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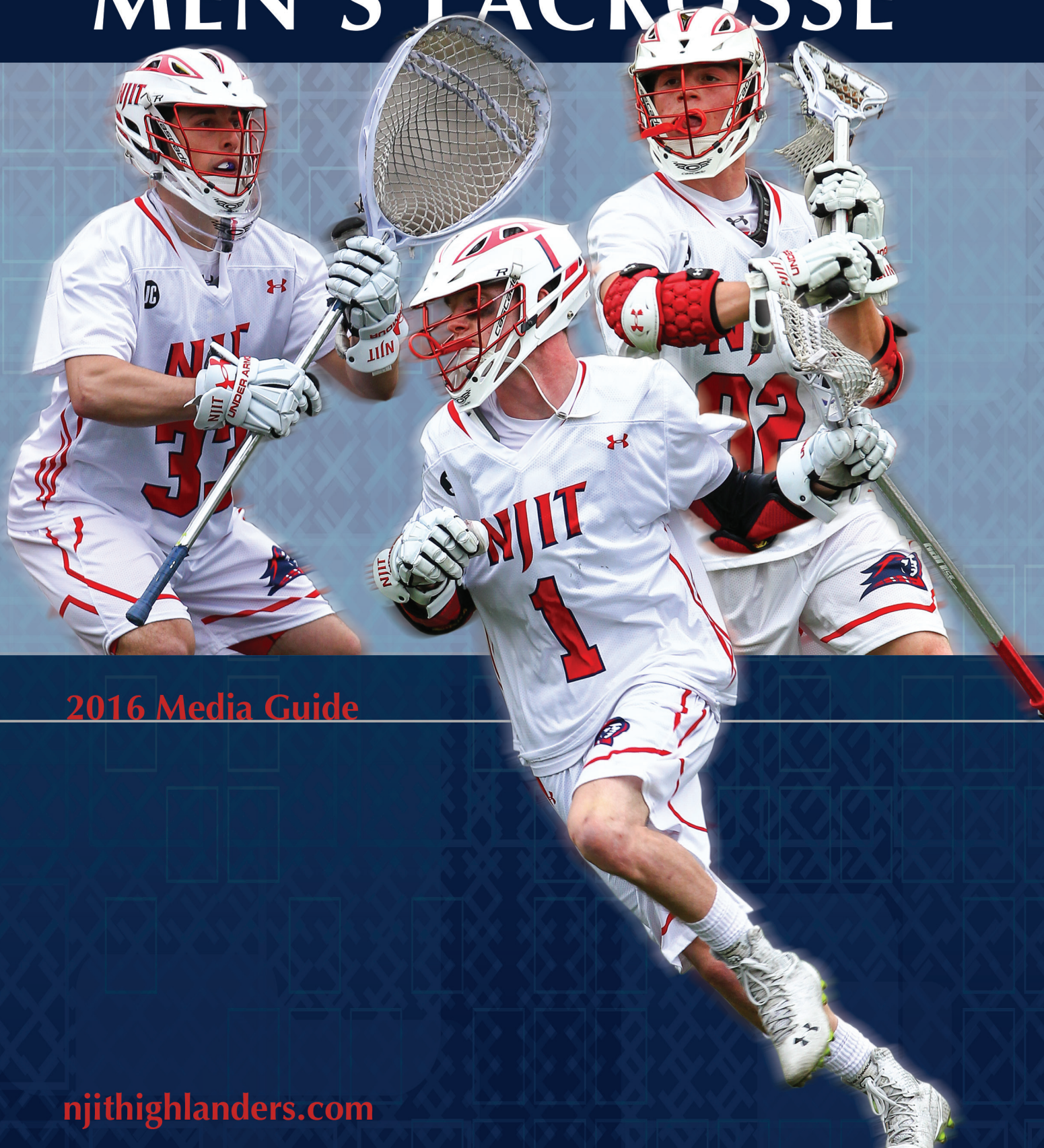
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**Head Coach:** Travis Johnson (Rochester Institute of Technology '00)

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**NJIT Career Record:** 0-12 (1)

**Assistant Coaches:**

Brad Conlon, Brian Tironi

**Managers:** Ardian Djombalic, Ishmael Menns

**Captains:** Joe Lomeli, Nick Marzullo,  
John Roach

**2015 record:** 0-12

**Letterwinners returning/lost:** 12/11

**Starters returning/lost:** 7/3

## QUICK FACTS

**Location:** University Heights, Newark, NJ

**Founded:** 1881

**Enrollment:** 10,646 (total); 7,550 (undergraduate)

**NJIT website:** www.njit.edu

**Nickname/Colors:** Highlanders/  
Red and White (Blue accent)

**Home Field (capacity):**

**Affiliations:** NCAA Division 1, ECAC

**University President:** Dr. Joel Bloom, EdD

**Director of Athletics:** Lenny Kaplan

**Athletic Department Phone:** 973-596-3636

## WHY HIGHLANDERS?

The home of NJIT, University Heights, was formerly known as the Newark Highlands and NJIT's mailing address used to be High Street, until the thoroughfare was renamed in memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In 2006-07, NJIT athletics, in keeping with its move to NCAA Division I, unveiled a new graphic identity, which included a new Highlanders logo. Developed by CN Foundry for NJIT, the logo depicts the traditional Highlander, whose ferocity and bravery against all odds are the stuff of legend.

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## MEDIA INFORMATION

This guide is designed to assist in coverage of NJIT men's lacrosse. For home matches, the NJIT sports information office will provide an official box score following each game. Coach Travis Johnson and requested players will be available for interviews on the field following a 10-minute cooling off period. Radio broadcast requests should be made at least 10 business days prior to the contest. Requests for coach and player interviews on nongame days should be made through the NJIT sports information office (973-596-8461).

## CREDITS

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**NJIT is New Jersey's Science & Technology University. With roots going back to 1881, when it was founded as Newark Technical School, New Jersey Institute of Technology observed its 125th anniversary in 2006.**

**Located in University Heights, Newark, NJ, home to more than 30,000 college students, NJIT's campus is just 10 miles from New York City.**

Playing a critical role in shaping New Jersey's future, NJIT, as a major public technological university, is an important pipeline for the flow of technology into society. The university's educational programs prepare students to be leaders in the technology-dependent economy of the 21st century. University researchers seek new knowledge to improve processes and products for industry. Through public and private partnerships and economic development efforts, the university helps to grow new business ventures that fuel the economy.

In recent years, NJIT has put tens of millions of dollars toward new and improved buildings and facilities on the 48-acre campus, including biomedical engineering labs and a campus center.



## **INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS**

NJIT offers an ever-expanding array of educational programs, with many new programs added in the last five years and more to come. In 2014 NJIT lists 125 undergraduate and graduate degree programs through six schools:

- Newark College of Engineering
- College of Architecture and Design
- College of Science and Liberal Arts
- School of Management
- Albert Dorman Honors College
- College of Computing Sciences





NJIT has 277 tenured or tenure track faculty; 99 percent of whom hold doctoral degrees or the highest degree attainable in their field. The student-faculty ratio is 16:1, with over 7,000 undergraduate students and nearly 3,000 graduate students. Our students hail from 33 states and more than 100 countries to rank eighth in the nation for diversity.

Albert Dorman Honors College enrolls more than 500 students who take advantage of honors courses, research opportunities, advising and mentoring. Honors College students have SAT scores ranking in the top 10 percent nationally.

With nearly 50,000 alumni, NJIT is an acclaimed institution.

- BuzzFeed.com ranked NJIT as the #1 higher education value nationally when considering annual tuition cost and average starting salary of graduates.
- Top one percent for return on investment and eighth in alumni earning potential among public universities nationwide – PayScale.com
- Top 10 percent nationally for return on investment and one of four best buys in New Jersey higher education –Bloomberg Businessweek
- Third in nation among America’s Most Underrated Colleges – BusinessInsider.com

- Top National University – U.S. News and World Report
- 149th among national universities overall for its range of undergraduate majors and master’s and doctoral degree programs and commitment to groundbreaking research - U.S. News and World Report
- An “America’s Top College” – Forbes.com
- A Princeton Review Best College
- Top 200 American research universities –The Center for Measuring University Performance at Arizona State
- Top 50 among colleges without a medical school for research expenditures and top 10 among universities whose main research is in engineering – National Science Foundation
- Top 10 among technological universities in faculty scholarly productivity – Academic Analytics
- Top 100 producers of minority degrees, including fifth in the nation for bachelor’s degrees in engineering technologies to all minority students – Diverse: Issues in Higher Education



## RESEARCH

NJIT's research expenditures totaled more than \$110 million in FY2014 and faculty members welcome student collaboration on research projects.

As of September 1, 2014, NJIT had 185 issued U.S. Patents and 133 pending U.S. patent applications.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

NJIT is committed to economic development for Newark and the region. The university operates several outreach centers that provide direct technical assistance to the state's businesses with the goal of helping small and medium-sized companies. NJIT is also the home of New Jersey's oldest and largest incubator facility, and was one of the first institutions in the nation to adopt economic development as a fourth mission element, together with instruction, research and community service.

The Enterprise Development Center (EDC) at NJIT is New Jersey's largest high technology and life science business incubator, and one of the largest in the nation. EDC resident companies have attracted more than \$80 million in third-party funding since entering the incubator, and generated revenues of \$50 million last year. The approximately 90 member companies employ roughly 500 people.

## THE CAREER EDGE

- NJIT was named in the top 1 percent for return on investment and 8th in alumni earning potential among public universities nationwide by *Payscale.com*.
- Students get a head start on their careers through cooperative education, salaried internships that relate specifically to their field of study.
- The 10 fastest-growing occupations for college graduates include NJIT's newest program areas—physician assistant and physical therapy—as well as computer-related occupations.
- Among the CEOs of the S&P 500 companies, engineering is the single most common undergraduate degree (22 percent of the group). More than half of the CEOs have undergraduate degrees in engineering, business management, science, math, or computing.

## THE GLOBAL EDGE

The diversity in NJIT's student body and faculty prepares graduates to understand and succeed in the global marketplace.

## THE TECHNOLOGY EDGE

NJIT has been designated one of the nation's most technologically sophisticated universities by *Forbes.com* and a *Princeton Review* survey and the university has received major funding from the National Science Foundation and the National Security Agency in recent years.



## THE ACADEMIC EDGE

- NJIT named a Most Wired College by *Princeton Review*.
- NJIT was the first recipient of the Excellence in Technology Education Award presented by New Jersey Technology Council (NJTC), which annually recognizes outstanding technology companies and individuals who contribute to “growth, achievement, and excellence in diverse technology sectors of New Jersey.”
- *Forbes.com* and a *Princeton Review* survey designated NJIT as one of the nation’s most technologically sophisticated universities based on factors such as the ratio of computers to students, campus-wide and wireless networks, and technology-enhanced learning.
- NJIT has received major National Science Foundation (NSF) funding to define the next generation of computing applications. Most notable is the creation of *SmartCampus*, a wireless peer-to-peer, location-aware community system that immerses students in a world of wearable computers.
- NJIT has been designated a Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance (Homeland Security) Education by the **National Security Agency**.
- NJIT partners with Iowa State University in the Center for Information Protection (Homeland Security), an NSF-supported cooperative research center in information assurance.







## THE REGIONAL EDGE

New Jersey, with America's highest concentration of pharmaceutical, hi-tech, biotech, and medical device companies is the place to study technology. It has the nation's highest per capita number of engineers and scientists as residents, while also leading in per capita rate of patents issued. Further, the Newark-New York region is a living laboratory for architecture and building sciences, environmental engineering and transportation. .

## THE RESEARCH EDGE

NJIT has been designated by the State of New Jersey as the Homeland Security Technology Systems Center and NJIT operates the world-renowned Big Bear Solar Observatory.

## A HISTORY OF NJIT

From the Industrial Revolution to the Information Age, New Jersey Institute of Technology has a rich history with its beginnings developing from the industrial age.

In 1881, an act of the New Jersey State Legislature, recognizing an urgent need, sought a home for what would be the state's technical school. The efforts of Newark's public and private sectors resulted with the opening of Newark Technical School, addressing the state's need.

Over time, the university expanded its curriculum and mission. In 1919, the university established baccalaureate programs in three engineering fields. By the middle of the 20th century, Newark Technical School was transformed into the robust Newark College of Engineering.

The post-war period was one of enormous activity with regular expansion of the campus, as well as the introduction of doctoral level programs. In 1975, with the addition of the New Jersey School of Architecture, the institution had evolved into a technological university, emphasizing a broad range of degrees and dedication to significant research and public service. Newark College of Engineering, stronger than ever, remained intact, but a new university name -- New Jersey Institute of Technology -- reflected the institution's expanded mission.

A broadened mission called for the creation of a residential campus and the opening of NJIT's first dormitory in 1980 began a period of steady growth that continues. Two new schools were established during the 1980s--the College of Science and Liberal Arts (1982) and the School of Industrial Management (1988). The Albert Dorman Honors College was established in 1994, and the College of Computing Sciences, was created in 2001. Beginning in 2009 the College of Architecture and Design was created to house the New Jersey School of Architecture and the new school of Art and Design.







## **DR. JOEL BLOOM**

**President, New Jersey Institute of Technology**

Appointed President of New Jersey Institute of Technology on January 12, 2012 by unanimous vote of NJIT's Board of Trustees, Joel S. Bloom started his career in industry working as an economist.

He subsequently became an educator and administrator for the New York City public schools. Prior to coming to New Jersey, he worked as a research director and instructor at Teachers College, Columbia University.

In New Jersey, he managed state and federally-funded curriculum development and training centers for the state. From 1983 through 1990, Dr. Bloom served as assistant commissioner in the NJ Department of Education for the Division of General Academic Education. He was responsible for managing many of the education department's initiatives including competency testing, curriculum content standards, pre-school

programs, establishment of 17 model effective schools, over 300 grants and contracts, and a \$24 million budget.

Immediately prior to his appointment as President, he served as Interim President from September 2011 until January 2012. Prior to that, he was NJIT's Vice President for Academic and Student Services, as well as founding dean of the Albert Dorman Honors College.

Indeed, since joining NJIT in July 1990, Dr. Bloom has served the university in many capacities.

Promoted in 1996 to Vice President for Academic and Student Services, he was responsible for nine divisions of the university, including pre-college programs, enrollment management, continuing professional education, career development services, dean of student services, freshman studies, educational opportunity programs, library services, physical education and athletics.

Dr. Bloom was appointed as the first dean of the Albert Dorman Honors College in 1998, in addition to his vice president responsibilities. The Honors College enrolls over 650 students who come from 15 states

and several foreign countries. The average SAT score is over 1340 and the majority of the incoming freshman class members graduated in the top 15 percent of their high school class. More than 50 percent of the Honors College students maintain a grade-point average higher than 3.5.

Dr. Bloom is chair of the Science Park Board, treasurer of the NJ President's Council, and treasurer of the NJEDge.Net Board. In addition, he serves as a member of the following boards: the Board for Communities and Schools, Newark Alliance, Philadelphia Alliance for Minority Participation, La Casa de Don Pedro, and the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities Presidents Council. Dr. Bloom has been the recipient of national and state education awards, as well as federal, foundation and corporate grant awards. He has published journal articles and presented papers on school improvement, curriculum development, college transition and student assessment.

Dr. Bloom holds a master's degree and a doctorate from Teachers College, Columbia University. He also earned master's and bachelor's degrees from Hunter College of the City University, New York City.



## CHARLES J. FEY

### Vice President for Academic and Student Services

oversees numerous offices and departments at NJIT, including including Intercollegiate Athletics, Recreation and Intramurals, Physical Education.

Fey actively participates in student affairs business on a national level and holds or has held board positions in ACPA, NASPA, and APLU. He was the founding president of the Massachusetts College Personnel Association and was president of the Texas Association of College and University Personnel Association. Fey has received numerous awards including the Esther Lloyd Jones Professional Service Award from ACPA; is a Diamond Honoree of ACPA's Foundation; twice received the Outstanding Service award from the Commission on Administrative Leadership of ACPA; and an exemplary service award from MCPA.

Fey earned his bachelor's degree in liberal arts and his masters of education degree in counselor education, college student personnel services, both from The Pennsylvania State University. He holds a doctorate in higher education administration from Texas A&M University.

Prior to NJIT, he was the Vice President for Student Affairs at The University of Akron; was Vice President for Student Affairs at University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC); Dean of Students at the University of Texas at El Paso; served as Vice President and Dean of Student Life at Our Lady of the Lake University in San Antonio; Dean of Students at St. Mary's University, also in San Antonio; Associate Dean of Student Affairs at Keene (NH) State College; Director of Housing/Resident Life at Catholic University of America; and in numerous student affairs and other administrative posts at Newbury Junior College in Boston.

Married to Melba Ann Fey since 1985, Charlie and Melba have two daughters, Kelly Prestel, living in Boston, and Chelsea Fey, living in Arlington, VA and two sons, Lloyd Lopez and Matt Lopez, who live in San Antonio.

Dr. Fey joined NJIT in September 2012 with 39 years of leadership experience in student services as Vice President of Academic Support and Student Affairs.

At NJIT, he continues his commitment to creating a campus climate that promotes student achievement and student success. His personal philosophy of student engagement extends to the development of innovative programs that inspire challenging and engaging student experiences and encourage each student to reach for his/her dream and work until it is achieved.

Dr. Fey's strong record of accomplishments demonstrates his deep understanding of emerging issues and trends that affect metropolitan campuses and the students who attend them. In addition to his direct involvement with students, Fey





## LENNY KAPLAN

### Assistant Vice President/Director of Athletics

Since taking over as head of New Jersey Institute of Technology's division of physical education and athletics in August 2000, Lenny Kaplan has been instrumental in guiding the program's growth, first at the NCAA Division II level and, since late 2002, the successful reclassification to NCAA Division I.

The 2014-15 academic year saw momentous accomplishments and change for Highlander athletics.

In competition, two NJIT teams, men's soccer and men's basketball, scored victories over nationally-ranked opponents. Men's soccer defeated #22 Navy in late September 2014 and men's basketball became a national story when it upset #17/#16 Michigan in Ann Arbor on December 6. Later, the men's basketball team won its first three games in the national Collegen Insider.com postseason tournament, advancing to the semifinals.

Off the court, NJIT announced plans to build a new Wellness and Events Center, a \$100 million on-campus facility with an opening targeted for 2017. And finally, the Highlanders, who had been the only Division I

Independent in the nation, accepted an opportunity to become the eighth full member of the multisport Atlantic Sun Conference, effective July 1, 2015.

Along the way, Kaplan was promoted in 2014-15 to his new title of Assistant Vice President/Director of Athletics.

He has been a member of the Division I-AAA Athletics Directors Association (DI-AAA ADA) Executive Committee since 2012-13. The Division I-AAA Athletics Directors Association's mission is to enhance initiatives common to its Division I-AAA membership (the Division I institutions that do not sponsor football).

In September 2015, Lenny Kaplan was lauded at the annual Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Honors Luncheon. In a program that recognized student-athletes, administrators, institutions and officials, he was one of two named Division I Male Administrator of the Year.

Going back more than a decade to his arrival at NJIT, Kaplan helped stabilize and expand a program that was entering its fourth year in Division II. In late 2002, after discussions with then-university President Dr. Robert A. Altenkirch and Vice President (now President) Dr. Joel Bloom, Kaplan took on the task of steering NJIT's programs into Division I, an arduous process that reached fruition with the NCAA's granting active Division I status, with full championship eligibility effective September 1, 2009.

Throughout Kaplan's tenure, NJIT has enhanced the athletics program, particularly in areas that benefit the

student-athletes directly. A hallmark in achieving that aim was the Highlanders Athletics Campaign, which announced in the summer of 2009 that it had raised \$5.4 million, exceeding its original goal. In the \$5 million goal, \$3 million was for facilities, \$1.5 million for athletic scholarships, and \$500,000 for program support.

The sports offerings have expanded to the current 19 varsity programs. And since 2004, NJIT has renovated its two main on-campus venues—Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium at Lubetkin Field and the Estelle and Zoom Fleisher Athletic Center. Further, the Naimoli Family Recreation Center, a 25,600-square foot facility opened early in 2011 enhanced the recreational and intercollegiate opportunities on campus. The Naimoli Center is the home of both NJIT tennis teams.

The school also signed a 10-year partnership to play all home baseball in the professional Bears and Eagles Riverfront Stadium and later agreed to host select basketball home games in the Prudential Center, downtown Newark home of the NHL's New Jersey Devils. The NJIT club hockey team also plays all of its home contests in the AmeriHealth Pavilion, part of the Prudential Center that serves as the Devils practice rink.

Under Kaplan's leadership, many teams achieved regional and national Division II ranking. Success for several women's teams was unprecedented, with basketball, tennis and soccer all reaching postseason play for the first time in their existence under his administration.

Additionally, men's volleyball captured a divisional championship in the Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association and the next year reached the EIVA playoff semifinals hosted by eventual 2008 national champion Penn State.

In 2009-10, NJIT's first year as a full active member of Division I, the women's volleyball team and senior Sabrina Baby became the school's first Division I national statistical champions, as team and individual leaders, respectively, digs per set. Baby was honored as the school's first CoSIDA Academic All-America in the Division I era, earning third-team national honors.

Christian Baumbach made history in 2009 as NJIT's first individual DI conference champion, when he won the Great West Conference men's cross country race. He also won the prestigious IC4A University Division race in the 101st annual running of that contest.

In 2010-11, the Highlanders earned their first-ever Division I conference team championship when women's tennis captured the Great West title, a feat they repeated the following year. In 2012-13, both basketball teams won Great West Conference crowns. Individually, men's basketball players Isaiah Wilkerson (2011-12), Chris Flores (2012-13), and Damon Lynn (2014-15) have all been Associated Press All-America honorable mention recipients,

Marko Drljic became the first NJIT men's soccer player to be selected to the All-Region season honors from the NSCAA at

the highest level, earning the honor in both 2013 and 2014. Cristian Marcel won similar honors in 2014. The duo were Sun Belt Conference Offensive Player of the Year (Marcel) and Defensive Player of Year (Drljic) in 2014, as well.

Men's tennis player Markus Schultz has achieved regional ranking in both 2013-14 and 2014-15.

John Porteous became the first NJIT track and field athlete to qualify to the 2014 NCAA Track and Field Regional, earning a spot in the men's 400-meter hurdles.

Julia Garcia, a freshman, was second in the epee at the 2015 NCAA Championships, becoming the school's first women's fencing All-America.

NJIT's growing success in Division I competition has been gone along with a continued commitment to excellence in the university's rigorous academic environment. The combined grade point average of Highlander student-athletes has been above 3.0 for 12 straight semesters through Spring 2015.

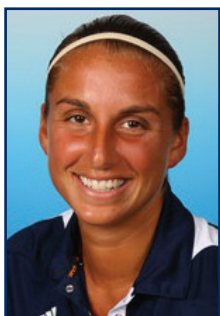
Before coming to NJIT, Lenny Kaplan served 11 years at Manhattan College, where he began as Manhattan's director of operations and was assistant athletics director from 1991-2000.

Kaplan, a 1988 graduate of St. John's University with a degree in athletics administration, resides in Merrick, NY, with his wife, Nancy. They are the parents of two sons, Michael, a student at Lafayette College, and Joshua, who is in high school.

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## SPORTS MEDICINE

NJIT sports medicine is moving forward with the growth of the Highlanders program. Head trainer Matt Koscs, MS/ATC, oversees the program, ably assisted by assistant trainers Paul Grayner, MEd/ATC; Melissa Maskery, MS, ATC; Brittany Vondran, MS/ATC; and, Kyle Tuohy, BS/ATC.



**Matt Koscs, ATC, Head Athletic Trainer**

Matt Koscs, who earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees from University of Delaware, has

served NJIT as head trainer since July 2009, a year after he joined the staff as an assistant trainer.

As an undergraduate at Delaware, he was recipient of the Paris Delligatti Memorial Award for Excellence in Athletic Training. He

earned his MS in Exercise Science from Delaware in 2008.

Prior to his arrival at NJIT, Matt served three years as the head athletic trainer at Hodgson Vocational Technical High School in Newark, DE, from 2005 to 2008.

In addition to his work at the high school level, he was head athletic trainer for the Delaware Dynasty semi-pro soccer team in Wilmington, as well as with the Kirkwood Soccer Club in New Castle in 2005 and 2006.

He was employed from 2005 to 2008 at Christiana Care Physical Therapy Plus, in Newark, DE, where he was an athletic trainer and was the Director of Athletic Training Services in a clinical setting.

He is a NATABOC certified athletic trainer, as well as holding additional certifications as a professional rescuer and in first aid.

He resides in Metuchen, NJ with his wife Kristin and daughters Eloise, Claire and Madeleine.



**Paul Grayner, ATC, Assistant Athletic Trainer**

Paul Grayner, who joined the NJIT staff as an assistant athletic trainer late in the 2008 calendar year, has a diverse

background in athletic training, having served at the college and professional levels, as well as in a fitness center setting.

A graduate of Saint Leo College in Florida and holder of a master's

degree from American University in Washington, DC, Grayner has served as both a head and assistant trainer in the past.

From the mid-1970s to the mid-1980s, he was a trainer in the minor league systems of the New York Yankees and New York Mets from 1977 to 1985 and in 1984 he was assistant trainer with the Mets. He later worked with the Long Island Knights professional basketball team.

At the collegiate level, he was head trainer at Division I Fairleigh Dickinson University in Teaneck, NJ from 1989 to 1998 and he earlier worked as an assistant trainer at Hofstra (1982-85) and Adelphi (1985) on Long Island before joining FDU as an assistant (1986-89).

In addition to his work in athletic training, Grayner is a financial services representative and a life insurance sales representative.

He resides in Dumont, NJ.



**Melissa Mackey, ATC, Assistant Athletic Trainer**

Melissa Mackey, who joined the NJIT staff as an assistant athletic trainer in the summer of 2013, earned her bachelor's degree, majoring in athletic training and minoring in strength and conditioning, from the University of Delaware in 2011.

She earned her master's in athletic training at Temple University in May 2013.

As a graduate assistant, she worked in Philadelphia with several Division I teams at Drexel University and as an undergraduate, on the medical staff for Delaware's 2010 Division I Football Championship Series (formerly known as Division I-AA) national runner-up.

She has worked as a trainer at numerous summer camps and before coming to NJIT, she earned the 2013 Merit Award for Research in the College of Health Sciences & Social Work and was the recipient of Drexel University Dragon Award for Leadership.

She is married to Mark Mackey.



**Kyle Tuohy, ATC, Assistant Athletic Trainer**

Kyle Tuohy, a 2014 summa cum laude graduate of East Stroudsburg (PA) University, joined the NJIT athletic training staff in September 2014.

Tuohy, who will attend graduate school while working at NJIT, won

multiple awards from his alma mater, including the David Carylton Athletic Training Outstanding Student Award in May 2014.

He had varied clinical internship experience starting in the Fall Semester 2012 and continuing through his senior year.

His internships included stints with the East Stroudsburg women's basketball team; Parkland High School and Pen Argyl High School,

both in Pennsylvania; the Tennessee Smokies professional baseball team, Class AA minor league affiliate of the Chicago Cubs; and Lafayette College in Easton, PA, where he worked closely with the Leopards football team in season and also worked with athletes from all in-season sports in the Fall Semester.

He holds several profession-related certifications, including from the National Athletic Trainers Association.



**Lauren Kravitz, ATC, Assistant Athletic Trainer**

Lauren Kravitz, who joined the NJIT staff as an assistant athletic trainer in the fall of 2015, earned her bachelor's degree, majoring in athletic training from William Paterson University in 2013.

She is pursuing her master's in exercise science with a concentration in exercise physiology at Kean University with an

anticipated graduation in December 2015.

As a graduate assistant at Kean University, she was the primary contact for NCAA Division III men's and women's basketball, field hockey and men's and women's lacrosse.

Prior to graduation at William Paterson, she worked as an athletic training student, providing treatment for NCAA Division III football, softball, men's basketball and men's and women's soccer.

She has worked as an Occupational Therapist Aide at Optimum Orthopedics in Montclair, NJ, as well as an Aide at Push to Walk, a non-profit organization in Riverdale, NJ, that provides individualized workouts and resources to people with spinal cord injuries and other neurological conditions.

Her volunteer experience includes: National Special Olympics, Special Olympics of New Jersey Summer Games and Special Olympics of New Jersey Fall Games.



# Administration



## Louis Rizio, MD, Team Physician

Dr. Rizio is a board certified orthopedic surgeon and is fellowship trained in the field of sports medicine. He is a graduate of Rutgers and after earning his medical degree from the UMDNJ/New Jersey Medical School (recently reorganized and renamed Rutgers Biomedical and

Health Sciences), Dr. Rizio completed his orthopaedic residency at Tufts University in Boston.

He then completed a sports medicine fellowship at the University of Miami. During his fellowship, he was assistant team physician of the Miami Dolphins, University of Miami Hurricanes, and the Florida Marlins.

Dr. Rizio, who specializes in sports-related injuries, practices at the Sports Medicine and Orthopaedic

Center in Livingston, NJ. Prior to starting his own practice, Dr Rizio was the Chief of Sports Medicine at the NJ Medical School from 2000-2005. He currently is a professional, college, and high school team physician.

In 2013, Dr. Rizio was honored by the magazine New Jersey Monthly on its "Jersey Choice Top Doctors" list.

## STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING

There are many ways to make a team better and a vital path to improvement comes with the mantra "bigger, stronger, faster".

It's how teams get better from within by maximizing individual and team performance in competition. The Strength and Conditioning staff also works closely with the Athletic Training Staff in the areas of injury prevention and rehabilitation.

In the summer and fall of 2014, NJIT's Strength and Conditioning took new direction with the appointment of Bobby Fisk as Head Strength and Conditioning Coach and Drew Culp as Fisk's Assistant Coach.



## Bobby Fisk, Head Strength & Conditioning Coach

Bobby Fisk, who was a basketball player in his own college days and coached the sport after college, comes to NJIT from Xavier University in Cincinnati, where he was assistant coach of strength and conditioning for the entire Musketeers' program, which

competes in the Big East Conference. Fisk, a native of Schenectady, NY, spent over two years at Hobart and William Smith Colleges in Geneva, NY, where, as head strength and conditioning coach, he worked with successful teams, including women's soccer (William Smith College), which won the 2013 NCAA Division III National Championship; football (Hobart), which advanced to the 2012 Division III national quarterfinals and the regional finals in 2011 and 2013; and basketball, where Hobart reached the second round of the 2012 NCAA Tournament. Moving to the Division I level with Xavier in 2013-14, Fisk worked with all 16 of the school's teams, with a primary assignment to women's basketball, men's and women's soccer, baseball, and men's and women's tennis. He is a graduate of the State University of New York College at

Oneonta (BS, Business Economics, 2008), Averett University of Danville, VA (MBA, 2010), and California University of Pennsylvania (MS in Exercise Science, Performance Enhancement & Injury Prevention, 2013).

As a student-athlete, Fisk was a men's basketball player at NCAA Division I UMBC in Baltimore for three years before transferring to Oneonta, where he was on the team for two years, serving as captain as a senior and earning All-State

University of New York Athletic Conference honorable mention.

As a senior for Oneonta's Red Dragons, he finished 16th in the nation in Division III in 3-point shooting percentage (.441) and 22nd in 3-pointers made per game (3.2) as a senior at Oneonta.

After graduation from Oneonta, he entered coaching while pursuing his master's degree at Averett, serving that program as assistant men's basketball coach (two years) and head strength and conditioning

coach (one year).

Having received his master's degree from Averett in December 2010, he returned home to the Schenectady area and worked April 2011 to July 2011 as assistant strength and conditioning coach at nearby Siena College and with the minor professional basketball Albany Legends (head strength and conditioning coach).

Fisk holds multiple certifications and professional memberships.



#### **Drew Culp, Assistant Strength & Conditioning**

NJIT's head strength and conditioning coach Bobby Fisk named Drew Culp to be his assistant coach in

September 2014.

Culp, who earned his bachelor's degree from Penn State University in 2010 and his master's degree from Penn State in 2012, most recently served as a volunteer assistant strength and conditioning coach at

nearby Seton Hall prior to accepting his position with NJIT.

At Seton Hall, Culp worked with the school's Big East Conference men's and women's basketball teams, as well as with the men's soccer team.

Between college and coming to New Jersey, Culp worked at Velocity Sports Performance in Irvine, CA. He was a Sports Performance Coach and Assistant Sports Performance Director. Specifically, he was the Head Strength and Conditioning Coach for the El Toro High School football team and also assisted in

training National Football League combine athletes. He also offered private training to athletes in a range of sports and age levels.

Drew Culp was a graduate assistant strength and conditioning coach at Penn State, working with the Nittany Lions football team for over a year through preseason 2012 and working with 11 Olympic Sports teams in his final semester.

He holds multiple certifications, including both strength and conditioning and first aid and CPR.





## ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT

### Sandra Taylor, Director of The Learning Center

Sandra Taylor was appointed as Director of The Learning Center in late September

2014 after serving as Interim Director for the previous 16 months.

She joined NJIT in January 2010 as Academic Advisor for Student-Athletes working in NJIT's Center for Academic and Personal Enrichment (CAPE), which has since been renamed as The Learning Center.

She mentored student-athletes in the areas of academic support, personal development, leadership, and community service. She was instrumental in bringing the Chi Alpha Sigma Honor Society for student-athletes to campus and has been individually certified from the N4A (National Association of Academic Advisors for Athletics) as an academic advisor for student-athletes.

In May 2013, she was elevated to Interim Director of CAPE and presided over its transition to the Learning Center in August of 2014. The Learning Center provides academic support to all students, mentoring and workshops, tutoring in areas outside of math and writing,

and testing accommodations for students with disabilities. She has served on NJIT's Strategic Planning, Academic Advising, Retention and Persistence, Customer Service, Student Satisfaction, and Athletic Oversight Committees.

Prior to joining NJIT, Taylor spent 17 years as a key member of the Manhattan College Department of Athletics. She earned both her bachelor's degree in secondary education and her master's degree in special education from Manhattan College and is working on her doctorate in educational leadership at St. Mary's University in Winona, MN.

Working in the athletics department at Manhattan, a founding member of the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, Taylor was Associate Director of Athletics and Senior Woman Administrator, having filled those posts from 1996 until joining NJIT in 2010,

For much of her time on the Manhattan staff (1995 to 2003), she was Chief Athletic Department Compliance Officer, with responsibility for Manhattan's adherence to NCAA Division I, MAAC and college regulations. She began her service at Manhattan as

Athletic Department Ticket Manager, serving in that capacity from 1993 to 2003.

In her time at Manhattan, she served on numerous NCAA, conference and internal college committees, including service on the NCAA Division I Management Council from 2004 to 2007 and as chair of the NCAA Women's Lacrosse Committee from 2002 to 2006.

At the conference level, she chaired the MAAC Women's Basketball Committee from 1997 to 2009 and also served on four other sport committees, as well as on the MAAC Committee on Athletic Administration, with service as vice-chair in 2008-09.

Internally at Manhattan, her assignments included service on the Middle States Review in 2000 and on the NCAA Certification Committee.

Sandra and her husband, Ken, who is Associate Athletics Director/ Development and Marketing at Monmouth University after many years as Associate Commissioner at the MAAC, reside in Monroe Township, NJ, with their daughters, Katherine, who was born in May 2004, and Samantha, who was born in July 2009.



**Mike Spisto, Eligibility Certification Officer/Academic Advisor for Athletics**

Mike Spisto moved to administration as NJIT's Eligibility Certification Office/Academic

Adviser for Athletics in the Spring of 2013, working in the Center for Academic and Personal Enrichment (CAPE), now named The Learning Center.

For the previous five years, he was the top assistant coach on the men's basketball staff, working with head coach Jim Engles in an association that culminated with the Highlanders capturing the 2013 regular season championship of the Great West Conference.

In addition to 14 years college coaching—five at NJIT—he served as Director of Athletics at the State University of New York at Delhi in the

two years before he joined Engles' coaching staff with the Highlanders.

He had two stints as head coach at SUNY at Delhi sandwiched around three years as a Division I assistant with Rider and Albany (NY). He began his coaching career with two years an assistant at his alma mater, Division III SUNY Oneonta.

At Delhi, which is also an alma mater, he was head coach from 1999 to 2001, left to become a Division I assistant and then returned for another two-year stint as head coach from 2004 to 2006 before becoming AD at Delhi.

His head coaching record in four years at SUNY Delhi was 86-31 and both stints included championships and coaching awards. His first Division I coaching assignment came at Rider University in 2001-02, where he worked alongside Jim Engles as an assistant when Rider captured its first-ever Metro Atlantic

Athletic Conference regular season championship.

Heading to the University at Albany (NY), he helped recruit the team that would win back-to-back America East Conference championships.

Spisto's coaching career began at Oneonta State following his 1997 graduation. In addition to his bachelor's degree from Oneonta, he earned an associate's degree from SUNY Delhi, as well as an MSS from United States Sports Academy.

He played at both Delhi and Oneonta and was all-region twice at Delhi, where he is the career assists leader. At Oneonta he was captain as a senior after winning an ECAC title his junior year.

Mike and his wife, Katie-Lynn, reside in Staten Island, NY, with their young children: sons Michael (10) and Christopher (7), and daughter Alyssa (3).



**Brittany Vorndran, Academic Advisor for Student-Athletes**

Brittany Vorndran, who joined the NJIT staff as an assistant athletic trainer in the summer of 2012, earned

her bachelor's degree, majoring in athletic training, from Bridgewater (MA) State University in 2010 and was the school's 2008-09 Athletic Training Student of the Year.

She earned her master's in Kinesiology at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, VA, in May 2012.

At James Madison, she worked with the cross country, track and field, tennis and cheerleading teams.

A resident of Millville, NJ, she has worked as a substitute teacher for the Millville Board of Education.



# Administration

## SENIOR ADMINISTRATION

Lenny Kaplan	Assistant Vice President/Director of Athletics
Andrew Schwartz	Senior Associate Athletic Director
Stephanie Pillari	Acting Senior Woman Administrator
Jayson Smikle	Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance
Tim Camp	Asst. Athletic Director for Sports Information
Brian Callahan	Assistant Director of Physical Education
Michael Siegel, PhD	Faculty Athletic Representative
Kerry Feder	Administrative Assistant for the Director of Athletics

## ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Sandra Taylor	Director of The Learning Center;
Mike Spisto	Eligibility Certification Officer/ Academic Advisor Athletics

## ATHLETIC TRAINING

Matt Koscs	Head Athletic Trainer
Paul Grayner	Assistant Athletic Trainer
Melissa Mackey	Assistant Athletic Trainer
Kyle Tuohy	Assistant Athletic Trainer
Lauren Kravitz	Assistant Athletic Trainer
Dr. Louis Rizio	Team Physician

## COMPLIANCE

Jayson Smikle	Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance
Raquel Green	Compliance Coordinator

## DEVELOPMENT

Tim Paul	Assistant Director of Development for Athletics
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## FLEISHER ATHLETIC CENTER/ WARREN STREET FITNESS CENTER

Casey MacDonald	Interim Operations Manager
Joe Vacca	Athletics Business Coordinator/ Ticket Manager
Jonathan Walker	Warren Street Fitness Center Front Desk

## SPORTS INFORMATION

Tim Camp	Assistant Athletic Director for Sports Information
Stephanie Pillari	Assistant Sports Information Director
Courtney Caden	Assistant Sports Information Director

## STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING

Bobby Fisk	Head Strength and Conditioning Coach
Drew Culp	Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach

## COACHING STAFF DIRECTORY

### BASEBALL

Brian Guiliana	Head Coach
Robbie McClellan	Assistant Coach
Grant Neary	Assistant Coach
Craig Anderson	Volunteer Assistant Coach

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

Jim Engles	Head Coach
Brian Kennedy	Assistant Coach
Jesse Agel	Assistant Coach
Kim Waiters	Assistant Coach
Andrew McGlynn	Director of Basketball Operations

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Steve Lanpher	Head Coach
DeAnn Kraft	Assistant Coach
La Kea Jones	Assistant Coach
Epiphany Smith	Assistant Coach

### MEN'S & WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Al Alonso	Head Coach
John Crawford	Assistant Coach

### MEN'S AND WOMEN'S FENCING

Yefim Litvan	Head Coach
Jason Henderson	Assistant Coach
Danielle Henderson	Assistant Coach
Ben Igoe	Assistant Coach

### MEN'S LACROSSE

Travis Johnson	Head Coach
Brad Conlon	Assistant Coach
Fran Gormley	Assistant Coach
Brian Tironi	Volunteer Assistant Coach

### MEN'S SOCCER

Didier Orellana	Head Coach
David Janezic	Assistant Coach
Augi Freitas	Assistant Coach
Anthony Tuesta	Volunteer Assistant

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

Mandi Ridsen	Head Coach
Scott Waddell	Assistant Coach
Chris Duggan	Assistant Coach
Tim Verschuren	Volunteer Coach

### MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

Michael Lawson	Head Coach
Mark Albright	Assistant Coach
Shawn Bryan	Assistant Coach
Anthony Cacula	Volunteer Diving Coach

### MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Ira Miller	Head Coach
Jacob Myer	Assistant Coach
Livia Gherman	Assistant Coach

### MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD (INDOOR & OUTDOOR)

Al Alonso	Head Coach
John Crawford	Assistant Coach
James Luginsland	Assistant Coach (Throws)

### MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Danny Goncalves	Head Coach
Brennon Dyer	Assistant Coach

### WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Pete Volkert	Head Coach
Ariel Scott	Assistant Coach
Anthony Valbrun	Assistant Coach
Marc Solondz	Volunteer Coach

**Beginning on September 1, 2009, the entire NJIT athletics program officially gained across-the-board active membership in NCAA Division I, completing a process that began officially in 2003.**

**NJIT, its teams and student-athletes enjoy the full benefits of Division I membership, including eligibility for Division I postseason championship competition and the inclusion of the Highlanders among the national Division I leaders in statistics maintained by the NCAA.**



*Nick Marzullo*

Within months of NJIT's active Division I membership, the school won its first national Division I statistical championships, as women's volleyball player Sabrina

Baby led the nation in digs per set and her teammates captured the team crown for digs, as well.

The NCAA's decision to make NJIT a full member of Division I completed a specific timetable that required NJIT and its Department of Athletics to meet a series of annual benchmarks before proceeding to the next step in the process.

NJIT, which competed in NCAA Division II beginning in 1997-98 and in NCAA Division III for more than two decades before that, made its first formal move toward Division I reclassification with men's

soccer paving the way in 2003. That move grew out of November 2002 meetings among then-President Robert A. Altenkirch, then Vice President Joel Bloom (who would later succeed Altenkirch as NJIT's President) and Director of Athletics Lenny Kaplan. From there came a proposal for Dr. Altenkirch to the Board of Trustees, which unanimously approved in February 2003 a plan to reclassify men's soccer to Division I. Little more than two years later, the NCAA approved NJIT's proposal to begin advancing its entire program to Division I.

Men's soccer achieved active Division I status in 2005 and NJIT women's soccer became postseason-eligible in 2007. The remaining programs also began reclassifying in 2005, with active status taking longer for an entire athletics program than under the single-sport- per-gender track used for the two soccer programs.

In 2005-06 the lion's share of the competition for all but the men's soccer program came at the Division



II level. In 2006-07, 2007-08, and 2008-09, NJIT's teams competed at the Division I level and fully complied with NCAA Division I rules, but were not eligible for championships at the top level.

Every facet of the program has been enhanced in the move to Division I with a special emphasis placed on student-athlete welfare. Facility upgrades have gone along with support staff expansion. NJIT has built a model NCAA Division I rules compliance regimen within its athletics program and across the entire university.

Further, the Board of Trustees embraced the transition to Division I as part of the University's



*Joe Lomeli*

strategic plan to enhance the quality of campus life for all students.

NJIT's teams compete throughout the United States, taking on opponents from schools that are instantly recognizable for their stature in academics and athletics.

NJIT student-athletes have faced opponents every Ivy League institution, as well as the Patriot League, including Army and Navy, Buckell, Lafayette, and Lehigh.

The Highlanders have also competed against teams from every Division I conference with teams either in the Northeast or Mid-Atlantic States, including the America East, American Athletic, Atlantic 10, Big East, Colonial Athletic Association, Metro Atlantic Athletic, Mid-Eastern Athletic, and Northeast.

The eighth New Jersey-based institution in Division I, NJIT has competed against all seven of its home state peers, including Rutgers and Seton Hall.

In addition, Highlander teams have taken on squads from power conferences such as the ACC, Big Ten, Big 12, and Pac-12.

NJIT joined its first Division I conference in 2009-10 when the Great West became an all-sports conference and women's tennis captured back-to-back league titles in 2011 and 2012. In 2012-13, the final year of the GWC, NJIT men's basketball was regular season champion and NJIT women's basketball was GWC Tournament champion.

Moving on from the Great West, NJIT women's tennis joined the America East Conference in 2013-14 and finished as conference runner-up in 2014, the Highlanders' first try at the AEC title. NJIT

men's soccer began play as a member of the Sun Belt Conference in 2014. Also in 2013-14, NJIT men's swimming became one of three new members in the Coastal Collegiate Swimming Association (CCSA).

In June 2015, NJIT and the Atlantic Sun Conference announced that the Highlanders would become the newest full member of the A-Sun. Founded in 1978 as the Trans America Athletic Conference, the conference took on its present name following the 2001 season.

The Atlantic Sun Conference will be the home of 13 of NJIT's varsity teams in 2015-16, with men's soccer moving over from the Sun Belt in 2016-17, bringing the total of A-Sun teams from NJIT to 14.



*Tyler Baggett*



**COMING IN FALL 2017—**

## **THE NJIT WELLNESS AND EVENTS CENTER**

**NJIT hosted a groundbreaking ceremony on Thursday, November 12 for the Wellness and Events Center (WEC), a sleek new building that has the promise to become the social centerpiece of a revamped campus.**

The Wellness and Events Center, already nicknamed WEC, is a \$102 million building that will be constructed on the site of the current Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium athletic field. WEC will extend across the length of the field, which will later be rebuilt on the north side of the building. The construction of WEC, to begin after the groundbreaking, will be finished in the fall of 2017.

The WEC will accommodate the rapid growth of the school's athletic department, student body, and campus community. In addition to a number of conference, academic, and community facilities, the building will house a first-class basketball arena, natatorium, locker rooms, indoor track, concessions, suites, offices, and a fitness center.

The 3,500 seat basketball arena will compare favorably with many Division I mid-major facilities throughout the country, allowing NJIT to continue to grow their men's and women's basketball programs.



WEC will have many amenities, just some of which include:

- A 25-meter swimming pool with diving area
- A fitness center with cardio equipment and weights
- Lounges, study areas and multipurpose rooms
- An indoor 10,000 square feet turf space
- Two practice courts for intramural and intercollegiate sports
- A running track that will encircle the concourse of the first-floor arena
- The arena will seat 3,500 people, but the bleachers are designed to retract, allowing the floor space in the arena to triple in size.
- The expanded floor space will host campus events and professional conferences
- An inside path on the first floor will allow students to walk from the subway and other areas on Lock Street to the main campus quad
- A 30-foot-wide promenade between Tiernan Hall



- The outside steps and the open space on WEC's northside are designed for students to sit comfortably
- WEC will be three stories high and its north side will be all windows, through which natural light will flood into the building. The tall windows will overlook the new athletic field.





**The New Jersey Institute of Technology teams play home games and practice in a combination of facilities on campus and off.**

The on-campus facilities include Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium for outdoor sports and the Estelle and Zoom Fleisher Athletic Center for indoor sports. In addition, NJIT in 2011 opened is the Naimoli Family Athletic and Recreational Facility, a multi-purpose indoor facility on the site of the former outdoor tennis courts.

Off-campus venues include Bears and Eagles Riverfront Stadium, a professional minor league stadium that is the home of NJIT baseball; the Prudential Center, home of the NHL Devils and NBA Nets, which has hosted selected NJIT basketball games; and, Branch Brook Park in Newark and Van Cortlandt Park in the Bronx, home sites for NJIT cross country. All except for Van Cortlandt Park are less than two miles from the NJIT campus.

**LUBETKIN FIELD AT MAL SIMON STADIUM**

The men's and women's soccer teams play their home games and practice on campus at Lubetkin Field at Malc Simon Stadium, a first-class venue for college soccer.

The field on the west end of NJIT's University Heights campus is an all-weather facility, with 24/7 availability for competition or practice. Outfitted with SprinTurf artificial grass in the summer of 2004, Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium also includes lighting for night contests, bleacher seating for more than 1,200 spectators, a press box and scoreboard.

The fully-enclosed facility, with its entrance a few feet opposite the entrance of the indoor Estelle and Zoom Fleisher Athletic Center, can take its place alongside any college soccer facility in the Northeast.

The home of Highlanders soccer served as the host site for the first-ever Great West

Conference women's soccer championship tournament in November 2009. Previously, NJIT hosted the three-day 2005 ECAC Division II women's soccer championship tournament.

In the fall of 2005, when the Northeast was hit with record rainfall, games went on without a hitch at Lubetkin Field, thanks to the quality of the surface. Indeed, with the rain disrupting schedules around the region, some crucial Big East contests involving Seton Hall were moved to NJIT's home field. Those games, too, went off without a hitch.



*The Estelle and Zoom Fleisher Athletic Center*

## **ESTELLE AND ZOOM FLEISHER ATHLETIC CENTER**

The NJIT men's and women's basketball teams and men's and women's volleyball teams play their home games in the Fleisher Athletic Center gymnasium, while the swimming and diving team competes and practices in building's pool. The Fleisher Center also houses intercollegiate fencing, as well as all athletic department offices, varsity and general weight and fitness rooms, and the athletic training room.

In the summer of 2006, the gym underwent renovation to include installation of a new floor and baskets, new lighting, new sound system and new scoreboards, along with entirely new seating for approximately 1,500 spectators after the first phase of renovation. The back bay 'C gym' can be sectioned off from the

main competition floor, making the facility useful for intramurals, physical education classes and campus recreation time, while being able to host multiple simultaneous events.

A six-lane swimming pool in Fleisher Athletic Center is home to the NJIT swimming team. Fencing has its own area on the second floor of the building.

In addition to all athletic department offices, the Fleisher Athletic Center also houses the sports medicine staff in the Athletic Training Room and the varsity weight room, supervised by the head strength and condition coach. The building's third floor is home to a fitness center, which is open for use by all students and staff.



# Athletics Facilities



## THE NAIMOLI FAMILY ATHLETIC & RECREATION FACILITY

Opened in 2011, the facility is approximately 25,600 square feet. The Naimoli Family Center will be a multi-purpose space for athletics, community recreation, and gatherings involving large numbers of people.

Built on top of the old outdoor tennis courts adjoining the Fleisher Athletic Center, construction of this new building has been made possible, in part, by a generous gift from Vincent Naimoli '62, Chairman and CEO of Anchor Industries International and Chairman Emeritus/ Founder of the Tampa Bay Rays major league baseball team.

The facility houses courts for tennis and is available for other athletic and recreational activities, including practice for basketball and volleyball. It is heated and air conditioned, with flooring appropriate for the intended athletics and recreational activities.

Its indoor tennis courts offer vital year round practice and playing opportunities for NJIT's intercollegiate tennis teams, which have been consistently successful in the transition to Division I. In 2011, the women's tennis team became NJIT's first conference championship team in the Division I era.

## BRANCH BROOK PARK AND VAN CORTLANDT PARK

A hallmark of the NJIT cross country program under veteran coach Al Alonso is its ability to host cross country competition that have made Highlander-sponsored races a popular destination for schools from throughout the New York/New Jersey area.

In 2009, NJIT hosted the Great West Conference championships at Van Cortlandt Park in the Bronx, and the course, which is home to some of the most prestigious events in the sport, is also the home venue for other annual NJIT-hosted races. Branch Brook Park, which is a public park of Essex County, reaches into several towns, including Newark, with the park entrance less than a mile from the NJIT campus.

## TRACK FACILITIES

The NJIT men's and women's indoor track & field team trains at the Jersey City Armory which is home to a 6-lane indoor 200m track while the outdoor track & field team trains at the Nat Turner Park 6-lane outdoor 400m track.



*NJIT Athletics Weight Room at Estelle and Zoom Fleisher Athletic Center*



## **RED BULL ARENA**

Located in Harrison, NJ, just across the Passaic River from Newark and less than three miles from the NJIT campus, the new home of the New York Red Bulls (opened in March 2010) sets the standard for soccer venues across North America.

The state-of-the-art soccer-specific facility is a major component of a multi-billion dollar development.

Red Bull Arena has a number of key design elements which give its seating bowl a close-to-the-action feeling and the unique stadium roof design extends from its leading edge over the entire seating bowl and then curve down to the concourse.

The overall seating capacity for soccer is 25,000, including 30 luxury suites (20 lower level and 10 upper level) and 1,116 club seats. Other amenities include three stadium clubs and two retail outlets.



## **BEARS AND EAGLES RIVERFRONT STADIUM**

Bears and Eagles Riverfront Stadium, the \$30 million state-of-the-art home of professional baseball and, since 2004, the home of NJIT Highlanders baseball, officially opened to the public on July 16, 1999. With a seating capacity of 6,200, "The Den" affords fans an up-close view of the action. The ballpark also has 20 luxury suites, a picnic area, a party deck, a concert stage situated behind the outfield wall and a major league-caliber press box.

In December 2005, NJIT and the Bears held a joint press conference to herald a new partnership that includes a 10-year deal that extends Bears and Eagles Riverfront Stadium as the home of NJIT Highlanders baseball.



## Head Coach Travis Johnson



Travis Johnson was named the first head coach of men's lacrosse at New Jersey Institute of Technology, Director of Athletics Lenny Kaplan announced in December 2013.

Johnson, who was hired to coach a start-up program, began competition in 2015 as an NCAA Division I

team, concluding a 12-game inaugural varsity season. The first-ever lacrosse away game was played on February 20 at Stony Brook and the first-ever home lacrosse game featured the Highlanders hosting Quinnipiac on February 28.

He is a former player who has been coaching at the college level since the 1999-2000 academic year and most recently served as the first assistant, defensive coordinator, and recruiting coordinator at Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, MD.

Prior to Mount St. Mary's, where he has worked since 2010-11, Johnson was an assistant coach in two stints at Penn State (2004-06 and 2008-2010) and also at Stony Brook (2006 to 2008). He began his coaching career as an undergraduate of Rochester Institute of Technology and continued Stevens Institute of Technology in Hoboken, NJ (2001-04).

He is a 2000 graduate of RIT, where he played lacrosse and was selected by the professional Rochester Knighthawks in the 2000 National Lacrosse League draft.

Johnson has been defensive coordinator at his stops since 2001. He is an experienced recruiter, having held the title of

recruiting coordinator with Stony Brook, in his second stint at Penn State, and then with Mount St. Mary's.

Johnson will be in charge of the Highlanders' 11th varsity men's team and the 19th varsity team overall for NJIT. The launch of the program was approved and Kaplan conducted a national search that resulted in the appointment of Johnson as the first coach of the Division I Highlanders.

According to reports in the lacrosse news media, NJIT is the 69th institution nationwide that either fields a team or is in the process of starting a Division I men's lacrosse team. In New Jersey, the Highlanders be the fourth Division I lacrosse program, joining Princeton, Rutgers, and Monmouth (which begins play this spring).

"We are excited to be starting lacrosse and we are excited that Travis has accepted the challenge of being our first men's lacrosse coach," said Kaplan in announcing the appointment. "He's garnered great experience, first as a student-athlete at RIT and then as a coach working in excellent academic schools with great lacrosse programs. He will help us put NJIT lacrosse on the map."

The new head coach of the Highlanders did his first coaching with the Division III programs at his alma mater and then at Stevens. From there, he entered the Division I ranks with Penn State, which made the NCAA Tournament in his first season on the staff.

After another year with the Nittany Lions, Johnson headed to Stony Brook, working as the top assistant to Rick Sowell, now the head coach at the United States Naval Academy. As recruiting coordinator, Johnson helped Sowell assemble the core of a Stony Brook squad that, in 2010, reached the NCAA Tournament and was ranked as high as sixth in the nation during the season.

Johnson went back to Penn State for the 2009 and 2010 seasons and then moved to The Mount, which won the Northeast Conference championship in 2011, his first season on the coaching staff.

"I'm very excited about this opportunity," said the first coach of NJIT men's lacrosse as he looks ahead to building a new team. "We're going to offer student-athletes a chance to get a quality education, especially in the areas of science and technology, and play Division I lacrosse at the same time.

"We're going to have to hustle from the first day. It's going to be a wild ride for the next three months for me, personally (student-athletes who will begin college in the fall of 2014 are signing National Letters of Intent this fall). We

have three months to identify and attract the players who are going to form our first Division I team. We're going to look in all the areas, but we're going to hit Jersey hard and go after the talent that's in this state.

NJIT men's lacrosse team will play its home games on campus on Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium, the longtime home of NJIT's men's and women's soccer teams. The on-campus field is lighted and has an artificial turf surface.





## Brad Conlon Assistant Coach



Brad Conlon joined the NJIT men's lacrosse program as an assistant coach for the 2014-15 academic year in time to assist the school's first-ever varsity lacrosse team.

Conlon comes to the Highlanders after spending the previous season as an assistant at Princeton, where he was assistant defensive coordinator and goaltending coach for a Tigers team that finished with

a 7-6 record and was ranked in the national poll at points in the 2014 season.

Prior to Princeton, Conlon coached at Pfeiffer University in Misenheimer, NC, from 2010 until July 2013. During that time, the NCAA Division II Pfeiffer Falcons were a combined 36-16, including 13-4 in his final season. Conlon was defensive coordinator and goaltending coach as an assistant at Pfeiffer and finished up his tenure with the program as Interim Head Coach at the start of the 2013 offseason before departing for Princeton.

Like NJIT's head coach, Travis Johnson, Conlon is a graduate of Rochester Institute of Technology and, like Johnson, he began his coaching career at RIT. Conlon was an assistant coach with the RIT Tigers in the 2009 and 2010 seasons.

Prior to coming to NJIT, Conlon has coached four All-Americans, 27 all-conference players, two Freshmen of the Year, three Defenders of the Year, and three Goalies of the Year, all in a span of six seasons.

In addition to his bachelor's degree from RIT(2009), Conlon earned an MBA from Pfeiffer (2013).

## Brian Tironi Assistant Coach



Brian Tironi was named to help head coach Travis Johnson lead the first-ever NJIT men's lacrosse team, which begins play in the 2015 as the latest Division I varsity sport for the Highlanders. Tironi's appointment officially began in the summer of 2014.

A product of New Jersey, Tironi is a 2001 graduate of the University of Massachusetts, where he was a

Division I men's lacrosse player.

Still the holder of numerous football playing records at Mountain Lakes (NJ) High School, Tironi has been a coach at Mountain Lakes in both football and boys lacrosse. The 2013 Mountain Lakes football team was undefeated NJ North 2 Group II champion, winning its fifth straight conference title. In 2014, the school's lacrosse team reached the semifinals of the NJSIAA Tournament of Champions after claiming the state Group 1 title and finishing 22-4.

Tironi previously coached lacrosse at Glen Ridge (NJ) High School.

In addition to coaching, Tironi has had a professional career in sales and marketing, beginning with an internship with the Colorado Rockies of Major League Baseball in 2001. He spent seven years as National Director of Sales for a Tampa, Florida-based company.

## 2016 Roster

<b>NO.</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>YR.</b>	<b>HT.</b>	<b>WT.</b>	<b>HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL</b>
2	Tyler Stevenson	Fr.	6-1	170	East Brunswick, NJ / Rutgers Prep
3	Chris Delente	Fr.	5-9	160	Frederick, MD / Saint John's Catholic Prep
4	Michael Mulroe	So.	6-0	163	Verona, NJ / West Essex Regional
7	Darren Almodiel	Fr.	5-9	165	Fairfax, VA / Chantilly
9	Cole Robillard	Fr.	6-2	160	Brantford, Ontario, Canada / Assumption College
11	Matt Brown	Fr.	5-10	175	Doylestown, PA / Central Bucks East
13	Jordan Rosal	So.	5-5	155	Toms River, NJ / Toms River North
14	Gabe Giovanello	So.	5-11	160	Scotch Plains, NJ / Scotch Plains Fanwood
15	Tyler Baggett	So.	6-2	175	Gainesville, FL / Oak Hall
17	Mark Bannon	So.	5-10	181	Woodcliff Lake, NJ / Pascack Hills
18	Patrick Benton	Fr.	6-1	165	Davidsonville, MD / Archbishop Spalding
19	Ryan Callaghan	Jr.	5-10	185	Burlington, Ontario, Canada / Corpus Christi Catholic Secondary
21	Sheldon Piggot	Sr.	5-11	170	West Orange, NJ / West Orange
22	Jacob Sieber	Fr.	6-0	180	Annandale, NJ / North Hunterdon
23	Ryan Bradley	So.	6-2	160	Tabernacle, NJ / Seneca
24	Alex Stiers	Fr.	6-2	175	Issaquah, WA / Interlake
25	Carson Metzker	Fr.	5-11	185	Fort Washington, PA / Germantown Academy
27	Ryan Darrow	Fr.	5-10	175	Flemington, NJ / Hunterdon Central
28	Rich Brunje	So.	6-0	205	Wayne, NJ / Wayne Valley
29	John Roach	So.	5-5	150	Westminster, CO / Standley Lake
30	Jesse Rice	So.	6-2	210	Chicago, IL / Central
31	Matthew Valdez	So.	5-11	175	Perth Amboy, NJ / St. Joseph
32	Johnny Madaras IV	Fr.	5-10	170	Hackettstown, NJ / Immaculata
33	Nick Marzullo	So.	5-10	168	Matawan, NJ / Old Bridge
34	Cameron Cronk	Fr.	5-9	195	Issaquah, WA / Eastside Catholic
35	Jack Mazurek	Fr.	6-1	250	Ringwood, NJ / Don Bosco Prep
42	Matt Cechini	Fr.	6-1	170	Flemington, NJ / Hunterdon Central
43	Kevin Falteisek	Fr.	6-5	200	Burnsville, MN / Apple Valley
48	Brett Goldstein	Fr.	5-9	165	Bridgewater, NJ / Bridgewater-Raritan
55	Dan Cooney	Fr.	5-11	195	Towaco, NJ / Montville
56	Grant Toller	Fr.	6-2	170	Bensalem, PA / Holy Ghost Prep
65	Brent Lubin	So.	6-0	185	Commerce Township, MI / St. Mary's Prep
73	Aaron Forster	Fr.	5-10	165	Ottawa, Ontario, Canada / John McCrae
92	Joe Lomeli	So.	5-11	180	Clark, NJ / Arthur L. Johnson
99	Davis Carr	Fr.	5-10	160	Lancaster, PA / Manheim Township

Managers: Ardian Djombalic, IshmaelMenns



# 2015 Statistics & Results

Overall: 0-12 • Conf: 0-0 • Home: 0-6 • Away: 0-6 • Neut: 0-0

## Offense Statistics

##	Player	gp-gs	SHOTS						GOALS					FACEOFF			
			g	a	pts	sh	shot%	sog	sog%	up	dn	gb	t/o	ct	faceoff	pct	pen-min
92	Lomeli, Joe	12-1	19	2	21	93	.204	47	.505	4	0	15	20	2	0-0	.000	11-8.5
15	Baggett, Tyler	12-0	9	4	13	30	.300	16	.533	2	0	10	14	0	0-0	.000	1-1.0
27	Derkasch, Liam	12-11	11	1	12	42	.262	17	.405	0	0	15	28	2	0-2	.000	2-1.0
29	Roach, John	10-10	4	7	11	33	.121	19	.576	0	0	12	32	1	0-0	.000	1-0.5
14	Giovanello, Gabe	12-12	4	3	7	28	.143	12	.429	0	0	6	11	0	0-0	.000	4-2.5
1	Lally, Conor	12-12	3	4	7	24	.125	10	.417	0	0	21	17	1	0-0	.000	2-1.0
23	Bradway, Ryan	12-1	2	4	6	23	.087	10	.435	1	0	17	14	3	0-1	.000	0-0.0
26	Melillo, Zachary	12-12	1	1	2	5	.200	1	.200	0	0	58	9	1	105-233	.451	1-0.5
31	Valdez, Matthew	12-12	1	1	2	3	.333	1	.333	0	0	15	5	4	2-11	.182	2-1.5
50	Smolokoff, Jake	12-1	0	2	2	27	.000	9	.333	0	0	6	8	1	0-0	.000	0-0.0
40	Worley, Chase	4-0	0	0	0	2	.000	0	.000	0	0	1	1	0	0-0	.000	0-0.0
4	Mulroe, Michael	6-0	0	0	0	2	.000	1	.500	0	0	1	3	0	0-0	.000	1-0.5
88	Sandman, Blake	12-12	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0	14	14	3	0-0	.000	1-1.0
28	Brunje, Rich	12-12	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0	27	10	8	0-0	.000	14-14.0
99	Morrissey, Kieran	8-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	.000	0-0.0
33	Marzullo, Nick	12-12	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	35	9	4	0-0	.000	0-0.0
24	Solomon, Joshua	2-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	.000	0-0.0
21	Piggot, Sheldon	12-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	3	6	3	0-0	.000	6-4.0
17	Bannon, Mark	12-12	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	9	3	6	0-0	.000	2-2.0
12	Lubin, Brent	8-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	4	1	5	0-0	.000	4-4.0
11	Delmonico, Dylan	1-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	1	1	0	0-0	.000	0-0.0
7	Fargo, Adam	1-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	1	0	0-0	.000	0-0.0
	Total.....	12	54	29	83	314	.172	144	.459	7	0	270	212	44	107-247	.433	52-42.0
	Opponents.....	12	159	100	259	469	.339	295	.629	19	1	364	151	118	140-247	.567	47-39.5

## Goalkeeper Statistics

##	player	gp-gs	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES		RECORD			shots
			minutes	ga	GaAvg	saves	SavePct	w	l	t	faced
33	Marzullo, Nick	12-12	683:38	150	13.16	135	.474	0	12	0	455
24	Solomon, Joshua	2-0	36:22	9	14.85	1	.100	0	0	0	15
	Total.....	12	720:00	159	13.25	136	.461	0	12	0	470
	Opponents.....	12	720:00	54	4.50	90	.625	12	0	0	314

**RESULTS**

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATT
Feb 20	at Stony Brook	L	4-18	267
Feb 28	QUINNIPAC	L	3-10	600
Mar 03	VERMONT	L	10-17	155
Mar 07	UMASS LOWELL	L	7-9	466
Mar 17	MONMOUTH	L	3-6	222
Mar 20	at RUTGERS	L	2-21	361
Mar 23	at Richmond	L	3-21	110
Mar 28	WAGNER	L	2-7	-
Mar 31	at Manhattan	L	5-7	387
Apr 07	at Lafayette	L	6-16	178
Apr 11	at Marist	L	4-20	288
Apr 14	DARTMOUTH	L	5-7	450

**Combined Team Statistics**

##	PLAYER	GP	G	A	Pts	Sh	UP	DN	GB	Faceoff
92	Lomeli, Joe	12	19	2	21	93	4	0	15	0-0
15	Baggett, Tyler	12	9	4	13	30	2	0	10	0-0
27	Derkasch, Liam	12	11	1	12	42	0	0	15	0-2
29	Roach, John	10	4	7	11	33	0	0	12	0-0
14	Giovanello, Gabe	12	4	3	7	28	0	0	6	0-0
1	Lally, Conor	12	3	4	7	24	0	0	21	0-0
23	Bradway, Ryan	12	2	4	6	23	1	0	17	0-1
26	Melillo, Zachary	12	1	1	2	5	0	0	58	105-233
31	Valdez, Matthew	12	1	1	2	3	0	0	15	2-11
50	Smolokoff, Jake	12	0	2	2	27	0	0	6	0-0
40	Worley, Chase	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0-0
4	Mulroe, Michael	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0-0
88	Sandman, Blake	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	14	0-0
28	Brunje, Rich	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	27	0-0
99	Morrissey, Kieran	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0
33	Marzullo, Nick	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0-0
24	Solomon, Joshua	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0
21	Piggot, Sheldon	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0-0
17	Bannon, Mark	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0-0
12	Lubin, Brent	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0-0
11	Delmonico, Dylan	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0-0
7	Fargo, Adam	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0
	Total.....	12	54	29	83	314	7	0	270	107-247
	Opponents.....	12	159	100	259	469	19	1	364	140-247

**GOAL AVERAGE SAVES RECORD**

##	GOALTENDERS	GP	Minutes	GA	GAvg	Saves	Save%	W	L	T
33	Marzullo, Nick	12	683:38	150	13.16	135	.474	0	12	0
24	Solomon, Joshua	2	36:22	9	14.85	1	.100	0	0	0
	Total.....	12	720:00	159	13.25	136	.461	0	12	0
	Opponents.....	12	720:00	54	4.50	90	.625	12	0	0

**TEAM STATISTICS**

SHOT STATISTICS	NJIT	OPP
Goals-Shot attempts	54-314	159-469
Goals scored per game	4.50	13.25
Shot pct.	.172	.339
Shots on goal-Attempts	144-314	295-469
SOG pct.	.459	.629
Shots/Game	26.2	39.1
Assists	29	100

**MAN-UP OPPORTUNITIES**

Goals-Opportunities	7-45	19-51
Conversion Percent	.156	.373

**GOAL BREAKDOWN**

Total Goals	54	159
Man-up	7	19
Man-down	0	1
Unassisted	25	59
Overtime	0	0
Goals scored average	4.50	13.25

**GROUND BALLS**

	270	364
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**TURNOVERS**

	212	151
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**CAUSED TURNOVERS**

	44	118
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**FACEOFFS (W-L)**

Faceoff W-L Pct.	107-247	140-247
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**CLEAR Pct.**

	.433	.567
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**CLEAR Pct.**

	137-189	174-191
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**PENALTIES**

Number	52	47
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**Minutes**

	42:00	39:30
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**ATTENDANCE**

Total	1893	1591
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**Dates/Avg Per Date**

	6/316	6/265
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**Neutral Site #/Avg**

	0/0	
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## All-Time Varsity Roster

(first season: 2015)

### B

**BAGGETT, Tyler 15**  
**BANNON, Mark 15**  
**BRADWAY, Ryan 15**  
**BRUNJE, Rich 15**

### D

DELMONICO, Delmonico 15  
 DERKASCH, Liam 15

### F

FARGO, Adam 15

### G

**GIOVANELLO, Gabe 15**

### H

HENRY, Alexander 15

### L

LALLY, Conor 15  
**LOMELI, Joseph 15**  
**LUBIN, Brent 15**

### M

**MARZULLO, Nick 15**  
 MELILLO, Zachary 15  
 MENNS, Ishmael 15  
 MORRISSEY, Kieran 15  
**MULROE, Michael 15**

### P

**PIGGOT, Sheldon 15**

### R

**ROACH, John 15**  
**ROSAL, Jordan 15**

### S

SANDMAN, Blake 15  
 SMOLOKOFF, Jake 15  
 SOLOMON, Joshua 15

### V

**VALDEZ, Matthew 15**

### W

WORLEY, Chase 15

## All-Time Records vs. Division I Opponents

First Season 2015

Army ..... 0-0  
 Dartmouth ..... 0-0  
 Hofstra ..... 0-0  
 Lafayette ..... 0-1  
 Lehigh ..... 0-0  
 Manhattan ..... 0-1

Marist ..... 0-1  
 UMass Lowell ..... 0-1  
 Monmouth ..... 0-1  
 Princeton ..... 0-0  
 Quinnipiac ..... 0-1  
 Richmond ..... 0-1

**Rutgers** ..... 0-1  
 Stony Brook ..... 0-1  
**Vermont** ..... 0-1  
**Wagner** ..... 0-1

**2016 opponents in bold**  
 Total Division I era 0-12

# NJIT Hall of Fame

Name	Grad. Year	Contribution	Sport (s)	Years Active	Year of Induction	Name	Grad. Year	Contribution	Sport (s)	Years Active	Year of Induction
BAKUN, Andrew I.	1982	Athlete/Asst. Coach	M-Soccer	1978-81/ 90-91	2005	IRIS, Herb	1951	Benefactor	--	--	2007
BAKUN, Myron	1967	Athlete	M-Soccer	1964-66	1991	KAMINSKY, Nicholas J.	1978	Athlete	Baseball	1975-78	2006
BARTH, Roland E.	1960	Athlete	M-Fencing	1957-59	2009	KASBARIAN, Raymond P.	1966	Founder/Athlete	Judo	1962-66	1989
BAUDER, Fred "Coach"	--	Coach	M-Basketball	1932-61	1989	KETZNER, Robert Shelby	--	Coach	Rifle	1962-86	1987
BLUM, Raymond E.	1950	Distinguished Alumnus	Speedskating/ Cycling	--	1996	KHOWAYLO, Alex	1969	Athlete	M-Soccer	1960-63	1996
BORJA, Hernan "Chico"	1981	Athlete	M-Soccer	1977-80	1986	LUBETKIN, Charles "Tudy"	1953	Athlete	M-Basketball/ M-Track	1949-52	1994
BORNAKO, Gregory "Egor"	1970	Athlete	M-Fencing	1966-70	1987	LYNCH, Robert K.	1984	Athlete/Coach	M-Fencing	1977-80/ 86-91	1993
BOWSER, Hamilton V.	1952	Athlete	M-Fencing	1948-52	1989	MacDONALD, Dan	1984	Athlete	Baseball	1981-84	1992
BRADLEY, Thomas	1978	Athlete	M-Swimming	1974-78	1990	OLSEN, Richard J.	1969	Athlete	M-Basketball	1965-69	1988
BROWN, Andrew D.	1963	Athlete	M-Soccer	1956-59	2006	OLSON, George R.	1977	Athlete	Baseball	1974-77	1987
CRIMMINS, David	1952	Athlete	M-Fencing	1948-52	2007	PAULIUS, Raymond V.	1985	Athlete	M-Soccer	1980-83	2006
CRUZ, Edward	1963	Athlete	M-Soccer	1959-62	1995	RODGERS, Tarik	1996	Athlete	M-Volleyball	1992-95	2010
DAWSON, Marilyn E.	1986	Athlete	WVB/WBKB/SB	1982-86	1991	ROGERS, Warren	1988	Athlete	M-Basketball	1983-87	1993
DeNICOLA, Carmine P.	1978	Athlete	Baseball	1975-78	2005	ROMULUS, Rudy	1991	Athlete	M-Volleyball	1988-91	1996
DeNURE, Dave	--	Coach	M-Volleyball	1982-98	2009	ROSS, Jonathan A.	1956	Athlete	M-Soccer	1953-55	2010
			W-Volleyball	1986-90		SARLO, Paul A.	1992	Athlete	Baseball	1989-91	2005
			W-Basketball	1987-88		SCHMID, John "Gene"	--	Asst Coach/Coach	Baseball	1968-72/ 73-97	2002
DeVITO, Louis	1960	Athlete	M-Soccer/ M-Fencing	1956-60	1992	SIMON, J. Malcolm	--	Coach	M-Soccer	1955-83	1994
DIAS, Joe A.	1977	Athlete	M-Soccer	1973-76	1993	SKURLA, Peter J.	1941	Athlete	Bowling	1937-41	1992
DRURY, Eugene M.	1963	Athlete	M-Tennis	1960-63	1988	SORIANO, Gregory	1975	Athlete	M-Fencing	1968-72	2010
ENG, Katherine	1993	Athlete	W-Volleyball	1989-92	2007	SWANSON, Robert F.	--	Director of Athletics	--	1947-82	1986
ETIENNE, Yves	1979	Athlete	M-Volleyball	1976-78	1990	TAETZSCH, Robert	1952	Athlete	M-Fencing	1948-52	2007
FEHN, Gilbert F.	1940	Athlete	M-Basketball/ M-Tennis	1936-40	1992	TAETZSCH, William	1952	Athlete	M-Fencing	1948-52	2007
FITZGERALD, Joseph M.	--	Coach/Asst. Coach	M-Basketball	1961-66/ 52-61	1986	TOSATO, Lawrence P.	1956	Athlete	M-Basketball/ Baseball	1952-56	1987
FLEISHER, Seymour "Zoom"	1951	Athlete	M-Basketball	1947-51	1992	TUBELLO, Jeffrey	1976	Athlete	Rifle	1972-76	1988
GAGLIARDO, Salvatore A.	1985	Athlete	M-Basketball	1981-85	1995	VAN WRIGHT, Nevea	1997	Athlete	W-Basketball	1991-96	2005
GALLAGHER, Thomas G.	1985	Athlete	M-Basketball	1981-85	1991	WALSH, John J.	1966	Athlete	MSoc/MBKB/ Baseball	1962-66	1986
GIOVANNOLI, Arnold L.	1953	Athlete	M-Basketball	1950-53	1993	WASNIEWSKI, Frank	1980	Athlete	M-Tennis	1977-80	1990
GOLDRICK PITT, Elizabeth M.	1990	Athlete	W-Volleyball/ Softball/WBKB/WTen	1985-90	1995	WELGOS, Bob	1962	Athlete	M-Basketball/ Bowling	1959-62	2005
GRAZIANO, Jean M.	1989	Athlete	Softball	1986-89	2009	WOROBEC, Myron S.	1966	Athlete	M-Soccer	1962-65	1994
GRUENEWALD, Wendy A.	1997	Athlete	WBKB/Softball/ W-Volleyball/W-Soccer	1992-96	2003	YONEZUKA, Yoshishada	--	Founder/Coach	Judo	1962-?	1991
HAASE, Jay W.	1975	Athlete	M-Fencing	1971-75	1988	ZORN, Werner	1962	Athlete	M-Soccer	1958-61	1988
HAMMOND, Kenneth W.	1979	Athlete	M-Soccer	1974-77	2003						
HANDWERKER, Andy	1963	Athlete	M-Soccer	1959-62	2002	Teams	Year	Accomplishments		Year of Induction	
HAUSSER, Paul C.	--	Administrator	--	1953-91	1990	Men's Soccer	1960	NAIA co-National Champion		1988	
HUBEY, Ali	1972	Athlete	M-Soccer	1968-71	1990	Men's Basketball	1981-82	NJIT's first ECAC and IAC champion		1990	
HURTADO, Fabian	1975	Athlete	M-Soccer	1970-74	1987	Baseball	1982	NJIT's second ECAC and IAC champion		1993	



## Directions

### FOR GPS USERS

The address for Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium, the Estelle and Zoom Fleisher Athletic Center, and the Naimoli Family Athletic and Recreational Facility is 80 Lock Street, Newark, NJ, 07102.

### BY CAR

**New Jersey Turnpike: Driving North from South Jersey:** Take NJ Turnpike to Exit 13A Newark Airport. After toll stay to left and follow signs to Rt. 1 & 9 North. You will merge onto Rt. 1 & 9 North. Airport will be on right. Follow signs for downtown Newark and Rt. 21 North-(left lane exit ramp). Downtown Newark will be in front of you. NYC will be off to your right. Follow Rt. 21North (McCarter Highway). Turn left on Raymond Blvd. Follow Raymond Blvd. past Warren Street traffic light and Fleisher Athletic Center, Naimoli Center, and Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium will be to your right (one soccer goal line runs along Warren Street and the soccer sideline parallels Lock Street).

**New Jersey Turnpike: Driving South from North Jersey:** Take exit 15W to Route 280 West, then follow Route 280 West directions.

**Route 280 West:** After drawbridge, take Exit 15A (Rt. 21 South - McCarter Highway). Follow Rt. 21 South to Raymond Blvd. Turn right on Raymond Blvd. Follow Raymond Blvd. pass Warren Street traffic light and Fleisher Athletic Center, Naimoli Center, and Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium will be to your right (one soccer goal line runs along Warren Street and the soccer sideline parallels Lock Street).

**Route 280 East:** Take Exit 15 (Rt. 21 South - McCarter Highway). Follow Rt. 21 South to Raymond Blvd. Turn right on Raymond Blvd. Follow Raymond Blvd. past Warren Street traffic light and Fleisher Athletic Center, Naimoli Center, and Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium will be to your right (one soccer goal line runs along Warren Street and the soccer sideline parallels Lock Street).

**Garden State Parkway (North & South bound):** Take exit 145 to Route 280 East, then follow Route 280 East directions.

**Route 1 & 9 North & South:** Take exit marked Newark, Rt. 21 North (McCarter Highway). Follow Rt. 21 North (McCarter Highway). Turn left on Raymond Blvd. Follow Raymond Blvd. past Warren Street traffic light and Fleisher Athletic Center, Naimoli Center, and Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium will be to your right (one soccer goal line runs along Warren Street and the soccer sideline parallels Lock Street).

**Route 78 East:** Take Route 78 East to Rt. 21 North. Turn left on Raymond Blvd. Follow Raymond Blvd. past Warren Street traffic light and Fleisher Athletic Center, Naimoli Center, and Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium will be to your right (one soccer goal line runs along Warren Street and the soccer sideline parallels Lock Street).

**Route 22 East:** Take Route 22 East to Route 21 North. Turn left on Raymond Blvd. Follow Raymond Blvd. past Warren Street traffic light and Fleisher Athletic Center, Naimoli Center, and Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium will be to your right (one soccer goal line runs along Warren Street and the soccer sideline parallels Lock Street).



**Route 21 North:** Follow Rt. 21 North to Raymond Blvd. Turn left onto Raymond Blvd. Follow Raymond Blvd. past Warren Street traffic light and Fleisher Athletic Center, Naimoli Center, and Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium will be to your right (one soccer goal line runs along Warren Street and the soccer sideline parallels Lock Street).

**Route 21 South:** Follow Rt. 21 South (McCarter Highway) to Raymond Blvd. Turn Right on Raymond Blvd. Follow Raymond Blvd. past Warren Street traffic light and Fleisher Athletic Center, Naimoli Center, and Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium will be to your right (one soccer goal line runs along Warren Street and the soccer sideline parallels Lock Street).

**New York Thruway:** Thruway to Exit 14A, Garden State Parkway. Follow Garden State Parkway directions above.

**George Washington Bridge:** NJ Turnpike South to Exit 15W. Follow Route 280 West directions above.

**Lincoln Tunnel:** West on Rt. 3 to Rt. 21 South. Turn right onto Raymond Blvd. Follow Raymond Blvd. past Warren Street traffic light and Fleisher Athletic Center, Naimoli Center, and Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium will be to your right (one soccer goal line runs along Warren Street and the soccer sideline parallels Lock Street).

**From Brooklyn, Queens and Long Island:** Take Verrazano-Narrows Bridge (Interstate 278) and follow 278 across Staten Island. Cross Goethels Bridge. Follow signs to New Jersey Turnpike North then follow New Jersey Turnpike directions above.

### PARKING

**Bus/Van Parking:** Visiting buses and vans may usually park on Lock Street adjacent to the athletic center. Please be careful not to block the parking space reserved for the doctor.

**Visitor Parking:** Visitor parking may be reserved in advance through your host. Otherwise, visitor parking at NJIT is available in the NJIT parking deck. Turn right onto Warren Street. Turn right onto Colden Street and proceed around the block to Summit Street. Parking Deck entrance is located to your right before the intersection with Warren Street.

**Parking for on-campus athletic contests:** NJIT is offering free off-street parking for fans attending regular season home soccer and volleyball matches and basketball games. The parking entrance, marked by a yellow sign is located on New Street.

### OTHER TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

**Newark Liberty International Airport:** Minutes from the NJIT campus. A minibus (Newark Airlink) or taxi service connects the airport with Penn Station in Newark. Bus, Newark Light Rail, and taxi connections are available at the station.

**Newark Penn Station:** Located in downtown Newark, connections to the NJIT campus may be made by bus, Newark Light Rail, or taxi.

**Morris & Essex Broad Street Station:** A five-block walk to the NJIT campus via MLK Boulevard to Central Avenue. Taxi service is also available.

**Newark Light Rail:** From Penn Station in Newark, take the Warren Street stop for the NJIT campus. The Warren Street stop is on the sidewalk behind the press box for Lubetkin Field at J. Malcolm Simon Stadium.

### HOTELS DOWNTOWN

Hilton Newark Gateway  
Gateway Center, Raymond Boulevard &  
McCarter Highway  
Newark, NJ, 973/622-5000

Robert Treat Hotel  
50 Park Place, Newark, NJ, 973/622-1900

Hampton Inn & Suites Newark Riverwalk  
100 Passaic Ave, Harrison, NJ, 973/483-1900

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101 International Way, Newark, NJ, 973/621-6200

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Holiday Inn Newark Liberty International Airport  
160 Frontage Road, Newark, NJ, 973/589-1000





### **2016 Highlanders Men's Lacrosse**

Top Row (l-r): Head Coach Travis Johnson, Grant Toller, Kevin Falteisek, Alex Stiers, Jesse Rice, Assistant Coach Fran Gormley

Second Row (l-r): Assistant Coach Brian Tironi, Ryan Bradway, Matthew Valdez, Tyler Baggett,  
Tyler Stevenson, Jack Mazurek, Dan Cooney, Assistant Coach Brad Conlon

Third Row (l-r): Chris Delente, Matt Cechini, Patrick Benton, Michael Mulroe, Sheldon Piggot, Cole Robillard,  
Joe Lomeli, Brent Lubin, Gabe Giovanello, Ryan Callaghan, Jacob Sieber, Carson Metzker

Bottom Row (l-r): Aaron Forster, Davis Carr, Ryan Darrow, Matt Brown, Johnny Madaras, Rich Brunje,  
Mark Bannon, Brett Goldstein, Cameron Cronk, Jordan Rosal, John Roach, Darren Almodiel, Nick Marzullo





## 2016 HIGHLANDERS MEN'S LACROSSE

### FEBRUARY

Sat.	6	at Lehigh	12:00 p.m.
Tues.	16	vs. Vermont (at Drew University)	1:00 p.m.
Sat.	20	at Princeton	3:00 p.m.
Sat.	27	vs. VMI (at Drew University)	4:00 p.m.

### MARCH

Tues.	1	at Hofstra	7:00 p.m.
Sat.	5	at Quinnipiac	12:00 p.m.
Tues.	8	at Monmouth	3:00 p.m.
Sun.	13	at Army	12:00 p.m.
Fri.	18	at Rutgers	7:00 p.m.
Tues.	22	at Dartmouth	3:00 p.m.
Sat.	26	at Wagner	1:00 p.m.

### APRIL

Sat.	2	vs. Manhattan (at Drew University)	4:00 p.m.
Tues.	12	vs. Lafayette (at Drew University)	7:00 p.m.
Sat.	23	vs. Marist (at Drew University)	4:30 p.m.
Sat.	30	at UMass Lowell	1:00 p.m.

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