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UConn men's basketball takes on Villanova at PeoplesBank Arena on Saturday, Jan. 24, 2026. Both teams were tied 61-61 at the end of the second half, but the Huskies toppled the Wildcats in overtime, winning 75-67. PHOTO BY ZACH MOLLER, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

SOFTBALL: UCONN TO FACE DEPAUL IN THREE-GAME SERIES WITH DOUBLE-HEADER

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The UConn softball team (10-22, 3-3) will begin a three-game series on Friday with the DePaul Blue Demons (12-19, 3-6) in hopes of returning to the victory category this weekend.

All-Time Series History

For the past three seasons, the Huskies have constructed an impressive seven-game winning streak, dating back to the 2023 campaign. While on the road, it is worth noting that the team has mercy-ruled the Blue Demons in their previous two clashes.

In the two programs' last matchup, Connecticut won 10-8 in the bottom of the eighth inning. DePaul began the contest strongly, bringing home five runners and holding UConn to zero at the end of the third inning.

Heading into the fourth inning, the Huskies flipped the switch. Cat Petteys kicked off the scoring for the squad after Kaitlyn Breslin knocked a double. From there on, the rest was history.

By the end of the contest, six players recorded an RBI. Paving the way, Grace Jenkins contributed two runs, a hit, three RBI's, a home run and a walk in four at-bats.

Behind her, Pettey registered two runs, three hits, two RBI's, and went yard once in five at-bats. Not to mention, Lexi Hastings notched two runs, a hit, an RBI and two walks in three at-bats.

Overall, the team racked up 10 runs, nine hits, nine RBI's and six walks. However, they left 10 runners on base.

On the mound, Payton Kinney got the start for Connecticut. In 4.2 innings, the Florida native retired three players and conceded six hits, six runs, four earned runs and five walks.

As for the bullpen, Hope Jenkins finished the battle, striking out two Blue Demons and giving up three hits, two runs and two earned runs.

Compared to DePaul, two players posted multiple hits. Leading the Big East rivals, Baylee Cosgrove nailed three hits, one run and two walks in three at-bats. Trailing behind her, Carly Alvers accumulated two hits, a run and an RBI in five at-bats.

Collectively, the Blue Demons landed eight runs, nine hits, six RBI's and five walks, but also left 10 runners on base.

Defensively, pitcher Bella Nigey took the mound first for DePaul. In 5.2 innings, the senior retired three Huskies and allowed seven hits, six runs, six earned runs and two walks.

Scouting DePaul Softball

Coming into this weekend's series, the Blue Demons own a four-game losing streak. In their most recent nail-biting 2-1 fall to the UIC Flames on Tuesday, the squad struggled with getting on base. In total, DePaul connected with the ball five times in 26 at-bats.

On the mound for the team, Nigey went five innings and struck out three players. Additionally, the right-handed pitcher let up five hits, two runs, two earned runs and a walk.

Scouting UConn Softball

In the Huskies' 9-1 defeat against the Boston University Terriers on Wednesday, the squad faced challenges at the plate. As a whole, Connecticut finished the day with three hits, a run, an RBI, four walks and 11 strikeouts.

On the mound, Sydnee Koosh retired one player and allowed four hits, five runs, five earned runs and two walks in less than an inning. In the bullpen, Jessica Walter and Caprice Bohmer tallied a combined total of six strikeouts, seven hits, four runs and four earned runs.

Fans can watch the outings at the Burrill Family Field or on ESPN+. On Friday, Game 1 is scheduled for 1 p.m. and Game 2 is set for 3:30 p.m. On Sunday, the first pitch is slated for noon.



UConn softball goes up against New Haven at Burrill Family Field on March 24, 2026. The warmer weather brought out a crowd to support the Huskies against the Chargers.
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