## My preparations for participation at CSW67

On March 5th, 2023, the trip to New York City for the 67th United Nations Commission on the Status of Women started with a flight from Salt Lake. I met together with some of my colleagues and we flew to Los Angeles International Airport then to J.F Kennedy International Airport. In New York, we started preparations for the 67<sup>th</sup> session of the Commission on the Status of Women which starts on March 6th, 2023. We had to present our acceptance letters and forms of identification in order to receive ground passess which will be used for entry at the conferences and side events.



UVU students received their ground passes

Our leaders Tristin Smith and Alitha Thompson together with others did a great job of creating an itinerary and getting us where we needed to be at the right time.

From the airport, to grabbing lunch, getting ground passes and then getting to the residences.

The trip so far has been a way to check our level of professionalism, how well we work under pressure, time management, leadership skills and teamwork. The members of the UVU Rotaract Club and UIMF greatly exuded this.

This trip will not only be a way for us to showcase our skills and how the Student Engaged Learning model made most of this possible but it will also be a great way for us to get opportunities by interacting with those around us. While getting our ground passes, we were able to interact with some of the people in the queue and they came from different parts of the world, places like Ivory Coast, South Sudan and from other states like Kentucky. We shall also have a great chance of listening to other delegates, the issues they might present and the possible solutions. This event will also be a great way for us to network as we prepare for our future career paths. We will be able to meet people who have experience in the political field and learn from them.

I hope that during our time in New York, we might show a great example to other people through the work we will be doing and through this they can see how well the SEL method works and why it needs to be promoted and implemented amongst students everywhere.

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