



# General

## Question 7

### History of Conference Memberships

1947	Merrimack College established.
1949	Men's Basketball begins competition as first varsity sport on campus, competing in the ECAC, as did most sports through the next three decades.
1955-56	Men's Ice Hockey begins play as a varsity program.
1961-62	Men's Ice Hockey joins ECAC's informal, one-division, 28-team league with future DI members such as Boston College, Boston University, UNH, etc.
1964-65	Men's Ice Hockey leaves ECAC's top division for Division II
1984	Merrimack College joins NE-8, which became the Northeast-10 officially in 1987.
1984-85	Men's Ice Hockey elevates to Division I as an independent competitor.
1989-90	Men's Ice Hockey joins Hockey East as its ninth institution.
2011-12	Women's Rowing added and competes as a Division II independent.
2013	Merrimack College announces plans to join Women's Hockey East in 2015-16
2014-15	Women's golf joins the NE10 after the league officially began sponsoring the sport that academic year. The team had competed independently for three years.
2015	Merrimack College joins Women's Hockey East as league's ninth member.