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Blue Raiders Round Out Play at ITA All-America Rocafort falls in the opening round of qualifying play.

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TULSA, Okla. - Sophomore **Marc Rocafort** fell in the first round of qualifying at the 2007 Polo Ralph Lauren/ITA All-America Championships.

Rocafort lost his match with Kriegler Bring of Texas Christian University 6-3, 6-3.


"He actually hit the ball pretty well but is struggling with his confidence. He could really do with an easy match but due to his ranking that is not going to happen," head coach David McNamara said. "Every match at this level is tough and if you do not play well then you will have a hard time trying to win. On a positive note, his ball striking was probably the best it has been. Marc fought hard; he played his heart out but could not get the job done. Marc is very close to turning the page."

There are no more players from Middle Tennessee competing in the Polo Ralph Lauren/ ITA All-America Championships but the Blue Raiders will have a few days to practice and regroup before competing again this weekend.

"It seems that we are struggling for a bit of confidence at the moment. These guys are playing good competition and are just struggling with getting over the hump. It's not that they are playing that bad it is just they are having a hard time finding a way to win," McNamara said. "They could do with a few easy matches but unfortunately that is not going to happen. They need to keep working hard on and off the tennis court and the wins will come."

The Blue Raiders will be back in action on Oct. 5-7 as they travels to Atlanta, Ga., to compete in the Georgia Tech Invitational.



Sophomore Marc Rocafort (MT Athletics) 

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