



SCHOOL DEBATE CHALLENGE

FEBRUARY 24TH
// FEBRUARY 26TH 2022



Thank you for arguing

IE University is proud to announce the IE School Debate Challenge (IESDC) taking place in 2022. The IESDC is a debating championship that will encompass students from all around the world, to compete on debates about multiple topics of different areas.

Debate is based on the idea of **engaging our true opinions** outside from our regular discussions. This can only be achieved by clashing them with the ones who differ from us, but also, by understanding that there are many points of view on a same subject. In Debate, we learn about public speaking, argumentation, refutation, persuasion, rhetoric, analysis, and much more. We learn how to defend our ideas and how to communicate properly and effectively.

For this IEU School Debate Challenge edition, we will work under the format of the **World Universities Debating Championships** where you will have four teams for each debate, two in favor of a topic and two others against it. However, the approach we give is unique; we want the students to be part of an unforgettable experience where they can not only better their skills and learn new ones, but also interact exercising their minds at our university.

This event comes in a year where preparation for International Debates is essential in Spain, due to the upcoming celebration of the World Universities Debating Championships (WUDC) 2023. This is the world's largest debating tournament and one of the largest annual international student events in the world. WUDC is held in the British Parliamentary Debate format (involving four teams of two people in each debate). Each year, an institution selected by the World Debate Council to host the event, and year 2023 has been placed in the hands of the City of Madrid.

From IE University we have been promoting debate as a fundamental skill for developing critical thinking in our alumni. As one of our main objectives is to **enhance the advocacy towards creating better citizens**, we truly believe this will be an unforgettable experience for the youth and for their outstanding future.

For these reasons, we welcome your institution to join us and be a part of this exciting academic experience.

Dates

DECEMBER 20TH, 2021

Registration deadline

JANUARY & FEBRUARY, 2022

Three training sessions

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School Debate Challenge

Registration details

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WHO

Current Sophomores & Juniors. Students who will start their university in 2023 or 2024 and one accompanying professor who will be the teams **Debate Coach**.

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HOW MANY

Each school can participate with two teams. Each team will consist of 2 students per team.

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WHEN

Your professor (aka Debate Coach) must have the students registration completed by **December 20th, 2022**.

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HOW

This year, we will offer this challenge in **Hybrid Format**. Each school can have 1 virtual team and 1 Face-to-Face Team, or both team can participate in same Format. Within the same team, it is not permitted to do different formats.

More information will be provided soon after the registration is closed.

For more registration details, please contact us at ieudebate@ie.edu

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