

Alfred University's Brady named First Team All-American by Football Gazette

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ALFRED, NY Brenton Brady (Rochester, NY/Marshall), a senior linebacker who recently wrapped up a stellar career on the Alfred University gridiron, has been named a Football Gazette Division III First Team All-American. Brady was among six AU players named who had previously been included on Football Gazette East Region all-star teams, which are named by Don Hansen's Weekly Football Gazette, a leading on-line site covering college football. Brady, who was named an American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) Division III All-American, finished the 2005 season with a team-high 98 tackles (61 solo, 12.5 tackles for loss and six sacks) to go with four forced fumbles (tops in the Empire 8 and 21st in the nation among Division III players) and an interception. This season marked the third straight year that Brady who converted from tailback to linebacker after his freshman season notched at least 90 tackles. The Football Gazette All-American citation is among several honors Brady has had in his career at AU. He was a First Team Football Gazette East Region All-Star and Linebacker of the Year and was named a First Team Empire 8 All-Star for a third straight year (he was the conference's Player of the Year as a junior in 2004). He is also a three-time First Team ECAC Northwest Region All-Star (2003-05) and was the ECAC Northwest Region Player of the Year in 2004. He played in the Aztec Bowl Dec. 17 in Toluca, Mexico, which pitted a team of Division III all-stars against collegiate all-stars from Mexico. He had four tackles (two solo, one for loss) as the U.S. team won, 53-15. Alfred finished its 2005 season with a 9-2 record, its best in 16 years, capped by a 63-20 win over Maine Maritime in the ECAC North Atlantic Bowl Championship.