My day 2 at CSW63 by hosting parallel event

Day 2 in New York! This morning was a busy one. I arrived at the Church Center for the United Nations Building at eight in the morning to prepare for our parallel event. Our event was titled: “Student Engaged Learning to Empower Mountain Women and Girls”. The 11 students who came to New York to present have worked tirelessly to make the event a success. From receiving grants to come here, to networking and informing others about our event, and finally presenting our event today.

At the event each student spoke for five minutes about a topic that they selected. My topic focused on private businesses contribution to the empowerment of women and girls in the State of Utah. This is a topic I am passionate about and have studied. We had a great turnout for our event.

Afterwards we were asked questions and were able to network with other organizations. I found this experience to be valuable. Being able to practice presenting in front of a very large audience was very beneficial. My classmates did a wonderful job presenting their topics and representing Utah Valley University. This trip would not have been possible without their hard work.
After our presentation I spent the remainder of the day touring around the United Nations Headquarters. I spent time in the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) room. One of their main tasks is coordinating the economic and social work of the United Nations.
Lastly, I spent time in the Security Council room. The UN Security Council focuses on maintaining international security and peace. They develop resolutions that uphold their vision of peace and security. The council has five permanent members: US, Russia, China, UK, and France. They have ten-member countries who serve for a term of a two-year period. Those countries included are: Poland, Peru, South Africa, Germany, Indonesia, Kuwait, Belgium, Dominican Republic, Equatorial Guinea, and Cote d’Ivoire. I am very fascinated by the Security Council and was grateful for the opportunity to visit this room and learn more history.

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