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IOWA BASEBALL

HAWKEYES DROP SERIES OPENER TO NORTHWESTERN, 6-5

EVANSTON, IL - The University of Iowa baseball team fell to Northwestern, 6-5, in the series opener Friday afternoon at Rocky Miller Park. Iowa dropped to 18-20 on the year and 11-6 in Big Ten play.

Nate Price, Andy Cox and **Jason White** led the way offensively for Iowa. Price was 2-5 with a triple, one run scored and two RBI. Cox went 3-4 at the plate and scored one run, while White was 2-4 with two RBI.

The Hawkeyes took an early 1-0 lead in the first inning as **Skyler Moss** recorded an RBI groundout that scored Price, who had reached on a triple. Northwestern responded with three runs in the bottom half of the inning, but Iowa chipped away at the lead, plating one run in the second on a White RBI single through the right side.

Northwestern added to their lead in the fifth, plating three runs off Hawkeye starter **Luke O'Loughlin**. Iowa scored one run in the seventh on another RBI single from White, and two in the ninth on a Price double to right center, but couldn't complete the comeback, falling 6-5.

O'Loughlin pitched five innings for Iowa, giving up six runs off eight hits. Hawkeye reliever **Scott Brune** shut down the Wildcat offense, pitching three scoreless innings.

The Hawkeyes will take on Northwestern in a doubleheader Saturday afternoon. First pitch is slated for 1 p.m. at Rocky Miller Park.

GAME SUMMARY

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Northwestern 300 030 00x – 6 9 0

WP – Evan Blesoff (4-4)

LP – **Luke O'Loughlin (1-3)**

