#### BP Summer Invitational, UDM (Unified Debaters of Massachusetts), Summer 2022

Welcome to the UDM BP Summer Invitational! Below are our tournament policies which should give you a general idea of how the tournament will operate during the weekend. If you have any questions, the tournament organizers are free to field them as we approach the tournament date.

#### Overview

This tournament will be in BP (British Parliamentary) style online during the weekend of August 12th-14th. The goal is to have an open break to quarterfinals, but may change if size requires, and will be using the BP Format. We will have 5 in-rounds and 3 out-rounds, which will all have impromptu motions. Prep time will be 15 minutes for all rounds.

#### **Eligibility**

This tournament is a registered open. Any current school student is eligible to form a team (including those who have just recently graduated in the last few months and are awaiting the start of their first year of University in May or later). You must register as a team of 2 students, rather than as an individual. Students do not need to attend the same school/institution to form a team together.

There will be a single open break, which will comprise the entire pool of competitors. However, speaker awards will be given for different categories. This will include International and Open debaters.

#### **Technical details**

This tournament will be run over zoom. Depending on the technology preferences of those registered, we will also be hosting over discord. If this poses a significant problem there may be an alternative found.

### **Registration and Fees**

Registration will open on **May 12th** and will close once we hit our team cap (around 75 teams but depends on judges) or on **July 30th**, whichever happens first. All payment must be made within one week of the reg deadline. Registration fees will be set at 55 USD (inclusive of: 2 speaking members, 0-2 coaches/observers, 1 judge). You are required to bring one judge less than each team you register. This is an *n-1* judging requirement. If you are unable to bring judges, a fee of 35 USD will be applied. Payment can be made via Venmo, Paypal, or Direct

Deposit. A payment plan will be negotiated team by team to ensure it is amicable for both parties. A limited amount of fee waivers will be given, with priority given to those who would face financial hardship by attending and paying the reg. You can email <a href="mailto:nicholas.c.devito@gmail.com">nicholas.c.devito@gmail.com</a> with your request for the fee waiver.

# Schedule

Friday, August 12th		
Check-In Opens	6:00pm	
Check-in Closes	6:30pm	
<b>Equity and Opening Announcements</b>	6:30pm	
Round 1	7:00pm	
Dinner		
Round 2	9:00pm	
Round 3	11:00pm	

Saturday, August 13th		
Check-In Opens	6:00pm	
Check-in Closes	6:30pm	
Round 4	7:00pm	
Dinner		
Round 5	9:00pm	
Round 5	11:00pm	

Sunday, August 14th	
Gold Semifinals	6:00pm
Silver Finals	5:00pm
Grand Finals	8:00pm
Awards	10:00pm

Our Team will run on EST (GMT -5).

## **Contact and Further Information**

For more information, please follow our Facebook event page (found here), or contact us directly via the tournament email: <a href="mailto:nicholas.c.devito@gmail.com">nicholas.c.devito@gmail.com</a>