

Alfred University women's soccer announces 2002 schedule

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ALFRED The Alfred University women's soccer team went through some growing pains last year, as first-year head coach Jaime McLaughlin and a group of young players struggled to a 3-11-1 record. While AU lost three key defenders and its starting goalie to graduation, the team's top scorers all return. With a year of experience under their belts, the Lady Saxons, joined this year by a group of promising new recruits, are poised to improve upon last season. Alfred recently announced its 17-game 2002 schedule, which begins Sept. 3 at Daeman College and ends on Oct. 29 at Brockport. The Lady Saxons' schedule is challenging, and includes a full Empire 8 conference slate. AU hosts conference contests against Ithaca, Elmira and Utica and travels to RIT, St. John Fisher, Hartwick and Nazareth. Alfred will try to improve on its conference record of a year ago, when the squad went 1-6-0, with the lone Empire victory coming in the season finale at Utica. Alfred's non-conference slate includes home games against Geneseo, Roberts Wesleyan, Washington College, Wells, and Pitt-Bradford and road contests against Daeman, New York University, Fredonia, Hilbert and Brockport. Following is the Alfred University 2002 women's soccer schedule:

9/3 at Daeman 4 p.m.
9/7 at New York University Noon
9/11 Geneseo 4 p.m.
9/14 at RIT* Noon
9/17 Roberts Wesleyan 4 p.m.
9/19 at St. John Fisher* 7 p.m.
9/21 at Hartwick* 2 p.m.
9/24 Ithaca* 7 p.m.
9/28 Washington College 7 p.m.
10/2 Wells 4 p.m.
10/8 at Fredonia 4 p.m.
10/10 at Hilbert 4 p.m.
10/12 Elmira* 1 p.m.
10/18 at Nazareth* 4 p.m.
10/23 Pitt-Bradford 3 p.m.
10/26 Utica* Noon
10/29 at Brockport 3 p.m.
* Empire 8 conference game