

## **AMERICAN HOCKEY COACHES ASSOCIATION**

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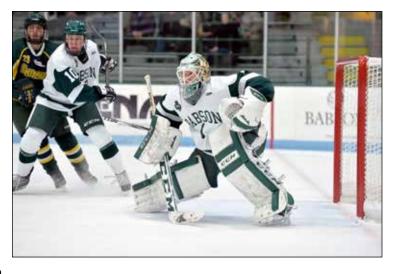
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## **BABSON'S JAMIE MURRAY IS D-III ICE HOCKEY PLAYER of the YEAR**

Jamie Murray, a senior goaltender from Babson College and Scituate, Massachusetts, has been chosen by the nation's ice hockey coaches as the 2016 winner of the **Sid Watson Award**, symbolic of the best NCAA Division III men's ice hockey player. The 6-2, 170-pound netminder went 14-5-3 this year with a 1.61 GAA and a save percentage of .940. Murray, a threetime First Team All-American, had comparable career statistics: 62-20-9, 1.69, and .940. He recently signed a professional contract with the San Jose Sharks minor league affiliate.

"Jamie has established himself as one of the best players in college hockey as well as one of the greatest individuals in the history of our college during his career," said Babson College head coach **Jamie Rice**. "It has been an honor to



coach such an outstanding, humble and terrific young man. He has often been the difference maker in the games he has played, and he is a player that I am confident Sid Watson would have been proud to coach as well."

In addition to his phenomenal on-ice accomplishments, Murray was one of five finalists for the Hockey Humanitarian Award in both his junior and senior years. The "Humanitarian" is presented each year during the NCAA Division I Men's Frozen Four to "college hockey's finest citizen," based on the candidate's body of volunteer work away from ice hockey.

The award is named in honor of former Bowdoin College head coach **Sid Watson**, a three-time winner of the **Edward Jeremiah Award** as Division III Coach of the Year. Watson won 326 games at Bowdoin in a career that spanned from 1959 to 1983. He was also the school's athletic director.

The runner-up for the 2015 Sid Watson Award was Stephen Collins, a junior forward from SUNY Geneseo and Pittsford, New York.

## Winners of the Sid Watson Award Division III Men's Hockey Player of the Year

- 1993 Frank Cirrone, F, UW-Stevens Point
- 1994 Ray Alcindor, F, Middlebury College
- 1995 Charlie Gaffney, F, Bowdoin College
- 1996 Ian Smith, D, Middlebury College
- 1997 Steve Toll, F, RIT
- 1998 Mark Spence, F, Middlebury College
- 1999 Rob Smillie, F, St. Norbert College
- 2000 Steve Aronson, F, University of St. Thomas
- 2001 Keith Aucoin, F, Norwich University
- 2002 Jerry Gallway, D, RIT
- 2003 Maris Ziedins, F, St. Norbert College
- 2004 Kevin Cooper, F, Middlebury College

- 2005 Kurtis McLean, F, Norwich University
- 2006 Adam Hanna, G, St. John's University
- 2007 Andrew Gallant, G, Manhattanville College
- 2008 Kyle Jones, G, St. Norbert College
- 2009 Jeff Landers, D, Amherst College
- 2010 David Martinson, F, Gustavus Adolphus College
- 2011 Chris Berenguer, D, Hamline University
- 2012 Jonathan LaRose, G, Amherst College
- 2013 Paul Rodrigues, F, SUNY Oswego
- 2014 David Jacobson, G, St. Norbert College
- 2015 Drew Fielding, G, University of St. Thomas
- 2016 Jamie Murray, G, Babson College