WOMENS LACROSSE: HUSKIES GEAR UP TO TAKE ON UMASS

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UConn will travel north this weekend to take on the Minutemen in their one meeting of the season.

To kick off their 2026 campaign, the Huskies are 2-3 this so far and are coming off a big overtime win against UAlbany, where they won 12-11.

The Huskies were led by current goal leader Megan O'Brien, as she netted four goals past the Great Danes. She has accumulated 11 goals so far this season tying Hadley Bethke for the Huskies as they lead the way in scoring.

Connecticut is hoping to continue that momentum as they take on UMass on Saturday.

The Huskies won the last matchup between these two foes last spring 19-16. The Huskies hosted this game but have not done well against the Minutemen on the road in past years. In the last six matchups, the Huskies are 1-5 on the road and are hoping to turn the tables this weekend.

UMass is currently on a three-game winning streak with a 4-1 record this season. They are undefeated at home with the Huskies hoping to spoil their perfect home record.

UMass is led by redshirt senior Kassidy Morris who has netted 17 goals this season. She also finds herself atop the assist leaders with nine, tied with Ava Connaughton.

The Minutemen have scored 73 goals this season, while only giving up 43. The Huskies on the other hand scored 49 while letting in 58. Their high shots against puts them at a slight disadvantage with more shots taken on junior goalkeeper Sofia Oximana than they want.

UMass also adds to this pressure, putting up 170 shots so far this season while allowing 116. The Huskies will need to defend well and transition even better to stay in the game with the Minutemen's high scoring offense.

Despite UConn allowing more goals this season, they share the ball well, having more assists than teams they play making for a better assist to goal ratio. Additionally, the Huskies have a shooting percentage of .395, putting a higher percentage of shots in the net when on target than the opponents they have faced so far this season.

Turning the page into March, the Huskies are hoping to start the month off strong and continue their success. In their five games so far, four have been decided by four goals or less, showing they can stay with their opponents.

UMass will hope to continue their success at home against the Huskies as the rival school's meetup early in the season.

The game will be played in Amherst, Mass. with a draw time of 3 p.m.

Husky fans can stream the match on ESPN+.



The UConn women's lacrosse team battles Stony Brook University on Feb. 24, 2026 at the Mark R. Shenkman Training Center. The Huskies lost 16-5. PHOTO BY NORA MARIANO, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

BASEBALL: HOOK C GEARS UP FOR WEEKEND SERIES AGAINST OLD DOMINION

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After a dominant win against University of New Haven Chargers, the UConn baseball team is set to travel to Norfolk, Va. to face off against Old Dominion University in a three-game series this weekend

The last time the Huskies (5-7) and the Monarchs (7-4) played each other was back in 2002. Nearly 24 years ago, the Huskies took home a 13-5 win and will look to dominate again this weekend.

Connecticut had a standout performance against New Haven on Wednesday, securing a 13-5 win at home. They ended the night as a team with a combined 12 hits, four doubles, three triples and two home runs.

Second baseman Evan Menzel contributed to the score, hitting for cycle, beating a record previously set by Brian Esposito for the program in 1999.

UConn's pitchers contributed significantly to the team's win with right-handed pitcher Tristan Aasland closing out the game with five strikeouts and two walks. Aasland gave up just four hits across his five innings of work.

The Huskies will need to keep an eye on senior infielder Zach Leite who leads Old Dominion in RBIs (24) and currently has a .421 batting average. Tyler Zedalis is another heavy hitter for the Monarchs who averages multiple RBIs per game.

UConn can expect Old Dominion's right-handed pitcher Darin Kuskie in the rotation for the weekend series. J.J. Gatti will also be pitching for his squad and has had success early in the season with a low era.

Old Dominion is entering the series with a win coming off a two-game losing streak. The Monarchs had a comeback victory against Virgina Commonwealth University, scoring three runs in the top of the ninth.

Left-handed pitcher Bailey Matela secured the win for his team, pitching two perfect innings and striking out six hitters in the final innings. Freshman right-handed pitcher Ben Tanton also delivered two shutout innings helping the bullpen out for the win.

The Huskies will need to rely on their strong hitters, like Maddix Dalena, who showcased his skills on full display in UConn's series against Arizona. UConn is currently without outfielder Tyler Minick who is out indefinitely with an injury according to uconnhuskies.com

Catcher Gabriel Tirado helped UConn score later in the game against New Haven, hitting a sacrifice fly that allowed Dalena to score. Hitter Cam Righi had himself a standout game, earning his first career double and contributing two of UConn's five runs during the eighth inning.

Pitcher Cayden Suchy is a potential starter for UConn on Friday, coming off a career-high 12 strikeouts in UConn's game against UNC Wilmington. UConn will need to rely on their heavy hitters and strong bullpen to limit Dominion's scoring chances, as they are a team that has had success at the plate.

The three-game series between the two begins on Friday with a first pitch scheduled for 3 p.m. The teams will return to the field on Saturday at 2 p.m. and close out the series on Sunday at noon. Huskies can tune in and watch the games on UConn+.



UConn men's baseball team takes on New Haven at Elliot Ballpark on Wednesday, March 3. UConn wins 9-4. PHOTO BY PARKER MEYERS, GRAB PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS