

## AU men's lacrosse team picks up first E8 victory of the season

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ELMIRA, NY-The Alfred University men's lacrosse team netted 10 goals in the third quarter, en route to a 18-9 victory over hosts Elmira College, Saturday afternoon in Empire 8 Conference play. Each team netted two goals in the first quarter and AU outscored the Soaring Eagles 5-4 in the second quarter to claim a 7-6 advantage at the half. In the third quarter the Saxons offense emerged scoring 10 goals including three from senior attackman Stefan Dabkowski (Latham, NY/Shaker (SUNY Delhi)), while holding Elmira to just two scores. Each would tally a goal in the fourth quarter to close out the scoring. For the game, the Saxons finished with 49 shots to the Soaring Eagles 32 and held a 37-34 advantage in groundballs. AU finished 20 of 31 on face-offs. Sophomore midfielder Brendan Sullivan (Stafford, VA/North Stafford/The Kiski School) (three goals, three assists) and Dabkowski (five goals, one assist) each finished with a game-high six points to lead Alfred (4-9, 1-4 Empire 8). Junior midfielder Dave Malave (Shoreham, NY/Shoreham-Wading River) had three goals and one assist and freshman attackman Nicolas Wood (Canandaigua, NY/Canandaigua) scored a career-high four goals. Junior defensive midfielder Matt Hodnik (Binghamton, NY/Binghamton) dished out a pair of assists and senior midfielders Brendan Murphy (Buffalo, NY/Bishop Timon-St. Jude) and Jay Whyel (Markleysburg, PA/Mercersburg Academy) each had a goal. Junior midfielder Matt Zon (Buffalo, NY/Sweet Home) recorded a goal and an assist, while finishing 13 of 21 on face-offs and picking up a game-best seven groundballs. Freshman Cody O'Connor (Whitney Point, NY/Whitney Point) started in goal for the Saxons and made eight saves in 45 minutes of work. Junior Theo Tomczak (Elba, NY/Elba) played 10:58 in net making one save and junior Justin Becker (Conesus, NY/Livonia) played the remaining 4:02 and was not called upon to make a save. TJ White (three goals, one assist) and David Evert (two goals and two assists) each registered four points to pace Elmira (3-6, 0-3 Empire 8). Mike Knowlton played all 60 minutes in goal for the Soaring Eagles and made six saves. AU returns to action Saturday, April 21, at 1 p.m., as they take on visiting St. John Fisher.