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SUNY Student Assembly Statements on SUNY Athletes Participating in the 2016 Olympic Games

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SUNY Student Assembly President and SUNY Trustee Marc J. Cohen:

"I am so proud to lead a student body with so many outstanding leaders in every field imaginable. Today, I am particularly proud of our current and past student athletes in Brazil at the 2016 Olympic Games. On behalf of the 450,000 students of the State University of New York, I say we're with you and we're proud of you."

Students, alumni, and faculty involved in the Olympic Games:

Lucy (Van Dalen) Oliver:

Stony Brook track & field alumna and six-time All-American Lucy (Van Dalen) Oliver will participate in the 5000m race, representing New Zealand. This will be Oliver's second appearance at the Olympic Games four years after running the 1500m race in London.

Grace Claxton:

University at Albany track & field star athlete Grace Claxton will be representing Puerto Rico in the Olympic Games. Claxton is the first female Olympian to come out of UAlbany.

Gary Jobson

SUNY Maritime College alumnus Gary Jobson will be announcing Olympic sailing for NBC networks at Guanabara Bay. Jobson has provided award-winning sailing coverage for over four decades.



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Maria Michta-Coffey

Maria Michta-Coffey, adjunct professor at SUNY Suffolk and at the Stony Brook campus recreation center, will be race walking in the Olympic Games for the second time. Coffey currently holds five American road race records.