

Alfred University places two on ECAC All-Northwest Region football team

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ALFRED -- The Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) today named Alfred University's Jesse Raynor (Weedsport/Weedsport) and Brenton Brady (Rochester/Marshall) First Team Northwest Region football all-stars. The Northwest Region is made up of Division III teams from Upstate New York. Raynor, a senior tailback, rushed for 1,184 yards and 11 touchdowns on his way to breaking the University's career rushing record. He will leave AU holding more than a dozen major rushing and scoring marks. He was also the Saxons' top kick returner, averaging 22.5 yards per return; its placekicker and punter, making six field goals and 16 extra points while averaging 37.5 yards per punt; and a starting cornerback, making 16 tackles (11 solo) and breaking up four passes. Raynor had previously been named to the Football Gazette All-East Region Third Team. He is the 2003 Empire 8 Conference Player of the Year and is a member of the All-Empire 8 First Team as a running back and Second Team as a punter. He was named the United States' MVP in the Aztec Bowl, played Dec. 13 in Cancun, Mexico, in which he scored a touchdown and kicked a field goal and four extra points. Brady, a sophomore linebacker, was the Saxons' leading tackler. A converted running back, this was his first year playing defense at the college level. He finished the year with 91 tackles (including a team-leading 65 solo stops and eight tackles for loss). He also had two sacks and a team-high three forced fumbles. Brady was named a member of the All-Empire 8 First Team for defense.