

GAME 14: Mount St. Mary's (6-4) at Long Island University Sharks (4-9) • Steinberg Wellness Center (2,000), Brooklyn, NY • 7pm • TV/Stream: NEC Front Row

Last Game's Starting Five:

- G #11 Terell Strickland 6'0" Redshirt Senior (Started in all thirteen games 9.2 PPG, 4.8 RPG, 4.9 APG)
- G #0 Malachi Davis 6'4" Redshirt Junior (Started in twelve games 17.1 PPG, 2.7 APG)
- G #12 Brent Davis 6'4" Senior (Played in six games, started in five 8.3 PPG, 2.7 RPG)
- F #33 Jamal Fuller 6'5" Senior (Played in all thirteen games, ten starts 10.2 PPG, 5.3 RPG)
- F #22 Shadrak Lasu 6'8" Freshman (Appeared in nine games, all starts 5.2 PPG, 5.7 RPG)

All-time series vs. Mount St.. Mary's: 69th meeting, Mount leads series 35-33. Last meeting: Loss @ MSM, 87-59, Dec. 23, 2023

- Long Island University men's basketball begins a four-game homestand, their longest homestand of the season, with the first of their final two non-conference games as they host former NEC foe Mount St. Mary's.
- This past Saturday, LIU lost their second game in a row in a 88-61 road loss to Missouri. The loss was LIU's sixth in their last seven games.
- LIU returns home where they are 2-1 on the season, both their wins were against non-D1 teams. This is just their second home against a D1 team.
- LIU's leading scorer, Malachi Davis, led LIU with 12 points against Missouri with 12 points but fouled out of the game with over 8 minutes left. He also led LIU in turnovers with six.
- Terell Strickland and Jalen "Roc" Lee each finished with 11 points against Missouri.
- Brent Davis in his second game since his return from a sprain knee injury, scored four points and is averaging 6.0 ppg in his three games since his return.
- Brent Davis is at exactly 800 career points between his time at The Citadel, Chicago State, and LIU.
 Davis needs to average 11.1 ppg over LIU's last 18 regular season games for him to reach 1000 career points. That would equate to a career-high 9.6 ppg average for the season. He is currently averaging 8.3 ppg.
- Blake Lander scored 9 points off on 3-4 shooting from three. Lander is now up to 34.5% shooting from three this season.
- Tre'shawn Sheppard was a DNP-coaches' decision for the first time this season.
- Once again, despite the losses at UMass Lowell and at Missouri, LIU jumped up in the KenPom rankings, up from 338 to 330 coming into today, which still ranks them fifth among NEC teams.
- LIU remains second in the nation in total personal fouls against with 280, two behind Denver who leads the nation in fouls.
- LIU is currently 188th nationally in adjusted tempo per KenPom. LIU has not finished a season below

- 50 in adjusted tempo since the end of the 2016-17 season which ironically also happened to be their last twenty-win season.
- With a pair of wins in the last two home non-conference games, LIU will have four home wins in non-conference play at the Steinberg Wellness Center, something LIU has not done since 2012 when it was still called the Wellness, Recreation, and Athletic Center (WRAC).
- LIU and Mount St. Mary's meet for the 69th time in their series history and the second time since the Mount left the NEC to join the MAAC after the 2021-22 season.
- Mount St. Mary's enters tonight 6-4 on the season, having lost two of their last three games and are coming off a 77-69 home loss to Loyola (MD) in what they call the annual Catholic Clash. The Mount are 2-3 away from Knott Arena this season.
- The Mount have won seven of the last ten meetings between the two teams. LIU is 20-11 at home against the Mount in their series history, winning eleven of the last thirteen meetings in Brooklyn with both losses coming by four and two points respectively.
- This will be LIU's second game vs a MAAC opponent this season. LIU lost to Niagara earlier this season at the Lafayette tournament over Thanksgiving weekend.
- Mount's leading scorer is sophomore guard Dallas
 Hobbs who is averaging 14 ppg this season. He did
 not start in his last game for the Mount vs Fairfield
 and did not play in the loss to Loyola (MD) on
 Saturday.
- The Mount has four players (Hobbs, Dola Adebayo, Terrell Ard Jr., and Jedy Cordilla) currently averaging over 10 ppg and three of those four are also averaging over 6.5 rpg.
- LIU finishes their non-conference schedule with a home game against Lehigh on Saturday, December 21 at 1pm. The game will stream over on NEC Front Row & through the NEC On the Run app.