

Alfred University men's lacrosse team cracks top 20 in national poll

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ALFRED The Alfred University men's lacrosse team is 17th in the latest top 20 national rankings, released today by the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association (USILA). The Saxons (2-0, 0-0 Empire 8) entered the national rankings on the strength of their 14-13 win over then-No. 4 Ohio Wesleyan last week. It marks the first time AU has appeared in the USILA top 20 since the 2000 preseason poll. Alfred is one of four Empire 8 teams ranked in the top 20. Nazareth (2-1) is ranked seventh, Hartwick (3-0) is 10th and Ithaca (1-1) is 13th. Ohio Wesleyan (2-2) slipped to 11th in the rankings. Alfred plays Keuka College Tuesday, March 19, at 4 p.m. at home before hosting this weekend's annual Terrence O'Connor Tournament. In first-round action Saturday, the Saxons take on Brockport at noon, while Lycoming plays Clarkson at 2:30 p.m. Saturday's losers play in the consolation game Sunday at 11 a.m., with the winners squaring off for the championship at 2 p.m.