

## **AU outdoor track and field teams compete at Albany Spring Classic**

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ALBANY -- The Alfred University men's and women's outdoor track and field teams competed Friday and Saturday, May 7 and 8, at the University at Albany Spring Classic. The men's team placed ninth of 31 teams competing, while the AU women did not post a team score. Alfred's men's team had two event winners. Junior Stephen Robin (Foster, RI/Ponaganset) finished first in the pole vault (4.60 meters) and junior Ryan Bank (St. Johnsbury, VT/St. Johnsbury) won the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 9:41.00. Also turning in top-10 performances for the AU men were: junior Justin Kratz (Landsdale, PA/North Penn), second in the 3,000-meter steeplechase (9:51.55); junior Nate Corney (Walworth/Gananda), sixth in the 110-meter hurdles (16.26 seconds) and ninth in the 400-meter hurdles (59.42 seconds); senior Logan Quist-Chaffee (Allegany/Allegany-Limestone), seventh in the 1,500-meter run (4:10.33), and junior Casey Lesar (Mechanicville/Mechanicville), 10th in the triple jump (11.71 meters). The AU women's team's top performer was freshman Melissa Polakos (Marlboro, NJ/Marlboro), who placed 13th in the 100-meter hurdles (18.66 seconds) and 18th in the 800-meter run (2:43.62). Alfred's regular season has concluded. Robin has qualified to compete in the pole vault at the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) championships May 14 and 15 at Williams (MA) College. He is the defending ECAC outdoor champ in the pole vault.