**The 7th Annual Rutgers Newark Debate Tournament** (9/22/2017 – 9/24/2017)

**Policy Divisions**: We will be hosting Novice, JV, and Open divisions following CEDA guidelines and will follow a 9-3-6-10 format using the national CEDA/NDT topic for the 2017-2018 season.

We will allow swing teams to participate as needed and will allow mavericks to compete only after all other possibilities have been exhausted, no more than one per division. Both will be eligible for elimination rounds.

We will use a 30 point scale, allowing for tenth of a decimal place, and NO TIES between debaters in the same round. We will follow CEDA’s Council of Tournament’s directions for best practices unless otherwise stated within the invite.

Willie Johnson will be responsible for tabbing the Rutgers tournament.

For Friday:
REGISTRATION: Registration for the policy divisions should be done via [tabroom.com](http://debateresults.com/)

$45 per person in attendance. Checks should be made out to “Rutgers University” In the spirit of participation, teams with small budgets should ask for a fee reduction/waiver depending on their needs.

Uncovered Team:
$150 per uncovered team (this however cannot be waived as we need every available judge). We encourage schools to donate extra rounds if possible and/or list themselves as available for hire on tabroom.

We will be accepting registration up until the Wednesday (9/20/17) before the tournament at 6pm. Any changes made after this time requires a phone call to the tournament director at 845-978-1173 and/or email sent to kozaksim@gmail.com as they occur. Entries should include the names of debaters and which divisions, as well as a list of judges. We will do our best to accommodate late drops but reserve the right to charge as necessary to cover expenses that take place after Thursday (9/21/17) at 5pm EST.

TOURNAMENT HOTEL: We have confirmed a block rate of $99 a night for double bed rooms at the Crowne Plaza Hotel near Newark Airport. It is a 10 minute drive from campus and should solve the problem we had in years past with people having a hard time getting back to the hotel downtown on Saturday night due to events at the Prudential Center.

Please make your reservations soon as the weekend of the tournament the pope is coming to the area and most hotels in Newark are booked up for that weekend.

901 Spring Street
Elizabeth, NJ 07201
1-908-527-1600

Use the code RUN to have access to the block rates or ask for Rutgers University-Newark Debate Tournament.

Wifi and Parking are included with your reservation at the Crowne Plaza. It is also worth noting that the hotel includes a 24-hour hotel coffee shop and hotel bar that is open till 2AM the weekend of the tournament.
 *Below is some information contained on the Rutgers Website for preferred hotels near campus, in case you are having problems with the tournament hotel.*
[**Comfort Suites,**](http://www.comfortsuites.com/hotel-newark-new_jersey-NJ123?sid=QHjqi.AHVYhgc2yi.13&sarea=85261&sname=Newark%2C+NJ%2C+US&sstate=NJ&scountry=US&sradius=40.00&slat=40.7334&slon=-74.1659&schain=CS&exp=&scity=&sort=&type=destination&map=n&rstart=Starting+Location&rend=Ending+Location&srp=RACK&nroom=1&nadult1=1&nchild1=0&nadult2=&nchild2=&nadult3=&nchild3=&nadult4=&nchild4=&nadult5=&nchild5=&sstate_country) 973.481.5200 (AAA rating: 3 diamonds, the “Tournament Hotel”)

Downtown Newark Marriott – (no/limited doubles available) (973) 848-0070

[**Hampton Inn & Suites Newark-Harrison-Riverwalk**](http://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/new-jersey/hampton-inn-and-suites-newark-harrison-riverwalk-NWKHSHX/index.html) 973.483.1900

[**Hilton Newark Penn Station**](http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/new-jersey/hilton-newark-penn-station-EWRHGHF/index.html) 973.622.5000

[**Marriott Newark Airport**](http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/ewrap-newark-liberty-international-airport-marriott/) 973.623.0006 (Mobile rating: 3 stars)

[**Marriott Renaissance Newark Airport**](http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/ewrnr-renaissance-newark-airport-hotel/) 908.436.4600 (AAA rating: 3 diamonds)

[**Robert Treat Hotel**](http://www.rthotel.com/) 973.622.1000 (AAA rating: 2 diamonds)

The Hilton Gateway and Robert Treat hotels both are short walks from campus and are near all downtown attractions including the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Newark Museum, and Riverfront Stadium.

Most major hotel chains are located near the Newark Liberty International Airport, 15 minutes from campus.

Links to Other Newark area Hotels: [**Yahoo Travel Guide - Newark**](http://travel.yahoo.com/p-travelguide-477702-newark_vacations-i;_ylt=AjEH5DhHrol9SfiVnnV3Tf6VFmoL) [**www.hotels-rates.com**](http://www.hotels-rates.com/Newark/NJ/usa)

Policy Schedule
Fri, September 22nd, 2017
2:00pm – 3:00pm –Registration in Hill Hall
3:30 pm Pairings for Round 1 & 2
4:00pm – 6:00pm Round 1
6:30pm – 8:30pm Round 2

Sat, September 23rd, 2017
7:00am Breakfast & pairings for Round 3 & 4 Hill Hall
8:00am – 10:00am Round 3
10:30am – 12:30pm Round 4
12:45pm – 2:00pm Lunch
2:00pm – 4:00pm Round 5
4:45pm – 6:45pm Round 6
7:30pm – 9:30pm – Double Octo-finals\* (Partials)

Sun, September 24th, 2017
7:00am Breakfast & Pairings and Brackets released Hill Hall
8:00am – 10:00am Octo-Finals
10:30am – 12:00pm Lunch & Awards
12:30pm – 3:00pm Quarter-Finals
3:30pm – 6:00pm Semi-Finals
6:30pm – 8:30pm Finals

DIRECTIONS:
Hill Hall is directly next to the Paul Robeson Campus Center but Robeson is much more visible in terms of signage so the directions are to the Robeson Center.

To the Paul Robeson Campus Center- From New Jersey Turnpike or Route 95 (North or South). Take exit 15W to Route 280 - West. After drawbridge, take Exit 14B (ML King Blvd.). At bottom of the exit ramp, turn left and continue to stop sign. At stop sign turn left onto King Blvd. (Dr. MLK Jr. Blvd.). Proceed on King Blvd. about four blocks. Robeson Campus Center is on the left, at 350 King Blvd.

From Garden State Parkway (North or South) To Paul Robeson Campus Center. Take exit 145 to Route 280 East, Newark-Harrison. Once on Route 280, stay in the right lane, following signs for Harrison. Continue to Exit 14, King Blvd. Take this exit and make a right at the 1st light onto King Blvd. (ML King Jr. Blvd.).

Proceed on King Blvd. about four blocks. Robeson Campus Center is on the left, at 350 King Blvd.

Via Mass Transit (Train/Bus/PATH/Light Rail) (for more info visit our Mass Transit page.)
Rail from NYC:

PATH train to Penn Station, Newark (1-800-234-7284; [www.panynj.gov/path](http://www.panynj.gov/path))

AMTRAK (1-800-872-7245; [www.amtrak.com](http://www.amtrak.com/)) and New Jersey Transit [(973-275-5555](http://(973-275-5555); [www.njtransit.com](http://www.njtransit.com/)) trains also stop at Penn Station-Newark. Please call the appropriate number for scheduling and fare information.

From Penn Station-Newark to campus:
You may walk to campus (about 15-20 minute walk)
OR
Take a taxi (cabs line up just outside the waiting area of Penn Station. Or just use Uber)
OR
Take the Newark City Light Rail (entrance is by McDonald's) to Washington Street (2nd stop).

From Broad St. Station:
The Rutgers-Newark campus is only a four-block walk from the Broad Street Station, or a short ride on the free College Town shuttle service, which connects the Broad Street Station with the center of the campus (drop-off at University Ave. and New Street
<http://nwkpolice.rutgers.edu/RUPD_ShuttleService.html>

Newark City Subway/Newark Light Rail:
From Newark Penn Station, ride the Newark City Light Rail two stops to Washington Street and you're on campus.
OR
take the Newark Light Rail, which connects Newark Penn Station with the Broad Street Station, and is minutes from the Rutgers Business School at 1 Washington Park.
(<http://www.njtransit.com/pdf/hblr_06.pdf>)

PARKING ON CAMPUS: Street parking is available during the day and is metered on Friday and Saturday. Sunday meter parking rules are not enforced so parking is free. We suggest you use the online service of [ParkMobile](#http://us.parkmobile.com/members/) to pay your meters remotely online so you don’t have to run to the street every two hours. It takes a second to setup an account and makes parking reimbursement a breeze when you’re done by giving you an email receipt for each transaction.

We are currently looking into providing lot parking on campus and will post that information when it becomes available.