

Where in the World is...

First-year geography student competes in national Geography Bowl

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UNH GEOGRAPHY MAJOR MICHAEL HARRIS '22 (PICTURED IN THE WHITE AND BLUE BASEBALL HAT) CONFERS WITH GEOGRAPHY STUDENTS FROM KEENE STATE, PLYMOUTH STATE, SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE AND UMASS AMHERST AT THE WORLD GEOGRAPHY BOWL IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

Earlier this month, geography major and first-year student Michael Harris '22 competed in the World Geography Bowl in Washington, D.C. at the American Association of

Geographers' (AAG) annual meeting. Harris was part of the team from the New England-St. Lawrence Valley Geographical Society (NESTVAL), a regional division of AAG. He qualified for the team last fall through his high scores in the regional competition.

Harris's team placed fifth out of 10 teams. Team members included students from Keene State, Plymouth State, Southern Connecticut State and UMass Amherst. The NESTVAL team was the only team composed entirely of undergraduate students. Of the 60 participants in the competition, Harris tied for the sixth highest scorer overall and was the second-highest undergraduate scorer. The Mid-Atlantic division won the final round.

The Geography Bowl is a geography trivia competition. UNH students have taken part in the regional competition for 11 years, placing second twice and winning twice. UNH students have qualified for the national competition several times.

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