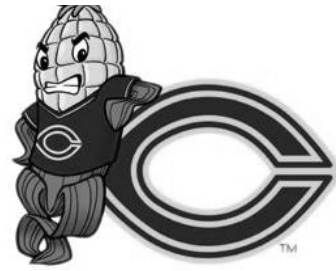


Concordia College

Forensics: Competitive Speech and Debate



Dedicated to Your Goals

Maybe you want to be a national champion debater. Or a more confident public speaker. Or a person who thinks more critically. Or maybe you want a fun group to be a part of in college!

No matter your goals, Concordia forensics – competitive speech and debate – will take you there. As a program of an academic department, we want to help you succeed. But success is how you define it.

Want to become a national champion? We'll help you. With dedication and time, you can join other Concordia students who have obtained this title.

Like most activities, you get from forensics what you put into it. Coaches are available for individual coaching sessions each week. There are also peer-coaching opportunities. And the entire forensics squad meets once a week for general business. In short, you will spend a lot of time with other squad members – if you want to do so.

If you don't want to be a national champion, that's OK. We can help you grow into a more effective communicator. We welcome competitors of all skill and experience levels, quickly giving you the skills you need to succeed.

A Tradition of Competitive Success

Concordia has had highly motivated and talented speech and debate students throughout the program's history. While going to nationals isn't every student's goal, many of our students have risen to the top, including:

- 18 state championships out of the 27 years there has been a collegiate state tournament
- Six individual championships at the American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament
- Finished 15th at the American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament (AFA-NIET)
- Multiple elimination rounds at the National Debate Tournament
- Debate speaker awards at tournaments such as Northwestern, Wake Forest, USC, Baylor and Kentucky

Excellence in Traditional Academics

Speech and debate meld beautifully with academics at Concordia. Yes, forensics does take a lot of time, but our team members also excel academically, transferring their research, writing, speech and critical thinking skills to the classroom. Unlike many forensics programs, the Concordia program is not a club, but rather Concordia Forensics is housed, staffed and supervised by an academic department. That kind of home base means that Concordia Forensics maintains a consistent emphasis on intellectual growth and academic achievement by participating students.

Whether you want to make a difference by studying medicine or law, building sustainable communities or creating works of art, Concordia's 78 majors, including 18 honors majors, will get you on your way.

Scholarships

Forensics students are strong candidates for the college's top academic scholarships. Concordia's four-year renewable merit scholarships include the Regents' Scholarship valued at more than \$100,000, the \$56,000 Presidential Distinction Award, the \$52,000 Faculty Scholarship and the Excellence Scholarship of \$36,000 to \$48,000.

In recognition of excellence in speech or debate and the potential for outstanding contributions to the Concordia community, the college has established Speech and Debate Scholarships valued at \$10,000 over four years.

Recipients are expected to be an active member of either the speech or debate team.

Additional information about each scholarship program, including requirements and deadlines, is available at www.ConcordiaCollege.edu/scholarships.

Please note that you do not need to win a forensics scholarship to compete.

Some of the best competitors in the past several years have not been forensics scholarship winners.

Contact us:

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