



The Tulane University Debate Team presents:

The Tulane Carnival Classic

February 10-11, 2017

Dear Colleagues,

The Tulane University Debate Team cordially invites you to join us for the Tulane Carnival Classic tournament on our campus in New Orleans, LA on Friday February 10 through Saturday February 11, 2017.

We will feature five preliminary rounds of parliamentary debate, for both novice and varsity debaters. We anticipate being NPDA sanctioned, giving everyone a chance to earn points in the season sweepstakes.

In addition to an enjoyable and enriching debate experience, we can think of no better place to spend a spring weekend than New Orleans. Our tournament is scheduled to coincide with one of the weekends of Mardi Gras. We understand many teams are excited by the prospect of spending a night out in New Orleans; therefore, we have created a tournament schedule that will allow teams to do so.

Extensive information about the tournament is attached below and available on our website at debate.tulane.edu. We will send out specific details about campus facilities once registration is complete. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the student tournament director. We're looking forward to welcoming you to Tulane and New Orleans.

Warm Regards,

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Student Tournament Director

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Schedule

We will be hosting 5 preliminary rounds of NPDA debate, breaking to varsity quarterfinals and novice semifinals, subject to change based on registration.

Friday, February 10th

3:00pm- Registration Opens

4:00pm- Registration Closes

4:30pm- Round One

6:00pm- Round Two

7:30pm- Pizza Dinner (provided)

8:00pm- Round Three

Saturday, February 11th

8:30am- Breakfast (provided)

9:00am- Round Four

10:30am - Round Five

12:00pm- Elimination Round 1
(Varsity Quarterfinals, Novice Semi-Finals)

Lunch Immediately Following Varsity Quarterfinals (on your own)

2:30pm - Elimination Round 2
(Varsity Semi-Finals, Novice Finals)

4:00pm- Varsity Finals

Awards Immediately Following Varsity Finals



Registration and Fees

We will offer both varsity and novice divisions, but reserve the right to collapse down to one division, if necessary. Registration is \$50 per covered team, and \$100 additionally per uncovered team. Each judge covers two teams. **Registration is due by e-mail to aparini@tulane.edu by 5:00pm on Thursday, January 27th**. Changes and drops will be accepted until 5:00pm on Thursday, February 2nd. Changes and drops after that time will incur a \$15 charge. We prefer that tournament fees be paid via check to “Tulane University Debate Team,” but cash will also be accepted.

Hotels

Tulane has standing relationships with a number of area hotels to offer a special rate to visitors to our campus. You can find a list of those hotels and learn more at:

https://tulane.edu/universityservices/hotels_.cfm

We understand that hotels are generally more expensive in large cities like New Orleans and are happy to work with you to find an option that meets any team’s budget.

Student Housing Option

We are excited to provide teams with budget constraints with a unique opportunity. To help save costs, TU debate team members will be opening up their homes for the duration of the tournament. While we cannot promise living conditions will be on par with the Ritz Carlton, accommodations will be made to ensure students get a good night’s sleep. (Air mattress, couches, sleeping bags, etc.) If you are interested in this options please let the student tournament director know ASAP. Due to expectant high demand, the student housing option will be first come first serve. This is defined as completing the registration requirements and emailing the tournament director how many students you want housed.



Parking

Parking is regulated on campus on weekdays, so please contact us as soon as possible if you would like a parking pass to park on campus on Friday afternoon. There is ample free street parking around Tulane's campus in Uptown New Orleans and limited public transportation is also available.

Food

We will be providing a pizza dinner on Friday night and a small breakfast on Saturday morning. There are several options available on-campus for lunch on Saturday. It goes without saying that New Orleans is home to an incredible diversity of restaurant options. We'd be glad to recommend a few favorites, if your team's schedule allows. Please let us know, when registering, if your debaters have any dietary restrictions, as we want to make sure we have enough food for everyone.