



Seattle University

IV Debate Tournament

ONLINE FRIDAY Dec. 1, 2023

IN-PERSON SAT SUN Dec. 2 and 3, 2023

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Seattle University invites you to our annual debate tournament swing. Our tournaments have a repeated history of excellent competition in British Parliamentary style debate and we typically have robust international competition on Friday and we go to quarterfinals plus a breakout novice finals on Sunday.

The Online tournament is on Friday, uses standard WUDC rules, and will be on Zoom.

The In-Person tournament is Saturday and Sunday at Seattle University and uses YODL rules (topic strikes, in-round equity addressed, and open adjudication).

We hope you will join us for ONE or BOTH of these great debate experiences.

We will have an excellent judging pool, tab room, and CA team. We strongly encourage you to reach out to women and people of color to judge. We want a strong, diverse judging pool.

We are excited to host you this December.

Jim Hanson

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

Tabulation and Assistant Tournament Director: Parker Davidson (Seattle University)

Friday Online Tournament CA: Patrick Cowley (Hart House), Idris Ibrahim (University of Ilorin) and on Motions committee: Xiao-ke Lu (Princeton)

Saturday-Sunday In-Person Tournament CA: Will Reid (Clemson), Diggory Waddle (Queen's), Isabel Birney (Vermont), Tyler Whitney (Montana State), Grace Seyoum (Northwest)

Equity Officer: Stacy Bell (Climb the Mountain) with Jim Hanson

Assisting the Tournament: Seattle U Debaters.

For ALL participants (debaters, judges, coaches, observers), presence in the tournament is subject to the conditions of the waiver which all participants are required to sign. <https://fs12.formsite.com/hansonjb/su-iv-waiver/index>

Registration

FRI ONLINE Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/su-iv-fri-online-reg>

SAT SUN Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/su-iv-sat-sun-reg>

Registration deadline is Monday, Nov. 27. Drop deadline is Thurs. Nov. 30.

--Yes, Teams can register for both the Online AND In-Person tournaments.

Fees

Tournament fees are as follows:

School Fee (for one or both tournaments): \$30.

Fee per debater online: \$25.

Fee per debater in-person: \$50 (includes food).

Fee for in-person participant (coaches/judges/observers): \$25

Fri Uncovered Team Fee: \$60 for the first team; \$120 for additional uncovered teams.

Sat-Sun 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

Note that we do not waive judging fees for any reason.

We can 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 and Send to:.

Jim Hanson
Debate/Communication and Media Department
901 12th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98122.

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.

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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

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<https://www.silvercloud.com/seattlebroadway/>

ONLINE FRIDAY TOURNAMENT Schedule

Standard WUDC Rules Apply.

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

Friday, December 1

All Times are Pacific Time Zone

8:20am to 8:30am –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 8:30AM

Tournament Briefings Go to Main Zoom Meeting Room

Round 1 topic announce asap after briefings conclude.

11:00am -- Lunch Break

11:45am – Round 2

2:15pm – Round 3

4:45pm – Round 4 (possible hidden semi-finals)

7:15pm – Finals

IN-PERSON SAT SUN TOURNAMENT Schedule

YODL RULES APPLY.

YODL uses WUDC rules except:

1. 5 motions provided for each debate. Each team strikes 1 motion.
2. Points of Order permitted where equity is addressed in round.
3. Judges engage in Open deliberation in prelims.

[Details](#)

Saturday, December 2

All Times are Pacific Time Zone

8:50am to 9:10am --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 9:10AM

Tournament Briefings Go to Auditorium Room

Round 1 topic announce asap after briefings conclude.

Noon -- Lunch Break

1:00pm – Round 2

3:30pm – Round 3

5:45pm – Round 4

Sunday, December 3

All Times are Pacific Time Zone

8:50am to 9:10am -- Do Check-In

--IMMEDIATELY, NOTIFY TAB of judges/teams who won't be at the first elim.

--WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO DROP JUDGES/TEAMS WHO HAVE NOT CHECKED-IN BY 9:10AM

Round 5 topic announce asap after 9:10am.

11:30am – Lunch Break

12:30pm - First Elim

3:00pm - Awards

3:30pm – Second Elim

5:45pm – Final Elim