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UIS men make it two out of three after win over Hawks

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The University of Illinois Springfield men's basketball team picked up its second win in three contests with a 97-74 victory over the Rockhurst Hawks in a Great Lakes Valley Conference game Saturday at The Recreation and Athletic Center.

UIS (6-12 overall, 2-9 in the GLVC) and Rockhurst (5-14, 3-8) traded baskets for the first nine minutes of the first half. Down 20-18 with 12 minutes remaining, UIS put together a 24-6 run and took a 41-26 lead at the 4:10 mark. The Prairie Stars were ahead 53-35 at halftime.

Junior guard Lester Hart led UIS with 26 points on 10-of-13 shooting from the field. He finished with six 3-pointers and three rebounds. Jermaine Love-Roberts and freshman Brandon Snowden scored 14 points apiece for the Stars.

Najja Nicholson led the Hawks with 16 points.

The Stars' next contest is against Bellarmine, the No. 2 team in the NABC/NCAA Division II national poll, in a GLVC game Tuesday at Louisville, Ky.

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