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"We are disappointed to be out of the tournament, but we didn't take care of chances, and Michigan worked hard to score its goal," said head coach Nick O' Shea.

The only goal of the game came from Michigan's Katie Kramer in the 63rd minute, her sixth goal of the season. Laura Tanchon sent a pass behind the Oakland defense that was collected by Kramer and shot under OU goalkeeper Sarah Buckland (Burlington, Ontario) who charged out to make the stop.

Buckland recorded five saves in her final college match, capping off a brilliant four-year career.

Michigan held a slight advantage in shots (15-14) as missed chances proved to be the difference for Oakland who defeated the Wolverines during the regular season.

This is the third straight year the Golden Grizzlies have quailed for the NCAA Division I Women's Soccer Tournament. Last year's team also lost to Michigan in the first round by a score of 1-0.

For more information on the women's soccer team, visit the **OU Athletics** Web site.

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