



**2024 Off-Broadway Swing
December 7 - 8, 2024**

Hofstra University

Hofstra University and the Hofstra Forensics Alumni would like to invite you to the 2024 Off-Broadway Swing! **Both portions of the swing will be held IN-PERSON on our beautiful campus in Hempstead, NY located just 35 miles east of fabulous New York City.** Both halves will feature all 11 AFA/NFA events. In addition, the Hofstra portion (Saturday) will feature IPDA debate, while the Hofstra Forensics Alumni portion (Sunday) will feature NPDA debate. What follows is all the information you should need to plan your trip, but feel free to contact me if you have any other questions. We're looking forward to hosting you this December!

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We will be using Speechwire for Judges (We will be using e-ballots again this year! Each school is responsible for setting up accounts for each of their judges!)

1. Go to live.speechwire.com.
2. Log in with your email and password.
3. See your e-ballots on that page once they are released.
4. Click an e-ballot and click start when the round has begun.
5. Please submit your e-ballots promptly at the conclusion of the round.

Registration

1. Each school may enter a maximum of 6 students per event.
2. Each student may enter up to 3 events per pattern. However, **STUDENTS ENTERED IN DEBATE MAY NOT CROSS-ENTER IN INDIVIDUAL EVENTS ON THE SAME DAY!!**
3. Patterns will be as follows:

PATTERN A: Impromptu, Drama, ADS, CA, Prose

PATTERN B: Extemp, Persuasive, POI, Duo, Poetry, Informative

4. Registration will be via Speechwire. All schools must submit their entry by Tuesday, December 3 @ 9PM EST.

Fees

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HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY**

1. The following slot fees shall be assessed:

School fee	\$30 per school per half
I.E. slot	\$10 each
IPDA	\$20 per debater
NPDA	\$30 per team

2. Fees for uncovered slots/debaters will be assessed as follows:

Uncovered IE slot = \$20 per slot
Uncovered Debate = \$ 40 per debater or team

NOTE: ALL TEAMS MUST COVER AT LEAST 50% OF THEIR ENTRY!!!**

****If you really can't cover 50%, please email me.**

3. Fees will initially be calculated on Wednesday, December 4 at 1pm. Add/drop fees will be assessed as follows:

Add/drops on Thursday, Dec. 5th : \$15 per change plus entry fee
Drops on Friday, Dec. 6th incur a \$30 per drop plus entry fee
NO ADDS ALLOWED ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6th !!!
Drops on Saturday, Dec. 7th : \$50 per drop plus original entry fee
Drops on Sunday, Dec. 8th : \$100 per drop plus original entry fee
NO ADDS ALLOWED ON SATURDAY OR SUNDAY!!!

JUDGE DROPS: Friday, Dec. 6 - \$100/Saturday or Sunday, Dec. 7-8 - \$200

3. Each judge can cover 6 slots and 2 debaters/teams. Please make every attempt to cover your entry. As the saying goes, we'd MUCH rather have your judges than your money. Schools are responsible for entering their judges as the right judge type when it comes to calculating fees.

4. Judges who fail to pick up ballots will render their students ineligible for elimination rounds.

5. Judges will be used in both debate and individual events unless otherwise noted. Judges are obligated to judge one round past their student's elimination.

6. **There is a credit card/debit card option for payment of fees. We will have the forms at registration or you may request it prior to your arrival. We can also take cash and checks.**

Competition Rules

1. AFA-NST rules and descriptions will govern all AFA-NST events. Phi Rho Pi rules will govern IPDA and NPDA. Please make note of these rules, as they may differ from tournaments in your region. There will be no C/X in the final round of Extemp.

2. As per new AFA-NST language, the use of the Internet and/or electronic files are permitted in Extemp.

3. On Saturday, we will offer one division of Individual IPDA debate. Please make note of the following rules:

a. Debaters will be presented with three resolutions. Both debaters will alternatively strike one resolution each, starting with the negative. The 30-minute preparation period begins at the first negative strike. We will follow the time constraints set forth by the IPDA: 5-2-6-2-3-5-3.

b. During prep time, students are allowed to access any prepared material and/or electronic materials. This includes access to the Internet. In addition, students are allowed to prep with other students, but **NOT COACHES**.

c. All preliminary rounds will be randomly preset. Brackets will NOT be broken in elimination rounds.

d. There will be a designated room for topic draw. Students **MUST** report there **ON TIME** for draw! IPDA will most likely be flighted so students should note which flight they are. Further info can be found at www.ipdadebate.info

4. On Sunday, we will offer one division of NPDA debate. Please make note of the following rules:

a. Teams will be presented with three resolutions. Both teams will alternatively strike one resolution each, starting with the Opposition. The 15-minute preparation period begins after the judge announces the decided resolution. We will follow the time constraints set forth by the NPDA: 7-8-8-8-4-5. **In addition, both the Leader of Opp and Member of Govt are granted 2 minutes of flex time before their constructive; the Member of Opp and Prime Minister are granted 1 minute of flex time prior to their constructive and their rebuttal respectively. This time may be used to ask questions and/or prepare speeches.**

b. During prep time, students are allowed to access any prepared material and/or electronic materials. This includes access to the Internet. In addition, students are allowed to prep with other students and/or coaches.

c. All preliminary rounds will be randomly preset. Brackets will not be broken in elimination rounds.

d. Topic draw will take place in the competition room.

5. **NO** disclosure in debate rounds. Please turn in ballots before offering any oral critiques. **One judge will be assigned to Bronze rounds; three will be assigned to Gold rounds.** We will not break brackets.

Awards

1. Awards will be presented to each finalist in individual events.

2. In debate, there will be two elimination rounds. Debaters reaching the first elimination round receive Bronze. The winners of the second elimination round receive Gold, while the other debater(s) received Silver.

3. In individual events, sweepstakes points are awarded as follows:

- 12 points – 1st place in finals
- 10 points – 2nd place in finals
- 8 points – 3rd place in finals
- 6 points – 4th place in finals
- 4 points – 5th place in finals
- 2 points – 6th/7th place in finals

4. In debate, sweepstakes points are awarded as follows:

- 5 points for each prelim win
- 2 points for reaching Bronze Round
- 2 points for reaching Gold Round

5. In addition, the top speakers and schools will be recognized. Students must be entered in four events to be eligible for individual sweeps; schools must be entered in BOTH debate and IE to be eligible for overall sweeps.

Hotel/Transportation

- There's no official tournament hotel. I strongly recommend using your hotel site of choice.
- The NYC metro region is serviced by four airports: LaGuardia and JFK are both 30-40 minutes from campus. Newark is 60-90 minutes away, while Islip is about 2 hours from campus.
- I recommend using the Playbill website, the TodayTix app and Trip Advisor to plan any extracurricular activities while in NYC.

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS SCHEDULE (ALL TIMES EASTERN STANDARD TIME)

<u>Saturday, December 7 – hosted by Hofstra University Forensics</u>	<u>Sunday, December 8 – hosted by Hofstra Forensics Alumni</u>
8:00am – 8:45am Registration (1 st floor Breslin Hall)	8:00am – 8:45am Registration (1 st floor Breslin Hall)
9:00am Round 1A	9:00am Round 1A
10:30am Round 2A	10:30am Round 2A
12:00pm Lunch (on your own)	12:00pm Lunch (on your own)
12:45pm Extemp Draw	12:45pm Extemp Draw
1:00pm Round 1B	1:00pm Round 1B
2:30pm Extemp Draw	2:30pm Extemp Draw
2:45pm Round 2B	2:45pm Round 2B
4:15pm Finals A	4:15pm Finals A
5:30pm Extemp Draw	5:30pm Extemp Draw
5:45pm Finals B	5:45pm Finals B
7:15pm Awards (TBA)	7:15pm Awards (TBA)

DEBATE SCHEDULE (ALL TIMES EASTERN STANDARD TIME)

<u>Saturday, December 7 – hosted by Hofstra University Forensics</u>	<u>Sunday, December 8 – hosted by Hofstra Forensics Alumni</u>
8:00am – 8:45am Registration (1 st floor Breslin Hall)	8:00am – 8:45am Registration (1 st floor Breslin Hall)
9:00am Round 1A IPDA Draw	9:00am Round 1 NPDA
9:30am Round 1B IPDA Draw	
10:30am Round 2A IPDA Draw	10:30am Round 2 NPDA
11:00am Round 2B IPDA Draw	
12:00pm Lunch (on your own)	12:00pm Lunch (on your own)
12:45pm Round 3A IPDA Draw	1:00pm Round 3 NPDA
1:15pm Round 3B IPDA Draw	2:30pm Round 4 NPDA
2:15pm Round 4A IPDA Draw	4:00pm Bronze Round NPDA
2:45pm Round 4B IPDA Draw	5:30pm Gold Round NPDA
4:00pm Bronze Round IPDA	7:15pm Awards (TBA)
5:30pm Gold Round IPDA	
7:15pm Awards (TBA)	