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Hillsdale College Students Participate in War Game Simulation of the Syrian Civil War

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HILLSDALE, Mich. — Hillsdale College students participated in a war game simulation of the Syrian Civil War on Saturday, Feb. 15. Students were assigned various roles and could change the course of the war through military, diplomatic, and political actions.

“It is easy to go out and protest geopolitical situations; it is harder to analyze and understand them,” said club president Malia Thibado. “But at Hillsdale we believe in understanding the world before we try to change it.”

Hillsdale's chapter of the Alexander Hamilton Society hosts a war game simulation each semester. This semester's game simulated the months leading up to the fall of the Assad dictatorship in Syria.

“To understand the world, we must understand the conflicts that are part of its history,” said Professor of History Paul Rahe, the club's advisor and a faculty member of the college's Center for Military History and Strategy. “The college has long held history to be an important discipline for the educated mind. And recently, it become one of the few colleges to offer explicitly a course of study in military history. It is exciting to see our students exploring these topics further on their own.”

Hillsdale College's [Center for Military History and Strategy](#) studies warfare from all times and places to better our comprehension and military readiness. Its focus lies in academic research that joins military history with insights from strategic thinkers throughout history.

For photos from the Center for Military History and Strategy, click [here](#). For photos of Hillsdale College, click [here](#). For a high-resolution copy of the Hillsdale College clocktower logo, click [here](#).

About Hillsdale College

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