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Quick Facts

- Among the students attending the San Diego conference were Winthrop undergraduates Shanavia James and Shaquille Jenkins, and faculty member Philip Gibson, an assistant professor of finance.
- The students also were highly visible, taking the stage to introduce speakers and participating in many sessions. Shanavia James of Winthrop was invited on stage to introduce TD Ameritrade's Director of Brokerage Services John Tovar.



Shaquille Jenkins, from left, Philip Gibson, TD Ameritrade Institutional President Tom Nally and Shanavia James

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA – Two Winthrop University students and their professor recently spent three days on the West Coast networking with investment advisors and learning from some of the financial services industry's leading thinkers.

Forty-four financial planning students from 22 colleges and universities attended TD Ameritrade Institutional's annual advisor conference, the 2015 National LINC, on Jan. 28-31 to connect with peers and explore job opportunities. Among the students attending the San Diego conference were

Winthrop undergraduates Shanavia James and Shaquille Jenkins, and faculty member Philip Gibson, an assistant professor of finance.

TD Ameritrade covered travel and hotel expenses as part of a commitment to cultivate the next generation of advisors.

"We're leading the charge in helping young financial planning professionals get their start," said Kate Healy, managing director, TD Ameritrade Institutional. "Our student program is designed to help the RIA industry grow and thrive by expanding the ranks of talented new advisors entering the business. And for the students, it's a wonderful opportunity to engage with advisors and generate networking opportunities that can lead to mentorships, internships and jobs later on."

Students heard presentations by former U.S. Defense Secretary Leon Panetta and basketball legend Earvin "Magic" Johnson and participated in breakout sessions and networking events. The students also were highly visible, taking the stage to introduce speakers and participating in many sessions. Shanavia James of Winthrop was invited on stage to introduce TD Ameritrade's Director of Brokerage Services John Tovar.

TD Ameritrade Institutional also sponsors the annual Next Generation Financial Planning Scholarship & Grants and has an intern network program.

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