

8-2, 3-0 CUNYAC
2nd Place; CUNYAC Championship
14th Place; NCAA Division III Nationals

As a team that has stepped into the spotlight over the past few years, the College of Staten Island's Men's Swimming and Diving team made more strides this past year. The team captured an 8-2 overall record while taking second place in the CUNY Athletic Conference Championship Meet.

Amongst the many highlights, the team traveled to the ECAC Division III Championship in December where the team of Pavel Buyanov, Nikolay Shevchenko, Mohamed Hikal, Nick Levintov and Vlad Romanov broke several ECAC and CSI records. In February, the team traveled to Rutgers University for the Metropolitan Swim Championships where they finished in 8th place. Based on their times in the ECAC Championship, Buyanov, Shevchenko and Romanov traveled to Harvard University for the ECAC Open Championship. The trio scored a total of 86 points putting them in 16th place overall.

It was at the NCAA Division III National Championships that Buyanov, Shevchenko and Romanov made history again. Buyanov defended his national championship title in the 100-yard Breaststroke while crushing his record time from last year. Competing in three events, Shevchenko placed 4th in both the 200-yard IM and the 200-yard Butterfly. Participating for the first time at the NCAA's, Romanov ranked 14th in the 200 yard Backstroke. The trio finished 14th overall as a team amongst the 52 colleges represented.

At year's end, the CSI swimmers and divers made an impact as six men were honored as CUNY Athletic Conference All Stars. Buyanov was named Performer of the Year, Romanov was named Rookie of the Year and Head Coach Oleg Soloviev was named Coach of the Year.



Vladislav Romanov

2008-09 Final Statistics

Medal Allotment Contestant	Individual			Relay Events		
	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Mario Ahmed	0	0	1	0	0	3
Louis Algarin	0	0	1	0	2	1
Pavel Buyanov	8	0	0	4	0	0
Edwin Fong	0	0	0	0	1	0
Antonio Gaspar	3	1	0	0	0	1
Aleksander Griss	0	2	0	0	1	1
Igor Gugnishev	0	0	2	0	0	1
Tomasz Hajbert	0	0	1	1	1	0
Mohamed Hikal	3	3	1	5	0	0
Stephen Hill	0	0	1	0	0	3
Nikolay Levintov	0	8	1	1	2	1
Dimitriy Lyubarskiy	2	1	0	0	0	0
Sean McIntyre	0	0	0	0	1	0
Michael Mino	0	1	3	1	1	1
Vladislav Romanov	10	0	1	4	0	0
Nikolay Shevchenko	8	0	0	3	0	0
Vitaliy Syatkin	1	2	1	3	1	1
Roman Tchaikovskiy	1	1	2	0	0	0
Yury Viknevich	1	0	0	0	0	0



Oleg Soloviev
Head Coach

A mainstay of the Dolphins swimming programs, head coach Oleg Soloviev has been guiding the CSI squads for the entire 14 years of the program's history. CSI teams have prospered enormously under his tenure, winning a total of seven championships.

Soloviev has garnered the respect of his peers in the process, earning five CUNYAC Coach of the Year honors (1998, 2000, 2004, 2005, 2007). The men's team alone has gone a staggering 25-1 in CUNYAC play since the conference adopted the sport in 2002.

Coaching since 1973, Soloviev, a Russian native, has been a part of many national and international victories with European and Olympic teams he has helped coach and train. The national and world records some of his former pupils have set are too numerous to list.

Soloviev brings the same winning approach to CSI. With a strong emphasis based on recruiting, he has achieved optimum results from his swimmers through goal-setting and motivational training in the pool. Seeking athletes who believe in the discipline and persistence it takes to be successful, Soloviev is hoping for an even brighter future for his Dolphins teams, as he hopes to continue to guide them to a level of national prominence in Division III.

Alongside his duties as head coach to both the men's and women's teams at the College, Soloviev also serves as its full-time Aquatics Director, insuring that the pool housed within the Sports & Recreation Center is in peak condition year-round.

2008-09 Results

<u>Date</u>	<u>Meet</u>	<u>Result</u>
10/22	PACE UNIVERSITY	W 148-68
11/11	@ Baruch College *	W 106-99
11/21	@ Drew University	W 109-68
12/5	ECAC DIII Championships	7th Place
1/9	YORK COLLEGE *	W 112-81
1/15	LEHMAN COLLEGE *	W 130-111
1/22	@ SUNY - Maritime	L 107-129
1/27	@ SUNY - Old Westbury	W 85-74
1/28	SUNY - OLD WESTBURY	W 88-70
1/31	@ Mt. St. Mary	L 40-55
	vs. SUNY - Old Westbury	W 73-17
2/19	Metro Championships	8th Place
3/18	NCAA DIII Championship	14th Place

* CUNYAC Meet



CUNYAC Champions
2002, 2003
2004, 2005



NCAA GOLD MEDALS
2008, 2009



Nikolay Shevchenko