

UVU hosted Deputy PR of Russian Federation to the UN, Ambassador Dmitriy Polyanskiy



On April 7, 2019 the First Deputy Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations, Ambassador Dmitry Polyanskiy visited Utah Valley University (UVU) to for an engaged learning discussion. Ambassador Dmitry Polyanskiy opened his presentation discussing the mission of foreign policies for Russia at the UN. Then he gave a brief summary of his primary responsibilities as well as the adversities he faces in his career at the UN Security Council, granted he is very successful as a representative for the Russian Federation at the UN. Ambassador Polyanskiy then went into an open discussion with students and faculty regarding political policies in Moscow in terms of relations with other countries specifically, Ukraine and Venezuela.

This event was a great example of UVU’s core theme of “engaged learning,” when students, faculty and staff had an opportunity to engage with Ambassador Polyanskiy. Russian

diplomat accepted difficult questions, and even stated, “I am not afraid to address issues that many other nations may be afraid of.”

Ambassador Polyanskiy repeatedly urged members of the audience that in order to make an effort to gain an accurate understanding in foreign policies, it is important for everyone to research and gather information from several sources rather than rely on one source.

This event was a great experience, I am thankful I had the opportunity to attend.

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