosse, 2000-
College of the Holy Cross *	Worcester, Mass.	2,700	22 (11 M; 11 W)	1986-
Lafayette College *	Easton, Pa.	2,000	22 (11 M; 11 W)	1986-
Lehigh University *	Bethlehem, Pa.	4,500	22 (11 M; 11 W)	1986-
Towson University	Towson, Md.	16,000	1 (football)	Football, 1997-
U.S. Military Academy	West Point, N.Y.	4,000	19 (10 M; 9 W)	1990-
U.S. Naval Academy	Annapolis, Md.	4,000	13 (7 M; 6 W)	1991-
Ursinus College	Collegeville, Pa.	1,250		Field Hockey, 1996-01
Villanova University	Villanova, Pa.	5,994	1 (women's lacrosse)	Women's Lacrosse, 1999-

The Patriot League was founded in 1984, but competition did not begin until the 1986 season

* Indicates charter member

Navy Slated To Edge Army, American For 2003 Women's Soccer Title

Mids Finish With Highest Point Total In Poll, But Army Gains More First-Place Votes

CENTER VALLEY, Pa. – The Patriot League women's soccer coaches and sports information directors see the 2003 season as a three-team chase for top honors in the regular-season and home-field advantage in the League Tournament between American, Army and Navy. Although Army drew the highest number of first-place nods from the 16 voters, Navy finished with the highest point total and gains the top spot in the League's pre-season poll.

Navy totaled 88 points, including five first-place votes (voters were not allowed to vote for their own team), to claim first place in the pre-season poll. Army, which gained the top seed in the 2002 PL Tournament with a 5-1-1 League record, captured six first-place votes and finished second in the poll with 83 points. The defending champion Eagles equaled Navy with five first-place votes and ranked third in the pre-season poll with 80 points.

Colgate, which has played in the PL title match 12 times in 13 Patriot League seasons, gained 66 points in the pre-season poll and is expected to finish fourth in the regular season for the second-straight year. Top challengers for PL Tournament positions are Holy Cross (39 points), Lafayette (37), Bucknell (30) and Lehigh (22).

Navy (16-1-4, 4-0-3 PL), which went undefeated during the regular-season last year, has a number of returning veterans, including two-time PL Offensive Player of the Year **Stacy Finley** (Kensington, Md.). The senior forward poured in 18 goals and 43 points to lead the League scoring race for the second-straight year. She enters the 2003 campaign among the all-time PL leaders with 39 goals and 91 points.

Other All-League players returning to the lineup for the Midshipmen are senior forward **Amelia Sheveland** (Farmers Branch, Texas), junior defender **Xochitl Piedra** (Wheaton, Ill.) and junior keeper **Kim Bonafede** (Burke, Va.). Sheveland, a second-team all-star last year, was second in the PL in goals (15) and points (39) last year. Piedra, a two-time All-PL player and 2001 Rookie of the Year, joined with second-team All-League keeper Bonafede to hold opponents to just eight goals in 21 matches last year. Bonafede was among the top five keepers in the country last year with a 15-1-4 record, 11 shutouts, .929 save percentage and a 0.36 goals against average.

Army (12-3-2, 5-1-1 PL), which finished as the No. 1 seed for the PL Tournament for the first time since 1992, also relied on a stingy defense. The Black Knights, under 2002 PL Coach of the Year **Gene Ventriglia**, put together a string of six-straight shutouts during the regular-season, led by freshman keeper **Morgan Bennett** (Boca Raton, Fla.) and junior second-team all-star **Michelle Veach** (Laurel, Md.). Bennett finished with a 1-3-1 record, seven shutouts, 0.49 goals against average and an .873 save percentage.

Leading the Black Knights' attack are sophomore forwards **Delaney Brown** (Mechanicsburg, Pa.) and **Leigh Kosco** (Carlisle, Pa.). Brown was selected as the PL Rookie of the Year after leading USMA with 21 points, and she shared team-high goal-scoring honors with Kosco, each with eight.

American (10-9-2, 4-2-1), the second-straight team to win the PL Tournament title after finishing third in the regular-season, returns two-time first-team All-League forward **Savannah Rennels** (Rector, Pa.). Rennels scored a team-best 13 goals last year to finish among the PL leaders for the second-straight year. The AU offense also received support from second-team All-PL midfielder **Simone Konig** (Gartringen, Germany), who registered a League-leading 13 assists last year.

Colgate (7-9-2, 4-2-1 PL), which upended top-seeded Army in the 2002 PL Tournament semifinal round, boasts the 1-2 scoring combination of senior midfielder **Kate Barrett** (Troy, N.Y.) and sophomore forward **Kelly Kuss** (Warners, N.Y.). Barrett was named a first-team PL all-star for the second time in the last three years after finishing among the top five in the League in goals (11), assists (8) and points (30). Kuss, one of four freshman attackers to earn All-PL recognition last year, provided balance for the Raiders with eight goals and five assists.

Bucknell (6-9-2, 1-5-1 PL), the 2001 PL champion, is expected to be the top challenger for a playoff spot. The Bison return seven of their top 10 scorers last year, including junior midfielder **Meghan Chipko** (Lexington, Ky.), who shared team-high scoring honors with four goals in 2002.

Lafayette (8-8-1, 2-5-0 PL), which has posted a .500-or-better overall record the last three years, will look to seniors **Miriam Habeeb** (Westfield, N.J.) and **Kerrie Kiley** (Greenlawn, N.Y.) to carry the offense. Habeeb and Kiley tied for second on the team last year with three goals each.

Holy Cross (5-9-2, 3-4 PL), which finished fifth in the PL standings in 2002, should have balance with the return of the team's leading scorer and one of the top keepers in the PL last year. Senior forward **Erica Backstrom** (Worcester, Mass.) was the top scorer for HC last year with six goals and 14 points and leads six of the team's top 10 scorers from a year ago into the 2003 campaign. The backbone of the defense will be senior keeper **Christine Arsenault** (North Easton, Mass.), who posted a 1.60 goals against average and a .760 save percentage last year.

Lehigh (4-13-1, 1-5-1 PL), under second-year coach **Manny Oudin**, is rebuilding with a solid base in goal. Junior **Erin Iwaskiewicz** (Nashua, N.H.) earned first-team All-League honors in 2002 after posting a 1.77 goals against average and a .754 save percentage. Iwaskiewicz posted three shutouts and held all but four opponents to two goals or less in 2002.

2003 PRE-SEASON POLL OF COACHES AND SIDS: 1. Navy (5 first-place votes) 88 pts.; 2. Army (6) 83 pts.; 3. American (5) 80 pts.; 4. Colgate 66 pts.; 5. Holy Cross 39 pts.; 6. Lafayette 37 pts.; 7. Bucknell 30 pts.; 8. Lehigh 22 pts.

2003 Composite Schedule



AUGUST

29	AMERICAN at Mount Saint Mary's	4 p.m.
	COLGATE at Utah	4 p.m.
	LEHIGH at Villanova	4 p.m.
	NAVY at Sacramento State	8 p.m.
30	LAFAYETTE at Maine (Black Bear Invitational)	noon
	ARMY at Gardner-Webb	4:30 p.m.
	COLGATE at Brigham Young	7 p.m.
31	ARMY at The Citadel	1 p.m.
	BUCKNELL at Towson	1 p.m.
	Providence at HOLY CROSS	1 p.m.
	LAFAYETTE vs. Sacred Heart (Black Bear Invit.)	2 p.m.
	St. Francis (Pa.) at LEHIGH	3 p.m.
	NAVY at Pacific	3 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

2	Manhattan at ARMY	5 p.m.
	AMERICAN at Virginia Tech	7 p.m.
3	LAFAYETTE at Wagner	4 p.m.
	LEHIGH at Temple	4 p.m.
5	BUCKNELL at Robert Morris	4:30 p.m.
	ARMY vs. Air Force (Military Academies Classic)	6 p.m.
	COLGATE at Columbia	7 p.m.
	HOLY CROSS at Fairfield	7 p.m.
	Towson at NAVY	7 p.m.
6	ARMY vs. Indiana (Military Academies Classic)	noon
	LAFAYETTE at Pennsylvania	1 p.m.
	Princeton at AMERICAN	4 p.m.
7	Marist at BUCKNELL	1 p.m.
	COLGATE at Fairfield	1 p.m.
	Brown at HOLY CROSS	2 p.m.
	LEHIGH at Quinnipiac	2 p.m.
	Drexel at NAVY	3 p.m.
9	HOLY CROSS at Quinnipiac	3:30 p.m.
	ARMY at Columbia	7 p.m.
10	George Washington at AMERICAN	4 p.m.
	Cornell at BUCKNELL	4 p.m.
	Mount Saint Mary's at LAFAYETTE	5 p.m.
	Albany at COLGATE	7 p.m.
12	Howard at BUCKNELL	4 p.m.
	LAFAYETTE vs. Siena (Army Invitational)	5 p.m.
	LEHIGH at Pittsburgh	7 p.m.
	Mount Saint Mary's at NAVY	7 p.m.
	Albany at ARMY (Army Invitational)	7:30 p.m.
13	AMERICAN at Loyola (Md.)	1 p.m.
	New Hampshire at HOLY CROSS	1 p.m.
14	Youngstown State at COLGATE	noon
	LAFAYETTE vs. Albany (Army Invitational)	1 p.m.
	Siena at ARMY (Army Invitational)	3:30 p.m.
	Binghamton at NAVY	4 p.m.
17	BUCKNELL at Penn State	7 p.m.
	Canisius at COLGATE	7 p.m.
	Rider at LAFAYETTE	7 p.m.
	LEHIGH at Stony Brook	7 p.m.
19	Arkansas at AMERICAN	4 p.m.
	Columbia at NAVY	7 p.m.
20	COLGATE at BUCKNELL *	2:30 p.m.
	HOLY CROSS at ARMY *	7 p.m.
	LAFAYETTE at LEHIGH *	7 p.m.
21	Cal State-Northridge at NAVY	noon
	Columbia at AMERICAN	1 p.m.
22	Fordham at LAFAYETTE	7 p.m.
23	Saint Joseph's at BUCKNELL	4 p.m.
	Northeastern at HOLY CROSS	4 p.m.
	LEHIGH at ARMY *	7 p.m.

24	LAFAYETTE at St. Peter's	4 p.m.
	AMERICAN at Virginia Commonwealth	7 p.m.
26	LEHIGH at Saint Joseph's	3 p.m.
	COLGATE vs. Villanova (at Navy)	4 p.m.
	Rider at ARMY	5 p.m.
	North Carolina at NAVY	7 p.m.
27	HOLY CROSS at AMERICAN *	1 p.m.
	BUCKNELL at LAFAYETTE *	7 p.m.
28	COLGATE at NAVY *	noon
	Niagara at LEHIGH	noon
29	HOLY CROSS at Siena	3:30 p.m.
30	LAFAYETTE at Iona	3 p.m.
	Marist at ARMY	7:30 p.m.

OCTOBER

1	LEHIGH at Pennsylvania	3:30 p.m.
3	ARMY at NAVY *	7 p.m.
4	LAFAYETTE at HOLY CROSS *	noon
	AMERICAN at COLGATE *	7 p.m.
5	LEHIGH at BUCKNELL *	1 p.m.
6	NAVY at North Carolina State	3 p.m.
8	Youngstown State at AMERICAN	2 p.m.
	ARMY at Fairleigh Dickinson	4 p.m.
	COLGATE at Cornell	7 p.m.
9	LEHIGH at Towson	3 p.m.
10	ARMY at BUCKNELL *	4 p.m.
	Delaware at NAVY	7 p.m.
11	LAFAYETTE at AMERICAN *	1 p.m.
	HOLY CROSS at COLGATE *	1 p.m.
12	BUCKNELL vs. South Alabama (at FIU)	11 a.m.
13	COLGATE at Yale	7 p.m.
14	BUCKNELL at Florida International	1 p.m.
	AMERICAN at NAVY *	7 p.m.
15	Harvard at HOLY CROSS	3 p.m.
	LEHIGH at Monmouth	3:30 p.m.
	ARMY at Cornell	5 p.m.
17	COLGATE at ARMY *	5 p.m.
18	BUCKNELL at HOLY CROSS *	noon
	AMERICAN at LEHIGH *	7 p.m.
	NAVY at LAFAYETTE *	7 p.m.
19	COLGATE at Vermont	1 p.m.
20	Towson at AMERICAN	2 p.m.
	NAVY at UMBC	7 p.m.
22	Syracuse at COLGATE	7 p.m.
	Delaware State at LEHIGH	7 p.m.
24	LAFAYETTE at ARMY *	7 p.m.
	NAVY at LEHIGH *	7 p.m.
25	AMERICAN at BUCKNELL *	1 p.m.
26	NAVY at HOLY CROSS *	noon
	LEHIGH at COLGATE *	1 p.m.
28	BUCKNELL at St. Francis (Pa.)	2:30 p.m.
29	AMERICAN at Georgetown	2 p.m.

NOVEMBER

1	BUCKNELL at NAVY *	10 a.m.
	COLGATE at LAFAYETTE *	2 p.m.
	HOLY CROSS at LEHIGH *	7 p.m.
2	ARMY at AMERICAN *	1 p.m.
	NAVY at Maryland	7 p.m.
7	Patriot League Tournament (at highest seed)	TBA
9	Patriot League Tournament (at highest seed)	TBA
14	NCAA Tournament	TBA