

Seattle University's

5th Annual

Worlds Debate Tournament



December 6 & 7, 2014

Seattle, WA

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Seattle University is thrilled to invite you to our annual debate tournament on **December 6th and 7th, 2014**. It is open to any team that would like to participate and if there is any way that I, or Seattle University, can help you attend, please feel free to let me know.

Our tournament will feature 5 preliminary rounds of British Parliamentary style debate, and an appropriate number of elimination rounds. There will be not be a separate novice division but, if the numbers allow for it, there will be a novice final.

Additionally, our tournament will feature an experienced judging pool and tab room. We will try to bring in enough judges so that every room of debate can have a panel of 3 judges. We ask that you bring N-1 judges to complete the judging pool.

On the logistics side, the tournament will be providing coffee and a light breakfast on both Saturday and Sunday as well as coffee and snacks throughout the day. There will be a break for lunch on both days, with many restaurants within a short walking distance of the tournament. Seattle University's campus is centrally located, walking distance from many hotels and restaurants.

We are very excited to host you this December and look forward to your entries. Please feel free to let me know if you have any questions and please remember to register on forensicstournament.net by November 26th, 2014.

Thank you,

Melissa Franke

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Registration

We will accept entries on Forensicstournament.net. Look for 2014 Seattle University Worlds Debate Tournament.

Registration deadline is November 26th. Drop deadline is December 1st. (The hotel cut-off date is November 14.)

I recognize that this is an early deadline, but there is another large event happening on campus this weekend and we want to make sure we have enough rooms and enough food. Let me know if you'll need additional time to finalize your entry.

Entry Fees

School Fee: \$50

Team Fee: \$75

Uncovered Team Fee: \$150

We are asking that every team try to make their judging requirements (N-1) to ensure that every room of debate as a multi-judge panel. If for any reason your team cannot afford these fees, please let me know and we can work something out.

Please make all checks payable to Seattle University

Lodging

There are many convenient and affordable places to stay all less than five miles away from our campus and located around many Seattle attractions. We have a group block at the Silver Cloud Hotel, which is across the street from campus. The Silver Cloud will offer a group rate of \$149.00+tax/night. The group code is "Debate." The cut-off date for the block is November 14

Silver Cloud Hotel

Address: 1100 Broadway Seattle, WA
98122

Phone: (800) 590.1801

Best Western

Address: 77 Yesler Way, Seattle, WA
98104

Phone: (206) 340-1234

Quality Inn and Suites at the Space Needle

Address: 618 John Street, Seattle, WA
98109

Phone: (206) 728-7666

Homewood Suites Seattle

Address: 1011 Pike Street, Seattle, WA
98101

Phone: (206) 682-8282

Crash

We have limited crash available. If you are requesting crash please be aware that it is on a first come first served basis so give me an early heads up.

Directions

Once registration closes I will send all teams a welcome packet that will include travel directions from the airport, local directions to the campus, information about where to eat, and a schedule with buildings and rooms. This information will also be posted at Forensicstournament.net.

Tentative Schedule

(we may change the schedule on Sunday slightly to accommodate a visit from the University President)

Saturday, December 6

8:00 Registration
*Coffee and Light Breakfast
Provided*

8:30 Tournament Briefing

9:00 Round 1 Announced

11:00 Round 2 Announced

1:00 Lunch on your own

2:30 Round 3 Announced

4:30 Round 4 Announced

6:30 Round 5 Announced

Sunday, December 7

8:00 Roll Call
*Coffee and Light Breakfast
Provided*

8:20 Quarters Announced

10:20 Semis Announced

12:20 Lunch on your own

2:00 Finals Announced

3:45 or ASAP Awards

