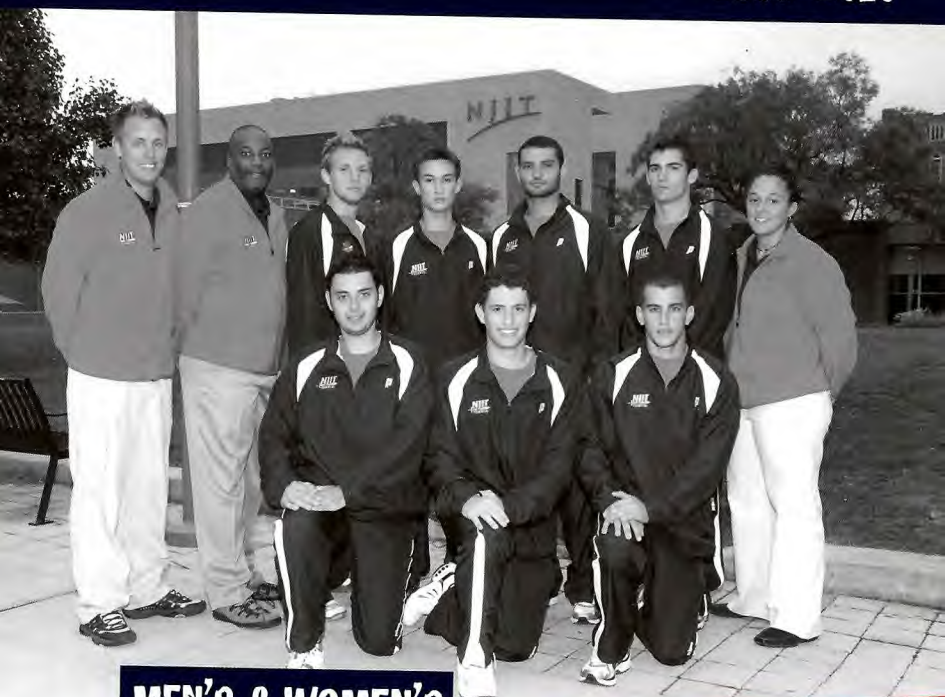


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MIKE SOWTER, *Head Coach*

Mike Sowter was named head coach of men's and women's tennis at NJIT in the summer of 2008 following a successful two-year stint at Hofstra University, where he was head coach of the men's and women's tennis teams for previous two seasons.

His won-lost record in 2008-09, his first season at NJIT, was 11-6 with the men's team and 11-9 with the women's team.

At Hofstra, he led the women's team to a 14-10 overall record in 2007-08, while also directing the men's squad to an 11-11-1 mark. Both records represented substantial improvements over the previous seasons, as the women's wins total jumped from three to 14 and the men improved from seven wins to 11.

The women's tennis team received the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) All-Academic Team award for the 2007-2008 season for their excellence in the classroom.

His two-year totals with Hofstra were 18-24-1 with the men and 17-26 with the women.

A native of Perth, Australia, Sowter was a junior college all-American at Wallace State in Alabama, before transferring to NCAA Division I Marist, where he was a two-time all-Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference honoree and a two-time NCAA Tournament participant.

Following his graduation from Marist in 2002, he coached at the small college level for two years with Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville, NY, compiling a 20-9 record and garnering Hudson Valley Men's Athletic Conference Coach of the Year honors in 2003.

He returned to his alma mater as assistant women's coach in 2004-05 and helped Marist post a 14-4 overall record, including a perfect 7-0 conference regular season mark.

He took over as head coach of Hofstra's tennis teams in February 2006, leading the men to seven wins and the women to three victories in his first season before an 11-win jump for the women and a four-win improvement for the men in his second season. His first recruiting class added five women to the 2007-08 roster, including the number one and number two players, who combined to go 30-5 in match play at their respective slots, helping account for the team's improvement from three wins to 14.

The Hofstra women's freshman recruiting class was ranked 10th-best among the nation's mid-major programs by the web site tennisrecruiting.net.

At NJIT, Sowter takes over two of the Highlanders' most successful programs as they prepare for their third season of Division I competition. In 2007-08, the Highlanders posted a 12-7 women's record and the men's team was 11-7.

In 2006-07, NJIT was 14-8 on the women's side and the men were 10-10, lifting the two-year Division I records to 26-15 for the women and 21-17 for the men.

NJIT and Hofstra faced off in each of the Highlanders' two seasons of Division I competition and Sowter's two years as Hofstra head coach. The Pride men defeated NJIT both times—6-1 in 2007 and 7-0 in 2008. The Highlander women won easily in 2007 (6-1) and again in a close contest in 2008 (4-3).

In addition to his college coaching, Sowter is head tennis professional at Bailiwick Club in Greenwich, CT, and he is a teaching professional at ProForm Tennis at Doral Arrowood in Rye Brook, NY. He has also served as tennis director at Camp Vega for Girls in Kents Hill, ME.

He resides in Port Chester, NY, with his wife, Monika, and their son, Tristan.

ALI ADAMSKI, Assistant Coach

Ali Adamski was a three-time Big East Conference Academic All-Star playing for St. John's, where she maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.89, graduating in 2007. She is pursuing a master's degree from St. John's, as well, with plans to graduate in December 2009. Both her bachelor's and master's degree programs are in sports management.



Earlier, she played her freshman year of tennis at the University of Connecticut.

At St. John's, she was team Most Valuable Player in 2007 and team captain from 2005 to 2007. She played number two singles and number one doubles, compiling a 26-9 record at second singles for the Red Storm.

Adamski was an Administrative Fellow for Compliance with the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference in 2008-09. She assisted the Senior Associate Commissioner with all aspects of the conference's compliance program.

She has worked numerous summer camps, including those hosted by St. John's and by Hofstra, where Mike Sowter coached prior to coming to NJIT, as well as serving as a court attendant at the National Tennis Center during four US Open championships.

A product of Queens, NY, she resides in Jersey City, NJ.

BERNIE JONES, Volunteer Coach

Bernie Jones joined the NJIT tennis coaching staff in August of 2009.

Jones will earn his master's degree from New Jersey Institute of Technology in May 2010 with a major in Emergency Management/Business Continuity.

He has taught adult and junior tennis clinics in New York and New Jersey over the past 30 years.

The 2009-10 season, will mark the first college coaching experience for Jones, who played for Syracuse University tennis club in 1979.

Jones is a professional tennis racquet stringer.

He resides in South Orange, NJ, with his wife Delphine, and their daughter Alexa and son Jared.



2009-10 MEN'S ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/Previous School
Diego Abreu	Jr.	6'1	180	Novo Hamburgo, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil / CETB (Brazilia)
Dimitri Athans	Sr.	5'9	160	Woolwich, NJ/Gloucester County College
Cosmin Chiujdea	Sr.	5'10	170	Braila, Romania/Nicolae Iorga
Stephen Erickson	Sr.	5'11	135	Emerson, NJ/Emerson
Bryan Keelan	Jr.	6'0	165	Wall, NJ/Wall
Carl Lundquist	So.	5'10	175	Sollentuna, Stockholm, Sweden/Rudbecksolan
Dan Salomon	So.	5'10	155	Huixquilucan, Mexico/American School Foundation

2009-10 MEN'S SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Opponent	Score
September			
11-13	Fri.-Sat.	NJIT Invitational	AllDay
23	Wed.	at Fordham	3pm
October			
2-4	Fri.-Sun.	Sergio Tacchini Collegiate Invitational	AllDay
10-11	Sat.-Sun.	Stony Brook Invitational	AllDay
16-18	Fri.-Sun.	Wilson/ITA Northeast Regional	AllDay
January			
30	Sat.	vs. Sacred Heart (at Yale)	7pm
31	Sun.	at Saint Peter's	1:30pm
February			
6	Sat.	BRYANT ^	8 pm
7	Sun.	at Hofstra	6 pm
13	Sat.	HOWARD ^	8 pm
19-21	Fri.-Sun.	Dayton Invitational	TBD
28	Sun.	at Monmouth	3pm
March			
7	Sun.	at Army	1pm
12	Fri.	at Temple	5pm
<i>Spring Break Trip - Patch Reef Park/Florida Gulf Coast</i>			
16	Tue.	at Florida Atlantic %	2pm
17	Wed.	at Florida Gulf Coast %	2pm
23	Tue.	at Fairfield	3pm
28	Sun.	at Saint Joseph's/at La Salle	11am/3:30pm
April			
7	Wed.	at Rider	43pm
10	Sat.	at Siena/vs. Hartford	10am/3pm
11	Sun.	at Stony Brook	12pm
16-18	Fri.-Sun.	Independent Tennis Tournament (at Longwood)	All Day

BOLD/CAPS home; Home venues: ** = ^ = Tenafly Racquet Club (Tenafly, NJ)

% = Matches played in Boca Raton, Florida/Fort Myers, Florida

2008-09 MEN'S RESULTS

Day	Date	Opponent	Score
September			
6	Sat.	at Fairfield/Sacred Heart Doubles Invitational	All Day
16	Tue.	RIDER ^	W, 7-0
October			
4	Sat.	at Stony Brook	L, 1-4
		vs. Saint Peter's	W, 4-1
8	Wed.	FORDHAM	W, 6-1
10-12	Fri.-Sun.	Sergio Tacchini Collegiate Invitational	All Day
16-21	Tue.-Sun.	Wilson/ITA Northeast Regional (at Yale)	All Day
January			
31	Sat.	SACRED HEART	W, 4-3
February			
1	Sun.	at Saint Peter's	L, 3-4
14	Sat.	HOWARD	W, 4-3
21	Sat.	at Hartford	W, 7-0
28	Sat.	MORGAN STATE	W, 6-1
March			
16	Mon.	vs. Colgate	L, 2-5
18	Wed.	vs. Florida Gulf Coast	L, 0-4
28	Sat.	at Bucknell	L, 1-6
31	Tue.	LASALLE	W, 6-1
April			
4	Sat.	at Bryant	W, 4-3
5	Sun.	at Boston University	W, 5-2
9	Thu.	at Marist	L, 0-7
13	Mon.	at Siena	W, 7-0

2009-10 WOMEN'S ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/High School (previous college)
Fanny Aizier	Sr.	5'4	Aix-en-Provence, France/Lyceé Vauvenargues
Ana Lidon	Jr.	5'6	Seville, Spain/IES Valle
Anine Lovdal	So.	5'6	Norway/Wang Sonans
Nina Mayevska	Jr.	5'8	Brooklyn, NY
Dasa Stanimirovic	Sr.	5'6	Novi Sad, Serbia/Isidora Sekulic (UMass)
Isha Toor	Sr.	5'6	Chandigarh, India/Govt. Model Sr. Sec. School-16

2009-10 WOMEN'S SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Opponent	Time
September			
11-13	Fri.-Sat.	NJIT Invitational	All Day
25-27	Fri.-Sun.	Eastern Collegiates	All Day
October			
2-4	Fri.-Sun.	Sergio Tacchini Collegiate Invitational	All Day
24-26	Fri.-Sun.	Wilson/ITA East Regional	All Day
January			
30	Sat.	vs. Sacred Heart (at Yale)	7pm
31	Sun.	at Saint Peter's	1:30pm
February			
6	Sat.	BRYANT ^	8pm
7	Sun.	at Hofstra	6pm
13	Sat.	HOWARD ^	8 pm
19-21	Fri.-Sun.	Dayton Invitational	TBD
March			
6	Sat.	vs. Providence (at Army)	6pm
7	Sun.	at Army	10am
<i>Spring Break Trip - Patch Reef Park/Florida Gulf Coast</i>			
15	Mon.	vs. Columbia (at FAU) %	1pm
16	Thu.	at Florida Atlantic %	2pm
27	Sat.	UMASS &	10am
28	Sun.	at Saint Joseph's	11am
April			
5	Mon.	MANHATTAN &	4 pm
10	Sat.	vs. Hartford/at Siena	10am/3pm
11	Sun.	at Stony Brook	12pm
17	Sat.	at Rider	12pm
18	Sun.	ALBANY \$	TBD
23-25	Fri.-Sun.	Great West Conference Championships (at UND)	All Day

BOLD/CAPS home; Home venues: ** = Branch Brook Park (Newark, NJ); & = Fleisher Athletic Center Courts;

^ = Tenafly Racquet Club (Tenafly, NJ), % = Matches played in Boca Raton, Florida/Fort Myers, Florida

2008-09 WOMEN'S RESULTS

Day	Date	Opponent	Score
September			
6	Sat.	Fairfield/Sacred Heart Doubles Invitational	All Day
12-14		Hofstra Invitational	All Day
16		RIDER	W, 5-2
October			
4	Sat.	at Stony Brook/ vs. Saint Peter's	L, 1-4/W, 4-1
10-12	Fri.-Sun.	Sergio Tacchini Collegiate Invitational	All Day
16-21	Tue.-Sun.	Wilson/ITA Northeast Regional (at Yale)	All Day
January			
31	Sat.	SACRED HEART	W, 6-1
February			
1	Sun.	at Saint Peter's	W, 7-0
14	Sat.	HOWARD	W, 6-1
20	Fri.	at Princeton	L, 0-7
21	Sat.	at Hartford	W, 7-0
28	Sat.	MORGAN STATE	W, 7-0
March			
1		at Army	L, 1-6
16	Mon.	vs. Colgate	W, 6-1
18	Wed.	vs. Florida Gulf Coast	L, 0-6
28	Sat.	at Bucknell	L, 0-7
April			
1	Wed.	LA SALLE	W, 4-0
4	Sat.	at Bryant	W, 6-1
Independent Tennis Tournament (at Texas-Pan American)			
17		vs. Chicago State	L, 0-4
		at Texas-Pan Am	L, 1-4
18		vs. Longwood	L, 1-4
19		vs. Seattle	L, 2-4

GREAT WEST CONFERENCE

NJIT is one of six institutions that have joined the expansion of the Great West Conference to form a Division I all-sports league that conducted championship competition in several sports in 2008-09 and began full conference scheduling and championships in 2009-10.

The Great West, which existed for four years as a football-only league in the NCAA's Division I Football Championship Subdivision (formerly known as I-AA), is expanding into an all-sports league with the addition of NJIT, Texas-Pan American, Utah Valley, Houston Baptist, University of North Dakota and University of South Dakota.

The all-sports version of the Great West Conference will offer championships in 14 sports, 12 of which are sponsored by NJIT, including: men's and women's basketball; baseball; women's soccer; women's volleyball; women's tennis; men's and women's cross country; men's and women's indoor track and field; and, men's and women's outdoor track and field.

NJIT, Texas-Pan American and Utah Valley have been playing each other in multiple sports, including home-and-home games in men's and women's basketball, since NJIT began competing against Division I competition for the first time in 2006-07.

NJIT and Utah Valley became active championship-eligible members of NCAA Division I effective September 1, 2009. North Dakota and South Dakota will be active members of Division I in 2012-13 and Houston Baptist announced an agreement with the NCAA that could make HBU an active member of Division I in 2011-12. Texas-Pan American has been an active Division I program for many years.

The expanded conference is not eligible for automatic Division I championship postseason qualification, but will offer the benefit of conference championship competition, stable scheduling opportunities in all conference sports and individual recognition for student-athletes through weekly and season all-conference recognition. The individual awards programs for student-athletes will begin in 2008-09.

NJIT's sports that do not come under the Great West umbrella will continue in their existing conferences—men's soccer in the Atlantic Soccer Conference and men's volleyball in the Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association, which has an automatic NCAA postseason berth, which was claimed in 2008 by eventual national champion, Penn State.

In addition, NJIT will continue to schedule competition against top non-conference regional and national opponents. Two NJIT opponents—Maryland in men's soccer and Penn State in men's volleyball have won national championships following seasons in which they faced the Highlanders.

Meanwhile, NJIT teams will continue to compete regularly with opponents from the Big East, Atlantic 10, America East, Ivy League, Patriot League, MAAC and Northeast Conference.



Above/Below: Photos of NJIT's Campus





***Above:** Tenaflly Racquet Courts; **Below:** Tiger Tennis Fitness*



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 at J. Malcolm Simon Stadium, 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 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	www.njithighlanders.com
Head Coach	Mike Sowter (Marist '02)
Men's Career Record (Years)	29-30-1 (3)
Women's Career Record (Years)	28-35 (3)
Record at NJIT (Years)	11-9 (1) (W); 11-6 (1) (M)
E-Mail	michael.sowter@njit.edu
Assistant Men's Coach	Ali Adamski, Bernie Jones (Volunteer)
First Year of Men's Program	1934
2008-09 Men's Record	11-6
Assistant Women's Coach	Ali Adamski, Bernie Jones (Volunteer)
First Year of Women's Program	1983
2008-09 Women's Record	11-9
Home Facilities	Fleisher Courts, Tenaflly Racquet Club, Tiger Tennis Fitness
Affiliation	NCAA Division I (Reclassifying from NCAA Division II)
Conference	Great West(women)/Independent (men)
Assistant Athletic Director for Sports Information	Tim Camp (973) 596-8461
Sports Information FAX	(973) 596-8440
Camp E-Mail	timothy.camp@njit.edu
NJIT Results Hotline	(973) 596-5555

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION



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.