ECAC Announces 2010-11 Division III New England Men’s Basketball
All-Stars, Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year

CENTERVILLE, Mass. – Senior center Troy Whittington of Williams College is the 2010-11 ECAC Division III New England Men’s Basketball Player of the Year. Whittington led the Ephs to a New England Small College Athletic Conference regular season title with an overall record of 29-3 (9-0 NESCAC). Whittington averaged 16.5 points and 9.0 rebounds per game, second and first on the team, respectively. Ranking second in the conference in blocks per game (2.18), Whittington also led the NESCAC with a 70.9 shooting percentage from the field.

Nichols College freshman Ryan Sheehan has been chosen as the 2010-11 ECAC Division III New England Men’s Basketball Rookie of the Year, leading all DIII freshman with 20.1 points per game. The Bison freshman was named The Commonwealth Coast Conference Rookie of the Year for his efforts this season to go along with three TCCC Rookie of the Week honors.

Joining Whittington on the ECAC first team are Ryan Sharry of Middlebury, Josh Jones of Husson, Lamonte Thomas of Johnson & Wales, DaQuan Brooks of Western Connecticut and Conor Meehan of Amherst.

Sharry averaged 13.9 points and 10.5 assists to go along with 1.75 assists and two blocks per game. Jones averaged a double-double with 19.2 points and 11.4 rebounds, while Thomas led the nation in DIII with a scoring average of 30.7, totalling 921 points on the year. Brooks averaged 21.7 points and 4.5 assists per game, and Meehan shot 52 percent from the field to average 13.5 for the Lord Jeffs.

Five players were also selected to the ECAC second team: Mike Akinrola and Mason Choice of Rhode Island College, Terrence Favors of Becker College, James Wang of Williams College and Jeffrey Robinson of Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

ECAC All-Stars, Players of the Year and Rookies of the Year are eligible if selected as their primary conference’s award winner or all-conference first team selection. The teams and major award winners are voted on by coaches – who were not permitted to vote for their own players – from the ECAC membership.

About the ECAC
The Eastern College Athletic Conference is the nation’s largest athletic conference and only multi-divisional conference, with 287 member institutions and over 122,000 student-athletes ranging from Maine to North Carolina and westerly to Illinois. The ECAC publicizes the achievements of over 750 student-athletes annually through the postseason all-stars program. In women’s basketball, the ECAC awards one Division II all-star team and four regional Division III all-star teams (New England, Upstate, Metro and South).