

Pacific Meets the Capitol Swing

Invitational Forensics Tournaments

November 6 – 8, 2009

Sac City Invitational

IE-Only Tournament – November 6, 2009

Hosted by Sacramento City College at Sac City Campus in
Sacramento

Paul Winters Invitational

IE/LD/NPDA/CEDA-NDT Tournament – November 6-9, 2009

Hosted by University of the Pacific

Pat Kennedy Memorial Tournament

12 Team Round Robin Tournament – November 6, 2009

Hosted by University of the Pacific



August 6, 2009

Dear Colleague:

The Speech and Debate teams of the University of the Pacific and Sacramento City College Community College District are pleased to invite you and your forensics squad to attend the **Pacific meets the Capitol** invitational forensics tournaments. The swing tournaments, held in Sacramento and Stockton, CA (respectively) are comprised of the Sac City Invitational (November 6) and the Pat Kennedy Parliamentary Round Robin (Nov. 6)/Paul Winters Invitational (November 6 through the 8th).

Sacramento City College's **Sac City Invitational**. Two preliminary rounds of competition in Novice and Open divisions of all eleven AFA/Phi Rho Pi individual events will be offered. Events with seven or more competitors will advance to a final round. Judging Pool will be separate with the Paul Winters Invitational.

The University of the Pacific's **Paul Winters Invitational** is a full-service tournament featuring NPDA Debate, NFA LD Debate, CEDA/NDT Debate and Individual events. NPDA and IE's run on Saturday and Sunday, while CEDA/NDT *AND* NFA L/D is self-contained on Friday. Two preliminary rounds of competition in Novice and Open divisions of all eleven AFA/Phi Rho Pi individual events will be offered, advancing to semifinals (as appropriate) or finals in each event. Six preliminary rounds of Novice, Junior, and Open divisions of NPDA Parliamentary Debate will advance to appropriate elimination rounds. Additionally, four preliminary rounds of NFA L/D Debate (advancing to appropriate elimination rounds) will be offered. Finally, for the third time, we will be offering six preliminary rounds and appropriate elimination rounds for CEDA/NDT debate!

On Friday, November 6, the University of the Pacific will also host the **Pat Kennedy Tournament**, a modified Round Robin, twelve team, twelve school tournament. This one-day tournament will draw many of NPDA's best programs to compete against one another. Applications are due to Konrad Hack (konradhack@gmail.com) or Marlin Bates (mbates@pacific.edu) by September 15, 2009.

In the interest of wellness, the University of the Pacific will make available a hospitality suite throughout the weekend. Students, coaches and critics may find refreshments during the tournament in the Pine Room, stocked with healthy snacks and beverages.

All entries must be received by Tuesday, November 3, 2009 at 11pm. Entries will be taken electronically at <http://www.forensictournament.net>. Changes (but no additions) may be made until Thursday evening at 9:00 pm. If you have never used this method for submitting tournament entries, you will find this page straightforward and efficient. If you have questions, please contact Erick Roebuck – erick.roebuck@biola.edu for technical assistance.

The forensics teams from the University of the Pacific and Sacramento City College Colleges hope to see you and your squad here on November 6 – 8, 2009. If there is anything we can do, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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2009 Schedule of Events

Thursday - Early Registration & Information: See Marlin at the Hospitality Suite, Stockton Holiday Inn

FRIDAY, Nov. 6—Sac City Invit.

On Sacramento City College Campus

11:00	REGISTRATION – TBA
11:45	Extemp Prep
12:00-1:15	Round One: Pattern A
1:15-2:30	Round One: Pattern B
2:30	Extemp Prep
2:45-4:00	Round Two: Pattern A
4:00-5:15	Round Two: Pattern B
5:15	Extemp Prep
5:30-6:45	Finals: Pattern A
6:45-8:00	Finals: Pattern B
8:30	AWARDS CEREMONY

-NFA L-D DEBATE SCHEDULE--

On University of the Pacific Campus

Paul Winters Invitational

FRIDAY, November 6 – Paul Winters

8:30-9:30 REGISTRATION – Main TAB
Grace Covell Dining

10:00-10:45	Round 1
11:00-11:45	Round 2
12:00-12:30	LUNCH
12:30-1:15	Round 3
1:45-2:30	Round 4
3:00-3:45	Octofinals
4:15-5:00	Quarterfinals
5:30-6:15	Semifinals
6:45-7:30	Finals

-CEDA/NDT DEBATE SCHEDULE--

ON University of the Pacific Campus

Paul Winters Invitational

FRIDAY, Nov 6 – CEDA/NDT

2:00-3:00	REGISTRATION–Main Tab
3:00	Pairings Released: Round 1 & 2
3:30-5:30	Round One: CEDA/NDT Debate
5:45-7:45	Round Two: CEDA/NDT Debate

SATURDAY, Nov. 7 – CEDA/NDT

8:30	Pairings Released: Round 3
9:00-11:00	Round Three: CEDA/NDT Debate
11:30	Pairings Released: Round 4
12:00-2:00	Round Four: CEDA/NDT Debate
2:00-3:00	LUNCH BREAK – Location TBA
3:00	Pairings Released: Round 5
3:30-5:30	Round Five: CEDA/NDT Debate
6:00	Pairings Released: Round 6
6:30-8:30	Round Six: CEDA/NDT Debate

SUNDAY, Nov. 8 – CEDA/NDT

8:00	Pairings Released: Elim #1
8:30-10:30	Elim Round 1: CEDA/NDT Debate
10:45 A.M.	AWARDS – TBA
ASAP	Continue Elimination Rounds

Pattern A = EXT, INFO, ADS, PRO, POE
Pattern B = IMP, PER, CA, DRA, POI, DUO

SATURDAY, Nov. 7 – Paul Winters

7:00-7:45 REGISTRATION – Grace Covell Dining

8:00	Topic Announced: Round 1
8:20-9:05	Round One: NPDA Debate
9:25	Topic Announced: Round 2
9:45-10:30	Round Two: NPDA Debate
10:45	Extemp Draw
11:00-12:30	Round One: Pattern A
12:00-1:00	Lunch/IE Registration – Grace Covell Dining
1:10	Topic Announced: Round 3
1:30-2:15	Round Three: NPDA Debate
2:30	Extemp Draw
2:45-4:15	Round Two: Pattern A
4:25	Topic Announced: Round 4
4:45-5:30	Round Four: NPDA Debate
5:45-7:15	Round One: Pattern B
7:25	Topic Announced: Round 5
7:45-8:30	Round Five: NPDA Debate

SUNDAY, November 9 – Paul Winters

8:00-9:30	Round Two: Pattern B
9:40	Topic Announced: Round 6
10:00-10:45	Round Six: NPDA Debate
11:00	Extemp Draw
11:15-12:45	Finals: Pattern A/ALL IE Semifinals
12:55	Topic Announced: Double Octos
1:15-2:00	Double Octofinals: NPDA Debate
2:15	Extemp Draw
2:30-4:00	Finals: Pattern B/remaining A Finals
4:10	Topic Announced: Octofinals
4:30-5:15	Octofinals: NPDA Debate
5:30	AWARDS – Grace Covell

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University of the Pacific and Sacramento City College
November 6-8, 2009

PART ONE: TOURNAMENT ENTRIES

GENERAL GUIDELINES

Tournament Rules – AFA, NFA, CEDA/NDT and NPDA regulations will govern their respective divisions, unless specified elsewhere in this invitation. Hybrid teams and three person teams may compete (although only two debaters may speak in a given round). Only NFA L/D debaters may compete without a partner.

Competitor Eligibility - Any undergraduate in a two-year or four-year college or university carrying 6 or more units is eligible. No person who has competed for 8 or more semesters or has competed at a collegiate national tournament in 4 different years may compete. UOP and Sacramento City College students may participate, but will not accrue sweepstakes points.

ENTRY PROCEDURE

Both tournaments will exclusively use <http://www.forensictournament.net>. Entries must be completed by 11:00 pm on Tuesday, November 3, 2009. Drops and name changes (but no adds) can be made until Thursday, November 5 at 9:00 pm. Fees will accrue as of Wednesday at 12 noon.

PART TWO: INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

EVENTS OFFERED

Students **MAY NOT** enter more than **THREE** events per pattern. It is the sole responsibility of competitors to complete **ALL** events in the time given. Failure to do so will result in a no-show score for that round. The following events will be offered in Novice and Open division:

Pattern A – Extemporaneous Speaking, Informative Speaking, After Dinner Speaking, Prose Interpretation and Poetry Interpretation.

Pattern B – Impromptu Speaking, Persuasive Speaking, Communication Analysis, Duo Interpretation, Dramatic Interpretation, and Programmed Oral Interpretation.

DIVISION RULES

Eligibility Rules - Open Division is available to all eligible students, regardless of experience. Students are novices in individual events when they:

1. are in their first year (defined as two semesters) of collegiate individual event competition and
2. have not placed third or higher in a similar event two or more times in any division.
3. have limited high school experience. Directors should use discretion regarding appropriate divisions.

Novice division student who's success at the Sac City Invitational causes them to meet Open division standards do not lose their novice eligibility for the Pacific Invitational.

Collapsing Divisions – Every effort will be made to protect novice competitors. However, if there are fewer than seven (7) entries in an event, it may be collapsed into the next highest division. If this occurs, top novices will be recognized at the Awards Ceremony.

ELIMINATION ROUNDS

Criteria for Elimination Round - Any event with less than 7 contestants will not have a final round. For events with 7 to 29 competitors competing in all preliminary rounds, a final round will be held. In events where more than 30 students compete in all preliminary rounds, semifinals will be offered.

Advancement to Elimination Rounds – No more than half of the field will be advanced to finals. Students will be rank ordered first by lowest cumulative rankings, then by the highest reciprocal score (a.k.a. decimal conversion) and finally by the highest cumulative ratings.

Placement/Advancement in Elimination Rounds - Students will be rank ordered first by lowest cumulative rankings, then by judge's preference, followed by the highest reciprocal score (a.k.a. decimal conversion) and finally by the highest cumulative ratings.

PART THREE: NFA L/D DEBATE

PROCEDURAL ISSUES

Paradigm – NFA L/D Debate is a communication event that is debated in a stock issues paradigm. In deference to the intent of the event, we ask that all competitors and critics are mindful of these rules. Complete rules can be found on the NFA webpage (<http://www.nationalforensics.org>).

Double Entry – Two divisions (Nov/Open) will be offered and run separately on Friday. This means that L/D debaters may enter into individual events in either Pattern A or Pattern B without conflict! An L/D Debater may be entered in both L/D and CEDA. If a conflict arises, then the student will have to choose to forfeit either the second round of CEDA or the elimination round of L/D.

Disclosure - Please help us keep **on schedule**. Following the return of the ballot, critics may disclose as much information as they see fit. Delays caused by coaches/judges may, at the tournament director's discretion, result in penalties to that school's teams including removal from the tournament.

PAIRINGS AND TOPICS

Preliminary Rounds - The computer will randomly match Round 1. Rounds 2, 3 and 4 will be paired high-low within win-loss brackets based upon the results of all previous rounds. Lag powering may be employed, if necessary, to keep the tournament on schedule.

Elimination Rounds - Seeding in elimination rounds will be based first upon wins, then by total speaker points, followed by opposition record, then adjusted speaker points, and finally judge variance (Z-Score). In elimination rounds, brackets WILL be broken. A partial elimination round will be held, as necessary.

PART FOUR: NPDA DEBATE

DIVISIONS

Provided that there are at least 18 entrants per division, Novice, Junior and Senior divisions will be offered. Division rules will follow NPDA guidelines. Eligibility is determined based upon the most experienced partner. A semester means the student has competed in at least three tournaments of any style of debate.

PROCEDURAL ISSUES

Philosophies & Strikes: Judging Philosophies need to be e-mailed and acknowledged no later than Wednesday, November 4, 2009. Schools not turning in philosophies by that time will not be allowed to enter strikes. Strikes for OPEN DIVISION TEAMS ONLY will be due no later than Friday, November 6, 2009, at 11:00 pm. Strikes will be entered electronically and information will be sent with the confirmation e-mail after submitting your philosophy. Philosophies should be sent to: mbates@pacific.edu

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Preliminary Rounds – Power-matching for all preliminary rounds will be high-low in win-loss brackets. The computer will randomly match Rounds 1 and 2. Rounds 3 through 6 will be power-matched (high-low within win-loss brackets) based upon the results of all previous rounds.

Elimination Rounds - Advancement to and seeding in elimination rounds will be first based upon wins, followed by adjusted speaker points, then total speaker points, next by opposition record, and finally by judge variance. In elimination rounds, brackets WILL be broken. Partial elimination rounds will be held, as necessary. The number of teams advancing to elimination rounds will be dictated by NPDA's guidelines regarding appropriate breaks.

PART FIVE: CEDA/NDT DEBATE

DIVISIONS

Provided that there are at least 12 entrants per division, Novice and Senior divisions will be offered. Division rules will follow CEDA guidelines. Eligibility is determined based upon the most experienced partner. A semester means the student has competed in at least three tournaments of any style of debate.

PROCEDURAL ISSUES

Philosophies & Strikes: IF the CEDA/NDT judging pool is large enough, mutually preferred judging will be used. Preference data will be submitted electronically and information will be sent, via e-mail, after the submission of a school's entry.

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Preliminary Rounds – Power-matching for all preliminary rounds will be high-low in win-loss brackets. The computer will randomly match Round 1 & 2. Rounds 3 through 6 will be power-matched based upon the results of all previous rounds.

Elimination Rounds - Advancement to and seeding in elimination rounds will be first based upon wins, followed by adjusted speaker points, then total speaker points, next by opposition record, and finally by judge variance. In elimination rounds, brackets will **NOT** be broken. Partial elimination rounds will be held, as necessary. The number of teams advancing to elimination rounds will be dictated by CEDA/NDT's guidelines regarding appropriate breaks.

PART SIX: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ENTRY FEES

The fee **schedule** is the same for both tournaments. However, you must have TWO checks. One made out to ac City College Speech and Debate for the Sac City Invitational and one made out to Pacific Forensics (or some permutation thereof) for the Pat Kennedy/Paul Winters Tournament. Fees will be assessed at noon on Wednesday, November 8th. Because we need to finalize our trophy order and order lunch for both days, we cannot accommodate last minute reductions in fees. In addition to a \$25.00 school fee, the following fees (unchanged from last year) will be assessed:

- \$10.00/Individual Events slot
- \$15.00/Duo Interpretation slot.
- \$25.00/NFA LD Debate slot.
- \$75.00/ NPDA, CEDA/NDT debate team.

JUDGING

Commitment – One judge can cover up to two L/D debaters or up to **five** IE slots per pattern. Each judge can also cover up to two NPDA teams. Debate judges are needed through the first elimination round **and** one round beyond their team's/debater's elimination. An I.E. judge is committed through finals. Meeting this commitment is essential for this tournament.

Available Judges – In 2008, we paid over \$6000.00 to hired judges. We would like to reduce this amount a bit, so we REALLY want you to bring your judges. We make no money on these fees and are willing to either reduce a school's fees or pay any of your judges with bachelor's degree \$20.00 for an NPDA Debate round or \$15.00 for an Individual Event/NFA LD Debate round. Please alert us to judges who are willing to judge beyond their commitment. **We will guarantee \$225 and shared lodging for anyone willing to commit to the ENTIRE weekend! IF you do not require lodging, we will pay \$250.**

Uncovered Fees – Uncovered judge fees will be assessed on the following basis:

- \$20.00/I.E. slot.
- \$50.00/L/D Debate slot.
- \$150.00/ Debate team

PART SEVEN: AWARDS

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Individual Events – First through third place receive handsome trophies while all other finalists receive finalist award paperweights. NFA L/D debaters advancing to an elimination round will receive awards, but will not receive speaker awards.

NPDA Debate – Each debate team advancing to an elimination round will receive an award. In NPDA debate, the top ten speakers in each division will receive speaker awards. Speaker awards will be determined by: 1. adjusted points, 2. total points; 3. double adjusted points; 4. judge variance (Z-score).

CEDA/NDT Debate – Each debate team advancing to an elimination round will receive an award. In CEDA/NDT debate, the top ten speakers in each division will receive speaker awards. Speaker awards will be determined by: 1. adjusted points, 2. total points; 3. double adjusted points; 4. judge variance (Z-score).

SWEEPSTAKES AWARDS

Individual Events - Sweepstakes points will be issued to all participants in semifinals and finals based on the following scale. No points will be given for preliminary rounds.

1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place	Finalist	Semifinalist
10 points	7 points	5 points	3 points	1 point

Parliamentary, LD, and CEDA/NDT Debate

- 3 points will be given for each preliminary round win IF the team has a 50% or better preliminary round win/loss record. Teams with less than a 50% record will receive no preliminary round points.
- 3 points will be given to each team that reaches the elimination rounds.

Equalization of Debate and Individual Events - For team sweepstakes for the Paul Winters Invitational, debate and individual events will be equalized. This equalization is achieved by the use of percentiles.

All sweepstakes points earned by all debate teams are summed. The points earned by each squad are divided by the total number of points earned in debate in order to determine what percentage of all debate points were earned by the team. Similarly, all sweepstakes points earned by all individual events competitors are summed. A similar percentile score is calculated in individual events for each squad.

The two percentile scores for a school (debate and IE) are added together in order to determine an equalized aggregate sweepstakes score. Assuming a school earned all of the possible sweepstakes points in the tournament (a mathematical impossibility), the maximum score they could earn would be 200 points (100% for debate, and 100% for IE).

For swing sweepstakes, individual events points from both tournaments are pooled to determine the IE percentiles.

Small School Status - Team entries are aggregated with an NPDA or CEDA/NDT team being the equivalent of 2 IE slots, and an NFA-LD entry being the equivalent of 1.5 IE slots. After ranking the entries of the teams entered in the pool, the bottom 1/3 of entries are classified as small schools.

Individual Events Sweepstakes - Awards will be presented to the top five open division individual events competitors. Competitors must be competing in at least four individual events. The school formula noted above will be used for the allocation of points.

Tournament School Awards –The top four 4-year and the top four 2-year schools for overall tournament sweepstakes awards will be presented for the Paul Winters Invitational. Additionally, we will recognize the top three small schools in overall sweepstakes.

Swing School Awards – The Swing will be divided into two equal parts – debate and individual events. Each school's points will be calculated as a percentage of the total points earned by all schools in each portion of the tournament. The percentage scores for both halves will be added together to determine rankings for each school. NFA L/D debate contributes to the debate portion of the tournament.

Awards will be presented to the top four two-year and four-year school, respectively as well as three Small School sweepstakes awards. Schools who are in the lower 1/3 of aggregate entries are considered small schools. An NPDA debate team will count as 2 IE slots and an NFA L/D debater counts for 1.5 slots.

PART EIGHT: LODGING AND DIRECTIONS

LODGING

Tournament Hotel: NOTE DIFFERENT TOURNAMENT HOTEL **Stockton Holiday Inn - The Hospitality Suite for Coaches and Critics and Thursday night Registration will be located HERE.** The full service Stockton Holiday Inn offers some of the finest accommodations in Stockton, California. Located off Interstate 5, the Stockton Grand Hotel is the closest property to the University of the Pacific and is conveniently nearby many restaurants and shopping. A few highlights include Complimentary High Speed Wireless Internet Access in all rooms and public areas, FREE BREAKFAST INCLUDED IN PRICE!! Outdoor pool and Jacuzzi Fitness Center featuring cardio and weight-training equipment. The tournament rate for this hotel is \$79.00 + tax, 1-4 people. Please ask for the "Paul Winters" code

DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 30

111 East March Lane

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Other Hotel: Comfort Inn, Stockton (March Lane) - To help cut your costs, we have secured an even lower rate for a new and nearby hotel. The hotel also features a free continental breakfast for all guests, as well as free wireless internet in all rooms for you and your students. This is a pretty good BUDGET hotel offering a special rate for folks attending the tournament. The hotel is located near I-5 and March Lane, an area that features an array of restaurants. They have agreed to a special group rates as follows: Singles: \$59.99/night, Doubles for \$69.99/night for 1-4 people per room. A Breakfast (including waffles) is INCLUDED at that price. To make reservations, please contact them directly. Ask for the "Paul Winters" code. DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 18

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DIRECTIONS

To the University of the Pacific Campus – From Interstate 5, take the March Lane Exit and head East on March Lane. Make a right on Pacific Avenue. The University of the Pacific will be on your right. The campus map is available at <http://www.pacific.edu/about/pacific-maps-directions/campus-map.asp>

To the Stockton Holiday Inn Hotel – From Interstate 5, take the March Lane Exit. Head East, Cross Pacific Ave. Turn left onto El Dorado. Turn Right on Yokuts Ave. **To the Comfort Inn** – From Interstate 5, take the March Lane Exit and head East. The Comfort Inn will be on your right hand side.