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ODU competed against and placed above several of the top debate schools in the Southeast such as Clemson University, Berry College, University of Alabama-Birmingham, Jacksonville State University, and host, Converse College.

Due to the team’s success, they were given a special invitation to compete at the National Conference in Washington, DC. The National competition is going to be held from March 31 till April 3 at the Watergate Hotel. Schools normally have to qualify for the National competition, and then they are generally placed on a two-year waiting list. ODU was given a very prestigious honor.

Members of the competition team have been working almost unceasingly since returning from South Carolina raising funds to be able to attend the National competition.

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The National competition will place Old Dominion in competition with other regional qualifiers such as the University of Utah, Northeastern University, University of North Texas, the United States Air Force Academy, Brigham Young University, the University of California-Berkley, as well George Mason and the Virginia Military Institute.

And we are truly proud of our students accomplishments both in organizing and running a regional conference and conference participation at the national level.