

WIU HAS ANOTHER PBL NATIONAL CHAMPION!
Webber International University PBL Sigma Chi Chapter
Scores First, Third, Sixth, and Ninth in National Business Competition
Third Consecutive Year of Finishing in National Top Ten

Babson Park, Florida - Having made strong showings at the State competition, three Webber International University students placed in the top ten at the FBLA-PBL National Leadership Conference held in Nashville July 9th through July 12. These competitions test student knowledge in a total of 53 specialized business subjects through examinations, projects, presentations and other competitions.

Over 2,000 of the nation's top business students made the trip to the national competitions, having earned their way there through successes at district, regional, and state competitions. Three Webber students, Joshua Natonio, Andrew Zwaans and Kristine Karopchinsky, earned national recognition for their business knowledge and skills. Natonio earned first in the nation in the Sport Management and Marketing Competition. Zwaans earned the third place award for Economic Analysis and Decision Making competition. The team of Zwaans and Karopchinsky came home with the 6th place trophy for their efforts in the Financial Services exam and case presentation. Finally, Karopchinsky earned the ninth place award in Justice Administration.

While Webber has fewer than 1,000 students, PBL does not have "divisions", meaning that these wins were made in the face of competition from much, much larger schools from around the nation.

Said the University's Academic Dean Dr. Charles Shieh, "we are very proud of these students, as well as everyone in the University who played a part in their education." University President Dr. H. Keith Wade said "how we can provide a world class business education which makes our graduates stand out quite literally permeates our every thought at Webber. So when our students go out and show what they are truly capable of, it is both very gratifying and very humbling. We couldn't be prouder."

Dr. Jeanette Eberle, Professor of Finance, is Webber's long time PBL Faculty Advisor. This is the third consecutive year that Webber students placed in the top ten in the national competitions.

Established in 1927 as the first private college chartered under Florida's then new charitable and educational laws and one of the nation's first business schools for women, Webber International University now hosts men and women from some 48 different nations. Recognized by the Princeton Review as a Best Southeastern College and listed in the US News and World Report's America's Best Colleges, the SACS and IACBE accredited not-for-profit independent University offers degrees exclusively in the areas of business at the associate's and bachelor's levels (Accounting, Computer Information Systems Management, Corporate Communications, Finance, Hospitality and Tourism Management, Management, Marketing, Pre-Law, Security Management, and Sport Management) and at the master's level (MBA, MBA with an emphasis in Accounting, MBA with an emphasis in Security Management, and MBA with an emphasis in Sport Management) in traditional day, accelerated night and weekend, and on-line formats.

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