



Scheller Forensics Invitational *January 26-28, 2024*

December 2023

Dear Colleagues:

The Pacific Forensics team cordially invites you and your forensics teams to attend the Scheller Forensics Invitational, hosted on the Forest Grove campus **January 26-28, 2024**. This competition serves as the third designated tournament for the Northwest Forensics Conference. In addition to offering the traditional **11 AFA-NIET events**, we are also including **Editorial Commentary** as our experimental event and three styles of debate: **NPDA, IPDA, and BP**. Additionally, this year we have added the [NFC content warning system](#). Please make sure to include content warning information for your students and judges when registering.

We are proud to name our tournament after Dr. Fred Scheller. After earning his bachelor's degree in 1943 from Pacific University, Dr. Scheller pursued advanced degrees and most of his career was spent at Pacific, as a professor of speech and the director of forensics. Throughout his lifetime he remained a strong advocate and a good friend of our program.

Please let us know if you have any questions or need any additional information. We look forward to seeing you in January.

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TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

Entry Deadline: Monday, Jan. 22th, at 8:00 pm

Additional entries or substitutions will **not** be accepted after this point. Please indicate any judging conflicts/restrictions, content warnings, and unaffiliated judges, when registering online.

Drop Deadline: Wednesday, Jan 24th, at 12:00 pm

Fees are calculated based on entries at this time; any drops after this point will be charged full entry fees, including hired judging fees. Email drops past this time to jconner@pacificu.edu

Note: Please use www.speechwire.com (Fred Scheller Forensics Invitational) for tournament information and to manage team entries/drops.

DIVISIONS & RESTRICTIONS

DIVISIONS

Note: ballot ratings are based on the judge's discretion, regardless of division. Please use the following guidelines to determine appropriate divisions for your students:

- **Novice** – Students in the novice division are in their first full year of collegiate forensics. Students must have earned three or fewer 1st-3rd place finalist awards in IE's and/or three semi-finalist/finalist awards in debate at collegiate competitions to remain in the novice division. Please refrain from entering students as a novice that has significant high school experience.
- **Junior** – Students in the junior division are in their first or second year of collegiate competition. Students must have earned eight or fewer awards in IE's and/or debate events at intercollegiate forensics competitions to remain in the junior division.
- **Open** – Open to students with less than four years of intercollegiate forensics experience.

RESTRICTIONS

If we run into issues with entries, events, divisions or availability of rooms and judges, we reserve the right to impose the following restrictions as needed.

- **Entries** – If we have to limit team entries, decisions will be based on AFA-NIET standards (66 entries or less per school) and then a first come first serve basis. Furthermore, rounds may be stacked (i.e., students from the same team competing against one another) in order to make effective use of team judges.
- **Divisions** – We will adhere to NFC guidelines to determine collapsed divisions. Additionally, the tournament director reserves the right to reassign students that have been improperly entered in novice or junior divisions, as needed.

DEBATE

PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE (N, J, O)

Procedures will follow standard NPDA guidelines. We will use 7-8-8-8-4-5 time structure and 20 minutes of preparation. Topics will be centrally announced. There will NOT be a “warm room.”

Scoring follows standard NFC rules.

IPDA DEBATE (N, J, O)

The IPDA divisions will use the rules as presented in the IPDA constitution with a 5-2-6-2-3-5-3 format and 30 minutes of preparation. Debaters will be presented with 5 resolutions focusing on recent news and current events, and each side will have two strikes. IPDA rules can be found at: <http://www.ipdadebate.info/constitution--bylaws.html>

BRITISH-PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE (J, O)

The BP division will use the WUDC rules with a 7-7-7-7-7-7-7 format and 20 minutes of preparation (including walk time). The topics will be centrally announced and they will vary per round. IDEA guidelines for BP can be found at: <https://www.worlddebating.org/training-resources>
Scoring will be on a 50-100 scale.

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

MULTIPLE ENTRIES

Students may *triple-enter* within a pattern of individual events, except for those competing in duo and extemp. For individuals in those events, please use the following guidelines:

- o Students in duo may *only double-enter* in pattern A.
- o Students in extemp may *only double-enter* in pattern B.

ALL Students are responsible for making it to their rounds on time. You must arrive at least 15min prior to the start of a new round to be given the chance to compete each round.

PATTERNS

Pattern A: CA(J,O), Duo(J,O), Ed Com (O), Imp(N,J,O), Info(N,J,O), Pro (J,O)

Pattern B: ADS(J,O), DI(J,O), Ext(N,J,O), Per(N,J,O), Poe (N,J,O), POI(J,O)

EVENT DESCRIPTIONS

AFA-NIET rules apply to individual events. For information please see:

<https://sites.google.com/site/afanietnew2/products-services/event-descriptions>

EDITORIAL COMMENTARY

The purpose of the event is to emulate an editorial commentary for broadcast television or radio. Students should prepare a 3:45-4:00 min persuasive manuscript on a current affair that attempts to influence audience perceptions on the selected topic. Competitors are responsible for timing themselves and should deliver from their manuscript. Time limits must be strictly followed. Judges should evaluate the effectiveness of: a) verbal delivery, b) use of time, c) persuasive appeals, d) creativity and relevance of topic.

AWARDS & SWEEPSTAKES

We will offer awards to all finalists in IE's and Debate. Additionally, we will offer awards for:

- The top three teams in Division I and Division II, based on team entries
- The top five competitors in each category of debate
- The top five competitors earning the most IE points in open and junior/novice

SWEEPSTAKES POINTS

Event	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd /SF	4 th /QF	Finalist/OE
BP:	15pts	12pts	9pt	7pt	6pt
NPDA:	15pts	12pts	9pt	7pt	6pt
IPDA:	10pts	8pts	6pts	4pt	2pt
IE's:	10pts	8pts	6pts	4pts	4pt

JUDGING & FEES

JUDGING REQUIREMENTS

Schools **MUST** provide judges for the competition. Restrictions may be imposed for schools that do not adequately cover their team entries. Please use the following guidelines to determine your judging needs:

IEs: one judge covers eight entries

Debate: one judge covers two NPDA entries OR two BP entries OR four IPDA entries

ENTRY FEES

School fee	\$ 50	
Student fee	\$ 5	per student
Debate	\$ 35	per debater
IEs	\$ 10	per entry

HIRE JUDGE FEES

Debate judge	\$ 75 per debater (plus entry fee)
IE judge	\$ 15 per entry (plus entry fee)

MAPS AND DIRECTIONS

The tournament will be held on the Pacific University Forest Grove, OR campus. Do NOT go to the Health Professions Campus in Hillsboro.

For driving directions and location, visit:

<http://www.pacificu.edu/about-us/campuses-and-locations/forest-grove-campus/getting-here>

Pacific University campus map is located at:

<http://www.pacificu.edu/about/location/campusmap.cfm>

HOTEL INFORMATION

FOREST GROVE LODGING

Best Western University Inn and Suites

3933 Pacific Ave.

503-992-8888

*continental breakfast provided

Best Value Inn

3306 Pacific Avenue

503-357-9000

Forest Grove Inn

4433 Pacific Ave.

503-357-9700

HILLSBORO LODGING

Aloft Hotel

1705 NW Amberglen Ct

503-690-3781

*offers special rates

Comfort Inn Hillsboro

3500 NE Cornell Rd

503-648-3500

*continental breakfast provided

Courtyard by Marriott

3050 NW Stucki Place

503-268-6003



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Friday, January 26

7:15 Registration at University Center (Top Floor)
8:00 Round 1A
9:45 Round 2A
11:15 Round 3A
12:45 LUNCH
1:30 Extemp Prep
1:45 Round 1B
3:15 Extemp Prep
3:30 Round 2B
5:00 Extemp Prep
5:15 Round 3B

Saturday, January 27

7:30 Morning refreshments
8:00 FINALS A (may include semis)
9:45 Extemp Prep
10:00 FINALS B
12:00 LUNCH
12:30 IE Awards
1:30 RD 1 – IPDA/NPDA
3:30 RD 2 – IPDA/NPDA
5:30 RD 3 – IPDA/NPDA
7:30 RD 4 – IPDA/NPDA

Sunday, January 28

8:30 Morning refreshments
9:00 Debate RD 5 – IPDA/NPDA
11:30 Elim 1 – IPDA/NPDA
1:00 Lunch
1:30pm NFC Awards/IPDA Awards/BP Awards
2:30 Elim 2 – Debate (IPDA/NPDA)
4:30 Elim 3 – Debate (IPDA/NPDA)
6:00 Elim 4 - Debate (IPDA/NPDA)

Saturday, January 27 (BP Schedule)

1:30 RD 1 – BP
4:00 RD 2 – BP
6:15 RD 3 – BP

Sunday, January 28 (BP Schedule)

9:00 RD 4 - BP
11:15 RD 5 - BP (Closed Adjudication)
1:00 Lunch
1:30pm NFC Awards/IPDA Awards/BP Awards
2:30 BP Semis
4:45 BP Finals

EVENT KEY

Debate: BP (J,O), IPDA (N,J,O), NPDA (N,J,O)

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