

## **Citadel cadet featured in news story about College Debate 16**

Cadet James Durant, a junior from The Citadel, is featured in a Palmetto Business Daily news article about his work on Dominican University of California's College Debate 2016 initiative.

[Palmetto Business Daily](#) provides daily reporting on policy issues and updates important to South Carolina's business climate.

College Debate 2016 ([collegedebate16.org](http://collegedebate16.org)) is a first-of-its-kind national initiative created by Dominican University of California to provide college students from throughout the United States a platform to discuss and debate the issues facing our country. Dominican created this initiative after being named a Voter Education Partner for the [Commission on Presidential Debates](#).

“College Debate '16 is an important initiative to me because of the emphasis placed on empowering young, college-age voters to exercise their right to vote,” Durant noted in the Palmetto Business Daily article. “We want our peers to understand that voting allows us to express our concerns on the issues that affect not just us as a generation, but as a country as a whole.”

After attending a June training session on the Dominican campus, the student delegates were charged with engaging their peers in the presidential election through issues-based conversations and activities both on campus and online. Students from all 50 states plus the District of Columbia are serving as College Debate 2016 delegates.

The students reconvened at Dominican this week to discuss their outreach and create their platform. The final event was a Town Hall meeting September 7 at which the students identified their top issues and created specific questions to be provided to the moderators of the U.S. presidential debates.

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