



PI KAPPA DELTA

The Art of Persuasion, Beautiful and Just

Dear Pi Kappa Delta and Forensic Colleagues,

I, along with the National Council of Pi Kappa Delta, invite you to join us for Pi Kappa Delta's 2020 National Comprehensive Tournament March 27-30 on the campus of San Diego State University in San Diego, CA. This tournament includes a variety of events and is intended to showcase the breadth of intercollegiate forensics. It is of particular importance to Pi Kappa Delta that this tournament celebrate the role of honoraries by promoting a balance of education and competition within an environment of comprehensive participation.

This year's tournament will continue to feature the very best of intercollegiate forensics in a full range of individual and team events, including debate and individual events both traditional to collegiate forensics and unique to Pi Kappa Delta. Additional details will be featured and added on the Pi Kappa Delta website as well as on Tabroom.com. Individuals are encouraged to visit the website at www.pikappadelta.net. The website will include updated information and forms for registration and hotel arrangements. You can also follow us on Twitter, @PiKappaDelta.

Please note the ***Tuesday, February 19th deadline*** for initial tournament entry. As in the past, a brief period for changes without penalty will be extended but initial entry ***must be made by the February 19th deadline***.

We look forward to seeing you in San Diego this March for what promises to be an amazing tournament and convention!

Sincerely,

Jessica Furgerson
National Tournament Director

Christopher Leland
National President

Ashely Nuckels Cueva
Local Host

Accommodations

The national council and local host recommends the following hotels for your consideration. Each is holding a block of rooms and is offering a special rate up until the specified date or until the blocks are sold out. Ask for “PKD” rates.

Legacy Resort Hotel & Spa \$139.00 per night Continental Breakfast 7 miles to campus	Springhill Suites San Diego Mission Valley \$129.00 per night Hot breakfast included 4.5 miles to campus
Holiday Inn La Mesa \$95.00 per night Breakfast not included 4 miles to campus	Crowne Plaza Mission Valley \$115.00 per night Hot breakfast included 8 miles to campus Airport Shuttle available

Local Arrangements and Information

All questions regarding local arrangements should be directed to Ashley Nuckels Cuevas at anuckelscuevas@sdsu.edu. Questions may also be answered with information available at the Pi Kappa Delta website at www.pikappadelta.net.

Discrimination Policy, Title IX Training, and Compliance Officer

Creating an inclusive and safe space for all participants in a top priority for Pi Kappa Delta and has long been an important part of our constitution. As such, the following statements from our constitution will be in full effect at the 2020 National Comprehensive Tournament.

Article II.201 Pi Kappa Delta is committed to assuring equal opportunity to all persons, regardless of race, color, religious creed, national origin, physical ability status, age, economic status, gender, sex or sexual orientation. Pi Kappa Delta is opposed to all forms of discrimination and seeks to establish a tolerant atmosphere in which every individual is accorded respect. Mindful of the importance of First Amendment freedoms, Pi Kappa Delta reminds its members of their ethical obligations to audience members and encourages members to refrain from disrespectful or derogatory speech. As an organization dedicated to fostering the development of functional leadership skills, Pi Kappa Delta encourages the participation of individuals from traditionally under-represented groups. Pi Kappa Delta is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Article VI.601 Practices and Procedures Committee. It shall be the function of this committee to uphold Pi Kappa Delta's Statement on Discrimination. The Compliance Officer appointed by the President of Pi Kappa Delta and approved by the National Council will chair this committee. This committee will be responsible for investigating charges of discrimination and recommending appropriate action, if necessary, to the National Council. This committee must maintain the confidentiality of all involved to the maximum extent possible in order to conduct a fair and thorough investigation.

Each team will need to submit verification from their institution that all participants have completed their institution’s Title IX training. We recognize that this looks different across institutions so please contact your Title IX office to determine which training method best suits your need. Verification of training must be provided at registration.

PKD Membership and Fees

All students participating in this tournament must be members of Pi Kappa Delta. Similarly, all schools participating must be members of Pi Kappa Delta in good standing. Membership fees are as follows, depending on when memberships are submitted and paid:

Before Tuesday, February 1 st	\$35.00
After February 1 st	\$50.00

Annual chapter dues are as follows, depending on when dues are paid:

Before December 1 st	\$100.00
Before February 15 th	\$125.00
After February 15 th	\$150.00

All chapter dues and student memberships must be paid prior to a chapter registering for the tournament.

Eligibility

Each student delegate/participant must be an undergraduate student in good standing who has not completed eight semesters of forensic participation, or attended any collegiate national forensic tournament in four different years prior to the current year. ***Each delegate/participant must be a PKD member or have filed an application for membership with the national office prior to the convention.*** For membership information contact Phil Voight at pvoigt@gustasvus.edu and 651-492-8449.

Entry Fees

Individual Event Entries (per slot)	\$ 10.00
Debate Teams (per team)	\$ 60.00
LD/IPDA/Student Congress Entries (per debater)	\$ 35.00
Reader's Theatre Entries (per team)	\$ 60.00

The following are in addition to above fees...

Uncovered IE/Student Congress Entry	\$ 15.00
Uncovered Debate Team/RT Cast	\$ 120.00
Uncovered LD/IPDA Entry (per entry)	\$ 70.00
Late Drop Fees	
After March 9 th —per drop	\$ 10.00
After March 16 th —per drop	\$ 20.00
After March 23 rd —per drop	\$ 30.00
At Registration—per drop	\$ 50.00
Late Fee for Registrations after Late Registration Period	\$100.00

Special circumstances will be recognized and not assessed a late drop fee penalty. There will also be no charge for name changes. Other uncovered and penalty fees will be assessed as a means of helping to ensure an efficient and accurate tournament.) Once fees are assessed, no refunds for any portion of fees will be provided.

Tabroom Accounts

All participants (including judges) must also have a Tabroom.com account. You may create your free account at any time utilizing the process found here: [http://docs.tabroom.com/Sign Up](http://docs.tabroom.com/Sign_Up).

Tournament Entry and Change Deadlines

Tournament entries must be submitted via **Tabroom.com**. To enter go to **Tabroom.com** and find the **PKD NCT 2020**. Then follow the instructions. Schools **must** enter in this manner. Tournament entries must be received by **Tuesday, February 19th**. If you have problems, contact Dr. Jessica Furgerson by email at Jessica.furgerson@uc.edu or by phone at (210) 854-7967.

All changes should be made by 5:00 pm Central Standard Time on March 9th to avoid drop fees. Changes can be made online. **Changes on March 23rd or later should be emailed to Dr. Jessica Furgerson at Jessica.furgerson@uc.edu.**

A chapter cancelling their entry after March 19th will be obligated for full fees assessed as of their time of dropping from the tournament.

Judges

All competing chapters are expected to provide qualified judges to cover a **minimum of 50%** of their entries. A chapter must provide...

*One judge for every **EIGHT** individual event entries*

*One judge for every **TWO** NPDA, PF, or LD entries*

*One judge for every **ONE** Reader's Theatre cast*

*One judge for every **THREE** IPDA entries*

*One judge for every **FOUR** student congress entries*

A judge may cover both individual events and debate/reader's theatre/congress with the *exception* of Worlds debate judges who may not also cover a team's IE entry. Please note that teams utilizing judges to cover both debate and IE entries are consenting to a full day of judging – although we will do our best to give those judges rounds off in appreciation of their service we cannot make this guarantee.

Debate judges are obligated to be available for one round beyond the point which their students are eliminated. IE judges are obligated to judge semifinals even if their students do not advance to elimination rounds and are obligated for finals in the event that their students advance beyond preliminary rounds.

Judges should possess a baccalaureate degree or have experience as a forensic judge. Judges will be considered for judging any events within the category of entries in which they have students (any individual events if entered in individual events, any debate for the pattern in which one's students are entered). Judges covering student entries in both individual events and debate should expect heavier loads as a result of coverage being necessary in both areas of competition. Undergraduate students may not judge at the PKD National Tournament unless they have maximized their eligibility to compete. Because of its organization's constitution, IPDA debate may utilize undergraduate judges. This will be the only event in which these rules on judges' qualifications will be exempted. Any undergraduate judge must be approved by the tournament director. *Undergraduate judges may not be entered as competitors in any tournament event, including individual events.*

A limited number of hired judges are available; however, requests for hired judges should be made through the tournament director. Hired judges will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis. Chapters relying heavily on hired judges will be allowed to enter students only insofar as hired judges are available. Chapters in this situation should contact the tournament director immediately. Dropped judges will result in a chapter being assessed judging fees **in addition to** drop fees as outlined elsewhere in this invitation.

Judges are expected to pick up ballots when they are scheduled to judge. Judges who enter students in both individual events and debate should expect to be scheduled for rounds during any debate flight in

which they have students, and during any individual event flight. Failure to pick up an assigned ballot through any reason not associated with general tournament management will result in a \$25.00 fine per occurrence, payable at the time of the ballot not being claimed. Failure to pay this fine will result in the judges' chapter not being eligible for sweepstakes awards. All school judges will sign a statement at registration acknowledging their commitment to pick up assigned ballots and that they will be assessed fines for any assigned ballot not claimed.

Cross Entering and Double Entry

Every effort has been made to include a wide variety of events within a schedule that is humane and limited to four days of competition. Because of our commitment to honor comprehensive forensics with an extensive slate of events, limitations have been placed on the degree to which a student can cross between individual events and debate. We apologize for this inconvenience and encourage you to also attend our Biennial in odd number years where cross entry is far less restricted.

1. Students entered in Worlds debate may not enter Flight C individual events.
2. Students entered in ANY debate format may not enter Reader's Theater or Student Congress.
3. Students may not enter more than one debate format.
4. Students may not enter more than two individual events per flight.
5. Students may enter both Reader's Theater and Student Congress.

Event Rules and Requirements

The rules and requirements for each event will be determined by their home organization (NPDA, IPDA, NFA-LD, AFA, College Public Forum). Event descriptions for other events can be found below.

Student Congress: each session will be divided into chambers of no more than 18 students each. Sessions will be no longer than two hours each. Parliamentary procedures, as outlined in *Robert's Rules of Order*, will be followed. Speakers will be ranked and rated by judges on their speaking and advocacy skills, as well as their understanding and use of parliamentary procedure. Additionally, a top legislator will be selected via peer voting for each chamber. Schools may submit **ONLY ONE** piece of legislation by **March 1st**. Submissions must be made to Dr. Jessica Furgerson at Jessica.furgerson@uc.edu.

Spanish Language Interpretation (IN PERSON THIS YEAR): A student will perform ANY selection of interpretation in Spanish. The length of this event is 10 minutes with introduction. Contestants will be judged on their performance of literature in Spanish. The aim of this event is to be able to allow competitors to compete in the language that they prefer, and to celebrate the student's ability to speak in Spanish. As such, translated literature is acceptable. Use of a manuscript is required.

Interviewing: Rounds 1 and 2 will consist of an interview lasting no longer than 10 minutes conducted by the judge utilizing the same question set for each competitor. Round 3 will have judges evaluate and rank student resumes based on their resume-writing techniques and the overall strength of their resume. Competitors entered in interviewing must provide a **printed copy** of their resume during registration.

Editorial Impromptu: Students will be given a short editorial (ideally 3 to 5 paragraphs) to which they will develop a response. Students will be allowed nine minutes to divide between preparation and speech time. Speakers must speak for at least five minutes. Limited notes, prepared in the round, are permitted. Judges will provide time signals.

Persuasion Works

Pi Kappa Delta is committed to our motto (“The Art of Persuasion: Beautiful and Just”); we believe the consequences of competition reach far beyond the tournament. In a world where manipulative forces continually perpetuate injustice, our “Persuasion Works” program aims to support student advocacy and scholarship efforts that counteract those impulses. This includes:

- Funds for the top three Persuasion speakers to directly support their advocacy efforts. Pi Kappa Delta will work in consultation with students to appropriate funds (\$300 for first, \$200 for second, \$100 for third). To be considered, students *must fill out* the “Persuasion Works: Advocacy” form at registration.
- The Flight C event, Interviewing. This attempts to translate competitive experience into life success. Students learn and expand professional skills.
- The online event *Student Scholarship*. It prompts students to think through an important topic, gain writing skills and learn to *translate* that writing into presentation form.

***Student Scholarship* – NOT INCLUDED IN SWEEPSTAKES TABULATION**

Pi Kappa Delta has partnered with Net Impact: a 501(c)3 organization whose passion is to equip “emerging leaders to build a more just and sustainable world.” Their programs align well with PKD’s mission because they engender innovative climate, energy and economic action. *Up to Us* is Net Impact’s initiative to empower student advocacy for fiscal and economic sustainability.

Students participating in this event will need to complete three tasks:

1. Write a short essay (3-6 pages, double-spaced, 12-point font) inspired by the following prompt: “**I Care about the U.S. National Debt because...**” The essay may use direct advocacy (e.g. problem/solution), expository or other creative nonfiction formats. It can be academic in scope, though students should consider writing for a general audience. (Remember: the panel of judges will hail from varied disciplines as well as volunteers from Net Impact!).
2. In an effort to enhance civic engagement efforts, students will then use their essay to inspire an appeal to their Congressperson/people—addressed correctly and signed. Formatting may be as a postcard, letter or email. (We hope you will consider encouraging your colleagues and friends to submit as well!)
3. *Translate* your chief arguments into a speech and record/upload it (the directions for how to do this are below)—and does not exceed 10 minutes. Notes and/or audio-visual aids are permitted. Though emphasis is on ideas and presentation skills, students should consider the effects of aesthetic elements such as setting and camera techniques.

Send a copy of the original essay and congressional appeal *as separate PDFs* to President-Elect Ryan Louis (ryan.louis@ottawa.edu) by **February 28, 2020**. Students will receive professional critical feedback for their essays—enhancing the “real world” impact of the event. Students *must* post their presentation online by **March 16, 2020**.

Prizes:

In keeping with the spirit of our *Persuasion Works* initiative—and in lieu of sweepstakes consideration—top competitors can receive multiple forms of recognition. In addition to acknowledgement at the PKD awards ceremony, PKD and Net Impact will offer the following:

- PKD Councilmembers will ask top essayists to revise and resubmit for publication to pikappadelta.net, other PKD distributions (including the peer-reviewed, scholarly journal *The Forensic*) and the *Up to Us* blog.
- Net Impact will award top presentations: \$500 for 1st; \$250 for 2nd; and \$100 for 3rd.
- Net Impact will provide the top congressional appeal free admission to Harvard Business School’s online course “Become a Purpose-Driven Leader” (\$1,050 value).

- Triathlon Award—all-around award for the student with the highest placement across all three events—will personally earn \$500 *and* \$500 for their institution.

Instructions for Entering Student Scholarship

To upload your presentation:

- Log onto Vimeo.com (our exact URL is www.vimeo.com/pikappadelta).
- Sign into the PKD account using our email address: pkdnationalcouncil@gmail.com.
- Type in our password: "PiKappaDelta20" (note: this p/w is case sensitive).
- Click on "Upload" and follow the directions. Place in the folder "Student Scholarship."
- Please name your file with appropriately identifying information: Name (if applicable), School and Event. Example: [rlouis_ottawa_scholarship.mov](#). After you upload, send an email to Ryan with the subject: "PKD/Net Impact Scholarship Entry."

Oral History – NOT INCLUDED IN SWEEPSTAKES TABULATION

We are again pairing with Net Impact's Up to Us program for another PKD tradition. From time to time, we ask members to submit oral histories about chapter happenings. In addition to archiving the submissions at the PKD National Archive in Ottawa, Kansas, we will award \$300 grants to *all* participating schools to be applied toward their tournament fees!

Simply host one (or both!) of these events on your campus and create a video document reporting the results. Submit to our Vimeo account (instructions above) no later than March 13. Then send an email to ryan.louis@ottawa.edu to unlock your grant! We have a TOOLKIT online that includes ground rules, event descriptions and set-up checklists. Visit pikappadelta.net and download all of the relevant materials!

The Events:

Democratic Deliberation

In our activity, we pay a lot of attention to speaking skills and sometimes forget *listening* skills that create spaces where alternative views can coexist, civilly and productively. Though we are a comprehensive speech and debate organization, we should also take a comprehensive approach to the study of ethical communication. Because of this, we encourage your team to facilitate small-group deliberative events on your campus that tackle the concept **A Nation in Debt: Building a Sustainable Economic and Fiscal Future**.

Students gain skills via facilitations that navigate difficult conversations. Hosting requires:

1. **GROUND RULES:** Create a distinctive goal for the deliberative forum and consider ground rules for the conversation.
2. **THE PERSONAL STAKE:** Forum participants should talk about their personal experiences and listen to those of other participants.
3. **WEIGHING OPTIONS:** Forum participants should work through the options and proposals in the issue guide (available online) and wrestle with benefits and trade-offs.
4. **REFLECTIONS:** Allow time at the end of every forum to reflect on the deliberations. This includes identifying points of agreement, as well as areas where the group have second thoughts after hearing from others.

Campus Debate

In addition to small-group facilitations, your chapter may showcase its persuasive talents with a public debate. Unlike the events offered at our annual tournament, however, we would like you to host one *with a moderator*.

The format, number of debaters and time limits are entirely up to you; we only ask that it be about our themed topic—the national debt and other fiscal public policy issues.

*Thank you for participating in our first Persuasion Works collaboration!
Any questions? Feel free to contact Prof. Louis at ryan.louis@ottawa.edu*

Sweepstakes

Individual Events Sweepstakes (excludes Student Scholarship & Oral History)

Preliminary round points will be awarded to the top three competitors from each school in each event:

- Rank of 1 3 points
- Rank of 2 2 points
- Rank of 3 1 point

Elimination round points will be awarded for each student a school advances:

- First place 6 points
- Second place 5 points
- Third place 4 points
- Fourth place 3 points
- Fifth place 2 points
- Sixth place 1 point
- Quarter and Semifinals 1 point (for all students in semifinals)

Reader's Theatre entries will count as individual event entries. Casts will earn sweepstakes points as follows:

- 5 points per "1" rank
- 7 points per elimination round "1" rank

Debate Sweepstakes: Schools earn elimination round points for each team that advances. NFA LD, IPDA entries count as half a debate team.

The top three teams for each school per format will receive points:

- 5 points per preliminary round victory
- 7 points per elimination round victory through the first three elimination rounds

Student Congress entries will count as debate entries. Sweepstakes points will be calculated for student congress as follows, per chamber and per round:

- First place 6 points
- Second place 5 points
- Third place 4 points
- Fourth place 3 points
- Fifth place 2 points
- Sixth place 1 point

Tentative Schedule

Friday

4:00pm Registration

Location TBD

*****SPECIAL NOTE FOR SATURDAY MORNING DEBATE ROUNDS ONLY*****

NPDA ROUNDS 1 & 2 WILL UTILIZE THE SAME RESOLUTION. TEAMS WILL HAVE 45 MINUTES TO PREPARE BOTH SIDES OF THE RESOLUTION AND WILL COMPLETE ROUND 1 & 2 BACK TO BACK. LD & PF ROUNDS 1 & 2 WILL ALSO OCCUR BACK TO BACK – POSTINGS FOR BOTH ROUNDS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT 9:30AM. PLEASE NOTE THE START TIMES FOR EACH FORMAT OF DEBATE DURING THIS TIME PERIOD. BEGINNING IN ROUND 3 ALL DEBATE DRAWS/ROUNDS WILL OCCUR SIMULTANEOUSLY.

Saturday

8:00am IE Flight C - Round 1 – ADS, DI, CA, POE, EIM
9:15 Debate Draw
9:45 IPDA 1A, Worlds 1
Reader's Theatre Round 1
10:00 NPDA Round 1
10:15 LD / PF 1
IPDA 1B
11:00 NPDA Round 2
11:30 LD / PF 2,
Reader's Theatre Round 2
1:00 IE Flight C Round 2 – ADS, DI, CA, POE, EIM
Worlds 2
2:15 Extemp Draw
2:30 IE Flight A Round 1 – INF, DUO, EXT, INT, SLI
3:45 IE Flight B Round 1 – POI, PER, PRO, IMP
5:00 Debate Draw
5:20 Debate Round 3
Congress Session 1
6:45 IE Flight C Round 3 – ADS, CA, DI, POE, EIM
7:00 Extemp Draw
7:15 IE Flight A Round 2 – INF, DUO, EXT, INT, SLI

Sunday

8:00 Debate Draw
8:20 Debate Round 4
Congress Session 2
9:45 Extemp Draw
10:00 IE Flight A Round 3 – INF, DUO, EXT, INT, SLI
11:15 IE Flight B Round 3 – POI, PER, PRO, IMP
12:30 Debate Draw
12:50 Debate Round 5
Reader's Theatre Round 3
2:00 IE Flight B Round 3 – POI, PER, PRO, IMP
3:15 Extemp Draw
3:30 IE Quarterfinals Part 1
5:00 IE Quarterfinals Part 2
6:30 Debate Draw
6:50 Debate Round 6
Congress Session 3

Monday

8:00 Debate Draw
8:20 Debate Elimination Round 1
9:30 Extemp Draw
9:45 IE Semifinals Part 1
10:45 Debate Draw
11:05 Debate Elimination Round 2
Reader's Theater Final
12:30 IE Semifinals Part 2
1:45 Debate Draw
2:05 Debate Elimination Round 3
3:15 Extemp Draw
3:30 IE Finals Part 1
4:45 IE Finals Part 2
5:45 Debate Draw
6:05 Debate Elimination Round 4
7:30 AWARDS