

## **AU junior from Rochester interning for GOP National Convention**

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Erin Callanan, a junior political science major at Alfred University, is interning this summer along with 26 other students from across the nation for the Republican National Convention, helping with convention preparations. The convention will run from Monday, Sept. 1 - Thursday, Sept. 4, at the Xcel Energy Center, Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN, but the interns began work June 2. Callanan is a daughter of Karen Smith-Callanan of Rochester, NY. Candidates applied online to the environmentally friendly convention through the convention's Web site, [www.GOPConvention2008.com](http://www.GOPConvention2008.com). Intern assignments range from delegate services, preparing to welcome and house 45,000 people to Minneapolis-Saint Paul, to convention communications and operations, to assisting in presenting the vision of Sen. McCain to the American people. Interns will also participate in professional development activities and in community service projects through the convention's American Neighbor Volunteer Program. Convention internships are unpaid positions requiring interns to live in the Minneapolis-Saint Paul area from June 2 through Sept. 4. Interns from outside the metro area are provided local accommodations, but they are responsible for all costs involved. Transportation to the convention headquarters and events will be provided.