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BRITTANY RITTENBERRY ATTENDS NATIONAL CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

In August, UNH student Brittany Rittenberry traveled to Washington, D.C. to attend a mini-conference entitled, "Transatlantic Approaches to Global Security," sponsored by Americans for Informed Democracy (AIDemocracy) and the Atlantic Council of the United States. Panelists included top officials from the Better World Campaign, Center for American Progress, the Atlantic Council, and the National Security Council. Issues discussed included NATO, global warming, the war in Iraq and the situation in Lebanon.

"Attending this conference reinforced my interest in working abroad," said Brittany. She received training on organizing a "Town Hall" meeting on campus, a major public education effort involving presentations from policy makers, international relations scholars, security experts and non-profit leaders. "I would like to organize one for next fall here at UNH," said Rittenberry. In the meantime, she is looking for more AIDemocracy conferences to attend. They are offered year round, and summer mini-conferences are free of charge. For more information on AIDemocracy, go to: <http://www.aidemocracy.org/>.

Brittany Rittenberry is a sophomore from Carbondale, PA, majoring in political science.

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