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YPSILANTI, Mich. (EMUEagles.com) -- With the 2014 Eastern Michigan University softball season underway, senior Amanda Stanton (Homer Glen, Ill.-Lockport Township) joins Eagle All-Access for the first softball edition of "Getting to Know an Eagle."

Stanton is the only constant starter in the EMU defense after losing four senior starters from the 2013 campaign. The shortstop’s .321 batting average ranked third on the team last year as she had 45 hits and a team-best eight home runs. The senior infielder led EMU in eight offensive categories and ranked in the top five in all 19 in 2013. The Homer Glen, Ill. native boasted a team-high .586 slugging percentage to go along with a team-best .398 on-base percentage. On the field, Stanton ranked third in both putouts (86) and assists (78) in her 172 chances which ranked fourth on the team. Stanton was a first team All-MAC selection after boasting a .407 batting average in conference play with 10 doubles, which led the league, while her 23 RBI tied for second in the conference.

Stanton and the rest of the Eagles will continue their 26-game road stint as they head to Fort Myers, Fla. for the FGCU Tournament, Friday, Feb. 21 - Sunday, Feb. 23. The Green and White will play five games at Florida Gulf Coast. First pitch against Harvard is slated for 9 a.m., Friday, Feb. 21.