

## **AU men's soccer team seeded third for Empire 8 championship tournament**

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ALFRED, NY The Alfred University men's soccer team is seeded third in the four-team Empire 8 Conference championship tournament, scheduled for Nov. 3 and 6. Alfred (8-5-2, 3-2-0 Empire 8) will play at second-seeded St. John Fisher at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3. Either RIT or Nazareth, who play today, will earn the fourth and final seed and play at top-seeded Ithaca in the other Nov. 3 semifinal. The winners of the Nov. 3 games will meet in the conference tournament championship on Saturday, Nov. 6. The highest seeded team will host the championship. The AU-Fisher game will be a rematch of a regular season contest played at Alfred, in which St. John Fisher scored a goal with one second left in regulation to claim a 1-0 victory. The winner of the conference tournament wins an automatic bid to the NCAA Division III championships. Alfred used last year's conference tournament to secure a bid to the NCAAs. AU, the fourth seed in last year's Empire 8 tournament, knocked off top-seeded Ithaca and second-seeded Nazareth - both in penalty kick shootouts - to claim the conference crown. AU concludes its regular season this afternoon, when conference rival Elmira travels to Alfred for a 4 p.m. game.