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Ivy Tech Community College students place in national business competition

Students from Ivy Tech Community College in Sellersburg competed and won at the national Business Professionals of America competition in Reno, Nevada, May 7 through May 10. The students had advanced up to national competition from a February statewide competition.

Rebekah Lynch, a member of the business faculty at Ivy Tech and advisor to the Ivy Tech chapter of Business Professionals of America, attended the competition, along with Kenyatte Simuel, who is Director of Computer and Technology Services at Ivy Tech and also an advisor to the BPA chapter. "To compete on this level and walk away with awards is thrilling," Simuel says. "Our students are willing to work hard and have shown that they can compete with the best of the best."

Ivy Tech Chancellor Rita Shourds said the wins indicate the quality of the education provided at Ivy Tech. "The skills that our students have learned on our campus and within BPA will be with them the rest of their lives," Shourds said. "We are very proud of their accomplishments and looking forward to seeing the great things they'll do beyond our campus."

The students are all members of the Sellersburg chapter of the Business Professionals of America.

The students who placed are as follows:

Kristi Poer of Clarksville placed second in extemporaneous speech.

Katarina Lynch of Floyds Knobs and **Jimmy Fisher of Georgetown** placed third as a team in presentation management.

Misty Alexander of Salem and **Alex Hamilton of Clarksville** were finalists as a team in presentation management.

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