



Seattle University

“The Mini” Debate Tournament

IN-PERSON Sat. Feb. 17, 2024

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Seattle University invites you to a special short tournament “The Mini Debates” with a focus on programs here in the I-5 corridor (but all teams welcomed!).

The tournament is In-Person and will use standard WUDC rules. We want to make this a low cost trip so fees are as low as possible.

Parker Davidson will lead up the CA work and tabulation. Jim Hanson will lead up Equity and tournament management.

We are excited to host you this February.

Thank you,

Jim Hanson

Tournament Director and Director of Forensics (Speech and Debate), Seattle University
hansonj@seattleu.edu

Registration

We accept entries at <https://fs12.formsite.com/hansonjb/register-for-su-mini/index>

Registration deadline is Tues, Feb. 13. All fees remain even if you drop at that point because we have to pay for food and that gets set on Tuesday night.

Fees

Tournament fees are as follows:

School Fee: \$30.

Fee per debater in-person: \$25 (includes lunch and pizza for awards).

Fee for in-person participant (coaches/judges/observers): \$15

Uncovered Team Fee: \$90 for the first team; \$180 for additional uncovered teams.

Can't afford the team/school fees: please reach out to Jim, at hansonj@seattleu.edu

We do not waive judging fees for any reason.

Amount due is set on Tuesday Night even if you drop after that as we have to pay for food we order and we have to pay for any judges we have hired (food service and judges need to know by Tuesday night if they are needed or not).

We take credit cards. Please wait for Jim Hanson to issue invoices.

Payment is required BEFORE the start of the tournament unless a school employee with budget authority verifies payment is in process.

Paying by check? Make it out to Seattle University.

Send to Jim Hanson, Comm Media Studies, 901 12th Avenue, Seattle WA 98122. (you can also send the check to my home address; either works for this tournament)

Judging

Each school needs to provide N-I judging (**with a minimum of 1 judge**) to ensure that every room of debate has a multi-judge panel.

Judging you need: 1 team = 1 judge; 2 teams = 1 judge; 3 teams = 2 judges;
4 teams = 3 judges; 5 teams = 4 judges, etc.

We encourage you to reach out to women and people of color to judge. We want a strong, diverse judging pool.

Hotels

Hampton Inn by Hilton, Northgate 15-20 minutes from campus
9550 1st Avenue NE Seattle, WA 98115, 206-522-6991
www.seattlenorthgate.hamptonbyhilton.com

Silver Cloud Hotel, Seattle, short walk to campus
1100 Broadway, Seattle, WA 98122, 206-325-1400
<https://www.silvercloud.com/seattlebroadway/>

TOURNAMENT Tentative Schedule

Standard WUDC Rules Apply.

<https://www.worlddebating.org/debate-guides>

All Times are Pacific Time Zone

Friday, February 16

By 9pm, review the Equity and Judging PowerPoints.

Saturday, February 17

10:00am to 10:10am –Do Check-In

--IMMEDIATELY, NOTIFY TAB of judges/teams who won't be participating.

**--WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO DROP JUDGES/TEAMS WHO
HAVE NOT CHECKED-IN BY 9:40AM**

10:10am to 10:30am, Equity and Judging

Go to Pigott 101.

Round 1 topic announce asap.

12:15pm -- Lunch Break

1:00pm – Round 2

3:00pm – Round 3

5:15pm – Awards Pigott 101 with food served