

NTID Student Awarded For Accomplishments

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Adam Brownfeld, a fourth-year student at the National Technical Institute for the Deaf, a college of Rochester Institute of Technology, has earned first place in the student category of the 2005 Oticon Focus on People Award.

Given annually to deaf students with outstanding accomplishments, Brownfeld, a Psychology major from Bronx, was awarded for his pursuit of a doctorate degree, and for his contributions to deaf research previously done by hearing people, including experiments on lip-reading and amplified speech memory. He was also recognized for his interest in educating others about hearing loss through articles he has written for on-campus publications such as FOCUS magazine and Liberal Smarts. He received \$1,000 as well as \$1,000 donation from Oticon to a non-profit organization of his choice.

The Oticon Focus on People Awards were started in 1996 to encourage Americans who could benefit from hearing instruments to seek professional help, and to correct common misconceptions about hearing loss.

NTID is the first and largest technological college in the world for deaf and hard-of-hearing students. NTID, one of eight college of RIT, offers educational programs and access and support services to its 1,100 students from around the world who study, live, and socialize with 14,000 hearing students on RIT's Rochester, NY campus.

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