

Drury Speech and Debate Spring 2010 Budget Request  
Spring 2010 Travel Schedule and Budget

**Drury Debate Swing**

Springfield, MO  
February 12 - 14

<b>Tournament Related Expenses</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Total</b>
Food	\$150 per day x 3	\$450
Judge Fees	\$60 per day x 3 days x judges	\$1,080
Building Related Costs	\$100 per day x 3	\$300
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,830</b>

Drury Debate has decided to host a tournament. Our justifications for doing so are several fold. First, we are seeking to provide schools with an opportunity to qualify their teams to the national tournament. This is beneficial to all school because qualification to the national tournament is a significant accomplishment that helps the sustainability of programs. Additionally, the tournament will give Drury University a chance to showcase its facilities and grounds to other academic institutions which is helpful for our national reputation. Furthermore, we are offering potential recruits the opportunity to attend the tournament and observe several rounds which can benefits recruitment to the university.

As an additional benefit to the students on campus, we are opening up competition to any student that wishes to participate at the tournament as well. Our debate coach has volunteered his time in order to host a workshop the weekend before to prepare students if they are interested in competing. This would allow students to compete at a college level who would not of had the opportunity otherwise.

**Whitman Classic**  
 Walla Walla, Washington  
 February 18th - 22nd

<b>Travel</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Total</b>
Fuel*	142 miles x 2	\$40
Parking	\$5 a day x 5	\$25
Hotel	2 rooms @ \$125 a room x 4 nights	\$1,000
Plane Tickets	\$480 x 3 people (Includes shuttle cost)	\$1,440
<b>Tournament Related Costs</b>		
Registration Fees	\$204 x 2 tournaments (Includes meals)	\$408
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,913</b>

The Whitman Classic is the last tournament prior to nationals. It is widely considered to be the second most competitive non-national tournament in the spring semester. The Whitman tournament would be used as a preparation tournament for nationals. Additionally, this would allot our nations bound teams a final opportunity to increase their rankings nationally. Furthermore, it would provide us with another opportunity to compete against West Coast based teams which are among the most competitive in the country. This tournament has added value in being a "Swing" meaning that we would be able to compete in two tournaments over the course of the weekend.

\*In an effort to save cost, our advisor has volunteered to drive their vehicle to the tournament to prevent the renting of a vehicle which will be sitting idle in an airport during the duration of the competition. This would be the explanation for the difference in cost.

## National Parliamentary Tournament of Excellence

March 25th - 30th

Los Angeles, California

<b>Travel</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Total</b>
Fuel*	142 miles x 2	\$40
Parking	\$5 a day x 6	\$30
Hotel	2 rooms @ \$160 a room x 5 nights	\$1,600
Plane Tickets	\$500 x 7 people (Includes shuttle cost)	\$3,500
<b>Tournament Related Costs</b>		
Registration Fees	\$150 x 2 teams (Includes meals)	\$300
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$5,470</b>

The National Parliamentary Tournament of Excellence (NPTE) is the national tournament for Parliamentary debate. Student must qualify to the NPTE by successfully competing over the academic year. Attendance at the tournament is by invitation only and students must be ranked as one of the top 64 teams in the nation in order to receive an invite. This tournament is the most prestigious tournament of the year that we have the opportunity to compete at. We currently have two teams in contention for bids for this tournament. This tournament represents the best opportunity for the Drury debate team to represent our university.

**NFA Nationals**  
Athens, OH  
April 14th - 20th

<b>Travel</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Total</b>
Van Rental	\$85 x 7 days	\$595
Fuel (using 2010 IRS Std.)	1426 miles x .50 Cents	\$713
Hotel	2 rooms @ \$100 a room x 6 nights	\$1,200
<b>Tournament Related Cost</b>		
Registration Cost	\$100 per debater x 4	\$400
Judge Fees	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,908</b>

Drury debate has qualified four debaters to the 2010 NFA national tournament. These debaters had to earn their qualification through competition. Their qualification earned them the right to compete at the national tournament which is to be held in Athens, OH. This is the culmination of debate season for the competitors. It is an excellent opportunity for Drury debaters to showcase their skills as well as represent the university at the highest level of competition.

## **Miscellaneous Information**

### **Fundraising**

The Drury debate team has entered into a partnership with a local sports memorabilia dealer. This dealer has agreed to donate 15% of their earnings on select auctions and lots to the debate team.

### **Community Service**

Drury debate has pledged to judge at national qualifying tournaments across the state of Missouri during the high school qualifying season. Students are also required to judge for at least two rounds at local tournaments in Springfield during the year. The next tournament we will be sending students to will be from February 5th & 6th at Parkview High School.