

PRESS RELEASE

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**UNT STUDENTS FINISH 4th IN
LOGISTICS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

Students from the University of North Texas Professional Program in Logistics finished in 4th place at the National Logistics Challenge in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on Thursday, March 30th. The team was sponsored by the Texas Logistics Education Foundation.

Assistant Professor Dr. Steve Swartz accompanied the team of Dan Baehner, Shauna Ferguson, Bethany Hoover, and Elizabeth Quigley. This was the first time at the competition for all. In the last 8 years, UNT students have finished very competitively at the national level, finishing 1st or 2nd five times.

The UNT team, which was defending their 2005 national title, successfully negotiated a three way tie with Michigan State University and Canisius College to advance to the final round. Tension was high at the end of the first round of finals play, as the team was tied for first place with the University of Maryland. In the last phase of the finals, the finishing order changed with UNT dropping from second place to fourth on the final question of the competition.

The National Logistics Challenge is a College Bowl-type competition among the top logistics programs nationally. The competition included teams from Michigan State University, Pennsylvania State University, Duquesne University, Canisius College, Clarkson University, Grand Valley State University, Niagara University, the University of Maryland, and the winning team from Robert Morris University. The competition, in it's 15th year, is hosted by the Council of Logistics Management Pittsburgh Roundtable.

The University of North Texas Professional Program in Logistics is in its 8th year of existence and is currently the 7th largest logistics program nationally. It offers degrees and specialization options in logistics and supply chain management at the undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral levels.