**RMISA Skiers Head to NCAA Championships**

The RMISA skiers are headed to the NCAA Championships, held March 8-11 in New Hampshire.

Five of the seven full teams (12 skiers, three per gender per discipline) at the NCAA Championships are from the RMISA - Alaska Anchorage, Colorado, Denver, New Mexico and Utah, with EISA schools Dartmouth and Vermont also fielding a full team. Montana State will send 11 skiers to NCAA’s while Alaska Fairbanks will send a full Nordic team of six skiers to the championships.


Several athletes have been exceptionally strong during the season.

In men's alpine, Colorado's David Ketterer has five wins (four in the slalom) with seven podium finishes and was the RMISA men's alpine MVP. Utah's Sam Dupratt has three giant slalom victories while New Mexico's Vegard Busengdal also has seven podium finishes (one win).

Women's alpine has seen 14 athletes who are competing at the NCAA Championships earn podium finishes during the season with nine earning multiple podium finishes. Denver's Tuva Norbye (two wins, four podiums) was the RMISA women's alpine MVP while Utah's Roni Remme and Denver's Andrea Komsic also each had two wins.

In women's Nordic, Colorado's Petra Hyncicova (three wins, five podiums) and Utah's Merete Myrseth (three wins) each had three wins on the season. New Mexico's Krista Niiranen (one win, five podiums) was the RMISA women's Nordic MVP while Utah's Guro Jordheim was also among the leaders with four podium finishes.

Denver's Moritz Madlener led the Nordic men with four wins and six podium finishes. Utah's Kevin Bolger, the RMISA men's Nordic MVP, had two wins and six podiums. Colorado's Petter Reistad had one win and five podiums, Utah's Martin Bergstroem had four podiums. Denver's Dag Trolleboe recorded two victories and three podium finishes.

Colorado won the recent RMISA Championships/NCAA West Regional along with the Utah and Montana State Invites. Utah won the RMISA regular-season champion (most total points) as well as the UAA and Seawolf Invites. Denver finished second at all five meets this year.

Colorado and Denver have each won two of the last four NCAA skiing titles, with Denver earning its NCAA-record 23rd title in 2016. Colorado has 19 championships while Utah is third all-time with 10 titles. RMISA schools have won 55 of the 64 NCAA Championships held with Wyoming (2) and New Mexico (1) also winning titles.
Alaska Anchorage
Team finished sixth in all five RMISA meets this season.

Men's Nordic:
Toomas Kollo - Best finish 10th in the freestyle at the Utah Invite. Also competed at NCAA's last season.
Zackarias Toresson - Fifth in the classic sprint at the Utah Invite for season-best finish. Making first NCAA appearance.

Women's Nordic:
Natalie Hynes - Season-best finish seventh in the classic race at the UAA Invite. Making first NCAA appearance.
Casey Wright - Three top five finishes. Also competed at NCAA's last season.
Hailey Swirbul - Two top 10 finishes. Making first NCAA appearance.

Women's alpine:
Charley Field - Second-team All-RMISA. Third-straight NCAA appearance. Two podium finishes this season, both in GS.
Katherine Lamoureux - Season-best finish 19th in the slalom at the UAA Invite. First NCAA appearance.
Alix Wells - Season-best finish 11th in the slalom at the Seawolf Invite. First NCAA appearance.

Men's alpine:
Tony Naciuk - Two top 10 finishes. Season-best sixth-place finish in the slalom at the Utah Invite. First NCAA appearance.
Dominic Unterberger - Season-best finish 12th in the GS at the Montana State Invitational. First NCAA appearance.

Alaska Fairbanks
Best finish fourth among Nordic teams in the MSU Invite, UAA Invite and RMISA Championships.

Men's Nordic:
Jan Cech - Three top 10 finishes. First NCAA appearance.
Max Donaldson - Three top 10 finishes. First NCAA appearance.
Michael Fehrenbach - Four top 10 finishes. Two-time NCAA competitor.

Women's Nordic:
Nichole Bathe - First-team All-RMISA. Six top 10 finishes. Two-time All-American in the classic (2014, 2016).
Sarissa Lammers - Four top 10 finishes. Making second NCAA appearance.
Ann-Catherin Uhl - One top 10 finish. Making first NCAA appearance.
Colorado

Won the RMISA Championship, Utah Invite and Montana State Invite.

**Men's Nordic:**
Jackson Hill - Season-best finish 12th in the freestyle at the Utah Invite. 2015 NCAA competitor.
Petter Reistad - First-team All-RMISA. One win and five podium finishes. Two-time All-American in 2016.
Mads Stroem - Three-time NCAA Champion (2014&16 freestyle, 2016 classic) and six-time All-American who missed most of the season after having his appendix removed. Podiumed at RMISA's in the classic.

**Women's Nordic:**
Petra Hyncicova - First-team All-RMISA. Tied for the RMISA lead with three wins, five podium finishes. Three-time NCAA competitor, two-time All-American.
Jesse Knori - Second-team All-RMISA. One win and six top 10 finishes. 2016 All-American in the classic.
Christina Rolandsen - First-team All-RMISA. Three podium finishes and eight top 10 finishes. 2016 classic All-American.

**Women's alpine:**
Nora Christensen - Two podium finishes and five top five finishes. 2016 All-American in the slalom.
Isabella Fidjeland - Two top 10 finishes, both in the RMISA Championships, the only races she competed in this season. First NCAA appearance.
Tonje Trulsrud - First-team All-RMISA. Four podium finishes and 10 top 10 finishes. 2016 All-American in the giant slalom.

**Men's alpine:**
Ola Johansen - First-team All-RMISA. One win and three podium finishes. 2016 GS All-American.
David Ketterer - RMISA MVP. First-team All-RMISA. Five wins and seven podium finishes. First NCAA appearance.
Max Luukko - Second-team All-RMISA. Three podium finishes and nine top five finishes. 2016 slalom All-American.
Denver
Finished second as a team in all five RMISA meets this season.

*Men's Nordic:*
- Lars Hannah - Second-team All-RMISA. One podium finish and five top 10 finishes. 2016 freestyle All-American.
- Moritz Madlener - First-team All-RMISA. League-high four wins with six podium finishes. Five-time All-American.
- Dag Frode Trolleboe - First-team All-RMISA. Two wins and three podium finishes. 2016 classical All-American.

*Women's Nordic:*
- Linn Eriksen - One podium and two top 10 finishes. 2016 NCAA classic champion and two-time All-American.
- Taeler McCrerey - Second-team All-RMISA. One win and five top 10 finishes. 2016 freestyle All-American.
- Sylvia Nordskar - One top 10 finish. Four-time All-American making third NCAA Championships appearance.

*Women's alpine:*
- Monica Hübner - Second-team All-RMISA. One win, two podium finishes and six top 10 finishes. 2015 NCAA slalom champion and a three-time All-American.
- Andrea Komsic - First-team All-RMISA. Two wins and nine top 10 finishes. First NCAA appearance.
- Tuva Norbye - RMISA MVP. Second-team All-RMISA. Two wins and four podium finishes. 2016 giant slalom All-American.

*Men's alpine:*
- Tanner Farrow - Five top 10 finishes. First NCAA appearance.
- Alex Leever - Second-team All-RMISA. Three top five and six top 10 finishes. A senior making his first NCAA appearance.
- Erik Read - One podium finish and three top 10 finishes. 2016 men's slalom NCAA champion and two-time All-American.
Montana State
Best finish fourth at the Seawolf Invite and RMISA Championships.

Men’s Nordic:
Noah Andersen - Making first NCAA appearance.
Karsten Hokanson - Second-team All-RMISA. Four top 10 finishes. Making second NCAA appearance.

Women’s Nordic:
Anika Miller - One podium and four top 10 finishes. 2016 NCAA champion and All-American in the freestyle.
Kathleen O’Connell - One top 10 finish. Making first NCAA appearance.
Johanna Taliharm - One top 10 finish. Making second NCAA appearance.

Men’s alpine:
Stephanie Gartner - One win and four top 10 finishes. 2016 giant slalom All-American.
Benedicte Lyche - First-team All-RMISA. Two-time giant slalom All-American.
Jocelyn McCarthy - One podium and four top 10 finishes. 2016 slalom All-American.

Women’s alpine:
Morten Bakke - Second-team All-RMISA. One podium and nine top 10 finishes. Two-time All-American in 2016.
Garret Driller - First-team All-RMISA. One win and three podium finishes. 2016 All-American in the slalom.
Addison Dvoracek - Second-team All-RMISA. One win and two podium finishes. First NCAA appearance.

New Mexico
Best finish fourth at the Utah Invite, MSU Invite and UAA Invites. Fifth at the RMISA Championships.

Men’s Nordic:
Arnaud Guyon - Second-team All-RMISA. One podium and three top 10 finishes. First NCAA appearance.
Aljaž Praznik - 2014 All-American in the freestyle and a four-time NCAA qualifier making second appearance.
Petteri Vaherkoski - Five top 10 finishes. First NCAA appearance.

Women’s Nordic:
Brenna Egan - First NCAA appearance.
Krista Niiranen - RMISA MVP. First-team All-RMISA. A win and five podium finishes. First NCAA appearance.
Kati Roivas - 2016 All-American in the classic. Been battling an injury.

Women’s alpine:
Katharine Irwin - Three top 10 finishes. Second NCAA appearance.
Karoline Myklebust - One podium and four top 10 finishes. Second NCAA appearance.
Sydney Staples - One podium and three top 10 finishes. Third NCAA appearance.

Men’s alpine:
Patrick Brachner - Two top 10 finishes. First NCAA appearance.
Vegard Busengdal - First-team All-RMISA. One win (RMISA Championships slalom) and seven podium finishes. First NCAA appearance.
Rob Greig - Two top 10 finishes. Second NCAA appearance.
Utah

RMISA regular-season champion. Won the Seawolf Invitational and UAA Invitational. Third at the RMISA Championships.

Men's Nordic:
Martin Bergström - First-team All-RMISA. Four podium finishes. Making first NCAA appearance.
Kevin Bolger - RMISA MVP. First-team All-RMISA. Two wins and six podium finishes. 2016 All-American in the classic.
Martin Mikkelsen - Second-team All-RMISA. Six top 10 finishes. Making first NCAA appearance.

Women's Nordic:
Guro Jordheim - First-team All-RMISA. Four podium finishes and eight top 10 finishes. Making first NCAA appearance.
Natalia Müller - One top five and two top 10 finishes. 2016 All-American in the freestyle.
Merete Myrseth - First-team All-RMISA. Three wins (tied for the most in the RMISA). Making first NCAA appearance.

Women's alpine:
Chloe Fausa - One win this year. Second-team All-RMISA. Three-time All-American in the giant slalom (2014-16).
Julie Mohagen - First-team All-RMISA. Three podium finishes and five top five finishes. 2016 NCAA slalom champion and two-time All-American.

Men's alpine:
Endre Bjertness - Second-team All-RMISA. Three podium and five top five finishes. Three-time All-American and the 2016 GS NCAA champion.
Joergen Brath - Had career-best fourth-place finish in GS at RMISA Championships. Four-time NCAA competitor and 2014 GS All-American.
Sam Dupratt - First-team All-RMISA. Three GS victories and four podium finishes. First NCAA appearance. Former U.S. Ski Team member.