Ithaca handles AU women s lacrosse team 4/19/09



ALFRED, NY - The Alfred University women's lacrosse team dropped a 19-5 decision to visiting EmpIre 8 Conference foe Ithaca College Sunday afternoon at Merrill Field.Ithaca (6-7, 3-4 Empire 8) led 10-3 at the half and outscored AU 9-2 after intermission. The visiting Bombers outshot Alfred, 39-14, and held a 34-17 advantage in groundballs.Sophomore attack Michelle Adams (Horseheads, NY/Horseheads) scored four goals to lead Alfred (4-6, 1-6 Empire 8). Junior defender Lisa Button (Troupsburg, NY/Jasper-Troupsburg) also had a goal, and sophomore midfielder Jennifer Omilanowicz (Mexico, NY/Mexico), junior attack Abbey Schaffnit (Bemus Point, NY/Maple Grove) and junior defender Emily Steen (South Pasadena, CA/Purnell) each had an assist.Lauren Fitzgerald had a game-high five goals to lead Ithaca. Emily Finn and Kylie McClure each had three goals and an assist.Sophomore Kate Baughman (Rush, NY/Rush-Henrietta) went the distance in goal for AU, making 13 saves. Starting goalie Courtney Dowell, along with Leah Page and Heidi Puccio, combined to make five saves in net for Ithaca.Alfred wraps up its season next Sunday, April 26, at 1 p.m. at home against Stevens.