THE NHL DRAFT

The NHL draft has become an annual flag-waving ceremony for Hockey East as the number of NHL prospects playing in the league continues to grow. 50 NHL draftees are slated to suit up for Hockey East teams in 2009-10. 13 Hockey East student-athletes were selected in the 2009 NHL Entry Draft in Montreal in June. BC's Chris Kreider was taken with the 19th pick in the first round by the N.Y. Rangers, marking the third straight season that Hockey East has had a first-round selection. Boston University's 09-10 roster boasts a league-high 13 NHL draft picks, while cross-town rival Boston College has had 10 student-athletes selected.

Three players with Hockey East student-athletes were selected in the first round of the 2007 NHL draft, including UNH's James van Riemsdyk, who was taken by the Philadelphia Flyers with the No. 2 overall pick, followed by BU's Kevin Shattenkirk (14th) and BC's Nick Petrecki (28th). Since Boston University goaltender Rick DiPietro was taken first overall in 2000. the league has had 14 student-athletes selected in the first round. Hockey East boasts 30 all-time first-round draft picks. 499 all-time NHL draft picks have played in the 25-year history of the league.

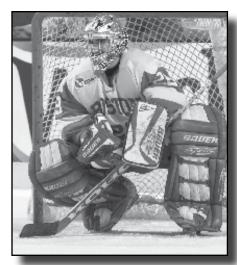
NHL DRAFTEES PLAYING IN HOCKEY EAST

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Name	School		Rd.	Pick	Year
Cam Atkinson	ВС	Columbus	6th	157	2008
Chris Auger	UML	Chicago	6th	169	2006
Kyle Bigos	MC	Edmonton	4th	99	2009
Nick Bonino	BU	San Jose	6th	173	2007
Justin Braun	UM	San Jose	7th	201	2007
Greg Burke	UNH	Washington	6th	175	2008
Joe Cannata	MC	Vancouver	6th	173	2009
Alex Chaisson	BU	Dallas	2nd	38	2009
Colby Cohen	BU	Colorado	2nd	45	2007
Tommy Cross	BC	Boston	2nd	35	2007
Justin Courtnall	BU	Tampa Bay	7th	210	2007
Justin Daniels	NU	San Jose	3rd	62	2008
Drew Daniels	NU	San Jose	7th	194	2008
Scott Darling	ME	Phoenix	6th	157	2007
Robby Dee	ME	Edmonton	3rd	86	2005
Phil DeSimone	UNH	Washington	3rd	84	2007
Brian Dumoulin	BC	Carolina	2nd	51	2009
Mark Fayne	PC	New Jersey	5th	155	2005
Brian Foster	UNH	Florida	5th	161	2005
Eric Gryba	BU	Ottawa	3rd	68	2006
Jimmy Hayes	BC	Toronto	2nd	60	2008
Ryan Hegarty	ME	Anaheim	4th	113	2008
Daniel Hobbs	UM	NY Rangers	7th	198	2007
Blake Kessel	UNH	N.Y. Islanders	6th	166	2007
Chris Kreider	BC	N.Y. Rangers	1st	19	2009
Peter LeBlanc	UNH	Chicago	7th	186	2008
Drew MacKenzie	UVM	Buffalo	7th	209	2007
Matt Marshall	UVM			150	
		Tampa Bay	5th		2007
Kyle Medvec	UVM	Minnesota	4th	102	2006
Wade Megan	BU	Florida	5th	138	2009
Kieran Millan	BU	Colorado	5th	124	2009
Max Nicastro	BU	Detroit	3rd	91	2008
Martin Nolet	UM	Los Angeles	5th	144	2006
Gustav Nyquist	ME	Detroit	4th	121	2008
Will O'Neill	ME	Atlanta	7th	210	2006
David Pacan	UVM	Chicago	6th	177	2009
Cam Reid	UNH	Nashville	7th	192	2009
Grant Rollheiser	BU	Toronto	6th	158	2008
Kenny Ryan	BC	Toronto	2nd	50	2009
Steve Quailer	NU	Montreal	3rd	86	2008
Philip Samuelsson		Pittsburgh	2nd	61	2009
Vinny Saponari	BU	Atlanta	4th	94	2008
Kevin Shattenkirk	BU	Colorado	1st	14	2007
Ben Smith	BC	Chicago	6th	169	2008
Carl Sneep	BC	Pittsburgh	2nd	32	2006
Corey Trivino	BU	N.Y. Islanders	1st	36	2008
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Alex Velischek	PC	Pittsburgh	5th	173	
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2009 NHL Draft selections in bold

FIRST ROUND NHL DRAFT PICKS

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<u>Year</u>	Pick	Name	School				
1984	13th	David Quinn	BU	Minnesota			
1986	5th	Shawn Anderson	ME	Buffalo			
	9th	Brian Leetch	BC	NY Rangers			
	11th	Scott Young	BU	Hartford			
	13th	Craig Janney	BC	Boston			
	17th	Tom Fitzgerald	PC	NY Islanders			
1989	5th	Bill Guerin	BC	New Jersey			
1990	19th	Keith Tkachuk	BU	Winnipeg			
1991	4th	Scott Lachance	BU	NY Islanders			
1992	13th	Joe Hulbig	PC	Edmonton			
	24th	Peter Ferraro	ME	NY Rangers			
1993	4th	Paul Kariya	ME	Anaheim			
1994	22nd	Jeff Kealty	BU	Toronto			
1996	14th	Marty Reasoner	BC	St. Louis			
1999	20th	Barrett Heisten	ME	Buffalo			
2000	1st	Rick DiPietro	BU	NY Islanders			
	13th	Ron Hainsey	UML	Montreal			
	18th	Brooks Orpik	BC	Pittsburgh			
	19th	Krys Kolanos	BC	Phoenix			
2001	14th	Chuck Kobasew	BC	Calgary			
2002	5th	Ryan Whitney	BU	Pittsburgh			
	27th	Mike Morris	NU	San Jose			
2003	26th	Brian Boyle	BC	Los Angeles			
	29th	Patrick Eaves	BC	Ottawa			
2004	26th	Cory Schneider	BC	Vancouver			
2007	2nd	James van Riemsdyk	UNH	Philadelphia			
	14th	Kevin Shattenkirk	BU	Colorado			
	28th	Nick Petrecki	ВС	San Jose			
2008	7th	Colin Wilson	BU	Nashville			
2009	19th	Chris Kreider	ВС	N.Y. Rangers			



Rick DiPietro was the 1st Overall Pick in 2000 by the N.Y. Islanders