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Soccer Picks Up School-Record 14th Win At MCC Tournament

Flames advance to meet Wisconsin-Green Bay.

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The University of Illinois at Chicago soccer team cruised past Cleveland State University, 6-0, in the quarterfinals of the Midwestern Collegiate Conference Tournament Thursday evening. The #1 seeded Flames will meet #5 Wisconsin-Green Bay, who knocked out Loyola, 6-0, tonight at 8:00 p.m. (EST) in the MCC semifinals.

The win improved the Flames' record to 14-3 for the year, which establishes a new school record for victories in a single season. UIC recorded back-to-back 13-win seasons in 1997 and 1998 for the old record.

In the win on Thursday, UIC got a pair of goals from reserve Ranko Tutuludgzija (Cypress, Calif./Cypress), but the game-winning goal came from defenseman Jay DeMerit (Green Bay, Wis./Bay Port), who chipped his shot past CSU goalkeeper Geoff Mauch in the 20th minute of the first half. The Flames also got goals from Ryan Lindgren (St. Charles, Ill./St. Charles), Eric Lukin (Orland Park, Ill./Sandburg) and Maciek Gadziala (Chicago, Ill./Foreman).

For Lukin, his goal against Cleveland State moved him just to just two points away from becoming the UIC all-time leading scorer. The junior has accumulated 32 goals and 22 assists for 86 points and could pass Eugenio Raso, who tallied 87 points during his four-year career, with a goal against Wisconsin-Green Bay tonight.

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