

Five AU softball players named NFCA Northeast Region all-stars

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ALFRED, NY Five members of the Alfred University softball team have been named National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) Northeast Region all-stars. Junior third baseman Jesika LeBarron (Campbell, NY/Corning West) and junior centerfielder Jessica Figallo (Ridgewood, NJ/Ridgewood) were each named to the Northeast Region First Team; junior second baseman Karen Folts (Penn Yan, NY/Penn Yan) and junior shortstop Samantha Rollins (Hornell, NY/Hornell) were named to the Second Team; and sophomore designated player Madison Snyder (Medford, NY/Patchogue-Medford) was named to the Third Team. LeBarron has enjoyed a record-breaking season for the Saxons. She is currently batting a team-best .461 with 31 runs scored, a slugging percentage of .817 and an on-base percentage of .484. Her 54 RBIs and 53 hits are new school single-season records and her 12 doubles tied a school single-season mark. She has nine homeruns this year (second on the team), giving her 18 for her career, a school record. She also holds career records for hits and RBIs and ranks second in the nation in RBIs per game (1.59). LeBarron, who earned NFCA Northeast Region Third Team honors last year, was named a Second Team Empire 8 Conference all-star earlier this week. Figallo is also a repeat selection to the NFCA Northeast Region all-star teams, having been named to the Third Team last year. A First Team Empire 8 all-star this season, she ranks second on the team in batting (.458) and leads the team with a .495 on-base percentage. Figallo has 10 stolen bases (tops on the team) in 14 attempts and has 44 hits (second on the team), 27 runs scored and 12 RBIs. Folts, a first-time NFCA All-Region selection, was named the Empire 8 Conference's Co-Player of the Year and a First Team conference all-star. She is one of the top sluggers in the country, ranking 15th in Division III in slugging percentage (.891) and ninth in homeruns per game (0.33). She is batting .416 with 30 runs, 42 hits and 39 RBIs. Her 11 homeruns are a new school single-season record and earlier this season she set new AU single-game records for homeruns (3) and RBIs (8). Her 11 doubles rank second on the team. A shortstop her first two seasons at Alfred, she turned in a .936 fielding percentage this season, her first at second base. Rollins earned Empire 8 honorable mention in her first season at AU after transferring from Monroe Community College, The former two-time Junior College All-American and 2008 Junior College Player of the Year batted .415 for the Saxons this year, driving in 28 runs and scoring 29. She hit 11 doubles (tied for second on the team) and four homeruns (third on the team). Snyder, in her first season as a regular starter, is hitting .370 with 30 hits (six doubles, two homeruns), 20 runs scored and 14 driven in. She was named an Empire 8 Conference First Team all-star earlier this week. The Saxons (25-9) are seeded third in this week's Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Upstate championship tournament and will host sixth-seeded Medaille at 7 p.m. Wednesday (May 6) at Hornell High School. If the Saxons beat Medaille, they advance to double-elimination semifinal play Saturday at Union College. Union is the top seed in the tournament and Brockport is seeded second. Fourth-seeded RPI hosts fifth-seeded Elmira in Wednesday's other play-in game.