

PRINCETON TIGERS // 2-2 overall, 0-0 Ivy League

HEAD COACH ► Matt Madalon

- 3rd season as Princeton head coach ► 14-10 overall
- Took over as Interim HC w/ 5 games remaining in 2015 (3-2).
- Connecticut native ► 5th season at Princeton (two years as OC).
- 2x D3 All-American goalie at Roanoke College.
- Brother, Chris, was All-ACC goalie at North Carolina ('11).

LAST TIME OUT ► 15-8 win Tuesday vs. NJIT

- **Michael Sowers** became fastest in Princeton history to 100 points: 8 points (hat trick, matched CH w/ 5 assists)
- Hat tricks from **Austin Sims** and **Riley Thompson**.

NEXT UP ► Saturday vs. #19 Penn

- Ivy League opener
- Quakers (3-2) coming off **11-3 win vs. Navy Tuesday night:**
 - at Tierney Field (U.S. Lacrosse National Headquarters in Md.)
 - Held Midshipmen scoreless for stretch of over 39:00.
- Also have win over top-ranked Duke on resume (10-9 Feb. 24).
- Hosting #5 Villanova today (1pm) ► Lost to #2 Maryland 2/21
- **4 of Penn's first 6 games vs. teams currently ranked (3 Top-10)**

2017 IN REVIEW

- Finished 9-6 overall (4-2 Ivy League).
- Lost to Brown in Ivy League tournament semifinal (17-15).
- 2nd highest-scoring team in nation (14.7 – Albany) ► 10.0 in '16

LOST TO GRADUATION

- **Zach Currier** ► Led all D1 midfielders in points (58 points, 130 GB)
Only player PU history w/ 50 points + 100 GBs
First-Team All-American ► Won nearly 57% of FOs (3rd Ivy League)
#6 pick in Major League Lacrosse draft (Denver Outlaws)
- **Gavin McBride** ► Led the nation in goals per game (3.6) ► Broke Jesse Hubbard's 21-year-old school record (54 goals)
- **Currier and McBride combined for 129 points last year.**
- **Bear Goldstein** ► 3x All-Ivy League defender – Four-year starter

INJURIES

- **Charlie Durbin** ► Out for the year (knee) ► 18-4-22 LY

NEW JERSEY LACROSSE

- Princeton facing **Rutgers, NJIT, and Monmouth** for first time ever.
- Princeton (1881) and Rutgers (1887) around since 1880s.
- Monmouth (2014) and NJIT (2015) added within last 5 years.

MADALON'S FORMULA FOR SUCCESS = 100%

- Since start of 2016, Princeton is 14-2 when its save percentage + its face-off winning percentage = at least 100% (2-14 doesn't)

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

- Princeton picked 2nd in Ivy League preseason poll (Yale)
- Only 1 more mid-week game this year (Tuesday, April 10 at Siena)

IF PRINCETON WINS

- 29th win vs. Rutgers in last 31 meetings.
- First win over a ranked opponent this year (Virginia + Hopkins)
- Take 3-2 record into Ivy League opener Saturday vs. Penn.

#13 RUTGERS SCARLET KNIGHTS // 4-1 overall, 0-0 B1G

HEAD COACH ► Brian Brecht

- 7th season as Scarlet Knights' head coach (46-48 record)
- Prior to Rutgers ► 7 seasons as HC at Siena ► Guided Saints to the first two NCAA appearances in program history ► 3x MAAC COY
- Rutgers didn't have winning record until his 5th season ► Won just 2 games his 2nd season (2013) ► Finished 5-10 in 2015 ► Since then, Scarlet Knights are 25-10
- **OC:** Jim Mitchell ► 4th season at Rutgers (2nd as OC) ► DC in 2015
- **DC:** John Gorman (2nd season)

LAST TIME OUT ► 10-8 win Saturday at Brown

- Despite 20 saves by Brown sophomore Phil Goss.
- **RUNS** ► Brown led 4-1, Rutgers scored 6 of next 7
- 2nd straight year Scarlet Knights beat Bears by 2 goals (13-11 LY)

NEXT UP ► Wednesday @ Lehigh (7pm in Bethlehem)

- Mountain Hawks are 4-1 (3-0 home) ► Lone loss in OT @ UNC
- Still 3 non-conference games before Big Ten opener 4/1 (Hopkins)
- Host #6 Syracuse on Sunday (March 18)

LAST YEAR

- 8-0 start ► Ranked #1 in the nation late-March ► Lost 4 of final 6.
- Missed Big Ten tournament
- Big Ten finished season w/ 5 teams ranked in Top-15 ► Including national champion Maryland.
- 2nd straight year Scarlet Knights one of first teams out of NCAAs.
- Playing without **Adam Charalambides** and **Christian Trasolini**

ADAM CHARALAMBIDES

- Season-ending knee injury in preseason for second straight year.
- Big Ten Freshman of the Year in 2016 ► 43 goals

HOME DOMINANCE

- **Have won 16 of their last 17 at High Point Solutions Stadium.**
- Lone loss over that stretch in 3OT vs. Maryland last year.
- 3-0 at home this year ► 5-4 on the road over L2 seasons.

CORNER CANYON HIGH SCHOOL (UTAH)

- 3 players from Corner Canyon HS (just outside Salt Lake City):
Casey Rose (R-Junior), Garrett Michaeli (Junior), Garrett Bullett (R-Fresh.)
- Also midfielder **Zack Franckowiak** – finishing up Mormon mission in Russia – expected to re-join Scarlet Knights next year – Played in 16 games as a freshman two years ago.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

- Ranked 13th media poll, 14th coaches poll
- Seeking first NCAA appearance since 2004
- 11.6 turnovers/game = 12th-fewest nation (2nd-fewest Big Ten)

IF RUTGERS WINS...

- 2nd straight win vs. Princeton ► 3rd in last 31 years.

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- 96th meeting ► Princeton (1881) and Rutgers (1887)
- 12 D1 programs boast 600 all-time wins ► These are 2 of them
- **Princeton has won 28 of the last 30 meetings** (Tigers lead 62-30-3)
- Play for **Meistrell Cup** ► Harland (Tots) Meistrell ► restarted lacrosse programs at Rutgers in 1920 and Princeton in 1921 ► Both had been dormant for better part of 3 decades.

LAST YEAR ► 16-11 Rutgers win (in Piscataway)

- Rutgers' 1st win vs. Princeton since 2005
- 24° at gametime (w/ wind chill – felt like 4°)
- Scarlet Knights ranked 5th, Tigers ranked 15th