

AU ski teams compete at regionals; men's squad advances to nationals

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SEVEN SPRINGS, PA Junior Matt Seavey (Canandaigua/Canandaigua) claimed the individual title at the United State Collegiate Ski Association (USCSA) Mid-Atlantic Regional over the weekend, helping the Alfred University men's Alpine ski team advance to next month's national championships. Seavey won the giant slalom event Friday and placed fifth in the next day's slalom. As a team, AU placed sixth in the giant slalom and second in the slalom for an overall fourth-place finish. The top four of the 16 teams competing advance to the USCSA National Championships, March 3-8 in Lake Tahoe, CA. It marks the fifth straight trip to the nationals for the men's team. Sophomore Jared Mostue (Hopkinton, NH/Proctor Academy) was 15th in the overall individual standings after placing 19th in the giant slalom and ninth in the slalom. Freshman Ryan Fuller (Canandaigua/Canandaigua) was 34th in the giant slalom and 15th in the slalom to finish 24th in the individual combined standings. The women's team did not fare as well, finishing 10th in the giant slalom and 16th in the slalom to place 14th out of 16 teams competing. The top skier for AU was junior Kelly Farrell (Meriden, NH/Kimball Union Academy), who was seventh in the individual combined standings after finishing fourth in the slalom and 51st in the giant slalom. Sophomore Anna Rung (Colden/Springville) was 19th overall, with a team-best 13th place in the giant slalom.