

AU men's lacrosse comes up short against Hartwick, 9-8

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ONEONTA, NY - The Alfred University men's lacrosse team was defeated by host Hartwick, 9-8, Saturday afternoon in their season finale. Alfred (10-6, 2-6 Empire 8) trailed 6-3 at the half after being outshot 23-14. Hartwick's Harry Hughes struck first in the second half finding the back of the net with 10:32 left in the third quarter to increase the Hawks lead to 7-3. AU responded scoring three unanswered goals to pull within a goal (7-6) at the end of the third. The Saxons momentum carried over into the fourth quarter as junior attack Stefan Dabkowski (Latham, NY/Shaker (SUNY Delhi)) netted AU's fourth unanswered goal with 12:44 left to play to tie the game at 7-7. The game would remain knotted at 7-7 until 5:18 left to play, when Hartwick's Hughes scored a pair of goals from Dave Aitchison, to give the Hawks a 9-7 lead with 2:45 left to go. Senior attack Marc Zoyhofski (Blasdell, NY/Frontier) netted a goal with 1:18 remaining to pull AU within one (9-8), but it would be too late as the Hawks would run out the clock to earn the one goal victory. For the game, Hartwick outshot Alfred, 37-28 while Alfred led in groundballs, picking up 35 to Hartwick's 31, and winning 14 face-offs to the Hawk's four. Dabkowski paced the Saxons with two goals, and Zoyhofski finished with a goal, while dishing out a game-best three assists. Junior midfielder Jay Whyel (Markleysburg, PA/Mercersburg Academy) scored a goal and an assist, and sophomore defender Jake Spadoni (Webster, NY/Webster Schroder) (six groundballs), freshman Caleb McCaig (Corning, NY/Corning West (Mercyhurst)), and freshman midfielders Derek Green (Pittsburgh, PA/The Kiski School), and Mark Almquist (Buffalo, NY/Bishop Timon-St. Jude) each scored a goal. Freshman midfielder Tyler Brooks-Lambert (Seneca Castle, NY/Midlakes) went 13 of 17 on face-offs, while scooping up six groundballs. Hughes (four goals) and Aitchison (two goals, two assists) each recorded four points to lead Hartwick (8-8, 3-5 Empire 8). Junior goalie John Landi (Putnam Valley, NY/Putnam Valley) went the distance in goal for the Saxons stopping a career-high 13 shots, while Carl Lengel made seven saves in goal to earn the victory for the Hawks.