

The Final Stage

Greetings, Players!

Doane University is excited to host the eighth annual "Final Stage" tournament swing! We will be offering one asynchronous tournament December 3rd-6th, and an in-person tournament December 7th. This tournament is meant to celebrate the end of the first semester. In that spirit, both halves of the tournament are showcase friendly.



ASYNC TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

ENTRY DEADLINE

Entries and video links are due Tuesday, December 3rd by 5:00pm. Please submit your entries to www.speechwire.com. Look for "The Final Stage - Bonus Stage". Fees will be assessed by the information we have @ 5:00pm on December 3rd. All entries are final after 5:00pm. As always, we ask that you cover as many slots as possible with usable judges. Questions for the tournament can be sent to Nathaniel (nathaniel.wilson@doane.edu).

ENTRY FEES

\$8.00 per slot. \$15.00 per uncovered slot. Each judge covers 6 slots. All judges are expected to be knowledgeable of updated AFA-NST rules.

***Please make checks out to:

Doane Forensics
And mail them to:
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1014 Boswell Ave
Crete, NE
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TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Students may enter as many events as they would like.

Sunday, Dec. 1st @ 9pm	LP Prompts posted
Tuesday, Dec. 3rd @ 5pm	Entries Finalized and Video Submissions due
Wednesday-Friday, Dec. 4th-6th	Rounds Judged
Friday, Dec. 6th @ 2pm	All Ranks Due (comments due by 5pm)
Friday, Dec. 6th @ 5pm	Awards and Ballots Released

VIDEO SUBMISSIONS

One video submission per student event will be used for all rounds.

Please upload individual events to Youtube, unlisted and include the student's full name and event in the "title" of the youtube video. When possible, please do not include the name of your college/university in the name of the Youtube account. Links must be provided with entries, by 5:00pm on December 3rd.

*The tournament reserves the right to institute and utilize team event caps based on the number of teams and number of entries at the registration deadline.

LP PROMPTS

Quotations and extemp questions will be posted to the tournament's speechwire page at 9pm on Sunday, December 1st. We trust all students and coaches to adhere to Limited Prep guidelines and honor code for preparation. Ext prep does not need to be included in the performance video. However, please include prep time in all Impromptu videos (this can make starting the video camera easier for students, and assessing time allocation possible for judging).

All Imp judges will be reminded to allow an initial 15 seconds for competitors to read the quotations before beginning time.

TABULATION

There will be three rounds, no finals.

Final Placings will be based on lowest cumulative rank. Ties in rank will be broken on: Strength of Opposition, Head-to-Head, Reciprocals.

If an event is small enough to only require one section, final placings will be based on predominance of ones, followed by lowest cumulative rank. Ties in rank will be broken on: judges' preference, and then reciprocals.

Team and Individual Sweepstakes points will be awarded based on the following formula: 12 points for first, 10 points for second, 8 points for third, 6 points for fourth, 4 points for fifth, and 2 points for sixth. Ties in team and individual sweepstakes will be broken on number of finals followed by number of 1st' place finishes, 2nd' place finishes, etc.

IN-PERSON TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

ENTRY DEADLINE

Entries are due by Tuesday, December 3rd by 5:00 p.m. Please submit your entries to www.speechwire.com. Look for "The Final Stage - Final Boss". Fees will be assessed Wednesday, December 4th, at 12:00 noon. As always, we ask that you cover as many slots as possible with usable judges. Questions for the tournament can be sent to Jennifer (jennifer.torres@doane.edu).

ENTRY FEES

\$8.00 per slot. \$15.00 per uncovered slot. We need your usable judges more than your money. Each judge covers 6 slots. A \$50 fee will be charged for any judge dropped after Thursday, Dec. 5th at 12:00 noon and a \$100 fee for any judge dropped at registration. Don't bring sick people to the tournament. But, please communicate entry changes before the day of the tournament when possible.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Students may enter up to 3 events per flight.

Flight A: Extemp, Persuasion, CA, DI, Poetry, Prose

Flight B: Impromptu, ADS, Informative, POI, Duo

8:00 a.m. Registration
8:30 a.m. Extemp Draw for 1A
9:00 a.m. Round 1A (CA, DI, Extemp, Persuasion, Poetry, Prose)
10:15 a.m. Round 1B (ADS, Duo, Impromptu, Informative, POI,)
11:30 Lunch
12:00 Extemp Draw for 2A
12:15 Round 2A (Extemp @ 12:30)
1:30 Round 2B
2:45 Extemp Draw for Finals
3:00 Finals – A
4:30 Finals – B
ASAP Awards

*Schedule may change based on entry sizes

LUNCH FEES (Optional)

It is important to us that your competitors and judges are offered adequate sustenance. Therefore, we will offer a \$6.00 per person/tournament lunch option for the Doane Cafeteria Brunch Buffet. When you register on Speechwire, please indicate the number of lunch tickets your team would like to preorder for Saturday. That total will be added to your entry fees to be paid at registration.

TABULATION

Prelims

Contestants will advance to finals based on lowest cumulative rank. Ties in rank will be broken on: head-to-head, strength of opposition, and reciprocals.

Finals

Placing in final rounds will be determined by predominance of 1's, followed by lowest cumulative rank. Ties in rank will be broken on: judges' preference, reciprocals, and then prelim ranks.

If an event is small enough to only require one section, final placings will be based on predominance of ones, followed by lowest cumulative rank. Ties in rank will be broken on: judges' preference, and then reciprocals.

Sweepstakes

Ties in team and individual sweepstakes will be broken on the number of finals, followed by the highest number of finishes in finals (1st's, 2nd's, 3rd's, etc.).

Visit this website for a map of
Doane University's campus:

<http://www.doane.edu/campus-map-crete>



We look forward to seeing you at The Final Stage!

Sincerely,

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