

AU men's basketball team drops conference opener

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ALFRED, NY The Alfred University men's basketball team lost to Utica College, 90-68, at home Friday evening. The Saxons (1-11, 0-1 Empire 8) kept the game close in the first half and went into the locker room down by only 11. After the break, the Saxons started pushing the ball up the court to increase the tempo and brought the game to within seven a few times but could not close the gap. Leading the fight for AU was sophomore guard Chris Lemasters (Mansfield, PA/mansfield) who had 17 points and led all Saxon scorers. He also had three assists and grabbed two boards. The inside tandem of freshman forward Dillon Stein (N. Huntington, PA/Norwin) and junior forward Tate Williams (N. Clarendon, VT) once again combined to produce solid numbers. Stein had 14 points, five rebounds, and two blocks, while Williams had 11 points and five boards on the night. The Saxons are back in action tomorrow Jan. 10th when Hartwick College comes to visit the McLane Center at 4 p.m.