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# Skier Olivia Giaccio Goes for Olympic Gold

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**When she isn't studying** for her master's degree at the Columbia School of Social Work, [Olivia Giaccio](#) '25CC is cruising down slopes, twisting around bumpy snow mounds, and flying through complex aerial tricks as a mogul skier. In 2022, Giaccio — whose last name derives from the Italian word for “ice” — finished sixth at the Beijing Olympics, and in 2024, she became the first woman to land the highly acrobatic “cork 1080” jump in a World Cup competition, an achievement that earned her a third World Cup win. This winter, the Utah resident has her eyes on the Italian

alps, where she is expected to compete for Olympic gold.

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