Thierry Lincou enters his fourth year as the head coach of MIT’s squash team after leading the program to its best season in Institute history.

In 2016-17, Lincou guided the Engineers to an overall record of 19-5 and concluded the year ranked No. 21 in the country - the highest for the team since the 2003-04 season. MIT finished the season by winning twice in the Division C Summers Cup and had a student-athlete qualify for the individual national championship for the 14th time in program history. In 2015-16, MIT had two student-athletes represented at the CSA Individual National Championship and finished the year ranked No. 26 in the country after producing a mark of 18-9 overall.

He brings over 30 years of experience to the Engineers' program, including playing as a professional from 1994-2012 on the Professional Squash Association World Tour.

In 2004, Lincou became the first player from a non-Commonwealth country to reach World #1 and held the ranking throughout 2004-05. He also won the Individual World Championship in Qatar in 2004, was the European Champion in 2009 and 2010, and was the World University Champion in 1998 and 2000. Lincou was also the captain of the French National Squash team, winning a silver medal twice and bronze once.

Prior to arriving at MIT, Lincou organized tournaments in France and on Reunion Island, as well as organizing training camps in Geneva, New York, Boston, Hong Kong, and Israel. Since 2001, he has worked with Tecnifibre Brand, a company that makes squash equipment, and has managed the Tecnifibre international junior program since 2010.
The MIT Campus

MIT is located on 168 acres that extend more than a mile along the Cambridge side of the Charles River Basin across from downtown Boston. The central group of interconnected buildings was designed to permit easy communication among schools and departments. To meet the changing needs of teaching and research, the Institute recently added a remarkable array of new facilities designed by distinguished architects. Included was an undergraduate residence; the Zesiger Sports and Fitness Center; the Stata Center for Computer, Information, and Intelligence Sciences and a Brain and Cognitive Sciences complex. Most recently completed were a graduate residence complex, a new cancer research facility, and a major field project for MIT’s outdoor sports venues. Today MIT is a world-class educational institution. Teaching and research—with relevance to the practical world as a guiding principle—continue to be its primary purpose. MIT is independent, coeducational, and privately endowed. Its five schools and one college encompass numerous academic departments, divisions, and degree-granting programs, as well as interdisciplinary centers, laboratories, and programs whose work cuts across traditional departmental boundaries.

Institutional Facts

• According to U.S. News & World Report’s annual ranking of universities, MIT is No. 7 in the overall rankings for national universities. MIT is ranked No. 1 overall in engineering and No. 2 in business; with aerospace, chemical, computer, electrical, materials and mechanical engineering programs all rated as tops in their fields.
• MIT’s overall graduate program in engineering is rated No. 1 in the nation in U.S. News & World Report’s annual rankings of graduate schools, with MIT’s Sloan School of Management rated fourth in the nation among MBA programs. Over 15 graduate and doctoral programs ranked No. 1 in their fields of study.
• Eighty-seven current and former members of the MIT community have won the Nobel Prize.
• More than one-third of the nation’s space flights have included MIT-educated astronauts.

Athletic Excellence

• MIT finished 11th in the Division III Learfield Sports Directors’ Cup standings for 2016-17, which rank the nation’s best overall athletics programs.
• MIT is the all-time Division III leader in producing CoSIDA Academic All-America honors (271) while the Engineers rank second across all NCAA divisions.
• MIT athletes have authored 42 individual national championships and have won 22 team championships.
• In 2016-17 MIT won 10 NEWMAC Championships, tops in the league, and saw 14 teams represented in NCAA Tournaments and Championship events. Margaret Guo ’16 of swimming and diving was named the NCAA Woman of the Year, becoming the fourth Division III student-athlete to receive the award.
• MIT student-athletes have earned at least 70 All-America honors every season since 2009 and totaled 88 All-America accolades in 2016-17.
• 30 graduates have participated in the Olympic Games, winning three Gold, three Silver and four Bronze medals.

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