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MEN FIFTH, WOMEN SEVENTH AT MAC CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Mid-American Conference Men's and Women's Track and Field Championships concluded with the UB men finishing in fifth place in the overall standings with 89 points while the UB women took seventh in their field scoring 61 points, a point and a half shy of sixth-place Ball State's 62.50. Homestanding Akron won both the men's and women's titles.

HILL WINS MAC LONG JUMP TITLE

Senior **Fatimah Hill (Waterport, NY/Lyndonville)** won the 2009 MAC women's long jump crown, her first-ever MAC title, as she took the event with a leap of 19-9.75 (6.04m) to win by more than five inches over second-place finisher Ashley Hunault of Western Michigan. Hill, who has already qualified for this month's NCAA East Regional Championships, was the only individual to clear six meters. She also finished sixth in the triple jump at 38-11 (11.86m).

MADONIA HIGHLIGHTS MEN'S COMPETITION

Men's shot putter **Jake Madonia (Rome, NY/Rome Free Academy)** earned an NCAA East Regional qualification distance with his second-place finish. Madonia posted a throw of 55-1.50 (16.80m), just meeting the minimum distance. The throw was a season-best for Madonia as he added almost five inches to his top mark. It will be Madonia's second trip to the regional championships.

GODIN FINISHES SECOND IN HEPTATHLON

Senior **Caitlin Godin (Rochester, NY/Greece Arcadia)** finished second in the women's heptathlon, just missing the school record in the seven-event competition. Godin finished with 5,096 points, 20 points off of Patrice Coney's 2007 mark when Coney won the MAC title. Diana Dumitrescu of Kent State won the competition with 5,429 points. Godin's top finish among the seven events was a second-place tie in the high jump at 5-7.25 (1.71m). She also helped the women's 4x400-meter relay to a third-place finish in a season-best time of 3:48.07.

MEN'S RELAYERS BREAK SCHOOL RECORD

The UB men had a record breaking performance in the 4x100-meter relay finals as the foursome of **Dan Schichtel (Eden, NY/Eden)**, **Ezekiel Porter (Rochester, NY/East)**, **Dan Harris (Rochester, NY/Eastridge)** and **Brian Smith (North Tonawanda, NY/Nichols)** finished in second place in 40.46 seconds, lowering the school record of 40.62, set earlier in the season. The time also lowered the NCAA East Regional qualifying mark for the event. Harris also posted a second-place individual finish in the men's 100-meters in a season-best 10.56, two-hundredths of a second off the school record. Schichtel, the UB record holder in the event, was seventh in 10.87.

CONNORS LEADS MEN'S HURLERS

Also picking up a second-place finish for the UB men was **John Connors (Grand Island, NY/Grand Island)**. Connors turned in a season-best time of 52.70 in the 400-meter hurdles as the Bulls scored three individuals in the race. **James Thurn (Cicero, NY/Central Square)** was sixth in 54.50 and **Brendan Hagerty (Erie, PA/Cathedral Prep)** was eighth in 55.25.

2009 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

March 13-14	at Seahawk Invitational	M: 2nd of 7	W: 2nd of 6
March 27-28	at Raleigh Relays	M: NTS	W: NTS
April 3-4	at Colonial Relays	M: 8th of 24	W: 4th of 23
April 10-11	at Northeast Ohio Invitational	M: 3rd of 5	W: 2nd of 5
April 18	UB INVITATIONAL	M: NTS	W: NTS
April 24-25	at Penn Relays	M: NTS	W: NTS
April 24-25	at Gina Relays	M: NTS	W: NTS
May 2	at Cornell Outdoor Invitational	M: NTS	W: NTS
May 8-9	at Campbell/Wright Open	M: NTS	W: NTS
May 14-16	at MAC Championships	M: 5th of 6	W: 7th of 12
May 29-30	at NCAA East Regional Championships		All Day
June 9-13	at NCAA Championships		All Day

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MEN'S NCAA EAST REGIONAL QUALIFIERS

Matt Gac (hammer) 191-7/58.40m
Casey Garbaty (javelin) 209-9/63.93m
Jake Madonia (SP) 55-1.50/16.80m
Dan Schichtel (100m) 10.54
Brian Smith (200m) 21.13
4x100m relay (Schichtel, Porter, Harris, Smith) 40.46

WOMEN'S NCAA EAST REGIONAL QUALIFIERS

Lataya Dixon (100h) 13.77
Fatimah Hill (LJ) 20-3/6.17m
Fatimah Hill (TJ) 41-2.25/12.55m
Tiffany Maskulinski (PV) 12-7.50/3.85m
Tina Villa (SP) 48-0/14.63m
Kristy Woods (SP) 50-0.75/15.26m