

Four Saxons earn men's lacrosse all-conference honors from Empire 8

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ALFRED Four members of the Alfred University men's lacrosse team have been named all-stars by the Empire 8 athletic conference. Junior attack David Vail (Mt. Lakes, NJ/Mt. Lakes) and senior midfielder Steve Douglas (Horseheads/Horseheads) were named to the First Team, while junior attack Dylan Macro (Camillus/West Genesee) and junior midfielder Anthony Fiorelli (Endicott/Union-Endicott) were given honorable mention. Vail was second on the team in points with 56 on 26 goals and a team-leading 30 assists. He ranked second in the conference in points (4.00 per game) and third in assists (2.14 per game). After three years with the Saxons, he already ranks fifth in career assists (84) and points (162) and 12th in career goals (78). Vail was named an Empire 8 second team all-star in 2002. Douglas, a tenacious defender, led Alfred in groundballs with 93 (6.64 per game -- good for fifth in the conference) and was fifth on the team in goals (24) and points (30). Douglas was a Junior College All-American at Alfred State College before transferring to AU before the 2002 season. In two years, he scored 49 points (41G, 8A) and picked up 163 groundballs. Alfred's top faceoff man, Douglas won 58 percent of his draws. He was an honorable mention All-Empire 8 selection last season. Macro led the Saxons in points (58) and goals (32) and was second in assists (26). He led the conference in points (4.14 per game), was sixth in goals (2.29 per game) and seventh in assists (1.86 per game). Macro, a three-year starter at AU, ranks 11th in career goals with 82. He was an honorable mention All-Empire 8 selection last season. Fiorelli emerged as one of the Saxons' top scoring threats this season, scoring 29 goals (tied for second on the team) and 36 points (fourth on the team). His 2.07 goals per game average ranked ninth in the conference. Fiorelli was second on the team in groundballs with 65 and won 47 percent of his faceoffs. The Empire 8 is made up of Alfred University, Elmira College, Hartwick College, Ithaca College, Nazareth College, RIT, St. John Fisher College and Utica College.