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ATHENS, Ga. — Florida State's swim team captured four events and placed third in the Southern Intercollegiate championships in a three-day meet here that concluded Saturday.

Southern Illinois won the title with a 506 total, Florida was second with 421 followed by FSU with 302. Texas was next with 218, Alabama 135½, Georgia 134, South Carolina 111 and U. of South Florida 14.

FSU's Phil Boggs won both the one-meter and three-meter diving competition while Howie Acosta was fifth in the first category and Ken VonRoenn second in the latter.

Dean Jerger gained FSU a first in the 50-yard freestyle with a 21.9 clocking. Seminole's Lee Eisinger and Steve Connell were 10th and 11th in that event.

Jerger also captured the 100 yard freestyle with a time of 48.5.

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Bill Gest finished 10th in the 400 yard individual medley but set a new FSU mark with his time of 4:32.5. Mark Jenkins was fifth in the 1650 yard freestyle while FSU was third in the 400-yard medley relay.

Dennis Shiels' time on the last leg of the relay of 55.6 qualified him for national competition. Gest's fourth place finished in the 200 yard backstroke qualified him for th nationals. His time was 2:01.7.

Shiels was second in the 200 yard individual medley. His 2:00.7 clocking broke another school mark.

Mark Middleton tied for fourth in the 100-yard butterfly and was fifth in the 200-yard butterfly.

The Seminoles were second in the 400-yard freestyle relay and fourth in the 800-yard freestyle relay.

The FSU tankers' next action will be against Tulane on Mar.