Alfred University cancels remainder of women s lacrosse season 4/12/05

ALFRED, NY Alfred University today canceled the remainder of its 2005 women's lacrosse season. The decision was made because of injuries that have depleted the team's roster. A starting lineup in women's lacrosse consists of 12 players, but injuries have forced the team to play throughout the year at a one-player disadvantage. Recent additional injuries would have left the team with as few as nine active players, meaning the team would have had to play two games this week Wednesday at home against RIT and Saturday at Hartwick at a disadvantage of at least two, and possibly three, players. "Nobody was comfortable playing more than one person down," said James Moretti, Alfred University athletic director. Aside from this week's contests, three road games scheduled for next week Monday at Medaille, Wednesday at Elmira and Thursday at Buffalo State also will not be played. According to Moretti, NCAA regulations state that any scheduled games remaining after a season has been canceled are considered "no contests," meaning it is as if they had not been scheduled. AU finishes the 2005 season with a record of 0-7 (0-4 in Empire 8 Conference play).