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Ward to represent OU at NCAA meet

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Since Ward was invited to compete in the 100 freestyle, she also will participate in the 200 free. Ward's seeded time in that event is 1:50.20, which places her 78th in the competition. The 200 freestyle event will see 99 swimmers battle for the NCAA championship title.

Both of Ward's seeding times were swam at the 2003 National Independent Conference Championships hosted by Oakland University Feb. 26-March 1. The Golden Grizzlies **women's team won the championship** for their second year in a row while the men's team placed fourth.

SUMMARY

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