



Southwest Baptist UNIVERSITY

Dear Forensics Colleagues, August 15, 2023

The Southwest Baptist University forensics program, the Heartland Sigma chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, and the Bob R. Derryberry School of Communication Arts want to invite you to the Bob R. Derryberry Memorial Season Opener to be held on the campus of SBU September 29th and 30th. We invite you to come to lovely Bolivar, MO for two days of strong early season competition.

Our tournament offers four preliminary rounds of College International Public Debate Association (IPDA) and four rounds of Lincoln Douglas debate on Friday; and all 11 standard AFA individual events **(plus interviewing)** on Saturday. **One special note about interviewing. All competitors in that event will be expected to submit a hard copy of their resume at registration. Those who do not will be ineligible for the final round (which will be the resume round).**

Our tournament offers several nice amenities including...

- A humane competition schedule on both Friday and Saturday.
- A relatively compact campus—no competition building is more than a brisk five-minute walk from our tournament hub in the Jester Learning and Performance Center.
- Many hotel accommodations in the Bolivar/Springfield area.
- A nice selection of local eateries! (For a small town in Missouri anyway!)
- Lunch provided by the SBU Forensics Program on Saturday!
- A wide array of individual and sweepstakes awards!
- Nice trophies!
- A chance to start the season with the warm camaraderie fostered by the activity we love!

We hope that you will come and join us in October! Please contact us with any questions you may have. Sincerely,

Taylor D Corlee
Director of Forensics Southwest Baptist University

2023 Derryberry Season Opener Schedule*

Friday, September 29th

10:30a.m.-11:45p.m: Registration (Lobby of the Jester Learning and Performance Center)

12:00-1:00p.m: IPDA Round 1
1:00-2:00p.m: Lincoln Douglas Round 1
2:00-3:00p.m: IPDA Round 2/Lincoln Douglas Round 2
3:00-4:00p.m: IPDA 3/Lincoln Douglas Round 3
4:00-5:00p.m: IPDA 4/Lincoln Douglas Round 4
5:00-6:15p.m: Dinner Break (On your own)
6:30-7:30p.m: IPDA/Lincoln Douglas Elimination Round 1

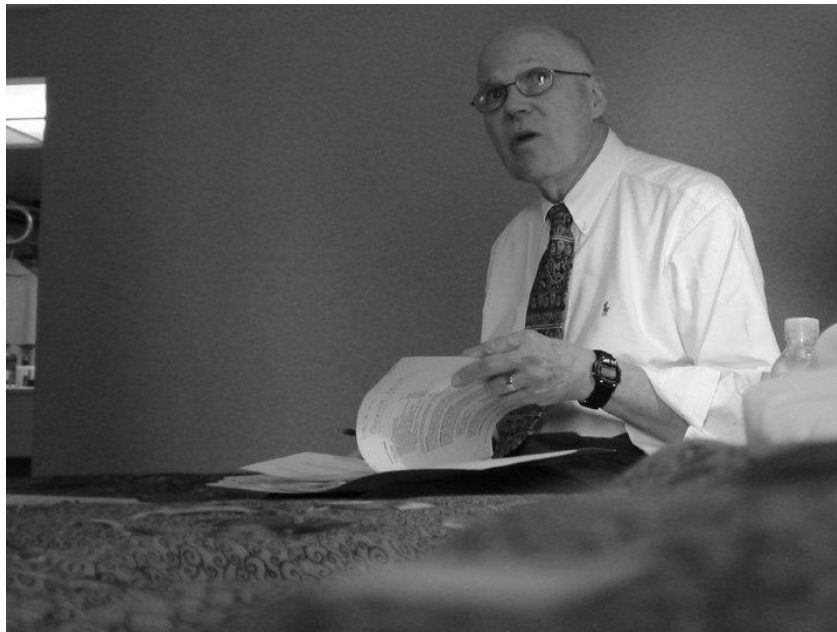
Saturday, September 30th

7:00-8:00a.m: Registration for IE only schools (Lobby of Jester Center)
7:45a.m. Extemp Draw (TBA)
8:00a.m.-9:15 Round 1 Pattern A (Extemp, Persuasion, DI, Poetry, Informative, Prose)
9:30a.m.-10:45 Round 1 Pattern B (Impromptu, POI, Duo, ADS, CA, Interviewing)
11:00a.m.-12:15p.m Round 2 Pattern B
12:15p.m.-1:00p.m. Sack Lunch Provided by SBU Forensics
1:00-2:00p.m. IPDA/LD Elimination Round 2
1:45p.m. Extemp Draw (TBA)
2:00-3:15p.m. Round 2 Pattern A
3:30-4:45p.m. Finals Pattern B
4:45p.m. Extemp Draw for Finals (TBA)
5:00-6:15p.m. Finals Pattern A
6:30-7:30p.m. IPDA/LD Elimination Round 3 (Location TBA)
7:45p.m. Awards (Davis-Newport Theatre)

*Note: We reserve the right to make schedule changes as necessary to accommodate tournament size, room needs, and other logistical considerations.

General Tournament Notes

This tournament is named in memory of Dr. Bob R. Derryberry—a beloved figure in the forensics community—who spent 46 years as a Professor of Communication and the Director of Forensics at SBU. He was VERY competitive, but always held to the notion that forensics was and ought to be an educational activity. We are pleased to host this tournament as a celebration of the forensics values he taught and believed in: fairness, audience-centeredness, competition, education, collegiality, and hospitality.



Lodging Options

There are several lodging options available in Bolivar, MO and many more in nearby Springfield, MO.

Bolivar Options Include:

Best Western Plus

777 E. San Martin Street, Bolivar, MO 65613 US

There is a room block available: https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.26183.html?groupId=2M4UA4D6

Super 8 Bolivar

1919 S Wommack, Jct of Hwys 13 and T, Bolivar, MO 65613 US 417-777-8888

Comfort Inn

2451 Tower Drive, Bolivar, MO 65613

417-326-6169

Dining Options in Bolivar

Fast Food

Arbys

Burger King

Dairy Queen

Little Caesars Pizza Master Wong's McDonalds

Mom's Deli Rooster's BBQ Sonic

Subway

Taco Bell

Wendy's

Restaurants

Boone's BBQ China King Curly Que BBQ Jasmine

El Rodeo

El Tres Amigos

Kathy's Pasta

Oseyo

Pizza Hut

Smith's Restaurant Springfield Avenue Café The Mediterranean

About The SBU Campus

We will distribute maps of the SBU campus at registration. If you wish to familiarize yourself with our campus before you arrive please follow this link. https://www.sbuniv.edu/_resources/documents/campus-map.pdf#search=campus%20map

Parking on the SBU campus is free for our visitors and guests of our tournament. Visitor parking tags will be made available to you when you register. We recommend that you attempt to park behind the Jester Center (the same building as the library). Parking on Friday will be a bit tighter but there should still be plenty of spaces available. There will be ample parking available on Saturday.

SBU is a nonsmoking campus!

Individual Awards

Awards will be presented to all students who reach elimination rounds of individual events, IPDA, and LD debate. Each member of the partnership in partnered events (e.g. Duo and IPDA) will receive a trophy.

We will recognize the top novice in each individual event.

If the number of entries warrant, we will offer both novice and open divisions in IPDA. We define a novice as any competitor in his or her first year of collegiate competition.

We will present quadrathon awards to the top three students. A student must be entered in at least 4 different events representing at least two of the three individual events genres (oral interpretation, platform speaking, limited preparation) to be eligible for quadrathon. **Only a student's top 4 events will count toward the quadrathon competition. Please note the "Interviewing" will not be counted towards the quadrathon.**

We will also present a special award (the "Bright Young Scholar") to the top three students entered in both individual events and either IPDA or LD Debate. Please note that our schedule does permit LD debaters to cross over and compete in individual events!

Sweepstakes Awards & Formula

We will present sweepstakes awards to the top three schools in debate, individual events, and overall. We will also recognize our top community college and our top participating Pi Kappa Delta chapter.

Sweepstakes points will be awarded to a school's top four performers per individual event. Schools participating in IPDA will earn sweepstakes points for their top four teams. In LD debate, two debaters will constitute one entry for sweepstakes purposes. In other words, a school can count its top eight LD debaters for sweepstakes purposes.

Individual Events: IPDA will present the following divisions- Novice and Open. Schools will earn sweepstakes points for a top three ranking in preliminary rounds...3 points-2 points-1 point for a 1, 2, or 3 rank respectively. Placement in final rounds will earn 6 points-5 points-4 points-3 points-2 points-1 point for places 1 through 6 or 7 respectively.

IPDA: IPDA will present the following divisions- Novice, JV, and Open. Novice division will follow the MAFA definition of 1st college year. This will allow a more assessable opportunity for students to join LD debate. Schools will earn 3 points per win in Lincoln Douglas and 0 points per loss in the preliminary rounds. Schools will earn 4 points per elimination round win and 2 points for an elimination round loss up until the final round. The final elimination round of IPDA will not count toward sweepstakes.

Lincoln Douglas: LD will present the following divisions- Novice, JV, and Open. Novice division will follow the MAFA definition of 1st college year. This will allow a more assessable opportunity for students to join LD debate. Schools will earn 3 points per win in Lincoln Douglas and 0 points per loss in the preliminary rounds. Schools will earn 4 points per elimination round win and 2 points for an elimination round loss up until the final round. The final elimination round of Lincoln Douglas will not count toward sweepstakes.

Local Host Entries

Southwest Baptist University students (particularly our novices) may be entered in individual events and debate. SBU will not be eligible for sweepstakes awards.

Fees and Judging Obligations

Fees will be calculated according to the following schedule...

Tournament Participation Fee IE entries: \$10.00 per student and judge either day

IE Entries: \$8 per slot

IPDA: \$25 per debater

LD: \$25 per debater

Uncovered IEs: \$10 in addition to the entry fee

Uncovered IPDA Debaters: \$50 in addition to the entry fee

Uncovered LD Debaters: \$50 in addition to the entry fee

Judging obligations....

In IPDA one judge will cover two IPDA debaters.

In Lincoln Douglas one judge will cover two LD debaters. In individual events one judge will cover six entries.

We will have several SBU and community judges available, but judges are a little scarce in Bolivar so please make every effort to cover your entries. **We'd rather have your judges than your \$\$\$.** For those paying with a check, please make it payable to SBU Forensics. **Please also note that we reserve the right to limit entries if needed. Schools with larger quantities of uncovered entries will be asked first.**

Entry Deadlines and Instructions

We will be receiving entries via forensicstournament.net again this year. Please visit

<https://forensicstournament.net/DerryberryOpener/22> to register. **Entries should be received no later than Tuesday, September 26th by 5:00p.m. Central time.** You will have until Wednesday, September

27th at 5:00p.m. to make changes to your entry. You will receive a confirmation of your entry on Wednesday, September 27th. Fees will be assessed at that time.

Host/Tournament Director Contact Information

If you should have any questions at all about our tournament, please feel free to ask. Please direct any inquiries to Taylor Corlee at tcorlee@sbuniv.edu. You may also call me at the office at 417-328-1960 or on my cell phone at 816-977-3011.

Individual Events Notes

Individual Event Conflict Patterns

Pattern A: Extemp, Persuasion, DI, Poetry, Informative, Prose

Pattern B: Impromptu, POI, After Dinner, Communication Analysis, Duo, Interviewing

General Rules

AFA rules will be followed for all individual events. Students should not enter material that has been used in competition before September 1, 2019. The tournament will follow AFA tabulation procedures.

Extemp topics will cover issues pertinent to the socio-political realm with emphasis upon: international affairs, the 2024 elections, and the economy. Students will be able to have access to wireless on the campus (however we do not guarantee the speed of the wireless access). Extemp competitors may use the internet for prep.

Impromptu participants will choose between two topics that will vary by round and section. Topics will be drawn from philosophical quotations, song lyrics, and quotations from popular films.

Students may enter up to three events per conflict pattern. We will make every effort to place multiple-entered students who are entered in extemp in sections where they will draw as one of the first three speakers.

Interviewing

Interviewing is designed to give students the opportunity to sharpen their questioning, job interviewing and resume writing skills. The event will consist of two rounds of interviews in pattern B of the preliminary rounds. Competitors should bring a copy of their resume to the preliminary rounds. Those students who break to finals will have their resumes evaluated based upon the presentation and professionalism of their resume and not their qualifications. As such, the final round in this event will be a “resume round” only—not a traditional final speech round.

Students will assume that they are applying for a generic summer internship in their field.

For preliminary rounds, competitors will be divided into sections of 5-6 competitors. A judge will interview each competitor for a maximum of 10 minutes using an interview protocol (instructions and list of generic interviewing questions) provided by the tournament. Judges will evaluate students on the interviewing performance and not whether they are a good fit for a specific job description.

Competitors in this event MUST submit 1 copy of their resumes at registration. Failure to submit a resume will mean that a student is ineligible for the final round.

Although there is no novice division in individual events, we will recognize the top performing novice in each IE. We define a novice as a student in his or her first year of collegiate competition. At registration we will ask coaches to designate which of their competitors meets this definition.

Lincoln Douglas Debate

In keeping with current practices in LD debate, we strongly encourage LD debaters to disclose their cases on the appropriate LD case list. We will send the link when it becomes available.