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El Camino College Forensics Team Finishes Another Outstanding Year

The El Camino College forensics team, a highly ranked, longtime powerhouse program, recently finished another outstanding year.

The team won the Phi Rho Pi two-year National Debate Championship, and placed fifth overall in the four-year National Parliamentary Debate Association National Championships, competing against more than 300 colleges and universities.

At the Phi Rho Pi National Tournament in Portland, Oregon this spring, El Camino College student Stirling McKenzie was named top individual debate speaker in the nation; teammate Lillian Cavalieri also clinched third place in the nation in the overall competition – debate and individual speaking events combined.

The success of the team was truly built on individual accomplishments – in fact, all of El Camino College's second-year students took home gold medals in at least one of their events. In addition, of the six graduating team members, all who applied to UCLA were accepted.

The ECC team also won the Sylvia Mariner Perpetual Sweepstakes Award – given to recognize excellence through the years.

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