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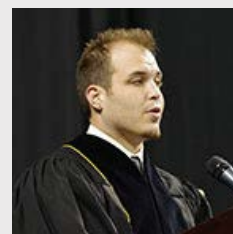
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ALUMNUS BEDELL LEAVES FOR PEACE CORPS ASSIGNMENT IN ARMENIA

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Lindenwood University alumnus Daniel Bedell ('12) departed for Armenia Aug. 25 to begin training as a community economic development volunteer for the Peace Corps. Bedell is from St. Peters, Mo., and received a bachelor's degree in nonprofit administration.

Bedell, who served as president of the Lindenwood Student Government Association in his final year at the university, said his time at Lindenwood introduced him to a diverse culture and offered him the opportunity to practice leadership in a service-orientated environment.



"I am motivated to join the Peace Corps because of my desire to serve others and to experience another part of the world," Bedell stated.

After living with an Armenian host family for three months, learning the language, and integrating into the local culture, Bedell will be sworn into service and assigned to a community in Armenia for two years. He will work with the people in that community and with partner organizations to develop sustainable community-based development projects.

"Dan is an outstanding individual with exemplary leadership skills," said Julie Turner, assistant professor in nonprofit administration at Lindenwood.

Bedell is one of 120 Missouri residents now serving in the Peace Corps. There are currently 73 volunteers in Armenia working in areas of community and youth development and English education.

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