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<u>IOWA BASEBALL</u> HAWKEYES FALL TO SMS, 8-6

SPRINGFIELD, MO - The University of Iowa baseball team lost game two of a three-game series at Southwest Missouri State Saturday, 8-6. The Hawkeyes (1-3) and Bears (3-6) will finish the series tomorrow at 1 p.m.

The Hawkeyes led 6-5 heading into the bottom of the fifth, when the Bears loaded the bases off Iowa relief pitcher **Travis Sweet** and got a two-run double off the bat of Matt Weglarz. The Southwest Missouri State pitching staff dug in after that, allowing just a ninth-inning single the rest of the way.

Offensively, leadoff man **L.J. Mims** led the way by going 2-of-5 with two RBIs and a run scored. **Andy Lytle** was also 2-for-5.

Iowa took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first on a sacrifice fly from **Kris Welker**, but SMS responded with a pair of runs in the bottom of the inning to take a 2-1 lead.

Each team scored two runs in the second inning, and a bases loaded hit batsman in the bottom of the fourth gave the Bears a 5-3 advantage.

The Hawkeyes stormed back in the top of the sixth, leading off with a pair of walks before Mims ripped a two-run single to right-center to tie the game at 5-5. Iowa then loaded the bases for Welker, who was hit by a pitch to give the Hawkeyes a 6-5 lead.

Junior **Tim Gudex** started the game on the hill for Iowa and allowed five runs on five hits before giving way to Sweet in the third.

GAME SUMMARY

IOWA	120	300	000	 6	6	0
SMS	220	200	01x	 8	9	1

WP – Jake Bunten (2-0) LP – **Travis Sweet** (0-1) SV – D.J. Roshone (1)

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