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## OU men's swimmer competes at NCAA meet

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Sullivan, a freshmen, swam a 20.04 for the 50-yard freestyle and was two-tenths of a second from qualifying for the final. He finished the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 44.85, missing the 44.07 needed to make the final.

The Rockford native recorded his best times of the year in the 50- and 100-free at the National Independent Conference Championship, where he became the first OU male swimmer to break the 20-second barrier in the 50-yard free, finishing first with a time of 19.96. He also qualified for the 100-yard freestyle at the NIC Championship, posting a time of 44.44.

Sullivan is the third OU athlete to qualify for the NCAA Swimming and Diving Championship since The Golden Grizzlies began competing at the Division I level three years ago. Last week, Oksana Strelets, a sophomore from Kazakhstan, was the second woman from OU to ever qualify for the NCAA Swimming and Diving Championship.

For more information on OU's men's and women's swimming and diving teams, visit the [OU Athletics](#) Web site.

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