



# 2015 NYIT BASEBALL QUICK FACTS

## UNIVERSITY INFO

School..... New York Institute of Technology (NYIT)  
 Location..... Old Westbury, N.Y.  
 Founded ..... 1955  
 Enrollment ..... 13,000  
 Nickname ..... Bears  
 Colors ..... Blue (PMS 660) and Yellow (PMS 130)  
 Conference..... Independent (Baseball)  
 ..... East Coast (11 programs)  
 Affiliation ..... NCAA Division I (Baseball)  
 ..... NCAA Division II (11 programs)  
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## HOME FIELD

Home Field ..... Angelo Lorenzo Memorial Field  
 Dimensions (l-c-r)..... 312-398-312  
 Surface ..... FieldTurf

## HISTORY

First Year of Baseball ..... 1971  
 All-time Record (PCT) ..... 909-946-17 (.501)  
 First Year Division I ..... 1981  
 Last Postseason..... 2008 NCAA Div. I Independent Invitational  
 Last Postseason Opponent..... Northern Colorado  
 Result ..... L, 3-0 (finished fourth)

## COACHING STAFF

Head Coach (Alma Mater) ..... Bob Malvagna (St. John's '79)  
 Record at NYIT (Seasons)..... 14-66 (2)  
 Career Record..... same  
 Baseball Office Phone..... 516-686-7513  
 Assistant Coaches..... Stephen Malvagna, Vinny Rubino,  
 ..... and John Torres  
 Pitching Coach ..... Raul Rivera  
 Head Athletic Trainer ..... Deam Kamvakis  
 Assistant Athletic Trainer..... Nicole Moreno

## TEAM INFORMATION

2014 Overall Record..... 4-46  
 2014 Home Record ..... 1-12  
 2014 Away Record ..... 3-33  
 2014 Neutral Record ..... 0-1  
 Position Starters Returning/Lost..... 8/0  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost ..... 10/5  
 Letter Winners Returning/Lost..... 24/8  
 Newcomers..... 8

## POSITION PLAYERS

### Starters Returning (8)

Josh Canabal (INF), Joe Daru (OF), Nick Sebastian (C),  
 Thomas Joannou (OF), Anthony Martelli (INF),  
 Louis Mele (INF), Frank Sanacore (OF/INF),  
 Gerson Sotolongo (INF)

### Starters Lost (0)

### Others Returning (5)

Michael Iglesias (INF), Nicholas Leggio (OF),  
 Joseph Lombardo (INF), Lewis Rion (OF)

### Newcomers (3)

Anthony Caradonna (C/INF), Joseph Marvel (C),  
 Alonzo Paulino Jr. (OF)

## PITCHERS

### Returning (10)

Michael Auriemmo (LHP), Matthew Busch (RHP),  
 Jimmy Bulva (RHP), Matt Diaz (RHP), John Duggan (RHP),  
 J.P. Lipovac (RHP), Elias Martinez (RHP), Anthony Merchan (RHP),  
 James Moussa (RHP), David Plotkin (LHP)

### Lost (5)

Jake Axley (RHP), Tommy Cardona (RHP), Evan Cohen (RHP),  
 Brennan Forster (RHP), Kevin Specht (RHP)

### Newcomers (4)

Chris Johnson (RHP), David Kosakavich (RHP),  
 Dixon Marble (RHP), Nicholas Smith (RHP)

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## 2015 NYIT ROSTER

No.	Name	Cl.	Pos.	B/T	Ht. / Wt.	Hometown/Previous School
2	Gerson Sotolongo	So.	INF	R/R	5-7/175	Miami, Fla./St. Brendan Catholic HS
3	Michael Iglesias	Sr.	INF	S/R	5-5/155	Bronx, N.Y./Mount St. Michael Academy
4	Matt DiBiase	Gr.	INF	R/R	6-1/175	Wantagh, N.Y./MacArthur HS
5	Robert Fiato	So.	C/INF	R/R	6-0/240	Huntington Station, N.Y./Huntington HS
6	Joe Daru	Jr.	OF	S/R	5-9/170	Bangkok, Thailand/IMG Academy
7	Thomas Joannou	So.	OF	R/R	6-1/190	Merrick, N.Y./Calhoun HS
8	Louis Mele	So.	INF	R/R	6-1/200	Bethpage, N.Y./Island Trees HS
9	Anthony Martelli	So.	INF	R/R	6-0/190	Franklin Square, N.Y./Valley Stream North
10	Matt Diaz	So.	RHP	R/R	6-2/225	Miami, Fla./St. Brendan Catholic HS
11	James Moussa	Sr.	RHP	R/R	6-4/220	Averne, N.Y./Holy Cross HS
12	Joshua Canabal	Jr.	INF	R/R	6-1/160	Miami Shores, Fla./Miami County Day School
13	Alonzo Paulino Jr.	Jr.	OF	R/R	5-11/185	Bronx, N.Y./Victor Valley College
14	Joseph Marvel	Fr.	C	R/R	5-7/160	Plainview, N.Y./Plainview-JFK HS
16	Dixon Marble	Sr.	RHP	R/R	5-10/155	Tremonton, Utah/University of Arkansas-Pinebluff
19	Anthony Merchan	So.	RHP	R/R	5-11/193	East Elmhurst, N.Y./Msgr. McClancy HS
20	Lewis Rion	Sr.	OF	R/R	6-3/190	Bronx, N.Y./St. Raymond's HS
21	Frank Sanacore	So.	OF/INF	R/R	5-7/175	Staten Island, N.Y./Tottenville HS
22	David Plotkin	So.	LHP	L/L	6-0/200	Miami, Fla./St. Brendan Catholic HS
23	Nicholas Leggio	Gr.	OF	R/R	6-0/190	Shirley, N.Y./Philadelphia
24	James Bulva	Sr.	RHP	R/R	6-6/175	Williston Park, N.Y./Mineola HS
25	Joseph Lombardo	So.	INF	R/R	5-9/185	East Meadow, N.Y./Kellenberg Memorial HS
27	Laurent Polenghi	So.	OF	L/R	6-0/205	Key Biscayne, Fla./St. Brendan Catholic HS
29	Nick Sebastian	Sr.	C	R/R	6-1/185	Pawtucket, R.I./Pendleton School
31	Anthony Caradonna	So.	C/INF	L/R	6-0/220	Richmond, Mich/Northwood University
32	Michael Sinnott	So.	RHP	R/R	6-5/215	Glen Cove, N.Y./IMG Academy
34	Nicholas Smith	Jr.	RHP	R/R	6-4/230	Coram, N.Y./Longwood HS
35	John Duggan	Sr.	RHP	R/R	6-4/178	Belle Harbor, N.Y./Archbishop Molloy HS
36	Michael Auriemmo	Sr.	LHP	L/L	6-1/180	Middle Village, N.Y./Archbishop Molloy HS
37	J.P. Lipovac	Jr.	RHP	R/R	6-0/205	Astoria, N.Y./Msgr. McClancy HS
38	Matthew Busch	Jr.	RHP	R/R	5-11/155	Islip, N.Y./Islip HS
41	Elias Martinez	So.	RHP	R/R	6-2/207	Queens, N.Y./Aviation HS
42	David Kosakavich	So.	RHP	R/R	6-3/190	Plainview, N.Y./Plainview-JFK HS
55	Chris Johnson	Fr.	RHP	R/R	5-11/150	Centerport, N.Y./St. Dominic's HS

Head Coach: 1 Bob Malvagna (St. John's '79), third season at NYIT  
 Assistant Coaches: 15 Stephen Malvagna, 28 Vinny Rubino, and John Torres  
 Pitching Coach: Raul Rivera

ALPHABETICAL				CLASS BREAKDOWN				GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN					
No.	Name	Pos	No.	Name	Pos	Graduate (1)	Florida (5)	No.	Name	Pos	No.	Name	Pos
36	Michael Auriemmo	LHP	25	Joseph Lombardo	INF	DiBiase	Canabal, Diaz, Plotkin, Polenghi, Sotolongo	36	Michael Auriemmo	LHP	25	Joseph Lombardo	INF
24	James Bulva	RHP	16	Dixon Marble	RHP	<b>Senior (11)</b>	<b>New York (24)</b>	24	James Bulva	RHP	16	Dixon Marble	RHP
38	Matthew Busch	RHP	9	Anthony Martelli	INF	Auriemmo, Bulva, Daru, Duggan, Iglesias, Leggio, Lipovac, Marble, Moussa, Rion, Sebastian	Auriemmo, Bulva, Busch, DiBiase, Duggan, Fiato, Iglesias, Joannou, Johnson, Kosakavich, Leggio, Lipovac, Lombardo, Martelli, Martinez, Marvel, Mele, Merchan, Moussa, Paulino, Rion, Sanacore, Sinnott, Smith	38	Matthew Busch	RHP	9	Anthony Martelli	INF
12	Joshua Canabal	INF	41	Elias Martinez	RHP	<b>Junior (4)</b>	<b>Michigan (1)</b>	12	Joshua Canabal	INF	41	Elias Martinez	RHP
31	Anthony Caradonna	C/INF	14	Joseph Marvel	C	Busch, Canabal, Paulino, Smith	Caradonna	31	Anthony Caradonna	C/INF	14	Joseph Marvel	C
6	Joe Daru	OF	8	Louis Mele	INF	<b>Sophomore (15)</b>	<b>Rhode Island (1)</b>	6	Joe Daru	OF	8	Louis Mele	INF
34	Matt Diaz	RHP	19	Anthony Merchan	RHP	Caradonna, Diaz, Fiato, Joannou, Kosakavich Lombardo, Martelli, Martinez, Mele, Merchan, Plotkin, Polenghi, Sanacore, Sinott, Sotolongo	Sebastian	34	Matt Diaz	RHP	19	Anthony Merchan	RHP
4	Matt DiBiase	INF	11	James Moussa	RHP	<b>Freshman (2)</b>	<b>Thailand (1)</b>	4	Matt DiBiase	INF	11	James Moussa	RHP
35	John Duggan	RHP	13	Alonzo Paulino Jr.	OF	Johnson, Marvel	Daru	35	John Duggan	RHP	13	Alonzo Paulino Jr.	OF
25	Robert Fiato	C/INF	22	David Plotkin	LHP		<b>Utah (1)</b>	25	Robert Fiato	C/INF	22	David Plotkin	LHP
3	Michael Iglesias	INF	27	Laurent Polenghi	OF		Marble	3	Michael Iglesias	INF	27	Laurent Polenghi	OF
7	Thomas Joannou	OF	20	Lewis Rion	OF			7	Thomas Joannou	OF	20	Lewis Rion	OF
55	Chris Johnson	RHP	21	Frank Sanacore	OF/INF			55	Chris Johnson	RHP	21	Frank Sanacore	OF/INF
42	David Kosakavich	RHP	29	Nick Sebastian	C			42	David Kosakavich	RHP	29	Nick Sebastian	C
23	Nicholas Leggio	OF	34	Nicholas Smith	RHP			23	Nicholas Leggio	OF	34	Nicholas Smith	RHP
37	J.P. Lipovac	RHP	2	Gerson Sotolongo	INF			37	J.P. Lipovac	RHP	2	Gerson Sotolongo	INF



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## 2015 NYIT SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Tues., Mar. 3	at Stony Brook	Stony Brook, N.Y.	3 p.m.
Fri., Mar. 6	at George Mason	Fairfax, Va.	2:30 p.m.
Sat., Mar. 7	at George Mason	Fairfax, Va.	2 p.m.
Sun., Mar. 8	at George Mason	Fairfax, Va.	1 p.m.
<b>Tues., Mar. 10</b>	<b>Albany (DH)</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>Noon</b>
<b>Wed., Mar. 11</b>	<b>Manhattan</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
Fri., Mar. 13	at Navy	Annapolis, Md.	2 p.m.
Sat., Mar. 14	at Navy (DH)	Annapolis, Md.	Noon
Sun., Mar. 15	at Navy	Annapolis, Md.	Noon
<b>Tues., Mar. 17</b>	<b>LIU Brooklyn</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
Wed., Mar. 18	at Fairfield	Fairfield, Conn.	3 p.m.
Fri., Mar. 20	at Bryant	Smithfield, R.I.	3 p.m.
Sat., Mar. 21	at Bryant (DH)	Smithfield, R.I.	1 p.m.
Sun., Mar. 22	at Bryant	Smithfield, R.I.	1 p.m.
Wed., Mar. 25	at LIU Brooklyn	Brooklyn, N.Y.	2:30 p.m.
<b>Thurs., Mar. 26</b>	<b>Fairleigh Dickinson</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Sat., Mar. 28</b>	<b>Wagner (DH)</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>Noon</b>
Sun., Mar. 29	at Wagner (DH)	Staten Island, N.Y.	Noon
Tues., Mar. 31	at Fairleigh Dickinson	Teaneck, N.J.	3:30 p.m.
<b>Wed., Apr. 1</b>	<b>Fairfield</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>
Fri., Apr. 3	at NJIT	Newark, N.J.	6 p.m.
<b>Sat., Apr. 4</b>	<b>NJIT (DH)</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>Noon</b>
<b>Tues., Apr. 7</b>	<b>Hofstra</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Sat., Apr. 11</b>	<b>Siena (DH)</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>Noon</b>
Sun., Apr. 12	at Siena (DH)	Albany, N.Y.	Noon
Tues., Apr. 14	at Hofstra	Hempstead, N.Y.	3:30 p.m.
Wed., Apr. 15	at UPENN (DH)	Philadelphia, Pa.	1 p.m.
Fri., Apr. 17	at Northeastern	Boston, Mass.	3 p.m.
Sat., Apr. 18	at Northeastern	Boston, Mass.	1 p.m.
Sun., Apr. 19	at Northeastern	Boston, Mass.	Noon
Tues., Apr. 21	at Manhattan	Bronx, N.Y.	3:30 p.m.
Wed., Apr. 22	at Army	West Point, N.Y.	3:30 p.m.
<b>Thurs., Apr. 23</b>	<b>Iona</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Sat., Apr. 25</b>	<b>Binghamton (DH)</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>Noon</b>
<b>Sun., Apr. 26</b>	<b>Binghamton</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>Noon</b>
<b>Fri., May 1</b>	<b>Maine</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Sat., May 2</b>	<b>Maine (DH)</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>Noon</b>
<b>Sun., May 3</b>	<b>Maine</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>Noon</b>
<b>Tues., May 5</b>	<b>Stony Brook</b>	<b>Old Westbury, N.Y.</b>	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>
Wed., May 6	at Iona	New Rochelle, N.Y.	7 p.m.
Fri., May 8	at Miami	Coral Gables, Fla.	7 p.m.
Sat., May 9	at Miami	Coral Gables, Fla.	7 p.m.
Sun., May 10	at Miami	Coral Gables, Fla.	1 p.m.

All home games listed in **bold** are played at Angelo Lorenzo Memorial Field, Old Westbury, N.Y.  
All times Eastern Standard Time and subject to change.

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## 2014 FINAL STATISTICS

Record: 4-46 Home: 1-12 Away: 3-33 Neutral: 0-1 Conference: 0-0

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	po	a	e	fld%	
Fiato, Robert	.303	22-20	66	3	20	3	0	1	9	26	.394	3	2	11	2	.342	2	0	0-0	89	9	5	.951	
Daru, Joe	.301	50-50	186	27	56	9	2	1	17	72	.387	16	4	34	4	.367	1	0	31-34	157	4	1	.994	
Canabal, Joshua	.293	40-39	133	23	39	6	1	0	16	47	.353	16	6	24	3	.389	2	1	8-9	152	12	1	.994	
Sebastian, Nick	.252	46-45	143	14	36	11	0	3	19	56	.392	19	8	44	1	.362	4	1	1-1	143	26	4	.977	
Martelli, Anthony	.247	46-46	146	20	36	7	0	1	13	46	.315	26	4	44	0	.373	1	2	2-3	81	117	13	.938	
DiBiase, Matt	.216	35-33	111	8	24	8	0	0	12	32	.288	8	2	40	0	.276	2	4	2-2	48	66	10	.919	
Joannou, Thomas	.215	41-39	130	15	28	3	0	0	8	31	.238	16	1	45	0	.304	1	4	10-12	78	3	2	.976	
Mele, Louis	.201	46-43	159	11	32	6	0	1	14	41	.258	5	4	34	4	.238	4	0	1-2	93	53	5	.967	
Sanacore, Frank	.194	42-41	139	15	27	2	1	0	7	31	.223	18	0	34	1	.285	1	1	7-11	88	4	1	.989	
Sotolong, Gerson	.176	39-37	125	15	22	7	0	1	8	32	.256	7	4	31	1	.241	1	3	6-7	80	81	9	.947	
Polenghi, Laurent	.149	28-23	74	4	11	1	0	0	4	12	.162	7	0	33	0	.222	0	1	1-2	23	1	1	.960	
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Leggio, Nicholas	.250	4-0	4	2	1	1	0	0	2	2	.500	0	1	1	0	.400	0	0	0-0	2	0	0	1.000	
Rula, Christopher	.235	11-4	17	0	4	2	0	0	2	6	.353	1	0	6	0	.278	0	0	0-0	16	0	2	.889	
Smith, Jack	.209	18-12	43	2	9	4	0	0	5	13	.302	4	3	10	1	.320	0	0	0-0	5	7	6	.667	
Rion, Lewis	.125	16-7	32	1	4	1	0	0	0	5	.156	4	0	11	0	.222	0	0	0-0	16	0	0	1.000	
Lombardo, Joseph	.125	4-0	8	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.125	1	0	1	1	.222	0	0	0-0	1	3	0	1.000	
Dellasperanza, Nick	.100	14-10	30	0	3	1	0	0	3	4	.133	8	0	12	0	.289	0	0	0-0	67	4	4	.947	
Cardona, Tommy	.000	1-1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	.333	0	0	0-0	1	3	1	.800	
Totals	.228	5-1	1548	162	353	72	4	8	139	457	.295	160	39	415	18	.313	19	17	69-83	1153	432	74	.955	
Opponents	.328	50	1569	433	514	112	13	24	377	724	.461	291	75	174	22	.444	45	29	139-160	1242	461	60	.966	

LOB - Team (380), Opp (423). DPs turned - Team (30), Opp (27). CI - Team (1), Fiato 1, Opp (1). IBB - Team (1), DiBiase 1, Opp (2). Picked off - Sanacore 2, Sotolongo 1, Daru 1, Martelli 1, DiBiase 1.

### (All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bk	sfa	sha
Cohen, Evan	1.23	1-1	7	0	0	0/0	0	7.1	6	3	1	3	5	0	0	0	.222	0	1	0	1	0
Cardona, Tommy	4.50	1-2	8	1	1	1/0	0	18.0	15	11	9	18	6	4	1	1	.238	1	5	0	3	3
Axley, Jake	6.70	0-4	10	9	1	0/0	0	43.0	52	40	32	32	18	13	3	2	.308	4	9	0	5	2
Lipovac, J.P.	6.80	0-7	12	6	1	0/0	0	47.2	67	47	36	24	21	17	0	1	.335	4	5	0	6	4
Martinez, Elias	6.84	1-4	20	2	1	0/0	1	50.0	65	45	38	13	24	11	1	5	.313	3	6	0	4	2
Auriemmo, Michael	6.92	0-0	13	0	0	0/0	0	13.0	21	11	10	3	9	2	0	0	.356	2	2	0	2	0
Moussa, James	8.31	0-2	16	0	0	0/0	0	17.1	30	18	16	12	7	7	0	2	.380	2	5	0	0	1
Diaz, Matt	8.58	0-6	13	7	0	0/0	0	35.2	39	39	34	32	23	7	0	2	.279	7	6	0	4	3
Plotkin, David	8.85	1-7	9	9	0	0/0	0	39.2	53	46	39	38	12	14	2	1	.340	9	10	1	5	4
Duggan, John	9.00	0-7	10	8	1	0/0	0	38.0	57	53	38	23	20	9	2	3	.350	8	5	3	6	3
Busch, Matthew	9.00	0-0	9	0	0	0/0	0	9.0	12	10	9	8	2	3	2	1	.316	5	1	0	1	0
Forster, Brennen	11.81	0-2	10	3	0	0/0	0	21.1	21	30	28	23	9	7	0	1	.284	12	13	0	2	4
Sinnott, Michael	12.52	0-4	12	5	0	0/0	0	23.0	35	35	32	39	4	10	0	1	.376	6	3	2	2	1
Merchan, Anthony	13.50	0-0	8	0	0	0/0	0	8.2	14	13	13	10	2	3	1	1	.412	4	3	0	3	1
Specht, Kevin	13.50	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	4.0	4	6	6	5	3	2	0	1	.267	2	0	0	1	0
Leggio, Nicholas	16.62	0-0	8	0	0	0/0	0	8.2	23	26	16	8	9	3	1	2	.451	5	1	0	0	1
Totals	8.36	4-46	50	50	5	1/0	1	384.1	514	433	357	291	174	112	13	24	.328	74	75	6	45	29
Opponents	2.74	46-4	50	50	9	14/7	8	414.0	353	162	126	160	415	72	4	8	.228	24	39	0	19	17

PB - Team (18), Sebastian 10, Fiato 5, Rula 2, Martelli 1, Opp (7). Pickoffs - Team (4), Sebastian 1, Axley 1, Martinez 1, Duggan 1, Opp (6). SBA/ATT - Sebastian (95-111), Fiato (27-28), Axley (19-24), Plotkin (20-22), Martinez (15-17), Duggan (12-14), Lipovac (13-14), Diaz (12-13), Sinnott (10-12), Forster (10-12), Cardona (8-10), Moussa (9-9), Martelli (9-9), Rula (8-8), Leggio (7-7), Auriemmo (2-3), Cohen (1-2), Merchan (1-1).