

## Three earn men's swimming honors

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Three members of the Alfred University men's swimming and diving team have been named Empire 8 Conference all-stars.

The Empire 8 announced its all-conference teams Wednesday and a trio of Saxons, all seniors, earned recognition. **David Luke (Ocala, FL/West Port)** earned First Team honors in the 50-yard freestyle; **David Coombes (Dansville, NY/Dansville)** earned Second Team recognition in the 100-yard freestyle and 200-yard freestyle; and **Zac Toth (Lockport, NY/Starpont)** is a Second Team all-star in the 200-yard individual medley.

Luke was runner-up at the Upper New York State Collegiate Swimming Association (UNYSCSA)/Empire 8 championships in the 50-yard free, finishing in 20.55 seconds. He swam a 20.45 50 free leading off the Saxons' 200-yard freestyle relay, which earned him the 12<sup>th</sup> seed in next month's NCAA Division III championships in Shenandoah, TX.

Coombes swam a 45.44 second 100 free and a 1:41.05 200 free at the UNYSCSA meet, both the second-fastest time among E8 swimmers. He also placed second in both races among all UNYSCSA participants. His 100 free time met NCAA "B" cut qualifying standards.

Toth turned in a time of 1:54.34 in the 200 IM, which was second among Empire 8 swimmers and third among all swimmers at the UNYSCSA championships.

The E8 uses results from the UNYSCSA/Empire 8 championship meet to determine conference all-stars. Results turned in by Empire 8 teams at the meet, held last week in Webster, NY, are used to determine conference team and individual champions. Individual all-conference recognition is given to the top E8 athlete in each event (First Team) and runners-up (Second Team). [Complete 2014-15 Empire 8 All-Conference Teams](#)

Each season, the Empire 8 honors students-athletes from each conference school who play on teams sponsored by the conference, with Sportsperson of the Year awards. Honorees, chosen by their coaches, exhibited outstanding sportsmanship in keeping with the conference's mission of "competing with honor and integrity." Luke is Alfred University's honoree from the men's swimming and diving team.