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An Indian student will receive the ultimate campus visit by virtue of winning the 2010 Mindful Leadership Competition, sponsored by the University and academic partner Loyola Institute of Business Administration in India.

Loyola student Vasanth Kumar Bhaskar will receive an all-expenses paid trip to the University of Dayton where he will observe classes, check out the Center for International Programs and meet with American and international students to discuss what it's like to study in the U.S.

Bhaskar's trip to Dayton will be a recruiting trip of sorts, according to Sundar Kumarasamy, vice president for enrollment management.

"The Mindful Leadership Competition allows us to show the students in India what the University of Dayton means by educating students to become global, ethical and mindful leaders," Kumarasamy said. "Our goal for them is to gain some insight about the University of Dayton's educational philosophy and to encourage them to share their experiences with other students in India."

Bhaskar beat approximately 80 others whose goal was to write an essay about "Innovating for a Sustainable World - The Moral Challenge for Young Leaders."

"We are pleased that the competition has selected a theme that will explore the intersection of economic growth and responsible development," said Matthew Shank, dean of the University of Dayton School of Business Administration. "The issue of sustainable growth offers great challenges as well as great opportunities for the next generation of business leaders in every part of the world."

Dinesh Kapur from the Bharti Vidyapeeth College of Engineering in New Delhi and Nandan Sharalaya from the Symbiosis International Deemed University in Maharashtra finished second and third, respectively, and received cash prizes.

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