

Four from AU men's indoor track and field team earn Empire 8 honors

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ROCHESTER, NY - Four members of the Alfred University men's indoor track and field team were named Empire 8 all-stars, the conference announced this week. Conference all-stars were determined using results turned in by Empire 8 athletes at last weekend's New York State Collegiate Track Conference championship meet, held in Rochester. Junior Fontana Fluke (Shaftsbury, VT/Mt. Anthony Union) and freshman Ryan Squillacioti (Smithtown, NY/Hauppauge) were named First Team all-stars, while senior Rich Coyne (Scarborough, ME/Scarborough) and sophomore Doug Fertig (Marlboro, NJ/Marlboro) were named to the Second Team. Fluke was the top conference performer in the 3,000-meter run, finishing second overall with an Empire 8 record time of 8:44.97. Squillacioti was the Empire 8 champ in the shot put with his conference record toss of 13.43 meters. Coyne earned conference honors for his performance in the 200-meter dash (23.68 seconds), while Fertig earned recognition in the pole vault (4.26 meters). Fertig and Fluke each qualified to compete in this weekend's ECAC championship meet at Ursinus College in Collegeville, PA.