Lady Saxons fall to Utica College

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ALFRED The Alfred University women's lacrosse team dropped a home contest, 14-5, against Empire 8 competitor Utica College, Saturday afternoon on Merrill Field. The Lady Saxons (3-6, 0-4 Empire 8) managed to rally back and forth throughout the majority of the first half, but could not keep up with Utica's offense as they pulled away giving the Lady Pioneers a 7-3 halftime cushion. Fighting against harsh weather conditions, Utica continued to widen the gap in the second half securing their victory.AU's offensive efforts were led by senior attack Katie Sedgwick (Manlius/Fayetteville-Manlius), who scored three goals. Junior attack Kelly Farrell (Meriden, NH/Kimball Union Academy) tallied one goal and one assist, while junior midfielder Katie Ratchuk (Buffalo/Mt. Mercy) was credited with Alfred's final goal of the night.Junior goaltender Jessica Dunster (Auburn/Auburn) played 54 minutes in goal collecting nine saves for the Lady Saxons. Senior reserve Anora Burwell (Rochester/School of Arts) tended the nets for six minutes stopping three shots.Leading the scoring for Utica (2-4, 1-3 Empire 8) was junior attack Kat Glynn (Norwood, MA/Norwood) who tallied four goals. Junior attack Kristy Patchett (Central Square/Paul V. Moore) and freshman attack Jennifer Munisteri (Merrick/St. Dominic) each netted three goals apiece adding to the Lady Pioneers' winning effort. Freshman goaltender Megan Pawlowski (Schenectady/Guilderland) went the distance in goal blocking 16 shots for Utica.The Lady Saxons will next host SUNY Geneseo Monday, April 7th at 4 p.m. on Merrill Field.