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Fulbright Fellowships showered on New College

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SARASOTA - New College announced today its students have received three Fulbright Fellowships and one alternate for 2006. This year's winners bring the college's total to 23 awards in 12 years

Two current students and an alumna have been awarded Fulbright Scholarships for Germany in 2006-2007 and a fourth student has been named an alternate for a Fulbright Scholarship to Morocco. New College is still awaiting word on a Fulbright to Spain for a fifth student, the college reported in a press statement.

To date, New College's three confirmed Fulbright winners for 2006-2007 bring the College's total to 23 Fulbrights earned by students in the past 12 years, and 27 earned since New College was founded in 1960. Over the past five years, New College students have earned more Fulbrights per capita than undergraduates at Harvard, Stanford and Yale, the press statement said.

Last year, New College's four Fulbright winners placed the College third nationally among all liberal arts colleges on a per-capita basis.

This year's Fulbright recipients: Christine Difato (St. Augustine) - Fulbright Teaching Assistantship to instruct students in English and Braille at schools in Weimar, Germany. She will graduate in May with a double major in International Studies and History.

Rose Ruther (Oak Ridge, Tenn.) - Fulbright Research Grant to study nanoparticles at the Max Planck Institute for Microstructure Physics in Halle, Germany. She is scheduled to graduate in May with a double major in Physics and Chemistry.

William Werner (Neenah, Wisc., now residing in Sarasota, Florida) - Fulbright Research Grant for Berlin, Germany, to study the writings of late 19th-century German anthropologists working in Latin America. He is a 2003 graduate of New College, who majored in Anthropology.

Hannah Armstrong of Miami, was chosen as a Fulbright Fellow Alternate for Morocco, where she hopes to study the effects of globalization on women's rights. She is scheduled to graduate in May with a degree in Philosophy and Political Science.

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