

Stevens hands Saxons first conference defeat

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HOBOKEN, NJ The Alfred University men's basketball team fell to Stevens College, 78-53 in the conference opener for both teams Friday evening. Alfred (0-5, 0-1 Empire 8) shot just 24 percent from the floor (30 percent for the game) in the first half and found themselves trailing by 22 points at the break. The Saxons' shooting woes continued in the second half as they netted only 12 of 33 field goals (36 percent). Sophomore forward James Simermeyer (East Norwich, NY/ Long Island Lutheran) paced the Saxons offense scoring a game-high 19 points to go along with eight rebounds. Sophomore guard Jared Patt (Nelson, PA/Elkland) also scored in double digits finishing with 16 points. Stevens (5-0, 1-0 E8) had four players score in double figures with Virgil Gray leading the Ducks with 17 points. Waleed Farid chipped in with 12 points while George Greco and Tim Williams each finished with 11 points. Alfred is in action next on Tuesday, Dec. 4, when they host SUNY Geneseo at 8 p.m.