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## ***UMass Lowell Men's and Women's Cross Country Teams Sweeps Northeast-10 Championship Titles***

**Colchester, Vt.** – The University of Massachusetts Lowell claimed both the men's and women's team championship titles at the annual Northeast-10 Cross Country Championships hosted by Saint Michael's College.

Senior **Ruben Sanca (Boston, Mass.)** helped lead the Riverhawks to the team title as he claimed the men's individual championship with a time of 24:33 in the eight-kilometer race, while on the women's side Bentley senior **Melissa Nash (Marshfield, Mass.)** claimed the individual championship with a time of 18:19 in the five-kilometer race. Both Sanca and Nash were runner-ups in last year's championship.

The UMass Lowell men claimed their third straight Northeast-10 Team Championship with 31 points, besting second-place Stonehill College by 21 points. The Skyhawks finished with 52. Southern Connecticut State University took third place with 64 points, while Merrimack College followed in fourth with 139 points. The College of Saint Rose rounded out the top- five team finishes with 145 points.

On the women's side, UMass Lowell edged out Stonehill by a slight margin (46-51) to claim the team championship. Saint Rose took third place with 98 points while Bentley (154) and Le Moyne (178) rounded out the top five respectively.

Individually, Stonehill's **Kevin Gill (Brockton, Mass.)** finished second behind Sanca with a time of 25:04, while Southern Connecticut's **Chris Croff (Lisbon, Conn.)** finished third with a time of 25:12. UMass Lowell's **Rex Radloff (Dedham, Mass.)** (25:21) and **Angus MacDonald (Methuen, Mass.)** (25:23) each finished fourth and fifth respectively.

In the women's race, UMass Lowell's **Christina DaLomba (Marston Mills, Mass.)** finished with a time of 18:30 to take home a second-place finish just ahead of teammate **Sarah Brassard (Oxford, Mass.)** who finished at 18:38. Stonehill freshman **Jill Alves (Whitman, Mass.)** finished fourth with a time of 18:42, while sophomore **Lyra Clark (Nashua, N.H.)** from UMass Lowell rounded out the top five with a time of 18:45.

With 15 member institutions the Northeast-10 is the second largest NCAA Division II athletic conference in the nation. Its 23 championship sports provide athletic opportunities for over 5,500 student-athletes, the largest such program of any Division II conference.

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## 2008 Cross Country Championship All Conference Teams

### Women's First-Team All Conference

Jill Alves, Stonehill  
Sarah Brassard, UMass Lowell  
Lyra Clark, UMass Lowell  
Kristina Coriaty, Stonehill  
Christina DaLomba, UMass Lowell  
Gina Micaroni, Le Moyne  
Melissa Nash, Bentley

### Women's Second-Team All Conference

Laura Brustolon, Southern Connecticut  
Haley Catarius, UMass Lowell  
Mary Lynn Denholm, Saint Michael's  
Jenny Gardynski, Stonehill  
Kelsey Ryan, Le Moyne  
Ashley Sarris, Merrimack  
Amanda Tripodi, Stonehill

### Women's Third-Team All Conference

Melissa Bredice, Saint Rose  
Ashley Jackman, Saint Rose  
Meaghan Lucie, Saint Rose  
Kristen Mahoney, Stonehill  
Susan O'Connell, Stonehill  
Kelley O'Toole, Stonehill  
Joanne Smith, Saint Rose

### Men's First-Team All Conference

Josh Andres, Stonehill  
Chris Croff, Southern Connecticut  
John Fennekohl, Southern Connecticut  
Kevin Gill, Stonehill  
Angus MacDonald, UMass Lowell  
Rex Radloff, UMass Lowell  
Ruben Sanca, UMass Lowell

### Men's Second-Team All Conference

Jason DeDanato, UMass Lowell  
Jacob Edwards, Southern Connecticut  
Adam Holmes, Merrimack  
Jack Kilcommons, UMass Lowell  
Matt Meagher, Stonehill  
Carlos Montrond, UMass Lowell  
Dan Pilz, Stonehill

### Men's Third-Team All Conference

Eric McDonald, UMass Lowell  
Brian Mulwo, American International  
Steve Polito, Stonehill  
Ben Rumery, Stonehill  
Nicholas Santoro, Merrimack  
Jeffrey Veiga, UMass Lowell  
Jefferson Welch, Merrimack