

AU men's and women's track teams compete in state indoor meet

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ROCHESTER, NY - The Alfred University men's and women's indoor track and field teams competed over the weekend at the New York State Collegiate Track Conference (NYSCTC) championship meet, hosted by Rochester Institute of Technology. The AU men's team placed 12th while the Saxon women's team did not score. Sophomore Fontana Fluke (Shaftsbury, VT/Mt. Anthony Union) led the AU men's team with a second-place finish in the 3,000-meter run with an ECAC-qualifying time of 8:44.97. He won First Team Empire 8 Conference honors and broke his own conference record by nearly 15 seconds. Sophomore Doug Fertig (Marlboro, NJ/Marlboro) was sixth in the pole vault (ECAC-qualifying 4.26 meters). Fertig earned Second Team Empire 8 honors. Other top performers for the AU men were senior Rich Coyne (Scarborough, ME/Scarborough), 13th in the 200-meter dash (23.68 seconds) and senior Andy Crawford (Canandaigua, NY/Canandaigua), 14th in the 1,000-meter run (2:39.29). The team of Crawford, sophomore Devon Smith (Hornell, NY/Hornell), sophomore Erik Jezak (Orchard Park, NY/Hamburg) and senior Jeff Norton (Buffalo, NY/St. Francis) were 10th in the 3,200-meter relay. The top women's performers for AU were junior Kristen Egan (Robesonia, PA/Conrad Weiser), 11th in the mile run (5:35.47), and junior Kate Ciccone (Brooktondale, NY/Ithaca), 15th in the 1,000-meter run (3:15.64). Ciccone, Egan, sophomore Kaitlin Sherin (Maybrook, NY/Valley Central) and sophomore Hannah Wilson (Arlington, MA/Arlington) was 10th in the 4-by-800 medley relay (10:24.62), while Ciccone, freshman Alissa Faber (Delanson, NY/Duanesburg), Sherin and Egan finished 11th in the distance medley relay (13:19.02).