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**Front cover (l-r):** Katrina Hornstein (Larry Levanti photo); Agnieszka Pregowska (Gil Talbot photo); Sabrina Baby (Gil Talbot photo); **Back cover:** the Highlanders huddle between games (Gil Talbot photo); **2008 schedule.** **Inside front cover:** Estelle and Zoom Fleisher Athletic Center as seen across the campus green (Levanti photo). **Inside back cover:** the 2008 Highlanders team picture (Levanti photo).

## Media Information

This guide is designed to assist in coverage of NJIT volleyball. For home matches, the NJIT sports information office will provide an official box score 10 minutes following each game. Coach Ryan McNeil and requested players will be available for interviews on the court 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 non-game days should be made through the NJIT sports information office (973-596-8461).

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## Why the 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 includes a new Highlanders logo (shown). Developed by CN Foundry for NJIT, the logo depicts the traditional Highlander, whose ferocity and bravery against all odds are the stuff of legend.

## Quick facts

### NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (NJIT)



**Location:** University Heights,  
Newark, NJ, 07102  
**Founded:** 1881  
**Enrollment:** 5,380 (undergraduate)

**Nickname/colors:** Highlanders/red and white (blue accent)  
**Home field:** Lubetkin Field  
(cap. 1,000; lighted; SprinTurf surface)

**Affiliations:** NCAA Division I (reclassifying), ECAC  
**Conference:** Division I Independent (Great West Conference in 2009-10)  
**University President:** Dr. Robert A. Altenkirch  
**Director of Athletics:** Lenny Kaplan

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

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### Women's Volleyball

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**Career record (years):** 32-65 (3, at NJIT)  
  
**Assistant coach:** Jose Reynaldo (JR) Martins  
(Lewis, 2000), Melissa Golob (UMBC, 2007)  
  
**2007 record:** 13-24  
**Returning/lost (starters):** 8 (5+libero)/4 (1)



## About NJIT

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, New Jersey, 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 more than \$83 million toward new and improved buildings and facilities on the 45-acre campus, including biomedical engineering labs and a campus center.

## Instructional Programs

NJIT offers 96 degree programs — 36 undergraduate, 41 master's and 19 doctoral programs — through six schools:

NEWARK COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

NEW JERSEY SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND LIBERAL ARTS

SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT

ALBERT DORMAN HONORS COLLEGE

COLLEGE OF COMPUTING SCIENCES

NJIT has 416 full-time faculty; more than 98 percent of whom hold the highest degree in their field. More than 5,300 undergraduate students and more than 2,800 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 more than 44,000 alumni, NJIT is rated by US News and World Report as a top-tier national research university offering bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees.

## Research

NJIT drew more than \$75 million in research funding in 2005 and faculty members welcome student collaboration on research projects.

## 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. More than 60 technology start-up companies, many of which hire NJIT students, are on campus.



## The Career Edge

All 10 of the majors with the highest starting salaries for 2005-06 grads are in engineering, computing and business, according to the National Association of Colleges and Employers.

Computer and data processing services lead the list of the 10 fastest-growing occupations in projections compiled by the US Department of Labor. Computer-related employment is expected to grow 117 percent by 2008, according to the Career Guide to Industries.

As technology changes all fields, those with science and technology backgrounds are positioned to lead. Among the CEOs of the S&P 500 companies, engineering is the single largest undergraduate degree and more than half of CEOs have undergraduate degrees in engineering, business management, science, math and computing.

## The Global Edge

The diversity in NJIT's student body and faculty prepares graduates to understand and succeed in the global marketplace. NJIT was named among the world's top 500 universities in a study by the Institute of Higher Education, Shanghai Jiao Tong University.

## 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 has long been a national leader in applying new technologies and approaches to the educational experience. NJIT was a pioneer in requiring computer science for students in all majors and the School of Architecture has led innovations in teaching CAD and digital design. The school's innovative "paperless" first-year program was recently cited by Campus Technology Magazine.

Students have a wide range of educational choices in building an interest-tailored program. Among their options are cross-enrolling at neighboring Rutgers to enrich their program with subjects such as music and languages.



NJIT students learn emerging technologies from the researchers behind the technologies, developing valuable marketplace skills. Real-world experience through experiential learning makes graduates more marketable, with many co-op opportunities leading to permanent jobs.

## 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 newest school, the College of Computing Sciences, was created in 2001.



## Dr. Robert A. Altenkirch

### *President*

Dr. Robert A. Altenkirch, formerly vice president for research at Mississippi State University (MSU), joined NJIT as the university's seventh president in July 2002. During his tenure as MSU vice president for research, science and engineering, expenditures as reported to National Science Foundation (NSF) increased dramatically—75% from 1997 to 2001.

Prior to his appointment as vice president at MSU, Altenkirch served as professor of mechanical and materials engineering and dean of the College of Engineering and Architecture at Washington State University. From 1988 to 1995, he was professor of mechanical engineering and dean of the College of Engineering at MSU. He also served as professor and chair of mechanical engineering at the University of Kentucky.

In addition to the research program, his responsibilities encompassed congressional relations, intellectual property management and economic development. While dean of engineering at MSU, he led the effort to secure National Science Foundation funding for the establishment of the MSU NSF Engineering Research Center for Computational Field Simulation in 1990. Additionally, the Center was instrumental in helping the State of Mississippi attract a \$1 billion Nissan manufacturing plant.

Altenkirch holds a PhD from Purdue University, an MS from the University of California, Berkeley, and a BSME from Purdue, all in mechanical engineering. He is the author of over 50 publications and nearly 100 presentations in combustion and heat transfer and served as principal investigator for ten Space Shuttle experiments investigating the spread of fire in reduced gravity. He is a Fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.



## Dr. Joel Bloom

### *Vice President of Academic and Student Services*

Dr. Joel Bloom has worked at NJIT since July 1990. In his current position, he is responsible for nine divisions of the university, including Physical Education and Athletics.

Dr. Bloom is also Dean of the Albert Dorman Honors College, which enrolls more than 525 students who are typically in the top 10 percent of their high school graduating class.

Prior to NJIT, Dr. Bloom spent seven years as assistant Commissioner in the New Jersey Department of Education. He is currently the Chair of the NASULGC Council of Chief Student Affairs Officers and the Newark Consortium Board for Pre-College Education. Dr. Bloom earned his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from Hunter College, and holds a Master's and Doctorate from Columbia University Teachers College.



## Lenny Kaplan

### *Director of Athletics*

Since taking over as head of NJIT's division of physical education and athletics in August 2000, Lenny Kaplan was instrumental in establishing a sound NCAA Division II program, setting the stage for the reclassification into NCAA Division I.

Kaplan helped solidify and expand an NJIT program that was entering its fourth year in Division II when he arrived in Newark and in

late 2002, after discussions with university President Dr. Robert A. Altenkirch and Vice President Dr. Joel Bloom, Kaplan began the task of steering NJIT's programs into Division I, a process that is set to reach fruition with full championship eligibility in 2009-10.

Along the way, NJIT has enhanced the athletics program, particularly in areas that will benefit the student-athletes directly.

The sports offerings have expanded to 19 varsity sports, and since 2004, NJIT has renovated its two main on-campus venues—Lubetkin Field and the Estelle and Zoom Fleisher Athletic Center. The school also signed a 10-year partnership to play its home baseball in the Bears and Eagles Riverfront Stadium and agreed to host basketball in the new home of the NHL's New Jersey Devils.

In 2005-06, NJIT's outstanding home facilities allowed it to host two ECAC Division II post-season championships—women's soccer in the fall and baseball in the spring.

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.

Additionally, men's volleyball captured a 2007 divisional championship in the Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association.

Before coming to NJIT, Lenny Kaplan served 11 years at Manhattan College, where he began as Manhattan's director of operations and then advanced to assistant athletics director.

Kaplan, a 1988 graduate of St. John's University with a degree in athletics administration, resides in Merrick, NY, with his wife, Nancy, and their sons, Michael and Joshua.





# Sports Medicine



**Roger Olean**

Olean, an intercollegiate athletic trainer since 1992, returned in the summer of 2008 to NJIT, where he was head trainer from 2000-05.

Olean, who earned his bachelor's degree from Slippery Rock (PA) University in 1991 and his master's degree from Springfield (MA) College in 1998, has served on the training staffs at four colleges and three high schools.

He began his career at Hood College in 1992 and also worked on the Springfield College staff while pursuing his master's. After his first tour with the Highlanders, he spent two years at SUNY Cobleskill. Olean also worked at three high schools.



**Michael Douglas**

Douglas, a Newark native, has worked in professional and collegiate environments since 1995.

Before joining NJIT early in 2008, he was head trainer of the WNBA Houston Comets, a job he held after serving as head trainer/director of basketball operations for the NBA Development League Albuquerque Thunderbirds. Combining those stops with a multi-year stint as assistant trainer with the then-Memphis Grizzlies, Douglas is the only athletic trainer to serve teams in all three leagues that fall under the NBA umbrella.

At the collegiate level, he was head athletic trainer at Palm Beach Atlantic and at Spelman and was a graduate assistant trainer at Morehouse College in Atlanta.

Douglas has been a summer assistant trainer with the NFL Buffalo Bills and was head trainer of the Richmond (VA) Rhythm pro basketball team. He earned his bachelor's degree from Morehouse and his master's degree from Life University School of Graduate Studies in Georgia.

Matt Koscs, who earned both his bachelor's (2005) and master's (2008) degrees from the



**Matt Koscs**

University of Delaware, came to NJIT in July 2008. As an undergrad, he was recipient of the Paris Delligatti Memorial Award for Excellence in Athletic Training. Prior to NJIT, he served three years as head trainer at Hodgson Vocational Technical High School in Newark, DE. He was head trainer for the Delaware Dynasty semi-pro soccer team, as well as with the Kirkwood Soccer Club and was employed at Christiana Care Physical Therapy Plus, in Newark, DE, where he was an athletic trainer and Director of Athletic Training Services in a clinical setting.

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, Dr. Rizio completed his orthopedic 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, the Miami Hurricanes and the Florida Marlins.

Dr. Rizio, who specializes in sports-related injuries, practices at the New Jersey Sports Medicine Institute. Prior to starting his own practice, Dr. Rizio was the Chief of Sports Medicine at the NJ Medical School from 2000-2005.

Dr. Patel practices in association with Dr. Rizio. A cum laude graduate of NYIT, Dr. Patel earned his DO from the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine. He was chief resident in Family Medicine at the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Brunswick, NJ, from 2003 to 2006.

## Academic Enrichment

NJIT's Center for Academic and Professional Enrichment (CAPE) added a new component with the hiring in 2007 of Erika Rigby McCourt, whose position as Associate Director of CAPE was created for the specific purpose of serving the needs of NJIT's student-athletes.

She focuses on five key areas: academic support, career development, personal development, leadership and community service including the Student-Athlete Advisory

Committee and CHAMPS Life Skills for NJIT's nearly 300 student-athletes.

In 2008, NJIT will add an eligibility certification officer/academic advisor, who will work with Rigby McCourt under her supervision.

Erika Rigby McCourt came to NJIT from Seton Hall University, where she was Associate Director of Academic Support



**Erika Rigby McCourt**

Services for the Pirates athletic program from 2004 until she left for NJIT. At Seton Hall, she worked directly with men's basketball, women's soccer, women's volleyball and swimming, assisting in class scheduling, tests and tutoring sessions.

The Jersey City, NJ, native is working with her fourth Division I program in a career that began in 1997 at Northern Arizona, where she was director of the Academic Enrichment Program. She returned home, serving as Academic/Athletic Coordinator at Saint Peter's College, where she was responsible for the academic progress of over 300 student-athletes in 20 sports, from 1999 to 2004.

Rigby McCourt graduated from Providence College, where she was an intercollegiate runner who earned Big East Conference all-academic honors. She earned master's degrees from Northern Arizona and from Saint Peter's and she is pursuing her doctorate in higher education at Seton Hall.

A member of the National Association of Academic Advisors for Athletes, she is on the NCAA Initial Eligibility Waiver Committee. She also previously worked in the office of former United States Senator Bill Bradley of New Jersey.

Erika married Robert McCourt, the head men's soccer coach at Monmouth University, in May 2008 and they reside in Oakhurst, NJ.

NJIT's Center for Academic and Professional Enrichment, headed by Dr. Marybeth Boger, is a resource available to all students within NJIT's Student Services Division. The CAPE provides academic support services and activities to enhance students' academic and professional development and it works with academic and administrative departments to help students develop the necessary analytical and problem-solving skills to become independent learners.

CAPE provides tutoring, student success workshops and testing accommodations.

New Jersey Institute of Technology athletics is on the move to the top level of college athletics—NCAA Division I.

The reclassification is well underway, as the NCAA has okayed NJIT to reclassify its entire athletics program to Division I, a four-year process that will bring all Highlander sports to full Division I status and championship eligibility in 2009-10.



All of the programs that previously competed in Division II having moving up to face Division I competition effective in 2006-07.

Two sports—men's soccer and women's soccer—are paving the way on a faster NCAA track that allows lower division schools to elevate one sport in each gender to Division I in a process that takes two years to complete.

NJIT men's soccer became a full member of NCAA Division I at the start of the 2005 season, when the Highlanders arrived at championship eligibility. The men's journey to the

top level began in 2003. NJIT women's soccer began a similar two-year process in 2005, with full Division I status and championship eligibility arriving with the 2007 season.

The larger process of advancing the entire program to Division I takes four years to complete and includes application, a detailed strategic plan and in-depth annual review of the institution's progress in moving toward its goal of complying with NCAA Division I rules and building a strong, broad-based athletics program.

NJIT's move to Division I has gone quickly since the November 2002 discussions among President Robert A. Altenkirch, Vice President Joel Bloom and Athletics Director Lenny Kaplan.

From there, came a proposal from 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 advance its entire program to Division I.

Along the way, scholarship and operating budgets have been enhanced, with expanded coaching staffs, increased scholarship dollars and upgraded facilities for competition and practice.

Upgrading athletics has been a priority for Dr. Altenkirch since he was selected as the seventh President of NJIT in May 2002.

"As NJIT continues to grow academically, and as a residential university, strengthening the athletics program through the transition to Division I will allow us to align the university athletically with our academic peers," said Altenkirch. "It will also enable us to recruit the best and brightest student-athletes, improve athletics facilities available to the entire NJIT community, gain regional and national visibility, and build strong linkages with students that will carry over to their days as alumni."

Moving to Division I has allowed NJIT student-athletes to test themselves in competition against their peers from all over the country, including competition against teams from the nation's best conferences.

Along the way, two NJIT opponents (Maryland men's soccer in 2005 and Penn State men's volleyball in 2008) have faced the Highlanders in the regular season and then gone on to win their respective national championship.



*Danielle Thompson*





## Ryan McNeil

### Head Coach

Ryan McNeil, who came to NJIT in August 2004, is leading a resurgence of the university's two volleyball teams.

Originally hired as head coach of the men's team and assistant coach of the women's team, he served as interim head coach of the women's team in 2005 and became permanent head coach for the 2006 season. He has been the men's head coach since 2005. And he has made a positive mark on both teams.

On the men's side, taking over a team that last had a winning record in 2000, he guided his first squad to a .500 overall record in 2005 and followed that up with Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association playoff appearances in 2006, 2007 and 2008. NJIT won the regular season championship of the EIVA Hay Division with a 9-1 division record in 2007. In 2008, NJIT advanced to the semifinals of the EIVA playoffs, where the Highlanders were eliminated in a spirited, 3-2 defeat at the hands of George Mason, ranked 11th nationally.

On the women's side, McNeil assisted on a 2004 team that made a double-digit jump in wins from the previous season and then became interim head coach in 2005 and permanent head coach in 2006.

In 2006, he led NJIT into its first season of Division I competition. Despite facing Division I competition with only two starters returning from the previous year, the Highlanders won 10 matches, surpassing the team's nine wins in its last season at the Division II level in 2005.

Sporting a lineup of three freshmen and four sophomores in the top seven, McNeil guided the young 2006 squad to a 7-7 mark over the last 14 matches. In 2007, the Highlander women took another step, logging 13 wins—three more than in 2006—and NJIT won five of its last seven 2007 regular season matches.

Championship-level volleyball is nothing new to McNeil, who was a standout player in both

Canada and the United States. Later, as an assistant coach at Lewis University in Illinois, he helped coach the men's team that won the 2003 national championship match and the women's team that qualified for two NCAA Division II Tournaments.

A native of Montego Bay, Jamaica, McNeil resided in Ontario, Canada, for 15 years. He was MVP of two college teams in Canada—Sheridan College and Ryerson University.

Transferring south of the border to Lewis University in Illinois, McNeil played on the Flyers' 1998 national semifinalists. He turned to coaching at Lewis, assisting with both the men's and women's teams.

In his two years as an assistant with the Lewis men, they qualified for the NCAA tournament twice, won two Midwest Intercollegiate Volleyball Conference crowns and captured the 2003 national title match.

He coached with the Lewis women for four seasons and during his tenure the Flyers made the NCAA Tournament twice and achieved national ranking in 2002.

McNeil resides in Newark.



## Jose Reynaldo Martins

### Assistant Coach

With a championship background as a volleyball player, Jose Reynaldo (JR) Martins (pronounced mar-TEENS) joined the NJIT coaching staff at the start of the 2006-07 academic year.

The native of Sao Paulo, Brazil, is the assistant to head coach Ryan McNeil with both the Highlanders men's and women's teams.

Martins, a 2004 graduate of Lewis University in Romeoville is also a graduate of Pontific Catholic University of Campinas in his home country.

He was a four-year player at Lewis, where he was also a team captain and played on the Lewis team that captured the 2003 NCAA national championship match. A dean's list student for eight semesters at Lewis, he was an Academic All-America in 2004.

A veteran of the Brazilian army, he has coached collegiate volleyball in Brazil and then club volleyball in the Midwestern United States, before returning to Brazil, where he played and coached club ball.

His presence was felt at the beginning of his NJIT tenure, as he helped Ryan McNeil coach the Highlander women to a strong opening venture into Division I competition and then the men's team to a 19-10 overall record and the 2007 Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association Hay Division championship.



## Melissa Golob

*Graduate Assistant Coach*

A 2007 graduate of the University of Maryland Baltimore County, Melissa Golob joined the NJIT coaching staff as a graduate assistant in time for the start of the 2008 men's volleyball season.

She assisted with the Highlander men's run to the semifinals of the Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association playoff semifinals, while also assisting with the women's team's non-traditional season in the spring of 2008.

Golob, who majored in biology and minored in psychology at UMBC, was a Division I women's volleyball player in college, competing for the Retrievers from 2003 to 2005.

She is also a graduate of Broadneck High School in Annapolis, MD, where she was an honor roll student in addition to being captain of the volleyball team.





Words such as “building” or “rebuilding” get thrown around a lot in sports to the point that they lose some of their meaning. For NJIT women’s volleyball, however, “building” is a fitting description as the program enters its third season of NCAA Division I competition.

Back in the 1980’s when NJIT was a Division III program, the Highlanders posted 20-plus win records in four out of five seasons. But the Division II era (1998 to 2005) was a difficult one for volleyball. The Highlanders were 9-20 in 2005, their final season of Division II competition and it was one of their best in eight years at that level.

Moving up to face DI teams in 2006, the Highlanders actually upped their win total to 10 in the first year and were 7-7 over the last 14 matches.

In 2007, the building continued and NJIT collected 13 wins, equaling the program’s highest total in a 15-year period. Indeed, the 2007 Highlanders overcame a 1-11 start to go 12-10 over their last 22 regular season matches.

The building continues in the 2008 season, which will be the last for the two players—Agnieszka Pregowska and Danielle Thompson—remaining from NJIT’s final Division II team. It also marks the last year of reclassification before NJIT women’s volleyball becomes a championship-eligible member of Division I.

Five of the 12 players on the preseason roster are freshmen and they will be asked to contribute immediately as they combine with the two seniors, four juniors and a sophomore, all of whom have contributed to making NJIT stronger against Division I opponents than it was against Division II opponents.

The 2005 season saw the arrival of Pregowska and Thompson, who assumed leading on-court roles as freshmen in NJIT’s final Division II campaign. Three more key players—Kristy Haeckel, Kasha Hornstein and Sabrina Baby—came on in 2006. Transfer Erica Schultz, now a junior, and Baaba Hughes came aboard in 2007.

This year’s freshman class has an international flavor, with two players coming from Brazil and one from Canada, along with two New Jersey products.

Pregowska and Thompson entered with a splash 2005 and were solid in 2006. Pregowska, New Jersey’s 2004 state high school Player of the Year, was an instant star for NJIT, ranking fourth nationally in NCAA Division II in kills per game for 2005. As a sophomore, with a more diverse attack, she was second on the team in points per game



Kristy  
Haeckel

and third in digs per game and attack percentage. Last year, she led in points per game, hitting percentage and blocks.

Thompson, a two-year starting setter, averaged more assists per game in Division I than she had in Division II, stepping up to average 9.56 assists in 2006. In 2007, slowed by injury, she shared setting duties with the transfer, Schultz, and was second on the team at 4.98 assists per game.

Haeckel headlined the strong 2006 freshman class, emerging as team leader in kills, blocks and points per game. She was Female Newcomer of the Year for the entire Highlander athletic program for 2006-07. She, too, had some injury trouble in 2007, but nonetheless led the team in kills per game.

Hornstein, a complete player, played in 136 of 140 games and edged Haeckel for the team lead in total kills. Baby, the tireless libero, led the 2007 Highlanders in digs by a wide margin (nearly double the total of the next player) and in aces, also by a wide margin (71 to 50 for the next-highest player). She led in the same two categories as a freshman.

Pregowska, Haeckel and Baby were each chosen to the all-Division I Independent second team.

Erica Schultz, who transferred to NJIT last year, was an honorable mention selection on the same all-Independent team. A defensive specialist at Louisiana Tech, she expanded her role and was NJIT’s assists leader (6.36 per game) and also played as a hitter, notching 174 kills.

Hughes, the only sophomore on the squad, showed more and more as her freshman season progressed and wound up starting 10 matches.

Coach Ryan McNeil, who doubles as NJIT’s men’s coach, can only hope that the added Brazilian flavor on NJIT women’s volleyball has a similar impact to what it had for his highly successful men’s team. The Highlander men, who extended 11th-ranked George Mason to five sets before losing in the semifinals of the conference tournament, two steps from the four-team national championship field, featured three Brazilian starters.

With assistant coach JR Martins and Baby already having made a positive impact on the NJIT women’s program, they are joined by compatriots Renata Pandolfo and Juliana Araujo. Pandolfo even attended the same secondary school as former NJIT men’s stars Leonardo Paludo and Eduardo Welter.

McNeil, who is from Canada, crossed the border to recruit another freshman, Chanelle Preradovich, who was a club teammate of Baaba Hughes. Both hail from the Toronto area.

The two New Jersey recruits are setter Audrey Snell from Bogota and Courtney Hughes from Maplewood.

“The program is getting to where we want it to be and we’re shooting to have an above-.500 season,” said McNeil, who was interim head coach of the NJIT women in 2005 and shed the interim tag in 2006. “I’m comfortable with the mix of new players and experienced players. We’ll have more options this year than we’ve ever had.

“We’re looking for team consistency in hitting, setting and serving and we want to develop the attitude that once we’re in a close game, we’re going to win.”

NJIT opens its season in Texas at UTEP’s Sun Bowl Invitational, the first of six tournaments for the Highlanders this season, including two they will host at NJIT (Highlanders Challenge, September 12 and 13; and Halloween Classic, October 31 and November 1). The season ended at the Division I Independent Tournament hosted by Utah Valley on November 21 and 22.

## Numerical

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown/High School (Previous School)
1	Audrey Snell		Fr.	S	5-5 Bogota, NJ/Bogota
2	Courtney Hughes		Fr.	OH	5-8 Maplewood, NJ/Columbia
3	Agnieszka Pregowska		Sr.	OH/M	5-11 Warsaw, Poland/Bridgewater-Raritan
4	Kristy Haeckel		Jr.	RS/MB	6-1 St. Louis, MO/Nerinx Hall
5	Danielle Thompson		Sr.	S	5-9 Stony Brook, NY/Ward Melville
6	Erica Schultz		Jr.	S/L	5-8 Wildomar, CA/Elsinore (Louisiana Tech)
7	Baaba Hughes		So.	OH	5-8 Toronto, Ontario/Mother Teresa Catholic
8	Sabrina Baby		Jr.	OH/L	5-5 Florianopolis, Brazil/Catarinense
9	Juliana Araujo		Fr.	OH	5-9 Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil /Anglo Taquaral
10	Katrina Hornstein		Jr.	OH	5-10 Duluth, MN/Marshall School
11	Renata Pandolfo		Fr.	OH	5-8 Joinville, SC, Brazil/Barao do Rio Branco
12	Chanelle Preradovich		Fr.	OH/RS	5-10 Burlington, Ontario/Assumption

## Alphabetical

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown/High School (Previous School)
9	Juliana Araujo		Fr.	OH	5-9 Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil /Anglo Taquaral
8	Sabrina Baby		Jr.	OH/L	5-5 Florianopolis, Brazil/Catarinense
4	Kristy Haeckel		Jr.	RS/MB	6-1 St. Louis, MO/Nerinx Hall
10	Katrina Hornstein		Jr.	OH	5-10 Duluth, MN/Marshall School
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**Head Coach:** *Ryan McNeil (Lewis, '01), 4th year*

**Assistant Coaches:** *Jose Reynaldo (JR) Martins (Lewis, '04), Melissa Golob (UMBC, '07)*







#3

## Agnieszka Pregowska

Senior | Opposite Hitter/Middle | 5-11  
Warsaw, Poland/Bridgewater-Raritan HS

Veteran standout returns for her senior year ... **Ryan McNeil on Pregowska:** "Her senior year should be very productive for her. We're considering her for either the middle or the right side and she'll be able to accept either challenge."

**2007:** Division I All-Independent 2nd team ... led the Highlanders with 462 points and was 3rd on the team with 341 kills, notching a season-best 23 kills against Providence on Oct. 26 ... team best .260 attacking percentage ... Her 111 total blocks were first on the team, including a new individual match school Division I record, with 12 total blocks coming against Sacred Heart on Oct. 27 ... **2006:** With the addition of other attacking threats, her attempts dropped to a little more than half her freshman total (1,481 to 837), but she continued as a strong contributor, finishing 3 with 2.69 kills, 3 in digs with 2.56 and 3rd in blocks 0.51 ... Division I Independent Academic honoree ... **2005:** Ranked fourth in the final NCAA Division II statistics in kills per game (5.67) ... all-Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference first team ... CACC Player of the Week once and Rookie of the Week twice ... NJIT team MVP ... averaged a team leading 3.27 digs per game and 0.66 aces per.

**Prior to NJIT:** Selected as New Jersey Gatorade Player of the Year and Star-Ledger state Player of the Year as a senior ... played for coach Corey Romanak at Bridgewater-Raritan HS (state champions 2003 and 2004) ... numerous all-state, all-county and all-area honors ... MVP at the 2004 NJ Tournament of Champions ... selected as an all-America by prepvolleyball.com ... Club team was Raritan Valley Volleyball Club ... also played basketball and ran track.

**Personal:** Agnieszka Malgorzata Pregowska ... daughter of Maciej Pregowski and Joanna Pregowska ... father played national league in Poland for 10 years ... architecture major with a minor in business ... born 8/18/86 in Warsaw, Poland.

Year	GP	KPG	DPG	BPG
2005	103	5.67	3.27	0.30
2006	100	2.69	2.56	0.51
2007	140	2.44	1.00	0.79



#5

## Danielle Thompson

Senior | Setter | 5-9  
Stony Brook, NY/Ward Melville HS

Fourth-year setter is looking for an injury-free senior year ... **Ryan McNeil on Thompson:** "We're hoping for her and for the team that she can stay healthy. She should be in as one of the possible starting setters."

**2007:** played in 89 games of 101 games and was 2nd with 443 assists ... **2006:** Led the Highlanders for the second year straight in assists per game with (9.56) up from (9.07) ... 4th with 1.9 digs per game ... **2005:** Led NJIT in assists per game (9.07) and was effective as a hitter. Also ranked 3rd in blocks pg (0.45). ... Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference Rookie of the Week on Sept. 26.

**Prior to NJIT:** Played for coach Charles Fernandes at Ward Melville HS in East Setauket on Long Island and was named first-team all-state, all-county, tournament team player and league Player of the Year in 2004 ... team won the 2004 state championship and was league champion in 2003-04 ... MVP of the 2003 Glen Cove Tournament ... played club volleyball for The Island Volleyball Academy.

**Personal:** Danielle Renee Thompson. ... daughter of Donald and Renee Thompson ... finance major. ... born 10/8/87 in Stony Brook, NY.

Year	GP	KPG	DPG	BPG
2005	106	9.07	1.89	0.45
2006	101	9.56	1.90	0.31
2007	89	4.98	1.08	0.07



#4

## Kristy Haeckel

Junior | Right side/Middle | 6-1  
St. Louis, MO/Nerinx Hall HS

A skillful, powerful high energy player who is looking to bounce back from a shoulder problems that slowed her in 2007 ... **Ryan McNeil on Haeckel:** "With her healthy, we can go far. Barring injury, she should be one of our go-to players."

**2007:** Second on the team with 352 kills in 113 games ... **2006:** Female Newcomer of the Year for the entire NJIT program, as well as women's volleyball MVP ... NCAA Division I Independent Newcomer of the Week twice ... led the Highlanders in kills (2.78), blocks (0.81) and points per game (3.74) ... started all 31 matches, while posting 11 double-figure kills games, with a career-high 30 kills against Maryland Eastern-Shore on November 4.

**Prior to NJIT:** All-Tournament at Effingham, IL, playing for coach Helen Buckley at Nerinx Hall HS in Webster Grove, MO ... had 145 kills and 70 blocks as a senior in a league that produced the 2004 national Player of the Year ... most improved on her high school team ... played club volleyball for Swic 181 ... also competed in high school track and field and swimming.

**Personal:** Kristine Melanie Haeckel ... daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Haeckel ... Her mom, Liz, coaches and played at the University of Missouri-St. Louis ... civil engineering major. ... born 3/4/88 in St. Louis.

Year	GP	KPG	DPG	BPG
2006	101	2.78	1.33	0.81
2007	113	3.12	0.96	0.68



#6

## Erica Schultz

Junior | Setter/Opposite Hitter | 5-8  
Wildomar, CA/Elsinore HS (Louisiana Tech)

With her arrival last year, NJIT got a legitimate Division I player who is capable of filling a variety of roles from setter to hitter to libero and filling them well ... **Ryan McNeil on Schultz:** "She brings a lot to the team and will be either a returning setter or right side."

**2007:** Honorable Mention the Division I All-Independent team ... playing in her first season at NJIT, she posted two triple-doubles, which came against Lafayette on Sept. 11 (11k, 41a, 23d) and at Harvard on Sept. 22 (10k, 18a, 14d) ... posted double-figure assists totals in 33 out of 37 matches setting a season's best 60 assists against Providence - three shy of teammate Danielle Thompson's school Division I-record 63 last year.

**Prior to NJIT:** Playing for Louisiana Tech, she was in 29 matches (90 games) as a freshman ... playing defensive specialist, she had eight double-figure digs matches, topped by 20 vs. Texas-Arlington. ... she had 13 assists and 7 aces ... In high school: lettered four years for coach Kim Horton at Elsinore HS and was named first team all-league all four years ... first freshman in school history to make varsity volleyball as a freshman ... helped Tigers to league championships 2003, 2004 and 2005 ... first team All-Valley her junior and senior year ... captain her senior year ... was named Mountain Volleyball Classic first team in 2005 ... finished on Riverside County All-Star team as a senior. ... lettered in track.

**Personal:** Erica Lynn Schultz ... daughter of John and Monica Schultz ... architecture major ... born 7/2/88 in Orange, CA ... on Superintendent's Honor Roll all four years of high school ... also on Top 25 Students all four years.

Year	GP	KPG	DPG	BPG
2006	90	0.08	—	0.14 *
2007	138	1.26	6.36	2.54

\*—stats at Louisiana Tech



#8

## Sabrina Baby

Junior | Libero | 5-5  
Florianopolis, Brazil/Catarinense

Reliable defensive player and outstanding server ... **Ryan McNeil on Baby:** "She has the tenacity not to give up on a point and that transfers to her teammates for an additional boost of confidence."

**2007:** Division I All-Independent 2nd team and named to the national NCAA Division I Independent All-Academic team ... led the Highlander defense with 795 digs and served a team-leading 71 aces ... recorded double-figure digs totals in every game but two while posting a Highlander Division I record 42 digs vs. Sacred Heart on October 31 ... **2006:** Appeared in 94 games leading the Highlanders defense with a total of 356 digs, 3.79 per game and topped the team in aces with 49.

**Prior to NJIT:** Played club volleyball in her native Brazil.

**Personal:** Sabrina Bianca Baby ... Known to her family and friends as "Sa" ... daughter of Joao Batista Baby and Mariangela Pereira Baby ... business administration major ... born 4/25/88 in Florianopolis, Brazil.

Year	GP	KPG	DPG	BPG
2006	94	0.29	0.52	3.79
2007	140	0.06	0.34	5.68



#10

## Katrina Hornstein

Junior | Outside Hitter | 5-10  
Duluth, MN/Marshall School

A versatile, committed player who helps the team with a range of skills ... **Ryan McNeil on Hornstein:** "If everyone took a page from her book, they'd be that much a better player and person. She's very committed to whatever challenges she takes on and she is an asset on the court."

**2007:** Appeared in 136 games ... recorded double-figure digs totals in 23 matches ... she tied her career-high 26 digs vs. Harvard on September 22 ... **2006:** Appearing in 101 games, was 3rd in points per game, 2nd in kills per game, 3rd in aces and 2nd in digs.

**Prior to NJIT:** All-conference for Marshall School in Duluth, MN ... Duluth News Tribune Prep Newsmaker and Prep Performance honoree ... second in the Duluth area in kills per game and was ranked in serve percentage ... Minnesota all-state nominee ... Duluth team MVP in the Pepsi All-Star game ... played club volleyball for East End Volleyball Club for coach Doug Lothenbach ... also competed in basketball and track and field and was 10th in the high jump at the 2006 Lake Superior championships.

**Personal:** Katrina Rachel Hornstein ... daughter of Theresa Hornstein and Terry Weins. ... mechanical engineering major enrolled in NJIT's Albert Dorman Honors College. ... born 12/23/88 in Duluth, MN.

Year	GP	KPG	DPG	BPG
2006	101	2.72	3.17	0.26
2007	136	2.62	3.00	0.31



#7

## Baaba Hughes

Sophomore | Outside Hitter | 5-8  
Toronto, ON/Mother Teresa Catholic HS

Talented player who will look to solidify her position in the lineup ... **Ryan McNeil on Hughes:** "She has the potential to be a solid player, but she needs to be self-motivated to reach her potential. She is going to be pushed for a starting role and I think the competition will help her reach her goal."

**2007:** Played in 80 games as a freshman ... posted five double-double matches while recording a career-high 17 kills against Providence on October 26.

**Prior to NJIT:** Graduated from Mother Teresa Catholic High School, where she competed in track in addition to playing on the 2007 Ontario Provincial volleyball champions ... in track and field, she was a medalist in the long jump and triple jump. ... played club volleyball for the Durham Region Volleyball Club coached by Josh Ovsenek.

**Personal:** Baaba Hughes ... daughter of May and Chas Hughes ... communications major ... high school valedictorian ... born 3/23/89 in Toronto, Ontario.

Year	GP	KPG	DPG	BPG
2007	80	1.71	1.84	0.14



#9

## Audrey Snell

Freshman | Setter | 5-5  
Bogota, NJ/Bogota HS

The New Jersey setter is a freshman addition to the NJIT program ... **Ryan McNeil on Snell:** "Audrey will add to our depth at setter this year and will help us keep a high level of intensity."

**Prior to NJIT:** Named first-team all-League, third-team all-county and third-team all-state for coach Brad DiRupo at Bogota HS. Member of the softball and bowling team at Bogota, as well ... played for Scott and Stephanie Mose on the D.I.G.S Volleyball Club. Scott Mose coached collegiately at Rutgers and Seton Hall and Stephanie Mose is the former head coach at Seton Hall.

**Personal:** Audrey Snell ... daughter of Frank and Cheryl Snell ... biology/pre-med major. ... born 7/8/89 in Teaneck, NJ.





#2

## Courtney Hughes

Freshman | Outside Hitter | 5-8  
Maplewood, NJ/Columbia HS

A local product who will improve the team depth ... **Ryan McNeil on Hughes:** "She's another player who will be able to raise the quality and intensity of practices while trying to work her way into the lineup."

**Prior to NJIT:** Played club volleyball for Christopher Feliciano on the Atlantic Valley Volleyball Club team.

**Personal:** Regina Courtney Hughes. ... daughter of Regina Hughes. ... chemical engineering major. ... born 6/13/90 in Baltimore.



#9

## Juliana Araujo

Freshman | Middle/Right side | 5-9  
Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil /Anglo Taquaral

Freshman who enrolled in NJIT for the Spring 2008 semester and will begin intercollegiate competition this season ... with junior Sabrina Baby and freshman Renata Pandolfo is one of three Brazilians on the 2008 Highlanders ... **Ryan McNeil on Araujo:** "She's a player that we're looking to develop to become a starter in the near future."

**Prior to NJIT:** Played club volleyball for Clube Campineiro de Regatos e Natacao and attended Anglo Taquaral secondary school in Campinas.

**Personal:** Juliana Rangel Cardim Araujo. ... daughter of Luciano and Flavia Araujo. ... business management major. ... born 9/25/90 in Campinas, Brazil.



#11

## Renata Pandolfo

Freshman | Outside Hitter | 5-8  
Joinville, SC, Brazil/Barao do Rio Branco

A talented hitter who could start at the outset of her career ... with junior Sabrina Baby and freshman Juliana Araujo, Renata is one of three Brazilians on the 2008 Highlanders ... **Ryan McNeil on Pandolfo:** "She brings high-level experience and talent to our team and we expect her to be one of our go-to players."

**Prior to NJIT:** Attended Escola Barao do Rio Branco, which is also the high school alma mater of recent NJIT men's stars Leonardo Paludo ('08) and Eduardo Welter ('08).

**Personal:** Renata Vaz Pandolfo. ... name is pronounced "HEY-NOT-a PEN-dal-FO" ... daughter of Paulo Cesar and Viviane Vaz Pandolfo ... undecided major ... born 6/9/90 in Joinville, SC, Brazil.



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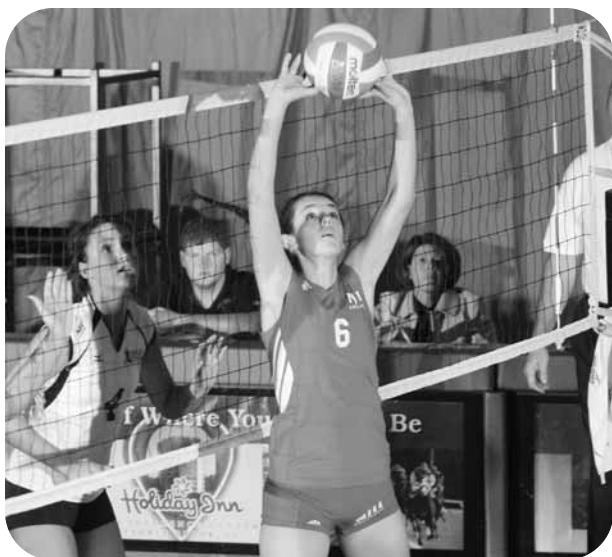
## Chanelle Preradovich

Freshman | Outside Hitter | 5-10  
Burlington, Ontario/Assumption HS

A newcomer who will add to the quality of depth at outside hitter ... **Ryan McNeil on Preradovich:** "She is another new player who is helping to increase the talent level of the program. The increase in talent will add to the intensity of practices, which should translate to more wins."

**Prior to NJIT:** Played for coach Lana Femly at Assumption HS in Burlington ... played club volleyball for the Falcons (Scarborough) ... was a club teammate of NJIT sophomore Baaba Hughes.

**Personal:** Chanelle Lee Preradovich. ... daughter of Sonia Preradovich. ... international business major. ... born 9/23/90 in Toronto, Ontario.



*Top row: (l-r)  
Sabrina Baby (8);  
Agnieszka Pregowski (3);  
Katrina Hornstein (10).*

*Middle row: (l-r)  
Baaba Hughes (7);  
Katrina Hornstein (10).*

*Bottom row: (l-r)  
Erica Schults (6);  
Danielle Thompson (5).*



## All matches

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	13-24	9-4	1-11	3-9
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	13-24	9-4	1-11	3-9

##	Player	sp	Attack					Set		Serve			re	Dig			Blocking							points
			k	k/s	e	ta	pct	a	a/s	sa	se	sa/s		dig	dig/s	bs	ba	total	blk/s	be	bhe			
3	PREGOWSKA, Agniesz	140	341	2.44	130	813	.260	35	0.25	50	54	0.36	5	140	1.00	31	80	111	0.79	0	5	462.0		
10	HORNSTEIN, Katrina	136	357	2.62	196	1184	.136	24	0.18	45	43	0.33	81	408	3.00	5	37	42	0.31	3	0	425.5		
4	HAECKEL, Kristy	113	352	3.12	171	1011	.179	21	0.19	15	18	0.13	3	109	0.96	12	65	77	0.68	4	4	411.5		
1	TANRIKULU, Kubra	125	244	1.95	157	1031	.084	18	0.14	40	43	0.32	75	337	2.70	4	13	17	0.14	7	4	294.5		
6	SCHULTZ, Erica	138	174	1.26	99	620	.121	877	6.36	22	31	0.16	4	350	2.54	7	31	38	0.28	3	26	218.5		
7	HUGHES, Baaba	80	137	1.71	71	475	.139	6	0.08	19	20	0.24	9	147	1.84	0	11	11	0.14	3	2	161.5		
11	WILKINSON, Rebecca	124	98	0.79	62	353	.102	52	0.42	0	0	0.00	2	31	0.25	13	72	85	0.69	11	6	147.0		
8	BABY, Sabrina	140	9	0.06	5	52	.077	48	0.34	71	48	0.51	77	795	5.68	0	1	1	0.01	0	3	80.5		
5	THOMPSON, Danielle	89	11	0.12	7	54	.074	443	4.98	24	9	0.27	1	96	1.08	0	6	6	0.07	0	25	38.0		
9	RUSIN, Kasia	14	8	0.57	3	19	.263	3	0.21	0	0	0.00	1	5	0.36	1	1	2	0.14	4	4	9.5		
2	LEWIS, Katlyn	10	6	0.60	4	19	.105	2	0.20	2	1	0.20	2	5	0.50	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	8.0		
12	CRAIG, Ashley	35	3	0.09	1	12	.167	83	2.37	3	4	0.09	3	28	0.80	0	1	1	0.03	0	5	6.5		
TEAM		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
NJIT		140	1741	12.44	906	5644	.148	1612	11.51	291	272	2.08	306	2451	17.51	73	318	232.0	1.66	35	86	2264.0		
Opponents		140	2026	14.47	862	5699	.204	1842	13.16	306	357	2.19	291	2530	18.07	60	544	332.0	2.37	50	113	2664.0		

Team Statistics	NJITWVB	OPP
ATTACK		
Kills	1741	2026
Errors	906	862
Total Attacks	5644	5699
Attack Pct	.148	.204
Kills/Set	9.8	11.4
SET		
Assists	1612	1842
Assists/Set	9.1	10.4
SERVE		
Aces	291	306
Errors	272	357
Attempts	3460	3665
Serve Pct	.921	.903
Aces/Set	1.6	1.7
SERVE RECEPTIONS		
Errors	306	291
Errors/Set	1.7	1.6
DEFENSE		
Digs	2451	2530
Digs/Set	13.8	14.3
BLOCKING		
Block Solo	73	60
Block Assist	318	544
Total Blocks	232.0	332.0
Blocks Per Game	1.3	1.9
Block Errors	35	50
Ball handling errors	86	113
ATTENDANCE		
Total	2242	1513
Dates/Avg Per Date	13/172	12/126
Neutral site #/Avg	12/113	
Current win streak	0	-
Home win streak	4	-

Date	Opponent	Score	Score by set	Att.
Aug 25	at Central Connecticut	L 1-3	19-30,22-30,32-30,28-30	117
Aug 25	vs Saint Peter's	L 1-3	23-30,18-30,30-23,25-30	117
Aug 28	at Army	L 1-3	15-30,30-26,18-30,24-30	62
Aug 31	at St. John's	L 0-3	15-30,21-30,18-30	310
Sep 01	vs Virginia Tech	L 0-3	25-30,15-30,16-30	102
Sep 01	vs Fairfield	L 0-3	29-31,18-30,20-30	48
Sep 05	at Seton Hall	L 2-3	17-30,23-30,30-23,32-30,14-16	54
^Sep 07	at U.S. Naval Academy	L 1-3	30-26,27-30,24-30,28-30	88
^Sep 08	vs Central Connecticut	L 2-3	27-30,30-28,30-27,23-30,8-15	38
^Sep 08	vs Marist	W 3-2	30-22,23-30,30-17,23-30,15-7	64
Sep 11	LAFAYETTE	L 2-3	26-30,23-30,32-30,30-25,12-15	351
4Sept. 14	at Tulsa	L 0-3	17-30,14-30,16-30	96
4Sept. 15	vs Grambling State	W 3-0	30-18,30-23,30-24	27
4Sept. 15	vs North Texas	L 0-3	16-30,20-30,22-30	49
Sep 18	MORGAN STATE	W 3-0	30-22,30-25,30-21	455
Sep 21	vs Hartford	W 3-1	30-16,30-23,25-30,30-26	32
Sep 22	vs Dartmouth	L 0-3	23-30,21-30,16-30	32
Sep 22	at Harvard	L 1-3	30-27,24-30,24-30,23-30	62
Sep 26	FDU	W 3-0	30-23,30-24,30-22	210
Sep 28	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	W 3-0	30-23,30-16,30-9	101
Sep 28	UTAH VALLEY	L 1-3	30-25,25-30,21-30,28-30	225
Sep 29	QUINNIPIAC	W 3-0	30-14,30-23,30-13	109
Sep 29	COLUMBIA	L 2-3	20-30,30-27,31-29,27-30,9-15	101
Oct 10	at UMBC	L 1-3	22-30,30-25,31-33,15-30	381
Oct 12	WAGNER	W 3-1	30-17,27-30,30-24,30-20	150
Oct 14	ST. FRANCIS (PA)	L 1-3	25-30,30-27,26-30,21-30	100
10/17/07	at Morgan State	L 0-3	24-30,26-30,21-30	59
Oct 26	PROVIDENCE	W 3-2	30-16,29-31,31-33,30-19,15-11	104
Oct 27	HOWARD	W 3-2	26-30,30-24,30-25,21-30,15-9	88
Oct 27	SACRED HEART	W 3-2	30-20,28-30,30-21,28-30,15-10	109
Oct 31	at American University	L 0-3	16-30,26-30,20-30	108
11/02/07	at Wagner	W 3-0	30-21,30-27,30-18	87
11/07/07	at FDU	L 0-3	24-30,20-30,22-30	89
Nov 10	DELAWARE STATE	W 3-2	30-22,30-26,20-30,21-30,15-11	139
Nov 16	vs Chicago State	L 1-3	30-27,23-30,25-30,26-30	0
Nov 16	vs CSU Bakersfield	L 0-3	17-30,22-30,20-30	852
Nov 17	vs Providence College	L 0-3	28-30,26-30,15-30	0

Record in 3-set matches: 6-11

Record in 4-set matches: 2-9

Record in 5-set matches: 5-4



**UNIVERSITY of AKRON**  
*Sept. 20, 3 pm, at Saint Francis, PA*  
*(The Red Flash Invitational)*

**General Information**

Location: Akron, OH  
 Founded: 1870  
 Enrollment: 24,704

Nickname/colors: Zips/Blue and Gold  
 Home Court: James A. Rhodes Arena

Mid-American Conference

President: Dr. Luis M. Proenza  
 Director of Athletics: Mack Rhoades

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**Women's Volleyball**

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
 Ron Arenz (California State '95)  
 Career record (years): First year  
 Record at school (years): same  
 2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 10-20/2-16 (6 East)  
 Returning/lost (starters): 9 (5 + libero)/3 (1)

**AMERICAN UNIVERSITY**  
*Oct. 11, 12 noon, at American*

**General Information**

Location: Washington, DC  
 Founded: 1893  
 Enrollment: 5,286 (undergraduate)

Nickname/colors: Eagles/AU Red, White and Blue  
 Home Court: Bender Arena

Patriot League

President: Dr. Neil Kerwin  
 Director of Athletics: Keith Gill

**Sports Information**

Volleyball Contact: Andrew Chesebro  
 Office phone: 202-885-3030  
 E-mail: Chesebro@american.edu

**Women's Volleyball**

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
 Barry Goldberg (Pittsburgh '84)  
 Career record (years): 474-178 (19)  
 Record at school (years): same  
 2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 26-8/13-1 (1)  
 Postseason: Patriot League champs/NCAA 1st round  
 Returning/lost (starters): 12 (5)/4 (1)

**ARMY**  
*Oct. 8, 7 pm, at Army*

**General Information**

Location: West Point, NY  
 Founded: 1802  
 Enrollment: 4,000

Nickname/colors: Black Knights/Black Gold and Gray  
 Home Arena: Gills Field House

Patriot League

Superintendent: Lt. Gen. Franklin L. Hagenbeck  
 Director of Athletics: Kevin Anderson

**Sports Information**

Volleyball Contact: Tracy Nelson  
 Office phone: 845-938-4090  
 E-mail: tracy.nelson@usma.edu

**Women's Volleyball**

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
 Alma Kovaci (Temple, '02)  
 Career record (years): 24-5 (2)  
 Record at school (years): same  
 2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 24-5/12-2 (2)  
 Returning/lost (starters): 8 (5 + libero)/1 (1)

**BRYANT UNIVERSITY**  
*Nov. 1, 12 noon, Fleisher Athletic Center*  
*(NJIT Halloween Classic)*

**General Information**

Location: Smithfield, RI  
 Founded: 1863  
 Enrollment: 3,200

Nickname/colors: Bulldogs/Black, Gold and White  
 Home Court: Chace Athletic Center

Independent (NEC, 2012-13)

President: Hon. Ronald K. Machtley  
 Director of Athletics: Bill Smith

**Sports Information**

Volleyball Contact: Allie Weinberger  
 Office phone: 401-232-6558  
 E-mail: aweinbe1@bryant.edu

**Women's Volleyball**

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
 Theresa Garlacy (Providence '88)  
 Career record (years): 344-140 (12)  
 Record at school (years): same  
 2007 overall record/conf. record (finish): 32-13/14-0 (1)  
 Postseason: Northeast-10 champs/NCAA DII Region finals  
 Returning/lost (starters): 9 (4)/2 (2)

**BUTLER UNIVERSITY**  
*Aug. 30, 12 noon, at UTEP*  
*(UTEP Tournament)*

**General Information**

Location: Indianapolis, IN  
 Founded: 1855  
 Enrollment: 4,200

Nickname/colors: Bulldogs/Blue and White  
 Home Court: Hinkle Fieldhouse

Horizon League

President: Dr. Bobby Fong  
 Director of Athletics: Barry Collier

**Sports Information**

Volleyball Contact: Chris Urban  
 Office phone: 317-940-9994  
 E-mail: curban@butler.edu

**Women's Volleyball**

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
 Sharon Clark (Cal. State-Sacramento '89)  
 Career record (years): 218-228 (15)  
 Record at school (years): 116-120 (8)  
 2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 14-15/7-9 (5)  
 Returning/lost (starters): 11 (5 + libero)/2 (1)

**COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY**  
*Sept. 19, 5 pm, at Saint Francis, PA*  
*(Red Flash Invitational)*  
*Oct. 22, 7 pm, at Columbia*

**General Information**

Location: New York, NY  
 Founded: 1754  
 Enrollment: 5,621

Nickname/colors: Lions/Columbia Blue & White  
 Home Court: Francis Leaven Gymnasium

Ivy League

President: Lee C. Bollinger  
 Director of Athletics: Dr. M Dianne Murphy

**Sports Information**

Volleyball Contact: Casey Snedecor  
 Office phone: 212-854-2534  
 E-mail: tbacolumbia.edu

**Women's Volleyball**

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
 Jon Wilson (UMass, '97)  
 Career record (years): 301-187 (15)  
 Record at school (years): First season  
 2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 3-23/0-14 (8)  
 Returning/lost (starters): 5 (3)/5 (3 + libero)

**COPPIN STATE UNIVERSITY**  
*Sept. 28, 11:30 am, at Quinnipiac*  
*(Quinnipiac Bobcat Invitational)*

**General Information**

Location: Baltimore, MD  
 Founded: 1900  
 Enrollment: 4,306

Nickname/colors: Eagles/Royal Blue and Gold  
 Home Court: Coppin Center

Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference

President (Interim): Dr. Reginald S. Avery  
 Director of Athletics: Dr. Mary Wanza

**Sports Information**

Volleyball Contact: Matt Sortino  
 Office phone: 410-951-3744  
 E-mail: msortino@coppin.edu

**Women's Volleyball**

Head coach (alma mater, year): Romonzo Beans  
 (Delaware State)  
 Career record (years): First season  
 Record at school (years): same  
 2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 1-25/0-10 (11)  
 Returning/lost (starters): 6 (4)/2 (2)

**DELAWARE STATE UNIVERSITY**  
*Nov. 8, 5 pm, at Delaware State*

**General Information**

Location: Dover, DE  
 Founded: 1891  
 Enrollment: 3,800

Nickname/colors: Hornets/Columbia Blue and Red  
 Home Court: Memorial Hall

Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference

President: Dr. Allen Sessoms  
 Director of Athletics: Rick Costello

**Sports Information**

Volleyball Contact: Dennis Jones  
 Office phone: 302-857-6077  
 E-mail: djones@desu.edu

**Women's Volleyball**

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
 Renee Arnold (George Washington '01)  
 Career record (years): 49-85 (4)  
 Record at school (years): same  
 2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 11-20/7-3 (t2)  
 Returning/lost (starters): 5 (3)/3 (3)

**FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY**  
*Nov. 12, 7 pm, at FDU*

**General Information**

Location: Teaneck, NJ  
 Founded: 1942  
 Enrollment: 5,753

Nickname/colors: Knights/Burgundy and Blue  
 Home Arena: Rothman Center

Northeast Conference

President: Dr. J. Michael Adams  
 Director of Athletics: David A. Langford

**Sports Information**

Volleyball Contact: Wes Heinel  
 Office phone: 201-692-2204  
 E-mail: heinelwr@fd�.edu

**Women's Volleyball**

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
 Stacey Recanati (FDU, '90)  
 Career record (years): 202-333 (18)  
 Record at school (years): same  
 2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 15-15/5-3 (4)  
 Returning/lost (starters): 8 (4)/3 (3)

## UNIVERSITY of HARTFORD

Sept. 27, 4 pm, at Quinnipiac  
(Quinnipiac Bobcat Invitational)

General Information

Location: West Hartford, CT  
Founded: 1877  
Enrollment: 4,796



Nickname/colors: Hawks/Scarlet and White  
Home Arena: The Sports Center Intramural Gym

America East Conference

President: Walter Harrison  
Director of Athletics: Patricia H. Meiser

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Dan Ruede  
Office phone: 860-768-4501  
E-mail: ruede@hartford.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
Don Ferguson (Rivier '00)  
Career record (years): 65-125 (6)  
Record at school (years): 24-75 (3)

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 8-23/1-11 (7)  
Returning/lost (starters): 9 (6)/4 (1)

## HOWARD UNIVERSITY

Nov. 1, 4 pm, Fleisher Athletic Center  
(NJIT Halloween Classic)

General Information

Location: Washington, DC  
Founded: 1867  
Enrollment: 10,500



Nickname (colors): Bison/Navy Blue, Red & White  
Home Court: Burr Gymnasium

Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference

President: Dr. Sidney A. Ribeau  
Director of Athletics: Dwight Datcher

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Chevonne Mansfield  
Office phone: 202-806-7182  
E-mail: cmansfield@howard.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
Orlando Larracuente (UMass '81)  
Career record (years): 14-46 (2)  
Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 5-27/4-6 (4)  
Returning/lost (starters): 7 (4)/2 (2)

## LAFAYETTE COLLEGE

Oct. 14, 7 pm, at Lafayette

General Information

Location: Easton, PA  
Founded: 1826  
Enrollment: 2,403 (undergraduate)



Nickname/colors: Leopards/Maroon and White  
Home Court (capacity): Allan P. Kirby Sports Center

Patriot League

President: Daniel H. Weiss  
Director of Athletics: Bruce E. McCutcheon

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Katie Meier  
Office phone: 610-330-5118  
E-mail: meierk@lafayette.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
Terri Dadio Campbell (Lafayette '92)  
Career record (years): 72-107 (6)  
Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 14-18/4-10 (6)  
Returning/lost (starters): 9 (6)/3 (3)

## LA SALLE UNIVERSITY

Sept. 30, 7 pm, at Quinnipiac  
(Quinnipiac Bobcat Invitational)

General Information

Location: Philadelphia, PA  
Founded: 1863  
Enrollment: 6,138 (total)



Nickname/colors: Explorers/Blue and Gold  
Home Court (capacity): Tom Gola Arena (4,000)

Atlantic 10 Conference

President: Brother Michael McGinniss, F.S.C.  
Director of Athletics: Dr. Thomas Brennan

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Scott Laughead  
Office Phone: 215-951-2886  
Email: laughead@lasalle.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year): Dave Stever  
(Parsons '69; Kutztown '84)  
Career record (years): 46-117 (5)  
Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 10-23/1-12 (5 West)

## LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

Oct. 7, 7 pm, Fleisher Athletic Center

General Information

Location: Bethlehem, PA  
Founded: 1865  
Enrollment: 4,700



Nickname/colors: Mountain Hawks/Brown & White  
Home Court: Leeman-Turner Arena at Grace Hall

Conference: Patriot League

President: Dr. Alice P. Gast  
Director of Athletics: Joe Sterrett

Sports Information

Basketball Contact: Mike Stagnitta  
Office Phone: 610-758-6631  
Email: mis3@lehigh.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head Coach (alma mater, year):  
Jenny Mauer (Washington U. '99)  
Career record (years): 5-22 (1)  
Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 5-22/2-12 (7)  
Returning/lost (starters): 9 (5)/1 (1)

## LOYOLA COLLEGE (MD)

Sept 13, 12 noon, Fleisher Athletic Center  
(NJIT Highlander Challenge)

General Information

Location: Baltimore, MD  
Founded: 1852  
Enrollment: 3,538



Nickname/colors: Greyhounds/Green and Grey  
Home Court: Reitz Arena

Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference

President: Rev. Brian Linnane, S.J.  
Director of Athletics: Joseph Boylan

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Ryan Eigenbrode  
Office Phone: 410-617-2337  
Email: rceigenbrode@loyola.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head Coach (alma mater, year):  
Scott Pennewill (Slippery Rock, '83)  
Career record (years): 266-239 (16)  
Record at school (years): first season

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 22-12/13-5 (3)  
Returning/lost (starters): 11 (5)/4 (1)

## UMBC

Sept. 12, 7 pm, Fleisher Athletic Center  
(NJIT Highlanders Challenge)

General Information

Location: Baltimore, MD  
Founded: 1966  
Enrollment: 12,041



Nickname/colors: Retrievers/Black and Gold  
Home Arena: RAC Arena

America East Conference

President: Dr. Freeman Hrabowski  
Director of Athletics: Dr. Charles Brown

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Tim Conway  
Office phone: 410-455-1530  
E-mail: conway1@umbc.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
Ian Blanchard (Westfield State, '88)  
Career record (years): 47-45 (3)  
Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 20-12/5-7 (5)  
Returning/lost (starters): 7 (4 + libero)/6 (2)

## ORAL ROBERTS UNIVERSITY

Aug. 29, 5 pm, at UTEP  
(UTEP Tournament)

General Information

Location: Tulsa, OK  
Founded: 1963  
Enrollment: 5,109



Nickname/colors: Golden Eagles/Navy Blue, Vegas Gold, White

Home Court: Cooper Aerobics Center

Summit League

President: N/A  
Director of Athletics: Mike Carter

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Ashley McWilliams  
Office phone: 918-495-6646  
E-mail: amcwilliams@oru.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
Sheera Sirola (Oral Roberts, '98)  
Career record (years): 104-63 (5)  
Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 16-14/11-5 (t4)  
Returning/lost (starters): 10 (5+libero)/1 (1)

## PROVIDENCE COLLEGE

Oct. 31, 7 pm, Fleisher Athletic Center  
(NJIT Halloween Classic)

Nov. 21-Nov. 22, Independent  
Tournament at Utah Valley, Orem, UT

General Information

Location: Providence, RI  
Founded: 1917  
Enrollment: 3,966



Nickname/colors: Friars/Black, White and Silver  
Home Court: Mullaney Gymnasium in Alumni Hall

Independent

President: Reverend Brian J. Shanley, O.P.  
Director of Athletics: Robert G. Driscoll, Jr.

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Mark LaFrance  
Office phone: 401-865-1245  
E-mail: mlafranc@providence.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year):  
Margot Royer (Scranton '95)  
Career record (years): 65-139 (8)  
Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record: 19-12  
Returning/lost (starters): 10 (4)/2 (2)

**QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY**

*Sept. 27, 2 pm, at Quinnipiac  
(Quinnipiac Bobcat Invitational)*

General Information

Location: Hamden, CT

Founded: 1929

Enrollment: 7,400

Nickname/colors: Bobcats/Navy and Gold  
Home Court: Burt Kahn Court

Northeast Conference

President: Dr. John L. Lahey

Director of Athletics: Jack MacDonald

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Gregg Ott

Office phone: 203-582-5387

E-mail: gnott@quinnipiac.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year):

Robin Lamott Sparks (Ball State '89)

Career record (years): 1-29 (1)

Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 1-29/0-8 (9)

Returning/lost (starters): 3 (2+libero)/8 (4)

**SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY**

*Oct. 3, 7 pm, at Sacred Heart*

General Information

Location: Fairfield, CT

Founded: 1963

Enrollment: 3,400 undergraduates

Nickname/colors: Pioneers/Red and White  
Home Court (capacity): William H. Pitt Center

Northeast Conference

President: Dr. Anthony J. Cernera

Director of Athletics: C. Donald Cook

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Gene Gumbs

Office phone: 203-396-8127

E-mail: gumbseg@sacredheart.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year):

Rob Machan (USC '01)

Career record (years): 9-20 (1)

Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 9-20/3-5 (6)

Returning/lost (starters): 8 (4)/3 (1)

**ST. FRANCIS COLLEGE (NY)**

*Oct. 28, 7 pm, Fleisher Athletic Center*

General Information

Location: Brooklyn Heights, NY

Founded: 1884

Enrollment: 2,300

Nickname/colors: Terriers/Red and Blue  
Home Court: Genovesi Center

Northeast Conference

President: Brendan Dugan

Director of Athletics: Irma Garcia

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: David Gansell

Office phone: 718-489-5369

E-mail: dgansell@stfranciscollege.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year):

Christy Herring (LIU, 2001)

Career record (years): 2-51 (2)

Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 2-29/1-7 (8)

Returning/lost (starters): 5 (4)/3 (3)

**SAINT FRANCIS UNIVERSITY (PA)**

*Sept. 20, 1 pm, at Saint Francis, PA  
(The Red Flash Invitational)*

General Information

Location: Loretto, PA

Founded: 1847

Enrollment: 2,000

Nickname/colors: Red Flash/Red and White  
Home Court: DeGol Arena in the Maurice Stokes  
Athletics Center

Northeast Conference

President (Interim): Rev. Gabriel Zeis, T.O.R.

Director of Athletics: Bob Krimmel

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Bob Volkert

Office phone: 814-472-3128

E-mail: rvolkert@francis.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year):

Chuck Mullen (IUP '02)

Career record (years): 66-61 (4)

Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 11-23/4-4 (5)

Letterwinners returning/lost (starters): 11 (7)/0 (0)

**SETON HALL UNIVERSITY**

*Sept. 17, 7 pm, Fleisher Athletic Center*

General Information

Location: South Orange, NJ

Founded: 1856

Enrollment: 9,700

Nickname/colors: Pirates/Blue and White  
Home Court: Walsh Gymnasium

Big East Conference

President: Monsignor Robert Sheeran

Director of Athletics: Joseph A. Quinlan, Jr.

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Mike Kowalsky

Office Phone: 973-761-9493

Email: kowalsmi@shu.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head Coach (Alma Mater, year):

Kris Zeiter (Concordia '98)

Career record (years): 32-26 (2)

Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 16-12/6-8 (10)

Returning/lost (starters): 11 (4)/4 (2)

**UNIVERSITY of TEXAS at EL PASO**

*Aug. 30, 12 noon, at UTEP  
(UTEP Tournament)*

General Information

Location: El Paso, TX

Founded: 1914

Enrollment: 20,000

Nickname/colors: Miners/Dark Blue, Orange, Silver  
(Accent)

Home Court (capacity): Memorial Gym (3,000)

Conference USA

President: Dr. Diana Natalicio

Director of Athletics: Bob Stull

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Ana Chavez

Office Phone: 915-747-6653

Email: achavez@utep.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head Coach: Ken Murphy (Arizona State '92)

Career record (years): 16-45 (2)

Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 9-20/3-13 (10)

Returning/lost (starters): 9 (5)/4 (1+libero)

**UNIVERSITY of TEXAS-PAN AMERICAN**

*Nov. 21-Nov. 22, Independent Tournament  
at Utah Valley, Orem, UT*

General Information

Location: Edinburg, TX

Founded: 1927

Enrollment: 19,576

Nickname/colors: Lady Broncs/Forest Green,  
Orange and White  
Home Court (capacity): UTPA Fieldhouse (4,000)

Independent

President: Dr. Blandina Cardenas

Director of Athletics: Ricky Vaughn

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Kristyna Mancias

Office phone: 956-381-2240

E-mail: kmancias@utpa.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year):

Angela Hubbard (West Georgia, '04)

Career record (years): 15-18 (1)

Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record: 15-18

Returning/lost (starters): 9 (6)/0 (0)

**UTAH VALLEY UNIVERSITY**

*Nov. 21-Nov. 22, Independent Tournament  
at Utah Valley, Orem, UT*

General Information

Location: Orem, UT

Founded: 1941

Enrollment: 24,000

Nickname/colors: Wolverines/Forest Green, Gold  
and White  
Home Court: The Shurian Family Activity Center

Independent

President: Dr. William A. Sederburg

Director of Athletics: Mike Jacobsen

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Dave Kimball

Office Phone: 801-863-6231

Email: kimbalda@uvsc.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year):

Sam Atoa (Brigham Young University '88)

Career record at UVU (years): 215-93 (9)

NCAA Division I Record at school (years): 74-62 (5)

2007 overall record: 21-10

Returning/lost (starters): 9 (4)/6 (3)

**WAGNER COLLEGE**

*Nov. 5, 8 pm, at Wagner*

General Information

Location: Staten Island, NY

Founded: 1883

Enrollment: 2,000

Nickname/colors: Seahawks/Green and White  
Home Arena: Spiro Sports Center

Northeast Conference

President: Dr. Richards Guarasci

Director of Athletics: Walter Hameline

Sports Information

Volleyball Contact: Kevin Ross

Office phone: 718-390-3215

E-mail: kevin.ross@wagner.edu

Women's Volleyball

Head coach (alma mater, year):

Kevin Michael Papa (Penn State, '02)

Career record (years): 24-116 (5)

Record at school (years): same

2007 overall record/conf. (finish): 4-18/2-6 (7)

Returning/lost (starters): 5 (3)/5 (4)



The NJIT men's and women's volleyball teams play their home matches in the newly-renovated gymnasium of the Estelle and Zoom Fleisher Athletic Center.

In the summer of 2006, the Fleisher Athletic Center 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," area can be sectioned off from the main floor, making the entire gymnasium useful for intramurals, physical education classes and campus recreation time. It is capable of hosting simultaneous separate events.

The volleyball teams also 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), a free-weight room and a hammer-strength weight room, four racquetball courts (which can be converted for squash), and a martial arts/fencing center.

A six-lane swimming pool is home to NJIT's men's and women's swimming teams, while the two varsity tennis squads utilize the four lighted outdoor hardcourt tennis courts behind the building. The NJIT Campus Center houses six regulation bowling lanes.



Lubetkin Field, with an entrance a few feet opposite the entry to Fleisher Athletic Center is a first-class venue for college soccer. Outfitted with SprinTurf artificial grass in the summer of 2004, Lubetkin Field also includes lighting for night contests, bleacher seating for more than 1,000 spectators, a press box and scoreboard.

Bears and Eagles Riverfront Stadium in downtown Newark, opened in 1999 at a cost of \$30 million and with a seating capacity of 6,200 became the home of NJIT baseball in 2004.

In a joint December 2005 press conference, New York Yankees manager Joe Torre was a featured speaker as NJIT and the professional Newark Bears announced a 10-year partnership that secured the downtown stadium as the site of all Highlanders home games for the

decade to come.

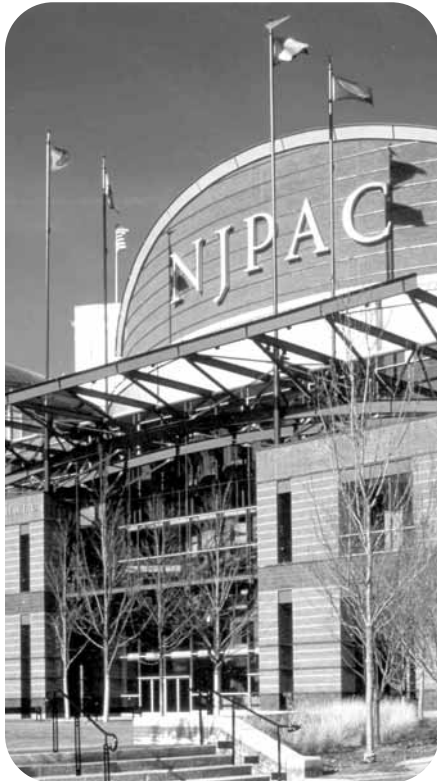
NJIT basketball will also be a tenant in the new downtown Prudential Center, the state-of-the-art home of the National Hockey League New Jersey Devils. The Highlanders hosted six games on four dates in 2007-08 at the 'The Rock' and NJIT plans to increase its presence in North America's newest major sports arena in 2008-09.

NJIT, which offers a growing list of club sports, also has a robust intramural program, which makes use of the numerous athletic facilities. Each student must pass two physical education classes as a graduation requirements, with offerings including aerobics, archery, bowling, dance, fencing, golf, karate, swimming, skiing, strength training and conditioning, volleyball, and water safety.



# Newark: The Renaissance City

NJIT is located in the heart of New Jersey's largest city. A major urban center, Newark is a city on the move. Some 30,000 undergraduate, graduate and professional students attend classes in University Heights at the city's four public institutions of higher learning: NJIT, Rutgers-Newark, the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, and Essex County College.



Attractions in Newark's revitalized downtown include:

- The Newark Museum
- New Jersey Performing Arts Center
- The Newark Public Library
- Symphony Hall
- Branch Brook Park
- Art galleries, restaurants, and shopping
- An urban architectural laboratory
- Professional minor league baseball (Newark Bears)
- New Jersey Devils Hockey and other events at the Prudential Center



## Newark: New Jersey's College Town

Adjacent to NJIT is the Newark campus of Rutgers University.

NJIT and Rutgers enjoy an exceptionally close and productive consortial relationship within the thriving University Heights section of Newark. NJIT and Rutgers students have library privileges at both campuses. NJIT students may also enrich their educational experience by enrolling in Rutgers-Newark courses and in full degree programs in disciplines not offered at NJIT, such as art, music, geology and psychology.

Each year the two universities co-sponsor a common season of theatrical productions, as well as 'World Week,' a joint program of honors colloquia, and a variety of other cultural and social activities.

## New Jersey/New York Metropolitan Region

The NJIT campus is in one of the nation's most exciting cultural and business regions. Advantages include:

- Minutes from New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Liberty Science Center, Meadowlands Sports Complex, Manhattan and all of its attractions, Newport Center Mall, and Secaucus Outlet Center.
- Discount tickets for Broadway shows, museums, concerts, and sporting events.
- Weekend trips throughout the Northeastern United States: skiing, boating, swimming, hiking, and more.
- The spectacular Jersey shore is less than one hour away.



*Above Left: New Jersey Performing Arts Center, located minutes from campus, is quickly becoming one of the state's more popular entertainment venues.*

*Top Right: Aerial view of downtown Newark.*

*Above: The Newark Museum, a staple in the revitalization efforts in the downtown Newark area.*



# Prudential Center

The new home of the National Hockey League New Jersey Devils is in downtown Newark at the corner of Mulberry and Edison streets, about one mile from the NJIT's University Heights campus.

Opened in October 2007, 'The Rock' is the centerpiece of the city's Downtown Core Redevelopment Project. In addition to the world's best hockey, it will be home to numerous entertainment and sporting events, including NJIT basketball. In 2007-08, NJIT hosted six basketball games there on four dates and there are plans to play more games in 2008-09 in North America's newest major arena.

The arena, with seating for 18,500 spectators, features a 4,800 square-foot exterior LED screen, as well as the latest in ice-surface technology and a gourmet restaurant overlooking the ice for Devils games. The building contains 850,000 square feet of space, 9,000 tons of steel, eight million pounds of structural steel and 25,000 cubic yards of concrete.

## Red Bull Park

The Red Bulls of Major League Soccer and AEG New York broke ground in September 2006 for Red Bull Park, a 25,000-seat soccer stadium and a major component of the Harrison MetroCentre development, located across the Passaic River, about two miles from NJIT's campus.



The \$100 million 'soccer specific' stadium will feature a 360-degree European-style roof/canopy covering the majority of the seating. When completed in the summer of 2008, Red Bull Park will be the home of the MLS Red Bulls, international soccer and other events. AEG developed and operates 'soccer specific' stadiums in California and in Illinois.

The multi-billion dollar Harrison MetroCentre will feature three million square feet of office space; 3,500 residential units; 300,000 square feet of retail space and over 10,000 decked parking spaces when completed.

## Bears and Eagles Riverfront Stadium



Bears and Eagles Riverfront Stadium, the \$30 million state-of-the-art home of the professional baseball Newark Bears 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.



## All Time Honors

### POSTSEASON APPEARANCES

ECAC D-III Metro  
1987, 1988

### CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

WIAC  
1985, 1986, 1988  
IAC  
1986, 1988

### CONFERENCE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

IAC  
1988 – Sonia Zacher

### GTE REGIONAL ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA

1988 – Sonia Zacher

### ALL-WIAC

1984  
Eileen Begasse  
Marilyn Dawson  
Heidi Harting

1985  
Eileen Begasse  
Marilyn Dawson  
Liz Goldrick

1986  
Marilyn Dawson  
Claire Nicolaou

1987  
Claire Nicolaou

1988  
Denise Corsaro  
Liz Goldrick  
Gina Ochs (2nd)  
Sonia Zacher

1989  
Denise Corsaro  
Kathy Eng (2nd)  
Ursula Fukazawa (2nd)  
Yanet Gonzalez

1990  
Kathy Eng  
Yanet Gonzalez  
Gina Ochs  
Joanie Pratt

1991  
Kathy Eng  
Connie Krzeminski (HM)

1992  
Kathy Eng

1995  
Wendy Gruenewald (HM)  
Lenny Jiminez

### ALL-IAC

1986  
Denise Corsaro  
Marilyn Dawson  
Liz Goldrick (2nd)  
Claire Nicolaou  
Regina Rygelis (2nd)

1987  
Liz Goldrick  
Claire Nicolaou  
Gina Ochs (2nd)  
Sonia Zacher (2nd)

1988  
Denise Corsaro  
Liz Goldrick  
Yanet Gonzales (2nd)  
Gina Ochs  
Sonia Zacher

1989  
Denise Corsaro  
Kathy Eng (2nd)  
Ursula Fukazawa (2nd)  
Yanet Gonzalez

1990  
Kathy Eng  
Ursula Fukazawa  
Yanet Gonzalez  
Gina Ochs  
Joanie Pratt

1991  
Kathy Eng  
Connie Krzeminski  
Kathy Liu (HM)

1992  
Kathy Eng  
Kathy Liu (2nd)  
Tulia Rios (2nd)  
Edyta Wrona

1993  
Donna King (2nd)

1995  
Wendy Gruenewald (2nd)  
Lenny Jiminez (2nd)

### ALL-JERSEY 9

1990  
Kathy Eng

1991  
Kathy Eng  
Connie Krzeminski

1992  
Kathy Eng

1993  
Donna King  
Clara Ponton

### CACC NEWCOMER

2004  
Angie Casado

### ALL-CACC

2005  
Agnieszka Pregowska

### DIVISION I INDEPENDENT ALL-ACADEMIC

2006  
Emese Gyuricza  
Agnieszka Pregowska

### DIVISION I ALL-INDEPENDENT TEAM

2007  
Sabrina Baby (2nd)  
Kristy Haeckel (2nd)  
Agnieszka Pregowska (2nd)  
Erica Schultz (HM)

### DIVISION I INDEPENDENT ALL-ACADEMIC

2007  
Sabrina Baby  
Katrina Hornstein  
Danielle Thompson

## Program History

Year	Record	WIAC	IAC	Jersey 9	NYCAC	CACC	Postseason	Head Coach	Captains	MVP
1982	1-11	—	—	—	—	—	—	Oleg Moiseenko	Heidi Hartung, Becky Miranda	
1983	6-15	—	—	—	—	—	—	Dave DeNure	Heidi Hartung, Becky Miranda	Sharon Ingram
1984	10-5	2nd	—	—	—	—	—	Dave DeNure	Heidi Hartung, Becky Miranda	Becky Miranda
1985	14-6	1st	2nd	—	—	—	—	Dave DeNure	Eileen Begasse, Marilyn Dawson	Marilyn Dawson
1986	24-8	1st	1st	—	—	—	—	Dave DeNure	Marilyn Dawson	Claire Nicolaou
1987	22-8	2nd	2nd	—	—	—	ECAC semis	Dave DeNure		Claire Nicolaou
1988	26-6	1st	1st	—	—	—	ECAC semis	Dave DeNure	Liz Goldrick, Felicia Mays	Liz Goldrick
1989	15-17	2nd	2nd	—	—	—	—	Dave DeNure	Denise Corsaro	Denise Corsaro
1990	23-12	2nd	2nd	1st	—	—	—	Dave DeNure	Kathy Eng	Kathy Eng
1991	10-16	—	—	—	—	—	—	Dave DeNure		Kathy Eng
1992	11-13	2nd	2nd	4th	—	—	—	Kerry Keith	Kathy Eng	Kathy Eng
1993	7-20	3rd	—	—	—	—	—	Bob Fordi	Diana Nieto, Bonnie Tai	Donna King
1994	9-14	3rd	2nd	—	—	—	—	Bob Fordi	Lenny Jiminez, Bonnie Tai	Lenny Jiminez
1995	8-19	—	—	—	—	—	—	Bob Fordi	Sandra Caceras	Lenny Jiminez
1996 no team										
1997 no team										
1998	0-10	—	—	—	12th	—	—	Jon Bednasz		Melsha Winchester
1999	1-17	—	—	—	12th	—	—	Jon Bednasz		Melsha Winchester
2000	0-16	—	—	—	—	8th	—	Manny Del Rio	Nikeisha Joseph	Carisa Butensky
2001	0-20	—	—	—	—	8th	—	Anthony Valbrun	Nikeisha Joseph	Marta Oporska
2002	0-18	—	—	—	—	9th	—	Anthony Valbrun	Eliana Lara, Stacy Waldburger	Chevanese Samms
2003	0-21	—	—	—	—	10th	—	Pavlina Klimova	Dolores Martinez	Dolores Martinez
2004	13-13	—	—	—	—	5th	—	Pavlina Klimova	Dolores Martinez	Angie Casado
2005	9-20	—	—	—	—	8th	—	Ryan McNeil	Danielle Thompson	Agnieszka Pregowska
2006	10-21	—	—	—	—	—	—	Ryan McNeil	Danielle Thompson, Agnieszka Pregowska	Kristy Haeckel
2007	13-24	—	—	—	—	—	—	Ryan McNeil	Agnieszka Pregowska, Sabrina Baby	Katrina Hornstein

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## DIVISION I RECORDS

**Games Played – Career**

240	Agnieszka Pregowska	2006-pres.
237	Katrina Hornstein	2006-pres.
234	Sabrina Baby	2006-pres.
225	Kubra Tanrikulu	2006-pres.
224	Rebecca Wilkinson	2006, 2007

**Games Played – Season**

140	Agnieszka Pregowska	2007
140	Sabrina Baby	2007
138	Erica Schultz	2007
136	Katrina Hornstein	2007

**Kills – Career**

633	Kristy Haeckel	2006-pres.
632	Katrina Hornstein	2006-pres.
610	Agnieszka Pregowska	2006-pres.

**Kills – Season**

357	Katrina Hornstein	2007
352	Kristy Haeckel	2007
341	Agnieszka Pregowska	2007

**Assists– Career**

1,409	Danielle Thompson	2006-pres.
877	Erica Schlutz	2007-pres.

**Assists– Season**

966	Danielle Thompson	2006
887	Erica Schultz	2007
443	Danielle Thompson	2006

**Service Aces– Career**

128	Sabrina Baby	2006-pres.
83	Agnieszka Pregowska	2006-pres.
82	Katrina Hornstein	2006-pres.
59	Kristy Haeckel	2006-pres.

**Service Aces– Season**

71	Sabrina Baby	2007
57	Sabrina Baby	2006
50	Agnieszka Pregowska	2007
45	Katrina Hornstein	2007
44	Kristy Haeckel	2006
40	Kubra Tanrikulu	2007

**Digs– Career**

1,151	Sabrina Baby	2006-pres.
728	Katrina Hornstein	2006-pres.
552	Kubra Tanrikulu	2006-pres.

**Digs– Season**

795	Sabrina Baby	2007
408	Katrina Hornstein	2007
356	Sabrina Baby	2006
350	Erica Schultz	2007

**Total Blocks – Career**

162	Agnieszka Pregowska	2006-pres.
159	Kristy Haeckel	2006-pres.
139	Rebecca Wilkinson	2006, 2007

**Total Blocks – Season**

111	Agnieszka Pregowska	2007
85	Rebecca Wilkinson	2007
82	Kristy Haeckel	2006
77	Kristy Haeckel	2007

**Total Points – Career**

794	Agnieszka Pregowska	2006-pres.
789	Kristy Haeckel	2006-pres.
751	Katrina Hornstein	2006-pres.

**Total Points – Season**

462	Agnieszka Pregowska	2007
412	Kristy Haeckel	2007
377	Kristy Haeckel	2006
332	Agnieszka Pregowska	2006
325	Katrina Hornstein	2006

*Division I competition only  
(competition began in 2006 season)*

## DIVISION I SUPERLATIVES

**Team**

NJIT		Opponents
82 vs. Maryland Eastern Shore (11.4.06)	KILLS	85, Seton Hall (9.5.07)
77 vs. Maryland Eastern Shore (11.4.06)	ASSISTS	77, Seton Hall (9.5.07)
17 vs. Saint Francis (NY) (9.28.07)	ACES	23, Delaware State (11.10.07)
123 vs. Sacred Heart (10.27.07)	DIGS	108, Maryland Eastern Shore (11.4.06)
8 vs. Sacred Heart (10.27.07)	BLOCK SOLO	6, Providence, (10.21.06)
19 at Delaware State (10.21.06)	BLOCK ASSIST	30, Howard (10.27.07)
14 vs. Sacred Heart (10.27.07)	TOTAL BLOCKS	19, Howard (10.27.07)
14 vs. Hartford (9.9.06)		
95 vs. Maryland Eastern Shore (11.4.06)	POINTS	105, Columbia (10.29.07)

**NJIT Individual****KILLS**

30, Kristy Haeckel vs. Maryland Eastern Shore (5 games) (11.4.06)
19, Kristy Haeckel vs. Central Connecticut State (4 games) (8.25.07)
19, Kristy Haeckel vs. at Delaware State (4 games) (10.21.06)
18, Kristy Haeckel vs. Fairfield (3 games) (9.1.07)

**ASSISTS**

63, Danielle Thompson vs. Maryland Eastern Shore (5 games) (11.4.06)
49, Danielle Thompson at Delaware State (4 games) (10.21.06)
41, Danielle Thompson vs. Winston-Salem State (3 games) (10.20.06)

**ACES**

8, Sabrina Baby vs. Providence (5 games) (10.26.07)
6, Kristy Haeckel vs. Manhattan (3 games) (9.1.06)
6, Sabrina Baby vs. Quinnipiac (3 games) (10.3.06)
6, Kristy Haeckel vs. Winston-Salem State (3 games) (10.20.06)

**DIGS**

42, Sabrina Baby vs. Sacred Heart (5 games) (10.27.07)
32, Sabrina Baby at Harvard (4 games) (9.22.07)
24, Sabrina Baby vs. Quinnipiac (3 games) (9.29.07)

**BLOCK SOLO**

7, Agnieszka Pregowska vs. Sacred Heart (5 games) (10.27.07)
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**BLOCK ASSISTS**

7, Kristy Haeckel at Delaware State (4 games) (10.21.06)
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**TOTAL BLOCKS**

12, Agnieszka Pregowska vs. Sacred Heart (5 games) (10.27.07)
9, Kristy Haeckel vs. Hartford (4 games) (9.9.06)
4, Kristy Haeckel vs. Wagner (3 games) (10.7.06)

**POINTS**

33, Kristy Haeckel vs. Maryland Eastern Shore (5 games) (11.4.06)
23.5, Kristy Haeckel at Delaware State (4 games) (10.21.06)
23.5, Katrina Hornstein vs. Utah Valley (4 games) (9.28.07)
18.5, Agnieszka Pregowska at Manhattan (3 games) (9.1.06)
18.5, Kristy Haeckel at Manhattan (3 games) (9.1.06)



# By Car

**New Jersey Turnpike: Driving North from South Jersey:** NJ Turnpike to Exit 13A Newark Airport. After toll booth stay to left 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. Follow Rt. 21 North (McCarter Highway). Turn left on Raymond Blvd. Follow Raymond Blvd. past Warren St. traffic light (Raymond Blvd. becomes Lock St.) Fleisher Athletic Center & Lubetkin Field will be on your right.

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**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. past Warren St. traffic light (Raymond Blvd. becomes Lock St.) Fleisher Athletic Center & Lubetkin Field will be on your right.

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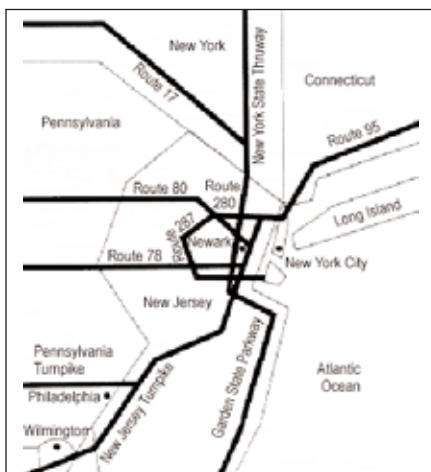
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## Other Transportation Systems

**Newark International Airport:** Five miles from the NJIT campus. A minibus (Newark Airlink) or taxi service connects the airport with Penn Station in Newark. Bus, city subway, and taxi connections may be obtained at the station.

**Newark Penn Station:** Connections to the NJIT campus may be made by bus, city subway, or taxi.

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

**Newark City Subway:** From Penn Station in Newark, take the Warren Street stop for the NJIT campus.

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**Comfort Suites**  
1348 McCarter Highway, Newark  
973/481-5200

**Hampton Inn & Suites Newark**  
Riverwalk  
100 Passaic Avenue, 973/483-1900

**Hilton Newark Gateway**  
Gateway Center, Raymond Blvd. & McCarter Highway, 973/622-5000

**Robert Treat Hotel**  
50 Park Place, Newark, 973/622-1000

## Hotels Near Newark Airport

**Best Western Newark Airport West**  
101 International Way, Newark  
973/621-6200

**Courtyard by Marriot Newark Liberty**  
International Airport 600 Route 1 & 9, Newark, 973/643-8500

**Days Inn Newark** 450 Rt.1 South (near Haynes Ave.), Newark, 973/242-0900

**Fairfield Inn & Suites Newark Liberty**  
International Airport 618 Rt.1 & 9 South, Newark, 973/242-2600

**Four Points by Sheraton Newark**  
Airport 901 Spring St., Elizabeth, 908/527-1600

**Hampton Inn Newark Airport**  
1128-38 Spring St., Elizabeth  
908/355-0500

**Hilton Newark Airport** 1170 Spring St., Elizabeth, 908/351-3900

**Holiday Inn Newark Liberty**  
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Airport, Newark, 973/623-0006

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BAUDER, Fred "Coach"	--	Coach	M-Basketball	1932-61	1989
BAKUN, Andrew I.	1982	Athlete/Asst. Coach	M-Soccer	1978-81/90-91	2005
BAKUN, Myron	1967	Athlete	M-Soccer	1964-66	1991
BLUM, Raymond E.	1950	Distinguished Alum.	Speedskating/Cycling	--	1996
BORJA, Hernan "Chico"	1981	Athlete	M-Soccer	1977-80	1986
BORNAKO, Gregory "Egor"	1970	Athlete	M-Fencing	1966-70	1987
BOWSER, Hamilton V.	1952	Athlete	M-Fencing	1948-52	1989
BRADLEY, Thomas	1978	Athlete	M-Swimming	1974-78	1990
BROWN, Andrew D.	1982	Athlete	M-Soccer	1956-78	2006
CRIMMINS, David	1952	Athlete	M-Fencing	--	2007
CRUZ, Edward	1963	Athlete	M-Soccer	1959-62	1995
DAWSON, Marilyn E.	1986	Athlete	WVB/WBKB/SB	1982-86	1991
DeNICOLA, Carmine P.	1978	Athlete	Baseball	1975-78	2005
DeVITO, Louis	1960	Athlete	M-Soccer/M-Fencing	1956-60	1992
DIAS, Joe A.	1977	Athlete	M-Soccer	1973-76	1993
DRURY, Eugene M.	1963	Athlete	M-Tennis	1960-63	1988
ENG, Katherine	1993	Athlete	W-Volleyball	1989-92	2007
ETIENNE, Yves	1979	Athlete	M-Volleyball	1976-78	1990
FEHN, Gilbert F.	1940	Athlete	M-Basketball/M-Tennis	1936-40	1992
FITZGERALD, Joseph M.	--	Coach /Asst. Coach	M-Basketball	1961-66/52-61	1986
FLEISHER, Seymour "Zoom"	1951	Athlete	M-Basketball	1947-51	1992
GAGLIARDO, Salvatore A.	1985	Athlete	M-Basketball	1981-85	1995
GALLAGHER, Thomas G.	1985	Athlete	M-Basketball	1981-85	1991
GIOVANNOLI, Arnold L.	1953	Athlete	M-Basketball	1950-53	1993
GOLDRICK PITT, Elizabeth M.	1990	Athlete	WVB/SB/WBKB/WTen	1985-90	1995
GRUENEWALD, Wendy A.	1997	Athlete	WBKB/SB/WVB/WSoc	1992-96	2003
HAASE, Jay W.	1975	Athlete	M-Fencing	1971-75	1988
HAMMOND, Kenneth W.	1979	Athlete	M-Soccer	1974-77	2003
HANDWERKER, Andy	1963	Athlete	M-Soccer	1959-62	2002
HAUSSER, Paul C.	--	Administrator	--	1953-91	1990
HUBEY, Ali	1972	Coach	Fencing /Baseball	1954-88/53-72	
HURTADO, Fabian	1975	Athlete	M-Soccer	1968-71	1990
IRIS, Herb	1951	Athlete	M-Soccer	1970-73	1987
KAMINSKY, Nicholas J.	1978	Benefactor	--	--	2007
KASBARIAN, Raymond P.	1978	Athlete	Baseball	1975-78	2006
KETZNER, Robert Shelby	1966	Founder/Athlete	Judo	1962-66	1989
KHOWAYLO, Alex	--	Coach	Rifle	1962-86	1987
LUBETKIN, Charles "Tudy"	1969	Athlete	M-Soccer	1960-63	1996
LYNCH, Robert K.	1953	Athlete	M-Basketball/M-Track	1949-52	1994
MacDONALD, Dan	1984	Athlete/Coach	M-Fencing	1977-80/86-91	1993
OLSEN, Richard J.	1984	Athlete	Baseball	1981-84	1991
OLSON, George R.	1969	Athlete	M-Basketball	1965-69	1988
PAULIUS, Raymond V.	1977	Athlete	Baseball	1974-77	1987
ROGERS, Warren E.	1985	Athlete	M-Soccer	1980-83	2006
ROMULUS, Rudy	1988	Athlete	M-Basketball	1983-87	1993
SARLO, Paul A.	1991	Athlete	M-Volleyball	1988-91	1996
SCHMID, John "Gene"	1992	Athlete	Baseball	1989-91	2005
SIMON, J. Malcolm	--	Coach/Asst. Coach	Baseball	1973-97/68-72	2002
	--	Coach	M-Soccer	1955-83	1994
SKURLA, Peter J.	--	Athletics Director	--	1983-94	
SWANSON, Robert F.	1941	Athlete	Bowling	1937-41	1992
TAETZSCH, Robert	--	Athletics Director	--	1947-82	1986
TAETZSCH, William	1952	Athlete	M-Fencing	--	2007
TOSATO, Lawrence P.	1952	Athlete	M-Fencing	--	2007
TUBELLO, Jeffrey	1956	Athlete	M-Basketball/Baseball	1952-56	1987
VAN WRIGHT, Nevea	1976	Athlete	Rifle	1972-76	1988
WALSH, John J.	1997	Athlete	W-Basketball	1991-96	2005
WASNIEWSKI, Frank	1966	Athlete	MSoc/MBKB/Baseball	1962-66	1986
WELGOS, Bob	1980	Athlete	M-Tennis	1977-80	1990
WOROBEC, Myron S.	1962	Athlete	M-Basketball/Bowling	1959-62	2005
YONEZUKA, Yoshisada	1966	Athlete	M-Soccer	1962-65	1994
ZORN, Werner	--	Founder/Coach	Judo	1962-??	1991
	1962	Athlete	M-Soccer	1958-61	1988

**1960 Men's Soccer Team**

**1981-82 Men's Basketball Team**

**1982 Baseball Team**

**NAIA co-national champion 1988**

**NJIT's first ECAC and IAC champion 1990**

**NJIT's second ECAC and IAC champion 1993**



# Great West

NJIT women's volleyball will compete as a Division I Independent in 2008, but starting in 2009, the Highlanders will be part of the expanded multi-sport Great West Conference.

On July 10, 2008, NJIT was one of six institutions to announce it had joined the expansion of the Great West Conference to form a Division I all-sports league that will conduct championship competition in several sports in 2008-09 and then begin full conference scheduling and championships in 2009-10.

The announcement was made simultaneously by the six institutions and by the conference office, which is led by Commissioner Ed Grom.

The Great West, which has 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 eventually offer championships in 14 sports, 11 of which are sponsored by NJIT, including: men's and women's basketball; baseball; 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.

Cross country and indoor and outdoor track and field championships are planned for 2008-09, with the full complement scheduled to kick in the following year in 2009-10.

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 are scheduled to complete their NCAA reclassification and become active championship-eligible members of NCAA Division I in 2009-10. North Dakota and South Dakota will be active members of Division I in 2012-13 and Houston Baptist will arrive in 2014-15. 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, women's soccer in the United Soccer Conference and men's volleyball in the Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association, which has an automatic NCAA postseason berth, which was claimed this year by eventual 2008 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.

The latest conference news and information is available on line at <http://greatwestconference.cstv.com>.



## 2008 NJIT WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM

*Back Row (l-r):* Assistant coach JR Martins, Assistant Athletic Trainer Michael Douglas, Courtney Hughes, Agnieszka Pregowska, Kristy Haeckel, Renato Pandolfo, Baaba Hughes, Head Coach Ryan McNeil

*Front Row (l-r):* Erica Schultz, Juliana Araujo, Sabrina Baby, Chanelle Preradovich, Audrey Snell, Danielle Thompson, Katrina Hornstein





## WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE 2008

Day	Date	Opponent	Time	Day	Date	Opponent	Time
<u>August</u>				<u>September</u>			
29	Fri.	<i>Sun Bowl Volleyball Invitational</i>		30	Wed.	at LaSalle	7:00pm
30	Sat.	vs. Oral Roberts	5:00pm	<u>October</u>			
		at UTEP	12:00pm	3	Fri.	at Sacred Heart	7:00pm
		vs. Butler	5:00pm	7	<b>Tue.</b>	<b>LEHIGH</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
<u>September</u>				8	<b>Wed.</b>	<b>ARMY</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
9	<b>Tue.</b>	<b>WAGNER</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	11	Sat.	at American	12:00pm
		<i>Highlanders Challenge</i>		14	Tue.	at Lafayette	7:00pm
12	Fri.	UMBC	7:00pm	22	Wed.	Columbia	7:00pm
13	Sat.	LOYOLA	12:00pm	28	<b>Tue.</b>	<b>ST. FRANCIS (NY)</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
		SACRED HEART	4:00pm			<i>Halloween Classic</i>	
17	<b>Wed.</b>	SETON HALL	7:00pm	31	<b>Fri.</b>	<b>PROVIDENCE</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
		<i>The Red Flash Invitational</i>		<u>November</u>			
19	Fri.	vs. Columbia	5:00pm	1	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>BRYANT</b>	<b>12:00pm</b>
20	Sat.	at Saint Francis (PA)	1:00pm			<b>HOWARD</b>	<b>4:00pm</b>
		vs. Akron	3:00pm	5	Wed.	at Wagner	7:00pm
24	Wed.	at Fairleigh Dickinson	7:00pm	8	Sat.	at Delaware State	5:00pm
		<i>Quinnipiac Bobcat Invitational</i>		12	<b>Wed.</b>	<b>FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
27	Sat.	at Quinnipiac	2:00pm			(Senior Night)	
28	Sun.	vs. Coppin State	11:30am			<i>Independent Tournament at Utah Valley</i>	
		vs. Hartford	4:30pm	21-22	Fri.-Sat	TBA	TBA

Head Coach: Ryan McNeil (Lewis '01), 4th season Assistant Coaches: JR Martins, Melissa Golob  
BOLD/CAPS = Home matches at the Estelle and Zoom Fleisher Athletic Center