

Men's & Women's Tennis  
2007-08



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## PHIL BABOULIS

### Head Coach

**Phil Baboulis** ('84) returned to NJIT as head coach of women's tennis prior to the spring of 2003 and added duties as men's head coach prior to the spring of 2005.

He has improved both programs to the point that they made their mark in 2006-07, NJIT's first season of competition at the NCAA Division I level. The women's team was the most successful of NJIT's programs in the first year at the new level, posting a 14-8 overall record, while the men's team was 10-10.

Although Division I presented new challenges, the teams' success at the new level was not inconsistent with their results at the end of NJIT's Division II era.

The women's team had emerged as a regional force in Division II, achieving regional Top 10 ranking for two years running and qualifying for the 2005 NCAA national tournament.

In the fall of 2005, the women were undefeated (6-0) champion of the Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference. In addition, the Highlanders ranked seventh in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Northeast Region.

Baboulis has recruited top players, such as Iulia Doci ('09), who was 16-6 in #1 singles competition in 2006-07 as a sophomore in the first season of DI competition. The 2006-07 NJIT Female Athlete of the Year, Doci was conference singles champion and Rookie of the Year, while achieving #3 ranking in the Division II ITA Northeast Ranking as a freshman.

Fatima Kasem ('08) was the 2004-05 ITA Northeast Region Division II Rookie of the Year and both finalists in the 2005 ITA regional "B" singles were NJIT's Deepti Sanjai ('06) and Chiori Koike ('08).

On the men's side, Baboulis has added top players including Steve Erickson ('10), who came to NJIT having been a singles finalist in the 2006 NJ state Tournament of Champions as a high school senior.

A US Professional Tennis Association certified instructor, Baboulis has more than 15 years teaching experience. He is president of USA Tennis, which runs clinics in the towns of Bergenfield, Oradell, Parsippany and Tenafly. He is also a teaching pro at the Tenafly Racquet Club.

Prior to NJIT, Baboulis was the first men's tennis coach at Bergen Community College (1997-99). He also coached boys basketball, assisting longtime mentor Curtis March at Teaneck HS, in a run that included a state sectional title. Baboulis taught mathematics at Lincoln High in Jersey City.

As a player, he won the singles championships at the 1989 Union County Open and the 1990 Westwood Open. He also won a round in the 2000 NJ State Open at the Arlington Players Club in Kearny.

Baboulis, who resides in Bergenfield, played a season of tennis at NJIT before receiving a degree in computer science. His brother, Paul, is a former baseball captain and MVP for the Highlanders.



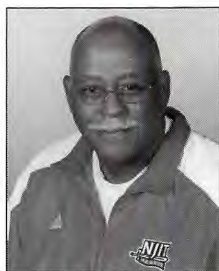
# MARVYN HALL

## Assistant Coach

Marvyn Hall joined the NJIT coaching staff in August 2007 after two years as coaching at neighboring Rutgers-Newark.

In his first season as head men's tennis coach at Rutgers-Newark in 2006, Hall helped the Scarlet Raiders to their sixth straight winning season, guiding a young squad to a 7-5 mark.

Hall joined the Rutgers-Newark tennis staff in February 2005, assisting fifth-year head coach Bil Leipold with the men's program.



He also served as the chief assistant to fourth-year head coach Kevin Morris in the Scarlet Raider women's program. The Raider women have posted back-to-back winning records with his help as Kevin Morris was named the 2005 New Jersey Athletic Conference Women's Tennis Coach of the Year.

Hall, who previously coached for 10 seasons as the assistant for Montclair State's women, also served for 15 years as program director of the Southern Essex Tennis Association, Inc., which blended tennis and academic development for inner-city youngsters.

## 2007-2008 MEN'S ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/Previous School
Dimitri Athans	Jr.	5'9	160	Woolwich, NJ/Gloucester County College
Cosmin Chiuidea	So.	5'10	170	Braila, Romania/Nicolae Iorga
Nikola Dukleski	Fr.	5'10	175	Garfield, NJ/Garfield
Steve Erickson	So.	5'11	135	Emerson, NJ/Emerson
Jonathan Lang	So.	5'10	150	Paris, France/CNED
Ramy Lawandy	Sr.	6'1	150	Bayonne, NJ/Bayonne
Mike Sullivan	Jr.	6'1	170	Bellmawr, NJ/Gloucester County College
Anthony Tunnero	So.	6'0	145	Flemington, NJ/Drew University
Siddhardth Verma	Fr.	5'8	140	Parlin, NJ/Sayreville
Tim Weiman	Sr.	5'9	180	North Brunswick, NJ/North Brunswick
Doug Zytko	Fr.	5'8	170	Chesterfield, NJ/Northern Burlington County Reg.

## 2007-2008 MEN'S SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Opponent	Time
Sat.	Sept. 15	at Rider	L, 4-3
Tue.	Sept. 18	at Fordham	W, 4-3
Wed.	Sept. 26	at Mt. St. Mary's, MD	W, 4-2
Sat.	Sept. 29	SIENA*	W, 5-2
Fri.-Sun.	Oct. 5-7	Bucknell Invitational	All Day
Thu.	Oct. 18	ITA Regionals	9 am
Fri.	Feb. 1	at Army	4 pm
Sat.	Feb. 2	SACRED HEART^	7 pm
Sat.	Feb. 9	HOFSTRA^	7 pm
Sat.	Feb. 16	SAINT PETER'S^	7 pm
Wed.	Feb. 20	MORGAN STATE^	8:30 pm
Sat.	Feb. 23	HOWARD^	7 pm
Sun.	Feb. 24	at Army	6 pm
Sat.	Mar. 1	HARTFORD^	7 pm
Sat.	Mar. 8	RHODE ISLAND^	7 pm
Sat.	Mar. 15	SAINT FRANCIS (NY)^	7 pm
Tue.	Mar. 18	at St. Thomas (FL) &	7 pm
Wed.	Mar. 19	vs. Colgate &	TBA
Thu.	Mar. 20	vs. Stony Brook &	10 am
		vs. Wisconsin-Green Bay &	2 pm
Thu.	Mar. 27	at Wagner	3 pm
Sat.	Mar. 29	LA SALLE*	12 pm
Fri.	Apr. 4	BINGHAMTON*	7:30 pm
Sun.	Apr. 6	at Monmouth	12 pm

#- Branch Brook Park, Newark, NJ

^ - Tenaflly Racquet Club, Tenaflly, NJ

\* - Fleisher Athletic Center Courts, NJIT

&- Denotes Matches at Florida Gulf Coast - Fort Myers, FL

## 2006-07 MEN'S RESULTS

Day	Date	Opponent	Score
Sat.	Sept. 16	RIDER	W, 4-3
Sat.	Sept. 23	RHODE ISLAND	L, 0-7
Sat.	Sept. 30	FORDHAM	W, 4-3
Sun.	Oct. 8	at Siena	L, 1-6
Sat.	Oct. 14	vs. Monmouth/Mt. St. Mary (Lehigh Tournament)	All Day
Sun.	Oct. 15	vs. Hamilton/Lehigh (Lehigh Tournament)	All Day
Thu.	Oct. 19	ITA North Regionals	All Day
Sat.	Oct. 21	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W, 4-3
Sat.	Feb. 3	at Rhode Island	W, 4-3
Sat.	Feb. 10	at Sacred Heart	W, 7-0
Fri.	Feb. 16	at Rutgers	W, 4-3
Sat.	Feb. 17	MONMOUTH	L, 1-6
Sat.	Feb. 24	at Temple	L, 2-5
Wed.	Feb. 28	at Saint Peter's	W, 4-3
Sat.	Mar. 3	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	L, 1-6
Mon.	Mar. 12	vs. Northern Illinois	L, 0-7
Tue.	Mar. 13	vs. Florida Tech	W, 5-4
Wed.	Mar. 14	vs. Johns Hopkins	L, 2-5
Thu.	Mar. 15	vs. Saint Louis	L, 2-5
Sat.	Mar. 17	vs. SAINT FRANCIS (NY)	W, 7-0
Sat.	Mar. 24	WAGNER	W, 7-0
Sat.	Mar. 31	at Bucknell	L, 1-6
Tue.	April 10	at Hofstra	L, 1-6

## TOP MEN'S RETURNEES

### STEVE ERICKSON

So. • 5-11 • 138 • Emerson, NJ/Emerson

**Coach's comment:** Has the uncanny ability to surgically breakdown opponents with his all court abilities. ... **Fall 2007:** 4-0 at #1 singles ... **2006-07:** 10-12 (9-11 at #1) in singles competition as a freshman ... recorded his first collegiate win against URI ... **Prior to NJIT:** Finalist in the 2006 NJ state Tournament of Champions ... first-team all-State, all-County and all-North Jersey for coach Dave Schurman at Emerson. ... Member of the football, baseball and basketball team. **Personal:** Son of Haeja and Eugene Erickson ... business management major ... born 1/18/88 in Teaneck, NJ.



### COSMIN CHIUDEA

So. • 5-8 • 110 • Braila, Romina/Nicolae Iorgia

**Coach's comment:** Dominates his opponents with his forehand. ... **Fall 2007:** 3-1 record (2-0 at #3, 1-1 at #2) ... **2006-07:** 13-6 record (10-5 at #3; 3-1 at #2) ... **Prior to NJIT:** Finalist of the Santronic Cup in singles (2005); quarterfinalist of the Tennis National Championship (2005); winner of the Fisher Trophy in singles (2004) ... Played club tennis with Valmet for coach Malaia

Mihai and Mirea N. ... Also a member of the soccer team ... **Personal:** Son of Gheorghie and Viorela Chiujdea ... business management major ... born 1/26/87 in Braila, Romania.

### JONATHAN LANG

So. • 5-10 • 140 • Paris, France/CNED

**Coach's comment:** Overwhelms his opponents with speed, agility and quickness on the court. ... **Fall 2007:** 2-0 at #2 singles ... **2006-07:** As a freshman, Lang recorded a 9-7 overall record; 9-6 at No. 2 singles. **Personal:** Son of Philippe Lang ... IT major ... born 8/6/85 in Paris, France.



## 2007-08 WOMEN'S ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/High School (previous college)
Fanny Aizier	So.	5'4	Aix-en-Provence, France/Lyceé Vauvenargues
Grace Bogdan	Sr.	5'5	Bel Alton, MD/La Plata
Didem Cakiroglu	Jr.	5'2	Whiting, NJ/Southern Regional (Georgian Court)
Iulia Doci	Jr.	6'1	Bistrita, Romania/British School of Barcelona, Spain
Fatima Kasem	Sr.	5'7	Alpha, NJ/Bayonne
Chiori Koike	Sr.	5'2	Leonia, NJ/Leonie
Dasa Stanimirovic	So.	5'6	Novi Sad, Serbia/Isidora Sekulic (UMass)
Isha Toor	So.	5'6	Chandigarh, India/Govt. Model Sr. Sec. School-16

## 2007-08 WOMEN'S SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Opponent	Score
Sat.	Sept. 8	Fairfield Doubles	9 am
Sat.	Sept. 15	at Rider	W, 6-1
Mon.	Sept. 24	at Monmouth	W, 6-1
Wed.	Sept. 26	at Mt. St. Mary's, MD	W, 4-3
Sat.-Sun	Sept. 29-30	Binghamton Invitational	All Day
Fri.-Sun.	Oct. 5-7	Bucknell Invitational	All Day
Thu.	Oct. 18	ITA Regionals	5:30 pm
Wed.	Jan. 30	at Princeton	10:30 am
Fri.	Feb. 1	at Army	4 pm
Sat.	Feb. 2	SACRED HEART^	7 pm
Sat.	Feb. 9	HOFFSTRA^	7 pm
Sat.	Feb. 16	SAINT PETER'S^	7 pm
Wed.	Feb. 20	MORGAN STATE ^	8:30 pm
Sat.	Feb. 23	BINGHAMTON ^	7 pm
Sat.	Mar. 1	HARTFORD^	7 pm
Sat.	Mar. 8	MANHATTAN^	7 pm
Sat.	Mar. 15	ST. FRANCIS (NY)^	7 pm
Tue.	Mar. 18	at St. Thomas (FL) &	7 pm
Wed.	Mar. 19	vs. Colgate &	TBA
Thu.	Mar. 20	vs. Coastal Carolina &	2 pm
Wed.	Mar. 26	at Wagner	3 pm
Sun.	Mar. 30	at St. John's (NY)	3 pm
Thu.	Apr. 3	FORDHAM #	4 pm
Sun.	Apr. 6	at Rhode Island	12 pm
Sat.	Apr. 12	at LIU %	11 am

# - Branch Brook Park, Newark, NJ; ^ - Tenaflly Racquet Club, Tenaflly, NJ

\* - Fleisher Athletic Center Courts, NJIT; & - Denotes Matches at Florida Gulf Coast - Fort Myers, FL; % - Denotes Match at National Tennis Center, Flushing, NY

## 2006-07 WOMEN'S RESULTS

Day	Date	Opponent	Score
Sat.	Sept. 16	vs. RIDER	W, 5-2
Sat.-Sun	Sept. 23-24	at URI/URI Shootout	3rd place
Tues.	Oct. 3	vs. CONCORDIA (NY)	W, 5-2
Fri.	Oct. 6	vs. SETON HALL	L, 1-6
Sat.	Oct. 14	at Fordham	L, 0-7
Sat.	Oct. 21	vs. SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W, 5-2
Fri.	Feb. 2	at Saint Peter's	W, 7-0
Sat.	Feb. 10	vs. LIU	W, 6-1
Sat.	Feb. 17	vs. TEMPLE	L, 1-6
Sat.	Feb. 24	vs. FAIRFIELD	W, 5-2
Sat.	Mar. 3	vs. FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	W, 4-3
Mon.	Mar. 12	at Florida Atlantic &	L, 0-7
Tues.	Mar. 13	vs. Florida Tech &	L, 4-5
Wed.	Mar. 14	vs. Johns Hopkins &	W, 5-2
Thu.	Mar. 15	vs. Saint Louis &	L, 1-5
Sat.	Mar. 17	vs. SACRED HEART	W, 5-2
Sat.	Mar. 24	vs. WAGNER	W, 7-0
Thu.	Mar. 29	at Binghamton	L, 5-2
Sat.	Mar. 31	at Bucknell	W, 5-2
Sun.	Apr. 1	vs. URI #	L, 1-4
Tues.	Apr. 3	vs. MANHATTAN	W, 6-1
Tues.	Apr. 10	at Hofstra	W, 6-1
Wed.	Apr. 11	at Monmouth	W, 7-0

&-Spring Break trip to Melbourne, FL



# TOP WOMEN'S PERFORMERS

## IULIA DOCI

Jr. • 5-10 • Bistrita Romania/  
British School of Barcelona, Spain

**Coach's comment:** Possesses a lethal combination of defensive topspin backcourt play with a ferocious forehand and a fierce first serve ... 38-8 career singles record through Fall 2007 ... **Fall 2007:** 3-0 at #1 singles ... advanced to the ITA East Regional Round of 64, where she lost to the #8 seed ... **2006-07:** NJIT Female Athlete of the Year and women's tennis MVP ... had one of the most impressive individual wins by a Highlander when she defeated Rhode Island's senior Lara Maurer, who came into the match with a 22-1 at first singles for URI. Maurer was previously the #2 player at Kentucky (ranked 17th in the nation) and was 2nd-team all-Southeastern Conference. Doci finished out the 2006-07 season with a 16-6 overall record at first singles while winning nine matches at first doubles ... **2005-06:** NJIT Newcomer of the Year ... NJIT women's tennis MVP ... CACC Rookie of the Year, singles champion ... posted a 19-2 record in her freshman season at No. 1 singles, her two losses came against Division I opponents Temple and Seton Hall. ... ranked 3rd among ITA Region singles players and 4th in doubles ... reached semifinals of ITA regional "A" singles ... **Prior to NJIT:** Honored to play in IX/TA and in Spanish national tournaments ... ranked 263 in Spain ... made it to the regional semifinals and finals ... member of the cross-country team at British School of Barcelona ... **Personal:** Daughter of Simion and Marioaura Doci ... majoring in management ... born on 3/8/87.



## ISHA TOOR

So. • 5-6 • Chandigarh, India/  
Government Model Sr. Secondary School-16

**Coach's comment:** Strikes a very heavy flat ball that enables her to maintain control of most points ... **Fall 2007:** 3-0 (all at #4 singles) ... **2006-07:** As a freshman ranked fourth on the team with 12 wins while teaming up with Fanny Aizier at second doubles combining for a 14-6 record while recording a 6-4

record in the last ten matches ... **Prior to NJIT:** All-India Tennis Association National ranking tournament U-16 & U-18; winner in 2002, 2003 and 2005 ... National school games silver medalist (2003) ... Top 10 in her high school class ... **Personal:** Daughter of Amarpal Singh and Sangeeta Toor ... Father Amarpal played for the National Field Hockey team in India; brother was a silver medalist at National Tennis in India ... business major ... born on 10/17/87.



## FANNY AIZIER

So. • 5-4 • Aix-en-Provence, France/Lycees Vauvenargues

**Coach's comment:** Constantly looks for short ball opportunities to employ her daring net game. ... **Fall 2007:** 2-1 record (all at #3 singles) ... **2006-07:** Finished the season with a 13-7 overall record, (8-5) at fifth singles. ... In doubles action with partner Isha Toor the duo posted a 14-6 record at second singles. **Prior to NJIT:** Puyricard Tournament Winner (2005) and Pertuis Tournament Winner (2006). ... Played club tennis for Marc Verpeau with the Aixois Country Club team. **Personal:** Daughter of Gael and Christine Aizier ... major is undecided ... born on 5/5/88 in Aix-en-Provence, France.





*The 2007-08 NJIT Men's Tennis Team - Top (l-r): Head Coach Phil Baboulis, Ramy Lawandy, Cosmin Chiujea, Mike Sullivan, Jonathan Lang, Anthony Tunnero, Team Manager Sunay Pandya, Assistant Coach Marvyn Hall Bottom (l-r): Siddarth Verma, Steve Erickson, Nikola Dukleski, Dimitry Athans, Doug Zytko*



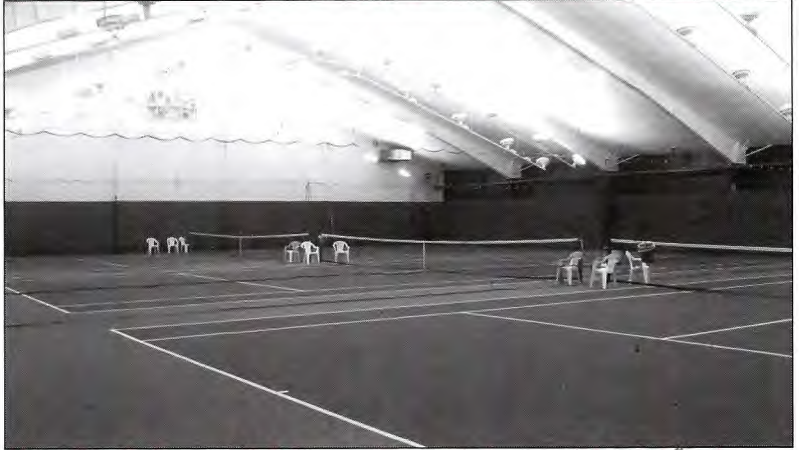
*Above/Below: Photos of NJIT's Campus*







*Above: Fleisher Athletic Center (home of the men's & women's basketball teams)*



*Above: Tenaflly Racquet Club (home of the men's & women's tennis teams)*



*The 2007-08 NJIT Women's Tennis Team (Top l-r): Head Coach Phil Baboulis, Isha Toor, Iulia Doci, Dasa Stanimirovic, Assistant Coach Marvyn Hall  
(Bottom l-r) Fanny Aizier, Grace Bodgan, Fatima Kasem, Didem Cakiroglu*



# ATHLETICS FACILITIES

The NJIT men's and women's tennis teams compete and practice indoors at the Tenaflly Racquet Club in Tenaflly, NJ and outdoors on four lighted, hardcourt tennis courts adjacent to the Estelle and Zoom Fleisher Athletic Center on the NJIT campus in Newark, NJ.

Additionally, the teams have access to all of the other facilities in the athletic center. These include the fitness area (containing computer controlled biking equipment, Cybex resistance units and an indoor track), two weight rooms (free weight and hammer strength), four racquetball courts, a martial arts/fencing center, and a six-lane swimming pool.

The Highlanders' men's and women's basketball and volleyball teams play their home events in the main gymnasium of the athletic center. The facility can entertain crowds of up to 1,500, and is also open to the campus community during selected hours for recreation.

Lubetkin Field, home to the men's and women's soccer teams, recently underwent a \$1.2 million renovation project, including the installation of SprinTurf artificial grass and a running track. It contains a midfield scoreboard and pressbox facilities, and its bleacher seating can hold approximately 1,000 spectators.

NJIT is in the midst of a 10-year agreement with the independent Newark Bears Professional Baseball Club to play all Highlanders home baseball games at Bears & Eagles Riverfront Stadium in downtown Newark.

## NJIT TENNIS FACTS

Location .....	Newark, NJ 07102
Founded .....	1881
Undergraduate Enrollment .....	5,380
Nickname .....	Highlanders
Colors .....	Scarlet and White with Navy
President .....	Dr. Robert A. Altenkirch
Director of Athletics .....	Lenny Kaplan
Athletics Department/Tennis Phone .....	(973) 596-3636
Athletics Department/Tennis FAX .....	(973) 596-8295
Athletics Department URL .....	<a href="http://njithighlanders.cstv.com/">http://njithighlanders.cstv.com/</a>
Head Coach .....	Phil Baboulis (NJIT '84)
Men's Career Record (Years) .....	25-32 (3, through Fall '07)
Women's Career Record (Years) .....	58-36 (5, through Fall '07)
E-Mail .....	<a href="mailto:baboulis@njit.edu">baboulis@njit.edu</a>
Assistant Men's Coach .....	Marvyn Hall
First Year of Men's Program .....	1934
2006-07 Men's Record .....	10-10
Assistant Women's Coach .....	Marvyn Hall
First Year of Women's Program .....	1983
2006-07 Women's Record .....	14-8
Home Facilities .....	Fleisher Courts, Tenaflly Racquet Club
Affiliation .....	NCAA Division I (Reclassifying from NCAA Division II)
Conference .....	Independent
Assistant Athletic Director for Sports Information .....	Tim Camp (973) 596-8461
Sports Information FAX .....	(973) 596-8440
Camp E-Mail .....	<a href="mailto:timothy.camp@njit.edu">timothy.camp@njit.edu</a>
NJIT Results Hotline .....	(973) 596-5555

# UNIVERSITY INFORMATION



MIKE PETERS

**New Jersey Institute of Technology**, the state's public technological research university, enrolls more than 8,000 students in bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees in 92 degree programs offered by 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. NJIT is renowned for expertise in architecture, applied mathematics, wireless communications and networking, solar physics, advanced engineered particulate materials, nanotechnology, neural engineering and e-learning. In 2006, Princeton Review named NJIT among the nation's top 25 campuses for technology and top 150 for best value. U.S. News & World Report's 2007 Annual Guide to America's Best Colleges ranked NJIT in the top tier of national research universities.

NJIT's 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. From the early days, science and technology have been the engines fueling the university's development.

Over time, the university both anticipated and responded to change by expanding its curriculum and mission. By 1975, NJIT offered a broad range of undergraduate and graduate degrees. All programs included significant research and public service components with the goal of providing an academic environment that fostered intellectual depth and breadth, as well as social responsibility.

Today, continuing a fourfold mission of instruction, research, economic development and public service, NJIT is among the leading comprehensive technological universities in the nation, with state-of-the-art facilities on its 45-acre campus in Newark and a solar observatory in Big Bear, California.



*The clock tower and carillon sit in a European-style plaza adjacent to the Campus Center.*