

NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY



2001-02 FENCING



JANUSZ MLYNEK

Co-Head Coach

Janusz Mlynek begins his first season as co-head coach of NJIT's co-ed fencing team.

Mlynek is a senior coach at the Polish-American Fencing School in Elizabeth, New Jersey. His students claimed five medals at the 2001 North American Cup. He has previous collegiate experience as an assistant at Jean de Brebeuf College in Montreal.

As a participant, Mlynek was a two-time silver-medalist at Poland's national championships. More recently, he won three consecutive gold medals in 1995-97 at the Garden State Games.

Mlynek has a master of arts degree from Krakow Academy of Physical Education in Krakow, Poland. He resides in Elizabeth.

WITOLD RAK

Co-Head Coach

Exercise physiologist Witold Rak takes another turn at collegiate coaching by coming to NJIT.

Rak has contributed greatly to exposing fencing to inner-city youth in New York City through the Sports & Arts Foundation. He is the founder/director of the Woodside Fencing Center in Queens, and the co-founder/director of the East Harlem International Fencing Club. In both positions, he prepares grassroots fencing programs for children and adults.

Rak fenced at Eastern Military Academy in Huntington, New York, before starting for the varsity at St. John's University in 1970. He earned a bachelor's degree from New York Institute of Technology, a master of science in exercise physiology from Queens (N.Y.) College, and a Physicum from Hannover Medical College in Hannover, Germany.

Rak spent eight years competing internationally in northern Germany. He has taught fencing at the TKH Club in Hannover and at Queens College. Rak was on the FIE staff at the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games and a production assistant at the 1996 Atlanta Games.

Rak has previous collegiate coaching experience at SUNY-Purchase, and has also coached in the Empire State Games. He aims to continue original fencing research studies at NJIT.

On the cover: 2001 NCAA Regional participant **Ian LaFond**.



TOP PERFORMERS

CHRIS ALIPRANTIS

Jr. Saber 6-3 250

Little Falls, NJ/Passaic Valley



Christopher Alan Aliprantis... team captain and top returning saber. **2000-01**: Led Highlander sabers with 22 wins and a .431 winning percentage. **Prior to**

NJIT: Graduated from Passaic Valley High... attended Wentworth Institute of Technology for one year. **Personal**: Son of Michael and Sandy Aliprantis... brother Mike graduated from NJIT summa cum laude... computer science major... born 7/29/81 in Montclair, New Jersey.

LINDA BAILEY

Jr. Saber 5-8

New Brunswick, NJ/Washington



Linda Bernice Bailey... first-year junior is the Highlanders' top newcomer in the saber. **Prior to NJIT**: Graduate of George Washington High in Denver, Colorado. **Personal**: Daughter of Bob Pellichero and Fredia Searcy... majoring in engineering technology... member of WJTB radio... born 9/1/78 in New York, New York.



IAN LaFOND

Jr. Foil 5-9 140

Bogota, NJ/St. Benedict's

Ian A. LaFond... returning NCAA participant. **2000-01**: One of two Highlander regulars to post a winning record... 28 wins and .538 percentage were both team highs... earned a trip to the NCAA Regional. **Prior to NJIT**: Four-time junior Olympic qualifier for coach Derrick Hoff at St. Benedict's Prep in Newark... member of Centrulo Team foil and overall champions in 1999... was ranked No. 5 in New Jersey U-20 last season... also played soccer... his 1998 and 1999 soccer teams were ranked No. 1 nationally. **Personal**: Son of John and Theresa LaFond... one of 14 children... majoring in computer engineering with a 3.48 GPA... member of NJIT's Albert Dorman Honors College... born 2/13/81 in Englewood, New Jersey.

TOP PERFORMERS

ELANIE BOCHNIEWICZ

Sr. Saber 5-5

W. Hartford, CT/NW Catholic



PM STUDIOS

Returning starter in saber. **2000-01:** Was NJIT's only female saber... registered a 5-16 record. **Prior to NJIT:** Attended Northwest Catholic High, graduating in 1998. **Personal:** Majoring in computer engineering with a 3.36 GPA... has earned Resident Assistant of the year and programmer of the year honors at NJIT... won the 1999 East-West Karate Forms Tournament... born 12/16/80 in Hartford, Connecticut



MATT EDZENGA

Fr. Epee 6-0 150

Wyckoff, NJ/Ramapo

Matthew Shawn Edzenga... expected to make immediate impact in epee. **Prior to NJIT:** Fourth in the state in epee as a senior at Ramapo High... teams were twice state champions in epee and once overall during his career. **Personal:** Son of Russell and Cynthia Edzenga... computer science major... born 8/11/82 in Ridgewood, New Jersey.

CRYSTAL COOPER

Jr. Epee 5-4

Rockaway, NJ/Morris Hills



Crystal Daisy Cooper... NJIT's top female in the epee. **2000-01:** Posted a 19-32 record despite competing predominantly against males due to NJIT's co-ed status... had more victories than all other Highlander women combined. **Prior to NJIT:** Fenced for coach Barb Lynch at Morris Hills... also played field hockey and was a member of the marching band. **Personal:** Majoring in civil engineering with a GPA of 3.2... member of Sigma Psi Kappa sorority... has two younger brothers.

NJIT FENCING HISTORY

Year	W-L	Coach
1935-36	4-6	
1936-37	4-6	
1937-38	9-1	
1939-40	7-1	
1940-41	6-2	
1941-42	7-0	
1942-43	<i>no team – World War II</i>	
1943-44	<i>no team – World War II</i>	
1944-45	<i>no team – World War II</i>	
1945-46	<i>no team – World War II</i>	
1946-47	3-1	
1947-48	5-4	
1948-49	5-0	
1949-50	7-2	
1950-51	8-0	
1951-52	8-1	
1952-53	7-1	
1953-54	7-1	Paul Hausser
1954-55	5-3	Paul Hausser
1955-56	6-2	Paul Hausser
1956-57	8-1	Paul Hausser
1957-58	7-2	Paul Hausser
1958-59	6-2	Paul Hausser
1959-60	8-2	Paul Hausser
1960-61	7-1	Paul Hausser
1961-62	10-3	Paul Hausser
1962-63	8-5	Paul Hausser
1963-64	7-5	Paul Hausser
1964-65	6-5	Paul Hausser
1965-66	7-6	Paul Hausser
1966-67	7-6	Paul Hausser
1967-68	7-6	Paul Hausser
1968-69	8-3	Paul Hausser
1969-70	7-6	Paul Hausser
1970-71	8-4	Paul Hausser
1971-72	11-1	Paul Hausser
1972-73	7-7	Paul Hausser
1973-74	4-8	Paul Hausser
1974-75	6-6	Paul Hausser
1975-76	3-8	Paul Hausser
1976-77	6-6	Paul Hausser
1977-78	5-4	Paul Hausser
1978-79	3-7	Paul Hausser
1979-80	4-7	Paul Hausser
1980-81		Paul Hausser
1981-82		Paul Hausser
1982-83		Paul Hausser
1983-84		Paul Hausser
1984-85	1-8	Paul Hausser
1985-86	2-9	Bob Lynch
1986-87	1-9	Bob Lynch
1987-88	1-9	Bob Lynch
1988-89	1-9	Bob Lynch
1989-90	2-10	Bob Lynch
1990-91	4-11	Bob Lynch
1991-92*	10-4	George LaTorre
1992-93*	11-6	George LaTorre
1993-94		Vladimir Lilov
1994-95	5-10	Craig Garretson
1995-96	5-10	Craig Garretson
1996-97		Craig Garretson
1997-98	4-12	Craig Garretson
1998-99	6-11	Craig Garretson
1999-2000	5-11	Idan Mandelbaum
2000-01	2-16	Idan Mandelbaum

* Independent Athletic Conference (IAC) Champion

Women

1989-90	0-12	Bob Lynch
1990-91	0-15	Frank Wadas

Note: All blank information is missing. Anyone with documentable proof of missing information should contact NJIT Sports Information Services, (973) 596-8324 or mentone@adm.njit.edu.

2001-02 ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Event	Hometown
Tim Bennett	So.	Foil	Sewell, NJ
Ian LaFond	Jr.	Foil	Bogota, NJ
Thomas Senger	Fr.	Foil	Staten Island, NY
Matt Edzenga	Fr.	Epee	Wyckoff, NJ
Ed Folgar	So.	Epee	Wayne, NJ
D.J. Kehoe	Jr.	Epee	Holmdel, NJ
Chris Aliprantis	Jr.	Saber	Little Falls, NJ
Scott Lomberg	Sr.	Saber	Vineland, NJ
Roger Soussou	So.	Saber	Wayne, NJ
Allison Lepelletier	Sr.	Foil	Blairstown, NJ
Crystal Cooper	Jr.	Epee	Rockaway, NJ
Uma Phatak	Fr.	Epee	Belford, NJ
Linda Bailey	Jr.	Saber	New Brunswick, NJ
Elaine Bochniewicz	Sr.	Saber	West Hartford, CT

Co-Head Coaches: Janusz Mlynek, Witold Rak

Captain: Chris Aliprantis

Equipment Manager: Michael Hullberg

Web Site Assistant: Ed Folgar

2001-02 SCHEDULE

11/3-4	at Temple Open
11/18	at Army vs. Army, Cornell, Yeshiva, Drew
1/27	at Stevens Tech vs. Johns Hopkins
2/3	at Sacred Heart vs. Hunter, Stevens Tech
2/9	at Drew vs. Haverford, Lafayette, St. John's (Md.)
2/16	at Johns Hopkins vs. Virginia, Virginia Tech, Wm. & Mary
3/3	MACFA Championships at Johns Hopkins

NJIT FENCING FACTS

Location	Newark, NJ 07102
Founded	1881 as Newark Technical School
Enrollment	5,700 full-time undergraduate
Nickname	Highlanders
Colors	Red and White
President	Dr. Saul K. Fenster
Director of Athletics	Lenny Kaplan
Athletics Department/Fencing Phone	(973) 596-3636
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Co-Head Coaches	Janusz Mlynek & Witold Rak
Mlynek E-mail	mlynekfencing@aol.com
Rak E-mail	rak@adm.njit.edu
First Year of Program	1935-36
Home Arena	Fleisher Multi-Purpose Room
Affiliation	NCAA II
Conference	Middle Atlantic Collegiate Fencing Assoc.
2000-01 Record	2-16
Sports Info. Director	Mark Mentone (973) 596-8324
Sports Information FAX	(973) 596-8440
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NJIT Results Hotline	(973) 596-5555

ATHLETICS FACILITIES

The NJIT co-ed fencing team practices in the Fleisher Multi-Purpose Room. The room is equipped with the latest in electrical strips and speed targets.

Additionally, the team has access to all of the facilities in the Estelle and Zoom Fleisher Athletic Center. These include the Fleisher fitness center and weight room, four racquetball courts, a martial arts center, an aerobics/dance studio, and four lighted outdoor hardcourt tennis courts.

The Highlanders' men's and women's basketball and volleyball teams play at Entwisle Gymnasium, the main gym in the athletic center. Entwisle, which can entertain crowds of up to 1,500, is also open to the campus community during selected hours for recreation.

Lubetkin Field, a lighted, natural grass facility adjacent to the athletic center, is home to the Highlanders' baseball and men's and women's soccer teams. It contains a midfield scoreboard and pressbox facilities, and its bleacher seating can hold approximately 1,000 spectators.

The six-lane pool on the first floor of the Estelle and Zoom Fleisher Athletic Center also hosts the NJIT men's and women's swimming teams. It is staffed by certified lifeguards for recreational swimming. The Hazell Student Center houses six regulation bowling lanes.

The above facilities are also used for physical education classes, club sports and intramurals. Club offerings include bowling, cricket, golf, judo, lacrosse and wrestling.



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UNIVERSITY INFORMATION



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New Jersey Institute of Technology is a public research university enrolling over 8,800 bachelor's, master's and doctoral students in 80 degree programs through its six colleges: Newark College of Engineering, New Jersey School of Architecture, College of Science and Liberal Arts, School of Management, Albert Dorman Honors College, and College of Computing Sciences. Research initiatives include manufacturing, microelectronics, multimedia, transportation, computer science, solar astrophysics, environmental engineering and science, and architecture and building science.

NJIT history spans from the Industrial Revolution to the Information Age. Newark was a factory town when the tuition-free evening school was founded in 1881 to support local industries. The first 90 students studied algebra, geometry, trigonometry, chemistry, physics and drawing. From those early days, science and technology have been the engines fueling the university's development.

Today, continuing a fourfold mission of instruction, research, economic development and public service, NJIT is among the leading comprehensive technological universities in the nation. Yahoo! Internet Life magazine has perennially named NJIT a "most-wired" university in its annual rankings. The school received Carnegie Foundation designation

as a Doctoral II university in 1994, and has been ranked among the top universities by U.S. News and World Report every year since.



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