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## Flames Pick Up First League Win versus Cleveland State, 68-66

Junior Krystal Hugelier grabbed a season-high 21 points

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**Chicago, Ill.**-UIC guard [Krystal Hugelier](#) paced the Flames, shooting 62.5 percent from behind the arc and 72 percent from the field to help UIC to a 68-66 victory over the Cleveland State Vikings on Thursday night at the Pavilion.

With 21 points, Hugelier picked up a season-high versus CSU. Junior [Nicole Rinaldi](#) and senior [Chrissy Dizon](#) chipped in nine points apiece and Dizon added five steals in the win.

Four CSU players scored in double-figures with Brittany Korth leading the Vikings with 16 points and nine boards.

Rinaldi knocked down two points to set the tone for the Flames in the first half. After Cleveland State tied the game at 9-9, UIC's Hugelier hit two consecutive three pointers to give the Flames an 11-point lead at the seven-minute mark.

Eight more points in four minutes extended the Flames advantage, but Cleveland State knocked down six unanswered points to trail 37-26 at halftime.

Shooting 55.6 percent from the field in the second half, CSU quickly chipped away at UIC's cushion. On a three-point play by the Vikings, CSU grabbed a 48-47 lead with 9:32 on the clock, but Hugelier responded with her third trey on the night.

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Pacing the Flames with 21 points, Krystal Hugelier picked up a season-high

With the game tied at 66-66 with close to a minute left in regulation, Rinaldi hit a crucial jumper to give UIC its first league win against Cleveland State, 68-66.

"We are extremely proud how the team hung together and overcame Cleveland State's comeback in the second half," said head coach Lisa Rychbosch. "Looking ahead, we have to play hard and consistent for 40 minutes and bring our best game versus Butler on Saturday."

This win moves the Flames to 5-8 overall and 1-1 in league action. UIC travels to Indianapolis for a Saturday matinee versus the Butler Bulldogs at 2 pm on January 7th.

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