

= Cory Schneider =

Cory Franklin Schneider (born March 18 , 1986) is a Swiss @-@ American professional ice hockey goaltender currently playing for the New Jersey Devils in the National Hockey League (NHL) .

Schneider was selected in the first round , 26th overall , by the Canucks in the 2004 NHL Entry Draft . Following his draft , he began a three @-@ year tenure with the Boston College Eagles , winning two Lamoriello Trophies as Hockey East champions and making two NCAA Final appearances during his college career . Schneider turned professional with Vancouver 's American Hockey League (AHL) affiliate , the Manitoba Moose , in 2007 and was named the league 's Goaltender of the Year following his second season . After three seasons with the Moose , he became the Canucks ' full @-@ time backup in 2010 ? 11 . In his first full season with the Canucks , he won the William M. Jennings Trophy with Roberto Luongo for establishing the best team goals against average (GAA) in the NHL . The following campaign , he set Canucks records for best GAA and save percentage in a single season with 1 @.@ 96 and .937 marks , respectively . At the 2013 NHL Entry Draft , Schneider was traded to the New Jersey Devils for the 9th overall selection .

Internationally , Schneider has represented the United States at various junior levels . Early in his career , he won gold and silver medals at the 2003 U @-@ 18 Junior World Cup and 2004 IIHF World U18 Championships , respectively . He later competed in the 2005 and 2006 World Junior Championships , finishing in fourth with the United States each time . Due to his Swiss ancestry , Schneider also holds a Swiss citizenship .

= = Early life = =

Schneider was born to Susan and Richard Schneider in Marblehead , Massachusetts , a suburb of Boston . Schneider started training with his goalie coach , Brian Daccord , at age 15 , who now owns Stop It Goaltending , a company of which currently Schneider owns a small percentage . He began playing hockey around the age of six , trying out for the same team as his older brother , Geoff . He did not become a regular goaltender until the age of 11 , as the Marblehead Youth Hockey teams he played with at earlier ages rotated the position . Growing up , Schneider looked up to Mike Richter of the New York Rangers for being a successful American goaltender . Paying homage to Richter , he chose to wear the jersey number 35 .

Schneider earned his secondary education at Marblehead High School in his hometown and Phillips Academy , a prep school in Andover , Massachusetts , where he graduated . In addition to hockey , he was also a varsity baseball player for two years during his time at Phillips Academy . While excelling in sports , Schneider also maintained proficiency in academics . Following his senior year , he received the school 's Yale Bowl and the Boston Bruins ' John Carlton Memorial Trophy , both for achievement in scholarship and athletics . While enrolled at Boston College , Schneider majored in finance in the institution 's Carroll School of Management . He continued to be recognized for academic achievement , being named to two Hockey East All @-@ Academic Teams and earning Paul Patrick Daley Student @-@ Athlete Scholarship in 2006 .

He is a member of his hometown Friends of Marblehead Hockey Hall of Fame . Inducted on August 18 , 2008 , he is the only born @-@ and @-@ raised native to be drafted into the NHL .

He holds both American and Swiss citizenship .

= = Playing career = =

= = = High school and USNTDP (2000 ? 04) = = =

Schneider played with Marblehead High School in his freshman year before moving to Phillips Academy because of their more prestigious hockey team . In his senior year with the school , he was named the team captain . He posted 17 wins and 4 losses with a .960 save percentage , while

leading Phillips Academy to the New England Prep School semifinals . Schneider was a two @-@ time All @-@ New England selection in his high school career with Phillips Academy . During his senior year , Schneider also joined the United States National Team Development Program . He appeared in 10 games with the under @-@ 18 club and two games in North American Hockey League play .

Going into the 2004 NHL Entry Draft , Schneider was the second @-@ ranked American goaltender behind Al Montoya and seventh North American goaltender overall by the NHL Central Scouting Bureau . He was selected in the first round , 26th overall , by the Vancouver Canucks .

= = = Boston College (2004 ? 07) = = =

With the option of joining the major junior ranks in Canada or staying in the United States to play college hockey , Schneider prioritized getting an education and committed to the Boston College Eagles . He had also considered Harvard and Cornell . Boston College head coach Jerry York had considered delaying Schneider 's debut for another season and have him play Junior A in the United States Hockey League . However , when forward Adam Pineault left Boston College to play in the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League , a scholarship was made available and York decided to keep Schneider on the roster .

Schneider made 23 saves in his college debut , a 3 ? 2 win against the University of Massachusetts Lowell River Hawks . He was then chosen as the Hockey East Defensive Player of the Week on October 19 , 2004 . He later notched his first college shutout against the Yale Bulldogs on January 11 , 2005 . The following month , he was sidelined for three weeks after tearing the medial collateral ligament of his left knee during a game against the Harvard Crimson on February 14 , 2005 . Splitting the goaltending duties with senior Matti Kaltainen , he appeared in 18 games with a 1 @.@ 90 goals against average (GAA) and a .916 save percentage while finishing with a record of 13 wins , 1 loss and 4 ties . He was named to the Hockey East All @-@ Rookie Team and received Boston College 's Bernie Burke Outstanding Freshman Award .

By the playoffs , York made Schneider his starting goaltender over Kaltainen . He went on to backstop Boston College to a record @-@ setting sixth Lamoriello Trophy in team history as Hockey East champions . He made 39 saves in a double @-@ overtime semifinal win against the Maine Black Bears , before a 26 @-@ save performance in Boston 's 3 ? 1 final win against the New Hampshire Wildcats . He gained Hockey East Rookie of the Week accolades on March 21 , 2005 , for his semifinal and final wins and was named to the All @-@ Tournament Team for his efforts . Advancing to the 2005 NCAA Tournament , Boston College lost their regional final by a 6 ? 3 score to the North Dakota Fighting Sioux .

In Schneider 's sophomore season , he posted a college career @-@ high .929 save percentage and two team records of eight shutouts and 1 @.@ 088 saves . He posted 242 : 19 consecutive shutout minutes in the month of January , not allowing a goal for more than 11 periods . His streak was broken on January 27 , 2006 , in a game against Boston University . His 1 @.@ 96 GAA was first among goaltenders in conference play , earning him the Hockey East Goaltending Award (his overall GAA including inter @-@ conference play was 2 @.@ 11) . He was named to the Hockey East Second All @-@ Conference Team and was a co @-@ recipient with teammate Chris Collins for both the Hockey East Three Stars Award and Boston College MVP . At the 2006 Beanpot , he received the Eberly Trophy as the tournament 's best goaltender with a .924 save percentage . His 24 wins in 39 regular season appearances helped Boston College to a successful regular season . In the playoffs , they failed to defend their Hockey East championship , losing to the Boston University Terriers in the final . Qualifying for the 2006 NCAA Tournament , Boston College met Boston University again in the regional final . Shutting the Terriers out to advance to the Frozen Four , Schneider was named the Northeastern Regional Tournament MVP . Boston College then defeated North Dakota in the semifinal before losing the national championship to the Wisconsin Badgers 2 ? 1 .

In his third season with Boston College , Schneider recorded a college career @-@ high 29 wins in 42 games , along with a 2 @.@ 15 GAA and .925 save percentage . He led the Eagles to their

second Lamorello Trophy in three years , defeating New Hampshire by a 5 ? 2 score in the final . He made his second consecutive appearance in the NCAA final , but lost to the Michigan State Spartans . Following his third college season , Schneider chose to forgo his senior year to turn professional . He left Boston College with a career record of 65 wins , 25 losses and 7 ties in 97 games , as well as a college career mark of 15 shutouts .

= = = Manitoba Moose (2007 ? 10) = = =

Schneider signed an entry @-@ level contract with the Vancouver Canucks on July 3 , 2007 . He was regarded as the Canucks ' third @-@ string goalie behind Roberto Luongo and the newly acquired backup Curtis Sanford . Following his first NHL training camp , he was assigned to the Canucks ' minor league affiliate , the Manitoba Moose of the American Hockey League (AHL) . After a shaky start to the 2007 ? 08 season (3 @-@ 7 @-@ 0 record , 3 @.@ 69 GAA and .872 save percentage in 11 games) , he was privately called out by head coach Scott Arniel in mid @-@ December after being pulled the previous game . In recalling the meeting , Schneider has commented that " [Arniel] was one of the first guys to ... tell me I wasn 't good enough , something that I hadn 't really heard a lot growing up . Sometimes it 's something you need to hear . " From that point on , he emerged as Manitoba 's starting goalie over fellow Canucks prospect Drew MacIntyre , and was named the AHL Rookie of the Month for March . He finished the season with a 21 @-@ 12 @-@ 2 record , 2 @.@ 28 GAA and .916 save percentage . Although the Moose were eliminated in the first round by the Syracuse Crunch , Schneider had an impressive playoffs , recording a 1 @.@ 92 GAA and .938 save percentage over six games .

Going into training camp for the 2008 ? 09 season , Schneider was expected to compete for the Canucks ' backup position with Sanford , who had been re @-@ signed in the off @-@ season . He was assigned to the Moose for a second consecutive season where he continued as the minor league team 's starting goalie . He received his first NHL call @-@ up from Manitoba on November 22 , 2008 , following an injury to Luongo . At the time of his call @-@ up , he was leading the AHL in both wins and GAA in addition to establishing a team record with 10 straight wins . After sitting on the bench as Sanford 's backup for two games , Schneider made his first NHL appearance and start on November 29 against the Calgary Flames , making 28 saves in a 3 ? 1 loss . He subsequently recorded his first NHL win in a 16 @-@ save , 2 ? 1 victory against the Minnesota Wild on December 5 . After appearing in eight games for the Canucks , goaltender Jason LaBarbera was acquired in a trade from the Los Angeles Kings and Schneider was sent back to the Moose on January 5 , 2009 .

During his time in Vancouver , Schneider had been named AHL Goalie of the Month for November . Upon returning to Manitoba , he extended his record @-@ setting win streak to 13 games . He was also chosen as the starting goalie for PlanetUSA for the 2009 AHL All @-@ Star Classic . He was named Top Goaltender in the Skills Competition , then helped PlanetUSA to a 15 ? 11 win over the Canadian All @-@ Stars . Near the end of the season , he was chosen as AHL Player of the Week on March 30 , 2009 , after allowing five goals in three starts . He completed the campaign with team records of 28 wins , 2 @.@ 04 GAA and .928 save percentage . Additionally the league @-@ leader in GAA and save percentage , Schneider was awarded the Aldege " Baz " Bastien Memorial Award as AHL goaltender of the year . He also received the Harry " Hap " Holmes Memorial Award as the goaltender on the team with the lowest goals against . His award @-@ winning campaign helped the Moose to the best regular season record in the league . In the proceeding 2009 playoffs , Schneider backstopped the Moose to the Calder Cup Finals , losing the championship in six games to the Hershey Bears . He finished the playoffs with a 2 @.@ 15 GAA and .922 save percentage in 22 games .

In September 2009 , Vancouver re @-@ signed Luongo to a 12 @-@ year extension . As such , it was widely speculated that Schneider would inevitably be traded . Despite his success in the AHL , his chances of competing for a starting position with the Canucks were seen as unlikely by the media due to Luongo 's prominence on the team . Regardless , he publicly maintained he was unfazed by his position on the Canucks ' depth chart and that he was focused on competing with the

newly acquired Andrew Raycroft for the Canucks ' backup position in 2009 ? 10 . Schneider was , however , sent back to the Moose out of training camp .

Less than a month into the season , Schneider received his second NHL call @-@ up with the Canucks to back up Raycroft after Luongo was sidelined with a rib fracture on October 28 , 2009 . He remained with the Canucks for nearly two weeks , earning one start against the Dallas Stars on November 6 , stopping 45 shots in a 2 ? 1 loss . He was returned to the Moose on November 10 .

Despite being the reigning goaltender of the year in the AHL and having a comparable season in 2009 ? 10 , Schneider was not named to PlanetUSA for the 2010 AHL All @-@ Star Game . The non @-@ selection drew public criticism from Moose head coach Arniel . Amidst a mediocre season as a team , Schneider posted a 2 @.@ 51 GAA and .919 save percentage and topped his previous team record of wins in a season with 35 in 60 games . During the campaign , he also surpassed Alex Auld on the franchise 's all @-@ time wins and games played list , finishing with 84 and 136 , respectively . Manitoba qualified for the 2010 playoffs with the final and eighth seed in the Western Conference . Matching up against the Hamilton Bulldogs in the opening round , they were eliminated in six games . Schneider recorded a 3 @.@ 12 GAA and .905 save percentage in the losing effort .

= = = Vancouver Canucks (2010 ? 13) = = =

On June 2 , 2010 , Schneider signed a two @-@ year , \$ 1 @.@ 8 million contract extension with the Vancouver Canucks . Assistant general manager Lawrence Gilman asserted that the new deal should establish him as Luongo 's backup and garner more exposure to potentially facilitate a trade to another NHL team . He made his first start of the 2010 ? 11 season on October 18 , 2010 , against the Carolina Hurricanes . He stopped 32 shots in a 5 ? 1 win , marking his first NHL victory since December 14 , 2008 . Later in the season , he recorded his first NHL shutout , stopping 26 shots in a 3 ? 0 win against the Anaheim Ducks on March 6 , 2011 . Nearing the end of the regular season , the Canucks were leading the league in team GAA , putting Luongo and Schneider in contention for the William M. Jennings Trophy . However , with a week remaining in the regular season , Schneider was two appearances short of the 25 @-@ game minimum to qualify for the Jennings (had he not reached the requirement , Luongo would have been awarded the trophy by himself) . While head coach Alain Vigneault initially dismissed the notion of playing Schneider for the sole purpose of sharing the award with Luongo , he sent Schneider in relief of Luongo with 28 seconds remaining in the third @-@ last game of the season , a 2 ? 0 loss to the Edmonton Oilers for Schneider 's 24th appearance . Two games later ? the Canucks ' last contest of the regular season ? Schneider was given the start against the Calgary Flames . Needing to allow seven goals or fewer to secure the Jennings , he helped Vancouver to a 3 ? 2 overtime win . It marked the first time in the trophy 's history that it was awarded to Canucks goaltenders . Luongo and Schneider 's combined GAA of 2 @.@ 20 was 0 @.@ 10 better than the Boston Bruins 's second @-@ place goaltending tandem of Tim Thomas and Tuukka Rask . Schneider completed his NHL rookie season with a 2 @.@ 23 GAA and .929 save percentage in 25 games (22 starts) , as well as a 16 @-@ 4 @-@ 2 record . His GAA tied for fourth in the league , while his save percentage ranked third and set a single @-@ season Canucks record .

Schneider made his NHL playoff debut in Game 4 of the opening round against the Chicago Blackhawks . With the Canucks down 6 ? 1 , Luongo was pulled in favour of Schneider in the third period . Schneider allowed one goal on seven shots , as the Blackhawks went on to win the game 7 ? 2 . After Luongo was pulled again in Game 5 , Schneider was chosen to start for Game 6 . Schneider allowed three goals on 20 shots ; he left the game in the third period after suffering cramps during a failed attempt to stop a penalty shot from Michael Frolik . The Canucks went on to lose the contest 4 ? 3 in overtime , but won the following Game 7 with Luongo in net to advance to the second round . The Canucks would advance to the Stanley Cup Finals against the Boston Bruins . Schneider made an appearance in Game 6 , replacing Luongo in the first period after he gave up three goals . Schneider allowed two goals in relief for the remainder of the game as the Canucks went on to lose the contest . With Schneider on the bench , Vancouver then lost Game 7 at home .

Remaining as Luongo 's backup for the start of the 2011 ? 12 season , Schneider 's playing time was expanded when Luongo suffered an injury in mid @-@ November 2011 . Despite Luongo 's return to the lineup after missing two games , Schneider continued to earn starts due to his performance . On November 28 , he was named the NHL 's Second Star of the Week after recording three wins in as many contests , a span that included back @-@ to @-@ back shutouts (on November 23 against the Colorado Avalanche and November 25 against the Phoenix Coyotes) . Schneider finished his second full NHL season with improved numbers . Of the 33 games he played , he started 28 and compiled 20 wins and 9 losses . His 1 @. @ 96 GAA and .937 save percentage over 33 games ranked third and second in the league , respectively , while also setting Canucks team records . His GAA topped the 2 @. @ 11 mark Luongo had set in 2010 ? 11 , while his save percentage bettered the .929 he had achieved , also in the previous season . The latter team record also ranked as the fourth @-@ best ever recorded in the NHL .

During the 2012 Stanley Cup playoffs , Schneider supplanted Luongo as the team 's playoff goalie . After Vancouver lost their first two games against the eighth @-@ seeded Los Angeles Kings in the opening round , Vigneault started Schneider . Despite losing game three , Schneider started for the remainder of the series , which Los Angeles won four @-@ games @-@ to @-@ one . In three games , he recorded a 1 @. @ 31 GAA and .960 save percentage . Vigneault 's decision led many in the media to believe that Schneider would retain the role the following season , while Luongo would be traded . Although Luongo 's contract included a no @-@ trade clause , he told reporters following the Canucks ' defeat to the Kings that he would waive it if the team asked him to . During the off season , Schneider and the Canucks agreed to a three @-@ year contract worth \$ 12 million .

During the 2012 ? 13 NHL lockout , Schneider played with Swiss team HC Ambri @-@ Piotta of National League A. He played in eight games and recorded a .914 save percentage . Returning to Vancouver as NHL play resumed , Schneider appeared in 30 games for the Canucks and posted a 17 ? 9 ? 4 record and was one of five goaltenders to tie for the league lead with five shutouts . He appeared in two playoff games , both losses , as the Canucks were swept out of the first round by the San Jose Sharks .

= = = New Jersey Devils (2013 ? present) = = =

The Canucks spent a full year attempting to trade Luongo and his contract before conceding that no team was willing to meet their demands . Instead they agreed to trade Schneider to the New Jersey Devils . The deal , completed on June 30 at the 2013 NHL Entry Draft , saw the ninth overall selection (Bo Horvat) sent to Vancouver . Schneider described the trade as " shocking " , adding that after several seasons of expecting to be traded , he had finally begun to believe he would stay in Vancouver . He played his first game against the Pittsburgh Penguins , a 3 @-@ 0 loss .

Schneider had spent his first season with the Devils as a backup to veteran Martin Brodeur , earning a few extra starts due to the 42 @-@ year old Brodeur 's poor performance , but after Brodeur 's departure from New Jersey , Schneider became the Devils starting goaltender .

On July 9 , 2014 , Schneider signed a seven @-@ year , \$ 42 million contract extension with the Devils .

In 2014 ? 15 , Schneider posted a .925 save percentage (the sixth best in the league) and a 2 @. @ 26 GAA . Despite Schneider 's success , the Devils missed the playoffs for the third consecutive season , finishing 32 @-@ 36 @-@ 14 .

Schneider continued to put up reasonable numbers for the Devils in the 2015 ? 16 season , including a 2 @. @ 15 GAA and a .924 save percentage . The Devils missed the playoffs for a fourth consecutive season .

= = International play = =

Schneider competed for the United States at the 2003 U @-@ 18 Junior World Cup , held in B?eclav , Czech Republic and Pie??any , Slovakia . He helped the club go undefeated in five games , en route to the country 's first gold medal in the history of the tournament . Sharing

goaltending duties with Ian Keresich over the course of the tournament , Schneider was given the start for the gold medal game against Russia , turning aside 32 shots for the 3 ? 2 win .

Schneider next appeared for the United States at the 2004 IIHF World U18 Championships in Minsk , Belarus . He recorded the third @-@ best GAA (1 @.@ 71) and second @-@ best save percentage (.929) of the tournament en route to a silver medal . The United States were defeated in the gold medal game by Russia 3 ? 2 . He was later named the David Peterson Goalie of the Year by USA Hockey , having led them to two medals in the 2003 ? 04 season .

In August 2004 , Schneider participated in the U.S. National Junior Team Evaluation Camp in Grand Forks , North Dakota . Several months later , he debuted at the under @-@ 20 level at the 2005 World Junior Championships , hosted by the United States in Grand Forks and Thief River Falls , Minnesota . Playing backup to Al Montoya , he was given the start for a preliminary game against Belarus . After just over a period of play , he was pulled for allowing three goals on eight shots . The United States lost the game 5 ? 3 in Schneider 's only tournament appearance . After losing to Russia 7 ? 2 in the semifinal , the United States lost the bronze medal game 3 ? 2 to the Czech Republic in overtime .

After attending the U.S. ' s summer evaluation camp for a second straight year in Lake Placid , New York , Schneider was given the starting position for the 2006 World Junior Championships in British Columbia , Canada . He was named the United States ' player of the game in their third match of the preliminary round , a 2 ? 2 tie against Switzerland ; Schneider made 22 saves . He earned his second player of the game selection in the quarterfinal , stopping 30 shots in a 2 ? 1 win against the Czech Republic . The United States were then eliminated in the semifinal by Russia before losing the bronze medal game to Finland . He appeared in six games total with a 2 @.@ 67 GAA and .912 save percentage , fifth among tournament goaltenders .

Schneider 's first experience with the men 's senior team came in 2007 when he was among the first eighteen players named to the United States ' team for the 2007 IIHF World Championship in Russia . Despite being named to the team , Schneider did not play in any games , instead serving as the team 's third goaltender behind John Grahame and Jason Bacashihua .

= = Playing style = =

Schneider plays in the butterfly style of goaltending , dropping to his knees with his skates pointing outwards and his pads meeting in the middle in order to cover the bottom portion of the net . He honed the style with goaltending consultant Brian Daccord , beginning at the age of 15 . After joining the Canucks as a backup in 2010 ? 11 , Schneider began working with the team goaltending coach Roland Melanson , who encouraged him to play shallower in his crease . Schneider adopted the style which required him to be more athletic on first shots , but better prepared him for rebounds and cross @-@ crease plays . Schneider 's strengths are his size and athleticism . His coach with the Moose , Scott Arniel , has also heralded his ability to get into position ahead of time , anticipating plays .

= = Career statistics = =

= = = Regular season = = =

= = = Playoffs = = =

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= = Awards and achievements = =

== High school ==

== Collegiate ==

== AHL ==

== International ==

== NHL ==

== Records ==

== Boston College ==

Single @-@ season shutouts : 8 (2005 ? 06)

Single @-@ season saves : 1 @, @ 088 (2005 ? 06)

All @-@ time shutouts : 15 (2004 ? 07)

== Manitoba Moose ==

Consecutive wins : 13 (2008 ? 09)

Single @-@ season GAA : 2 @. @ 04 (2008 ? 09)

Single @-@ season save percentage : .928 (2008 ? 09)

Single @-@ season wins : 35 (2009 ? 10)

Career wins : 84 (2007 ? 10)

Career games played : 136 (2007 ? 10)