

AU men's swimming and diving team holding on to second place at state meet

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SYRACUSE The Alfred University men's swimming and diving team remained in second place after the second day of competition at the New York State Division III swimming and diving championships on Friday. The three-day meet is being held at Nottingham High School in Syracuse and will conclude tomorrow, March 2. Alfred's total point accumulation for the meet thus far is 768 points, while two-day leader Ithaca College has produced 867.50 points. Union College continues to hold on to third place with 674 total points. Highlighting AU's individual performers was senior Patrick Kerwin (Canandaigua/Canandaigua), who claimed first place in the 100 backstroke with a time of 51.61, earning him a NCAA "B" cut qualifying time. Freshman Kevin Martin (Conesus/Livonia) also had an impressive showing, placing second in the 100 butterfly with a time of 52.26. Other top performers for AU included sophomore Mike Dube (Williamsburg, VA/Lafayette), who finished fourth in the 400 IM (4:20.38) and seventh in the 100 backstroke (55.75), and sophomore Matt Weems (Arlington, VA/Washington & Lee), who placed fourth in the 200 freestyle with a NCAA "B" cut qualifying time of 1:43.51. AU also secured a first place finish with the 200 medley relay team of sophomore Brendan Miller (Auburn/Auburn), junior Carl Schwarting (Weedsport/Weedsport), Kerwin, and Martin. The team recorded a time of 1:35.04, edging out meet leader Ithaca College and earning a NCAA "B" cut qualifying time. The AU men's team will look to gain ground on Ithaca College when it wraps up competition tomorrow, March 2.