

Hal Goldsmith

Harold David Goldsmith, known as “Hal”, was an American Foil and Epee fencer. A member of the CCNY Athletic Hall of Fame since 1970, Goldsmith’s victories include the 1952 NCAA Foil championship and Gold and Silver medals at the Pan American Games in 1951 and 1955. Goldsmith was a three-time US Olympian in foil, competing at the 1952, 1956 and 1960 Games. At the Helsinki Games in 1952, Goldsmith and the US Foil Team made the second round. In 1956, he competed in the individual event, but was eliminated early. The US Foil Team finished in fourth place after a narrow defeat by the Hungarians in the Bronze medal match. At the 1960 Rome Olympics, Goldsmith reached the third round with the Foil team before elimination. At the US Nationals, Hal medaled in the Individual Foil three times: 1952, 1957 and 1960. His New York Fencers Club teams won numerous championships in both Foil Team and 3-Weapon Team events