

AU men's basketball team drops season finale to RIT

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ALFRED The Alfred University men's basketball team lost its season finale, 74-62, to RIT Saturday afternoon at the McLane Center. AU (3-22, 2-12 Empire 8) trailed by only five points at the half before being outscored by the visitors, 41-34, after intermission. RIT shot 56 percent from the field, while the Saxons made only 29 percent of their shots. AU kept the game close with t 83 percent shooting from the free-throw line. Freshman forward Dillon Stein (North Huntingdon, PA/Norwin) scored a game-high 18 points to lead AU, making 14 of 17 foul shots and pulling down a game-high 10 rebounds. Freshman forward Ryan Clemenson (Ovid/South Seneca) had 15 points and four rebounds, while sophomore forward Nick Andolina (Arkport/Arkport) and sophomore point guard Chris Lemasters (Mansfield, PA/Mansfield) added nine and eight points, respectively. Jesse Foote had 17 points and five rebounds to lead RIT (16-9, 11-3 Empire 8). Kyle Goff had nine points and five rebounds and Drew Martin eight points, four boards and four assists for the visitors. Alfred finished the season shooting 72.3 percent from the foul line, breaking the school single-season mark of 71.9 percent posted by the 1980-81 team.