
Seattle University Debate Tournament



Welcome Packet

Dec 3 and 4, 2022 (In Person at Seattle University)

Welcome to the Seattle Debate Tournament IV

Below is information I hope you find useful. **Please share this document with your students and judges.**

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Something missing? Have a question? Please email Jim Hanson at hansonj@seattleu.edu

1. QUESTIONS? SOMETHING I CAN HELP WITH?

Email me at hansonj@seattleu.edu (my other email addresses work as well) or call or text me on my cell phone at 360-536-1983

2. EXPECTED WEATHER—BRING WARM CLOTHING

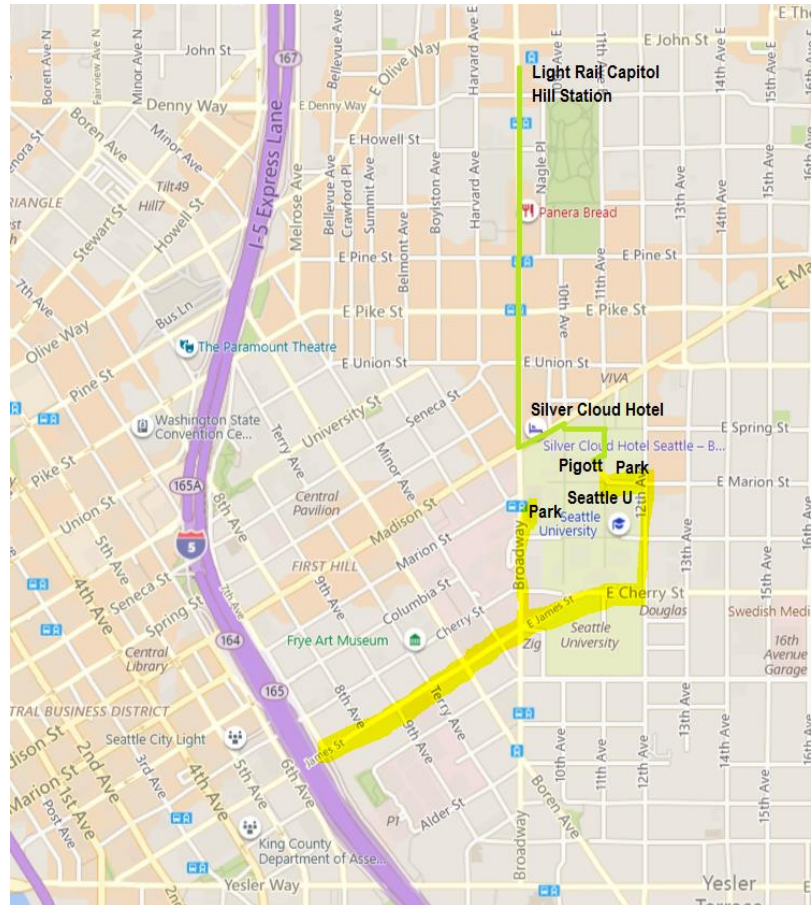
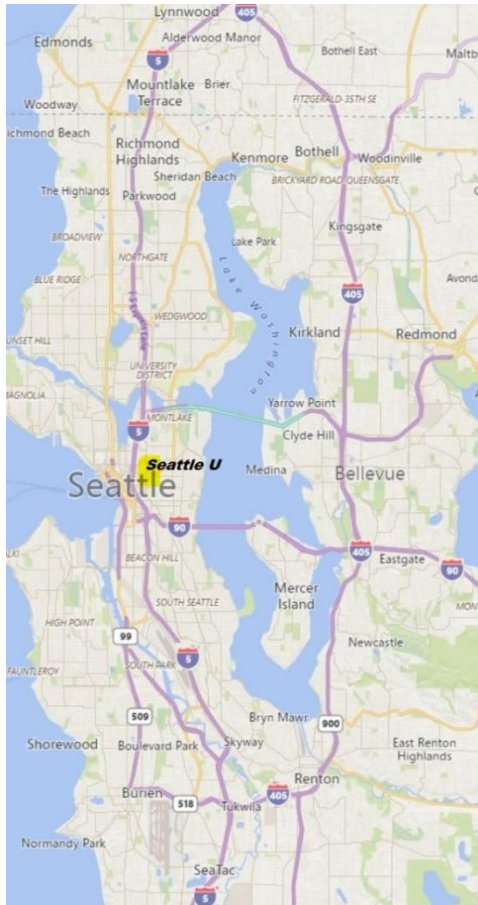
--High 30s during the day; Very Low 30s at night – **VERY COLD (Cold "bites" you in Seattle)**
 --Likely mixed snow/rain on Friday; mostly rain on Saturday; drier on Sunday.

3. ROAD CONDITIONS

We believe major roads will be fine (maybe some slush) Friday through Sunday BUT check conditions. Note that for those traveling on Interstate 5, there are backups and slowdowns even in off peak hours; using google/apple maps would be helpful; traffic can be slow EVEN on Saturdays and Sundays at all times.

4. DRIVING TO THE TOURNAMENT?

--Go to the Pigott Building at Seattle University.
 --Take the James Street Exit off of Interstate 5.
 --After exiting, take James Street going east (away from downtown, up the hill).
 --Make a left at 12th avenue.
 --Drive on 12th to Marion where you make a left turn and go into the parking lot.



Close up of Seattle U? See next page.

Note: Be careful and alert to construction on and near Madison St/Ave. It may block access at spots.

9. WIRELESS

Use the guest wireless network: SU-guest

10. POSTINGS

--In Person—on the Screen in Pigott Auditorium; may also be available online—watch for announcements.

11. ELIM BREAKS

--Open, Partial to Full Quarters

--Novice, breakout Semifinals or Finals

12. BATHROOMS

Please feel free and supported to use the bathroom that matches the gender you identify with. Unfortunately, to the best of my knowledge, there are no gender neutral bathrooms in Pigott.

13. PRONOUN POLICY

We encourage people to provide space and opportunity for people to state their pronoun preferences. If you don't know—the tournament default is restatement of the person's name or speaker position/official position or they/their/gender neutral.

14. EQUITY ISSUE? PROBLEM?

Please contact the Equity Team including Denise Vaughan or Jim Hanson,. We want to help work out problems and make the tournament a positive DEIJ experience for you.

Denise: denise_vaughan@hotmail.com

Jim: hansonj@seattleu.edu

At all times, participants are expected to follow the Equity guidelines.

Accessibility? We will work with you to provide rooms/facilities/adjustments to address limited mobility or disability issues. We want to make sure everyone participates. We urge you to contact us as soon as possible so we can best make this right.

Stress? Pigott 105 is a quiet room for those not feeling well or needing a peaceful, quiet environment.

15. SCHEDULE

IN-PERSON TOURNAMENT Planned 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 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 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 4

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

From me and all of the Seattle Debate Union—welcome to the tournament! :)



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