



Seattle University

IV Debate Tournament

Sat. and Sun. Dec. 7 and 8, 2019

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Seattle University invites you to our annual debate tournament on Saturday and Sunday, December 8th and 9th, 2019. We hope you will join us for a great debate experience.

Our tournament will feature 6 preliminary rounds of British Parliamentary style debate, and we expect to break to quarterfinals. There will not be a separate novice division but we expect a novice final or semi-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. To fill those panels, we ask that you bring N-1 judging with a minimum of 1 judge. (N-1 = Number of teams minus one but you need to bring at least one judge).

The tournament will provide Saturday coffee and a light breakfast, lunch, and dinner. On Sunday, we'll have coffee, light breakfast, lunch break to visit the many restaurants within a short walking distance of the tournament, and afternoon desserts.

Seattle University's campus is also within walking distance of our recommended hotel.

We are excited to host you this December and look forward to having you join us.

Please feel free to let me know if you have any questions and please remember to register on www.forensictournament.net by Tuesday, December 3.

Thank you,

Jim Hanson

*Director of Forensics (Speech and Debate)
Tournament Director*
hansonj@seattleu.edu

Angie Tinker

Deputy Chief Adjudicator

Brandon Stickels and Caroline Guess

SU Debate Mentors

**Ryan Shook, Alyssa Gaston, Hatcher Chapman,
Alex Lindgren-Ruby, Lily Panetta**

SU Debate Union Officers

Will Silberman

Deputy Chief Tabulator

Registration & Fees

We accept entries on <https://forensictournament.net/seattleuiv/19>

Registration deadline is Tues, Dec. 3. Drop deadline is Thurs. Dec. 5.

Tournament fees are as follows:

School Fee: \$50

Fee per debater: \$55 (includes food)

Fee per coach, judge, observers eating: \$30

Uncovered Team Fee: \$150

Note: pay for parking using the kiosk in the parking lot; it is \$8 per day per vehicle. Sorry, the passes we used to provide are no longer available.

Each school needs to provide N-I judging (with a minimum of 1 judge) to ensure that every room of debate has a multi-judge panel.

Judging you need: 1 team = 1 judge; 2 teams = 1 judge; 3 teams = 2 judges; 4 teams = 3 judges; 5 teams = 4 judges, etc.

We strongly encourage you to reach out to women and people of color to judge. We want a strong, diverse judging pool.

Can't afford the team/school fees: please reach out to me, Jim, at hansonj@seattleu.edu

All checks should be made payable to Seattle University.

We can take credit cards but it is a manual process—contact Jim at hansonj@seattleu.edu

Lodging

We have arranged a group rate at Silver Cloud Hotel that is a quality hotel option and is right next to Seattle University. **5 minute, mostly flat walk from the Silver Cloud Hotel to the Tournament.**

Silver Cloud Hotel (Right across the street from campus)

Ask for Seattle IV Debate Tournament Group Rate

\$159 King; \$159 Two Queens (*note—there are additional taxes, fees, and additional people over 2 costs*)

[Reserve Online!](#)

Address: 1100 Broadway Seattle, WA 98122

Phone: (800) 590.1801

—AIR TRAVELERS: we recommend coming from SeaTac airport via Uber/Lyft or Light Rail.

—VANS yes, BUSES no: Van parking is limited at the Silver Cloud—most of the garage has a low ceiling height; there is NO parking for buses/large shuttle buses. If you need to park a bus, please contact Jim Hanson at hansonj@seattleu.edu

Lower priced lodging? If you are willing to drive 20 to 30 minutes, use Expedia.com to find lower priced, quality lodging in the outer areas of Seattle.

We apologize but we are not able to provide “crash.”

Directions

Driving? Go to the Marion Street “Main” Parking Lot or “Broadway Garage” Parking Lot.

Note: For disability access and vans/buses, use the “Main” Parking Lot.

We will be hosting the tournament in the **Pigott Building**.

Car and bus travel: <https://www.seattleu.edu/visit/getting-to-seattle-university/>

Plane and light rail travel: <https://www.seattleu.edu/visit/travel-information/>

--Be sure your contact information—your accurate, up-to-date email address—is in www.forensictournament.net for your school.

Tentative Schedule

Saturday, December 7

9:00 - Registration Pigott Lobby (*Coffee and light breakfast provided*)

9:20 – Roll Call and Round 1 Draft Pairings Posted

--one representative from each school needs to be in Pigott Auditorium

--notify tab of needed changes immediately

9:30 - Tournament Briefings, Pigott Auditorium

--asap Official Round 1 Pairings Posted

--topic posted asap

11:30 - *Lunch provided by the tournament*

12:10 - Round 2 Announced (*Coffee refresh*)

2:20 - Round 3 Announced

4:30 - Round 4 Announced

6:30 – *Dinner provided by the tournament*

7:10 – Round 5 Announced

Sunday, December 8

9:00 - (*Coffee and light breakfast provided*)

9:20 – Roll Call and Round 6 Pairings Posted

--one representative from each school needs to be in Pigott Auditorium

--notify tab of needed changes immediately

--topic posted asap

11:20 - Lunch on your own

12:20 - Roll Call and Quarterfinals Announced (*Coffee refresh*)

2:20 - *Desserts*

2:50 - Awards

3:10 - Semifinals

5:20 - Finals

Links

[Seattle U Debate](#)

[US Universities Debate Association](#)

[Facebook Cascadia BP Debate](#)

[Facebook National BP Debate](#)