SMU, Duke will be underdogs but capable of an upset in the second round. The Friars should adhere to the winner of the CAA. SMU needs to overcome some tough matchups — the Cats as they are bracketed with two fading teams. The Bulldogs are the team to beat here.

Upset specials: Florida Gulf Coast over Florida State, Bucknell over West Virginia, Texas Tech over Notre Dame, Davidson over South Carolina, Kansas over Michigan, Arizona over Oklahoma, Wichita State over Northern Kentucky.

West
San Jose, Calif. March 23 and 24

South
Memphis, Tenn. March 23 and 24

Regional forecast

East
Duke will play the best team in the region.

West
Gonzaga past its peak, but Arizona is cresting.

Midwest
Kansas doesn't want to delve into depth issues.

South
UCLA could emerge from blueblood region.

Conference call

2017 multiple tournament bids
BIG 12
Arkansas (8), Baylor (2), TCU (4), West Virginia (7), Kansas (11), Kansas State (12), Texas Tech (13), Oklahoma State (14), Texas Tech (15)
BIG TEN
Michigan (3), Minnesota (5), Maryland (11)
SEC
Alabama (1), Kentucky (2), Missouri (5), Vanderbilt (11), Tennessee (12), Texas A&M (13), Arkansas (14), LSU (15), South Carolina (16)
Pac-12
Oregon (1), Arizona (2), Colorado (3), Utah (4), Washington State (5), Stanford (6), Utah State (7), Washington (8), UCLA (9), Arizona State (10), USC (11)
ACC
Virginia (1), Miami (2), Duke (4), Louisville (5), Notre Dame (6), Syracuse (7), Boston College (8), Wake Forest (9), Georgia Tech (10), Virginia Tech (11), Pitt (12), Virginia (13), Maryland (14)
Midwest
Kansas City, Mo. March 23 and 25

REGIONAL CHAMPIONS

East
New York City March 23 and 24

South
Atlanta March 23 and 24

West
San Jose, Calif. March 23 and 24

Regional championships

East
Chicago

South
New Orleans

West
Denver

Michigan State (1)

Ohio State (2)

Tulsa (3)

Tennessee (4)

Notre Dame (5)

 Oregon (1)

Purdue (10)

Seton Hall (11)

Providence (12)

Washington State (13)

Wichita State (14)

Wisconsin (15)

Michigan (16)

South
New Orleans March 24 and 26

West
Denver March 24 and 26

Midwest
Kansas City, Mo. March 23 and 25

Top seeds at each site:

East

Kentucky

West

Arizona

Midwest

Michigan State

South

North Carolina

East

Louisiana (2)

West

Oregon (1)

Midwest

Kansas (1)

South

UCLA

Top seeds: Louisville (2), Oregon (1), UCLA (3), Kansas (1), North Carolina (2)

Upset specials: UCLA over Florida St., Oregon over Kansas, Texas Tech over Arizona, Arizona State over Utah State, Kansas State over Xavier, Wisconsin over North Carolina, Davidson over West Virginia, Bucknell over Virginia, Davidson over Kansas State, Indiana over Kentucky, Maryland over Michigan, Xavier over Wisconsin, Davidson over Kansas State, Davidson over Buffalo, Bucknell over Virginia, Davidson over Kansas State, Xavier over Wisconsin, Davidson over Kansas State, Davidson over Wisconsin.

Indiana, a team that's finally healthy and has won eight straight, might benefit from facing two teams. Creighton and Oregon (possible in the second round), that have been diminished by injury. Louisville won't have any time of it in the second round against the winner of the Michigan-Ohio State battle. If you believe in such things, Michigan is a team of destiny after its plane went off the runway to the way out. One was seriously injured, and the Wolverines went on to win the Big Ten tournament. Vegas specials: Nevada over Iowa State, Rhode Island over Cumberbatch.

Sweet 16:

East

Kentucky (2), Oregon (1), UCLA (3), Kansas (1)

West

Arizona (2), Oregon (1), UCLA (3), Kansas (1)

Midwest

Michigan (3), Michigan State (2), Indiana (4), Virginia (5)

South

North Carolina (2), Duke (3), Oregon (1), UCLA (3)

Sweet 16:

East

Kentucky (2), Oregon (1), UCLA (3), Kansas (1)

West

Arizona (2), Oregon (1), UCLA (3), Kansas (1)

Midwest

Michigan (3), Michigan State (2), Indiana (4), Virginia (5)

South

North Carolina (2), Duke (3), Oregon (1), UCLA (3)

Elite Eight:

East

Kentucky (2), Oregon (1), UCLA (3), Kansas (1)

West

Arizona (2), Oregon (1), UCLA (3), Kansas (1)

Midwest

Michigan (3), Michigan State (2), Indiana (4), Virginia (5)

South

North Carolina (2), Duke (3), Oregon (1), UCLA (3)

Final Four:

East

Kentucky (2), Oregon (1), UCLA (3), Kansas (1)

West

Arizona (2), Oregon (1), UCLA (3), Kansas (1)

Midwest

Michigan (3), Michigan State (2), Indiana (4), Virginia (5)

South

North Carolina (2), Duke (3), Oregon (1), UCLA (3)

Championship:

East

Kentucky (2), Oregon (1), UCLA (3), Kansas (1)

West

Arizona (2), Oregon (1), UCLA (3), Kansas (1)

Midwest

Michigan (3), Michigan State (2), Indiana (4), Virginia (5)

South

North Carolina (2), Duke (3), Oregon (1), UCLA (3)

Upset specials: UCLA over Michigan State, Davidson over West Virginia, Xavier over Wisconsin, Davidson over Kansas State, Xavier over Wisconsin, Davidson over Kansas State, Xavier over Wisconsin, Davidson over Kansas State, Xavier over Wisconsin, Davidson over Kansas State.