



THE MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE

A two-day tournament on Friday, December 09 and Saturday, December 10, 2011

REGISTRATION: Via tabroom.com. You can access our tournament from the main page, titled Marquette University Challenge. Alternatively, access registration through our direct URL: <http://tinyurl.com/muchallenge11>. You must register online through the site, where you'll be free to manipulate your entry. Problems? Call Shawn at 262.224.3209 or e-mail at shawn.matson@gmail.com.

DEADLINE: Entries are due by noon on Thursday, December 1. Entries received after this date may or may not be accepted.

DIVISIONS: We will offer these divisions in the challenge format: Open Switch Sides, Open Public Forum, Open Lincoln Douglas.

We will also host a Novice 4-Person and Varsity 4-person division at this tournament, but it will not be in the challenge format. It will, however, run on the two-day format like the other divisions. Two prelim rounds on Friday, three prelim rounds on Saturday, with elimination rounds to follow. Top speaker awards will be given out in each division.

FEES: Every debater is guaranteed 5 rounds - the only tournament in the state to offer that value. \$40 per Novice or Varsity 4-person team. \$30 per Switch Sides team. \$25 per Public Forum team. \$20 per Lincoln Douglas debater.

JUDGES: 1 judge required for each 2 entries, or fraction thereof. A single judge may cover 1 LD and 1 PF entry if they are willing to judge both--we will assume that the judge can judge in both divisions unless you specify otherwise. You must supply separate 4-person and switch sides judges, however. Policy Judges will be used in both the novice and varsity divisions to maintain the cleanest judge scheduling. Let us know if that's a problem for your judge.

Judges are obligated through all prelim rounds plus 1 round past the last round their school's students compete in. In other words, plan to stay for at least the first elimination round on Saturday.

HIRES: You may hire a LD/PF judge for \$125 each. Limited Policy judges available for \$150.

CHANGES: Changes to your original entry will be accommodated through Thursday, December 8. **Dropped entries after noon on December 6 DO NOT reduce your payment obligation or judge burden.** Please notify Shawn by email as you are aware of any changes. You must call in to confirm your roster on Saturday morning.

PARKING: Buses should unload and pick up on Clybourn Street. There are 8 hour parking meters on Clybourn and Wells, otherwise there are parking structure on Wisconsin Avenue that charge a daily fee for parking--something like \$5.

FOOD: On Friday, dinner and snacks will be available for purchase. On Saturday, light breakfast fare along with a lunch will be served. Please do not submit to the temptation to leave campus to eat or...whatever. The tournament will not stop for you.

LODGING: The tournament hotel is the Marriott Residence Inn Downtown Milwaukee which is located on Plankinton Avenue right next to the river, a short 6 blocks from campus. Studio Suites are \$89 per night and include either a King or Queen bed, plus a pullout. Rooms can accommodate 4 people. Hot buffet breakfast included for free with reservation. We ask that when choosing a hotel you do go with the Tournament Hotel as it will help keep costs down for tournament operations, and it is the cheapest and closest hotel. The block expires on November 23rd. Tell the agent you're with **Marquette University Debate** at 414-224-7890 or make online reservations. Our group code is **mdtmdta**.

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/mkeri?groupCode=mdtmdta&app=resvlink&fromDate=12/9/11&toDate=12/11/11>

MISC: WDCA rules and current NFL topics will be used. Novice means first year of competition.

Important for Switch Sides Judges: You will be given a speed ballot each round - if your judge does not turn in their speed ballot to a runner before disclosure or oral critiques, the team that hired the judge will forfeit 5 speaker points on all that school's competitors during that round. We will enforce this rule.

Tournament Schedule

Friday

<u>LD</u>		<u>PF</u>		<u>Switch Sides</u>		<u>4-Person</u>	
Registration	3:00	Registration	3:00	Registration	3:00	Registration	3:00
Round 1	4:00	Round 1	4:00	Round 1	4:00	Round 1	4:00
Round 2	5:30	Round 2	5:30	Dinner Break	6:00	Dinner Break	6:00
Dinner Break	6:30	Dinner Break	6:30	Round 2	6:30	Round 2	6:30
Round 3	7:00	Round 3	7:00				

Saturday

<u>LD</u>		<u>PF</u>		<u>Switch Sides</u>		<u>4-Person</u>	
Round 4	8:00	Round 4	8:00	Round 3	8:00	Round 3	8:00
Round 5	9:30	Round 5	9:30	Round 4	10:00	Round 4	9:30
Quarters	11:00	Quarters	11:00	Round 5	12:00	Round 5	12:00
Lunch	12:00	Lunch	12:00	Lunch	1:00	Lunch	12:00
Semifinals	1:00	Semifinals	1:00	Semifinals	1:30	Semifinals	1:00
Finals	2:30	Finals	2:30	Finals	3:00	Finals	3:00
Awards	4:00	Awards	4:00	Awards	4:30	Awards	4:30

The schedule is tight but tenable if we move through rounds quickly; I ask for your help. A 15 minute forfeit policy will be enforced. The quicker we move, the better.

Checks mailed to:

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Friends of Whitefish Bay Forensics

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Please note that we can only accept checks made out to *Friends of Whitefish Bay Forensics*.

Shawn Matson
Tournament Director

James Hoggatt
Tournament Director

Dave Denomie
Tournament Host

Confirm ALL Entries on Saturday morning by 7:00a by calling 262.224.3209

Registration will take place in the lobby of the Lalumiere Language Hall Lobby.