

## **Saxons place three on ECAC Northwest Region all-star football team**

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ALFRED, NY Three members of the Alfred University football team have been named Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Northwest Region All-Stars, the ECAC announced today. Senior defensive tackle Don Miller (LeRoy, NY/LeRoy), sophomore tailback Vinson Hendrix (Rochester, NY/East) and senior center Mike Callahan (Scotia, NY/Scotia-Glenville) were among those honored by the ECAC. Miller had 68 tackles this year, including 8.5 for loss and 2.5 sacks, and also defended two passes and blocked a kick. He also ran for six touchdowns and finished his career with 11 rushing TDs. An American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) First Team All-American as a junior in 2006 and again as a senior this year, he was also named a First Team Empire 8 and D3football.com all-star this season. A four-time Empire 8 all-star, Miller will leave Alfred with 222 career tackles, including 25 for loss and 10.5 sacks. Hendrix ran 1,406 yards (a school single-season record) and 12 touchdowns and also caught 32 passes for 326 yards and a pair of scores. He ranked 13th in the nation in rushing yards, 15th in rush yards per game (127.8), and 19th in all-purpose yard per game (159.9). A First Team Empire 8 Conference and D3football.com all-star, his eight games with at least 100 yards on the ground tied an AU single-season record. Callahan was First Team Empire 8 Conference all-star this season after anchoring a line that helped the Saxons produce 453 yards of offense per game (274 passing, 179 rushing) while allowing only 12 quarterback sacks in 11 games. A three-year starting center, Callahan earned Second Team all-Empire 8 honors as a junior in 2006. Alfred finished the 2007 season with an 8-3 record, capped with a 49-14 victory over Rochester in the ECAC Northwest Bowl Championship. It was the fourth straight year in which the Saxons won a season-ending ECAC championship. Miller and Callahan are among a group of seniors who were on teams that went a combined 33-11 from 2004-07. The 33 victories are the most ever for a four-year period at AU.