



Gustavus Forensics Philosophy

Gustavus Forensics is a co-curricular forensics program that competes in eleven American Forensics Association individual events. Our program is grounded in the Three Crowns: Education, Competition and Leadership. We believe in the liberal arts tradition of forensics, and we also whole-heartedly believe that forensics training is one of the best ways to develop a student's advocacy, research, critical thinking, higher-level analytical, rhetorical analysis and performance skills. Firmly grounded within the liberal arts tradition, forensics is what one alum termed "a college education in a nutshell."

Program Highlights

- 9th place at the 2012 American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament.
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- 10th place at the 2011 and 2010 American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournaments.
- National Champion in ADS at the 2012 American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament!
- National Champion in Prose at the 2011 American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament!
- National Champions in President's DII at the 2012 and 2011 National Forensic Association National Championship!
- 2010 Pi Kappa Delta National Comprehensive Tournament National Champions!
- Top 20 at the 2009, 2008 and 2007 American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournaments.
- Thirty-three AFA-NIET out round participants, including four finalists.
- Four American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament All-American Competitors.
- Offered the sixth Gustavus Adolphus College Summer Speech Institute attended by 148 students from twelve states.
- 2012, 2010, 2009 and 2008 Minnesota Collegiate Forensics Association State Champions.
- Adopted a two mile stretch of highway near Le Center.
- Developed the *Knitting With Love* service project.

Program Budget and Scholarships

The Gustavus Forensics Program is housed in the Office of the Provost and is funded through the College. Gustavus' administration firmly believes in the educational benefits fostered by forensics participation, providing our program with a healthy and stable budget. This provides students with the opportunity to travel to roughly 35 tournaments. The program covers all the costs of travel including fees, lodging, transportation, and meals.

Gustavus' \$2,000 (\$8,000 over four years) National Forensic League Scholarship is awarded annually to candidates who demonstrate talent and commitment in individual forensics events competition. The award will be based on a candidate's potential as a collegiate competitor, high school academic record, previously demonstrated leadership, and potential for excellent contributions to the Gustavus community. Scholarship applications are due the first week of January. Each NIETOC National Champion and MSHSL State Champion will also receive a \$4,000 (\$16,000 over four years) Gustavus Forensics Scholarship.

Web Sites & Social Media

www.gustavus.edu (College web site)

www.gustavus.edu/go/forensics (Team web site)

www.gustavus.edu/ssi (Gustavus Summer Speech Institute)

<http://admission.gustavus.edu/admissions/financialaid/scholarships.asp> (Scholarship Application)

@gustavusspeech (Twitter)

Facebook: Gustavus Adolphus College Forensics

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