

Saxons ♦ Netta, Hampton named to Empire 8 all-tournament team

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ITHACA, NY - Two members of the Alfred University softball team have been named to the Empire 8 Conference championship all-tournament team. AU senior outfielder Angela Netta (Rahway, NJ/Mother Seton Regional) and freshman outfielder Alyson Hampton (Oxnard, CA/Oxnard) were named to the all-tournament team. The Saxons won one game and lost two in the double-elimination tournament, won by top seed and host Ithaca College. Netta batted .444 (4-for-9) with two doubles, a run scored and an RBI in the three games. Hampton batted .500 (4-for-8) with a run scored and two stolen bases. The Saxons opened with a loss to Ithaca on Friday, then beat third-seeded Stevens later that afternoon before falling to second-seeded St. John Fisher in an elimination game Saturday morning. Ithaca split two games with Fisher Sunday, dropping the first game, 2-1, before beating the Cardinals, 2-0, in a winner-take-all championship tilt and earning the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA Division III championship tournament, which begins next weekend. Alfred finished its season with a 27-14 record. The Saxons' 27 wins are tied with the 2009 team for the second-most in a season in team history, behind only the 37 the team won in 2010, when AU played in the NCAA tournament.