



William Paterson University Moving Forward through Academics and Hockey

Joe Vincent knew the time was getting close to finally make a choice with his educational direction and his hockey career. It was 2002 and he had played as a goalie in the AMHL with the Junior B North Jersey Avalanche. Although he had some nibbles from some Junior A teams he realized it was time to go get his degree while still playing the game he loved. After looking at multiple colleges his choice became William Paterson University (WPU) in Wayne, NJ.

WPU provided Joe with a solid background in his desire to become a Graphic Artist. As a junior, Joe's Major in Computer Graphics at WPU has enabled him to a solid path to developing computer generated models that are used by Surgeons to develop techniques used in surgery. "For me the path was clear, WPU was a very strong academic institution that is economically feasible for me to bear as it is a State educational institution. Plus the ACHA Division 2 hockey program was on the rise and is still getting stronger. The team is on a path that is extremely exciting. I believe our schedule might be the toughest in the country

with national powers such as Penn State, Stony Brook and NC State. And we are getting better and better as stronger players continue to enroll in school"

As a coach/disciple with Jim Margatech's Give Em Nothing School for Goaltenders, Joe is also regarded as one of the top goalies in the Region

Head Coach Bob Carnathan has witnessed the turnaround for 10 years as a player and now coach. " WPU offers student athletes a chance to excel in both academics and through hockey. We offer a first class facility to call our home in the Ice Vault in Wayne, NJ that is 1 mile from campus. From a hockey prospective I think changes we have made recently will position our program to be one of the leaders in our Region and the Northeast. I have received more inquires from Midget AAA and Junior players in the last 3 months than I have in three previous seasons. I think the word is getting out about the school and the program and I couldn't be prouder"

Associate Head Coach Ken Scarpa is in his first year with WPU. He has been a travel coach at the Midget AA and High School level for many years. This past summer he served as an Assistant on the USA Hockey Atlantic District staff. "Simply put WPU offers major educational opportunities in areas such as the Business School, Criminal Justice and Education. These majors have been of particular interest to our student athletes. In fact I would say that the WPU Business School's program ranks as one of the best in the East. As a Vice President in the corporate sector by profession I can appreciate which is being taught. As for the club hockey program both Bob and I believe in being the best. We feel we can be a very strong club in the ACHA Division 2 level. So we demand that our players push themselves to be the best they can be. "

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