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Women's Lacrosse: Huskies look to keep win streak alive vs. Harvard

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Heading into a matchup with Butler on April 4, UConn women's lacrosse had lost five consecutive games and possessed a 3-8 record.

Since that point, the Huskies have been victorious in three straight games, including two victories by double digits, to revive their season and improve to 6-8.

On Tuesday, Connecticut will clash with Harvard at Joseph J. Morrone Stadium in Storrs, Conn. at 6 p.m.

This will be the third meeting between the programs and second consecutive. Last season, the Huskies were defeated 13-12 in overtime in Cambridge, Mass. Their only other meeting came in 2009, in Connecticut, and resulted in a 14-12 Harvard victory.

The Crimson enter Tuesday's contest with a 5-8 record. They have dropped their last two games, most recently a 14-13 loss to No. 8 Yale, a team Connecticut lost to by 12 earlier this season.

Against the Bulldogs, Harvard's Charlotte Hodgson scored four goals. Since the start of April, the junior has averaged four scores a game, including a seven-goal performance against New Hampshire. Her 35 goals this season leads the team.

Both UConn and Harvard's most recent win came against the Wildcats, with Harvard winning 20-6 and Connecticut 20-7.

In the win, the Huskies had seven players score at least twice, highlighted by freshman McKenna Merkel netting the ball four times.

Since becoming a full-time starter on March 22, Merkel has recorded at least one point in each contest and has had two multi-goal games.

Redshirt senior Rayea Davis is another player who has had a strong month. The New York native has scored in five consecutive matches and leads the team in scoring with 26.

For Harvard, Callie Batchelder's 33 assists lead the team by more than double, with Grace Mullahy recording 16 this season.

Goalkeeping has been an issue for both squads this season. Connecticut's junior goalkeeper, Sofia Oximana, has allowed 147 goals in 14 starts. The Seattle native has allowed at least 10 scores in eight games.

Emma Barkauskas has allowed an average of 9.5 goals per game for the Crimson. She has allowed double digit goals in three of the last four games she has started.

With the season winding down, and both teams struggling in conference, a break from conference play can provide late season positivity heading towards the postseason.

Connecticut is 2-3 in the Big East, and Harvard is 1-5 in the Ivy.

Fans can catch Tuesday's game on UCONN+.



UConn women's lacrosse plays Butler University on April 4, 2026 at Morrone Stadium in Storrs, Conn. The Huskies secured a 15-4 win against the Indiana team. PHOTO BY NORA MARIANO, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

Baseball: Huskies set for matchup against URI at Dunkin' Park

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The UConn baseball team (21-20, 7-5) is coming off a 10-0 shutout victory against St. John's despite dropping the series at home. The University of Rhode Island (15-23, 9-9) is on a four-game losing streak and will look to get back in the winning column against the Huskies.

UConn dropped their first game against St. John's on Friday with a final score of 4-0, marking the first game in history that the Huskies were shutout at Elliot Ballpark.

Junior left-handed pitcher Charlie West pitched eight innings for UConn during the game and struck out 10 St. John's players.

During Saturday's doubleheader, the Huskies dropped game one despite leading late in the game, St. John's brought in three runs during the top of the ninth to take a 6-5 win.

To close out the series, UConn responded with a shutout performance. Anthony Belisario and Cam Righi each brought in three runs for the Huskies, contributing significantly to the win.

Left-handed pitcher Oliver Pudvar pitched his second straight seven-inning complete game shutout with a combination of UConn hitters scoring 10 runs on 13 hits.

UConn's matchup against the University of Rhode Island is their first and only game at Dunkin' Park in Hartford this season. Last season, the Huskies hosted the University of Massachusetts at the stadium and took home a 12-2 win.

Looking at URI's roster, senior Jack Hopko leads the Rams in runs scored (27) while junior Reece Moroney is the team's leading hitter (57). Moroney has a .370 batting average and is a consistent hitter for the Rams.

On the mound, junior right-handed pitcher Joe Sabbath leads in innings pitched so far this season with 36. Right behind him is sophomore right-handed pitcher Jake Cullen with 35.1 innings pitched. Both can be expected to play in the pitching rotation against UConn.

UConn fans should keep on eye on sophomore Jackson Marshall who is currently on a 15-game hitting streak.

UConn has a Big East three-game series against Georgetown starting on Friday but first will look for a win against URI before hitting the road.

The midweek matchup between both teams is set to be a good one with the Huskies looking to create a winning streak and the Rams looking to snap their losing streak.

The first pitch is set for 6 p.m. at Dunkin' Park. If fans are unable to make it to Hartford, the game will be available to watch on UConn+.



UConn baseball goes up against St. John's at Elliot Ballpark on Friday, April 17, 2026. The warmer weather brought out a crowd of students and supporters to cheer on the Huskies.
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