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2019 Women's USCSA ECSC MacConnell Division Team Announced



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Castleton University freshman Karoline Rettenbacher has been named ECSC MacConnell Division Skier of the Year and ECSC MacConnell Division Rookie of the Year. The ECSC Women's Coaching Staff of the Year was earned by Brown University, while the women's team from Babson College earned the ECSC MacConnell Division Team Sportsmanship Award. In addition, nine women's skiers were selected to the All-Sportsmanship Team.

Skiing to the podium in seven of eight races she was in this season, Castleton University's Karoline Rettenbacher finished the regular season with five victories and one runner-up performance to go along with one third-place result. Rettenbacher earned 690 points throughout the season to claim the women's ECSC MacConnell Division crown over teammate Linn Ljungemo, who finished the regular season in second place with 425 points. Ljungemo picked three runner-up results and finished no worse than sixth place on seven occasions. Kylie Mackie completed the Castleton sweep of the top-three, as she finished close behind Ljungemo in third place with 418 points. Mackie finished all eight races she was in within the top-ten, including one giant slalom victory and two third place results. Babson College's Sarah Mangiacotti finished four overall with 356 points, while earning one victory and an additional podium result. Maggie Beardsley of Brown University rounded out the top-five with 334 points. Beardsley finished six of ten races no worse than tenth with two runner-up finishes. Castleton's Li Aunes (ninth overall), Brown's Alexa Dannis (10th overall) and UConn's Lauren Sullivan (12th overall) accounted for the remaining three individual race victories during the season.

Castleton University will go into the USCSA Eastern Regional Championships as heavy favorites out of the ECSC MacConnell Division after leading the division by winning eight of ten regular season races. The University of Connecticut earned one team victory during the season and finished in the runner-up position in the overall team standings. The Babson College women finished third in the division and picked up the remaining team win within the division. Brown University, Clarkson University, and St. Anselm College placed fourth, fifth, and sixth to earn the final berths to the regional championships. New England College's Matilda Gutke qualified for the regional championships as an individual based on her individual regular season ranking.

Women's USCSA ECSC All-MacConnell Division Team

- 1st place: Karoline Rettenbacher, Castleton University
- 2nd place: Linn Ljungemo, Castleton University
- 3rd place: Kylie Mackie, Castleton University
- 4th place: Sarah Mangiacotti, Babson College
- 5th place: Maggie Beardsley, Brown University
- 6th place: Kirsten Kruk, Castleton University
- 7th place: Lena Soehnle, Castleton University
- 8th place: Elizabeth Baer, Babson College
- 9th place: Li Aunes, Castleton University

- 10th place (tie): Caroline Bonin, Clarkson University
- 10th place (tie): Alexa Dannis, Brown University
- 12th place: Lauren Sullivan, University of Connecticut
- 13th place: Alexandra Marshall, University of Connecticut
- 14th place: Rhiannon Allison, Clarkson University
- 15th place: Julia Martin, Babson College
- 16th place (tie): Jillian Scherpa, University of Connecticut
- 16th place (tie): Elizabeth Frischmon, Castleton University

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ECSC MacConnell Division Rookie of the Year: *Karoline Rettenbacher, Castleton University*

ECSC MacConnell Division Coaching Staff of the Year: *Brown University*

ECSC MacConnell Division Team Sportsmanship Award: *Babson College*

ECSC MacConnell Division All-Sportsmanship Team:

- Serena Avery, New England College
- Aislinn Baxter, University of Massachusetts-Amherst
- Olivia Burwell, Babson College
- Elizabeth Frischmon, Castleton University
- Grace Moore, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Selin Ozulkulu, Brown University
- Ali Sailor, University of Connecticut
- Sarah Smith, Clarkson University
- Rebecca Stephens, St. Anselm College