

Oral Argument Competition
2016 National Championship Tournament

National Champion:

Patrick Henry College

Caleb Engle & Chris Baldacci

National Runner Up:

Patrick Henry College

Ashlyn Olson & Jacob Van Ness

Final Four:

College of the Holy Cross
Eastern Michigan University

Bethany Fogerty & Daniel Murphy
Steven Cole & Maya Rich

Elite Eight:

Ohio Wesleyan University
Youngstown State University
Patrick Henry College
Patrick Henry College

Rhiannon Herbert & Katherine Berger
Andrick Massaro & Jacob Shriner-Briggs
Ryan McDonald & Sam Cordle
Ryan Collins & Clare Downing

Sweet Sixteen:

University of Central Florida
Duke University
University of Texas, Dallas
Texas A&M
Regent University
Liberty University
Patrick Henry College
Hybrid (Long Beach & Patrick Henry)

Eric Sorice & Angel Sanchez
Maya Durvasula & Jackson Skeen
Blake Eaton & Alexandra Noll
Kristina Smith & Lakshmi Achari
Abigail Lisa & Areil Heinsius
A.J. Colkitt & Nathan Wilson
Thomas Siu & Meridian Paulton
Sara Geesaman & Myles Cheney

Round of Thirty Two:

Texas A&M University
Patrick Henry College
University of North Texas
Loyola University, Chicago
Arkansas State University
California State U., Fullerton
College of Wooster
University of North Texas
Howard Payne University
California State U., Long Beach

Jake Beach & Juan Luna
Josh Webb & Shane Roberts
Alexis Rickmurs & Kristin DeWilde
Ambris Saravanan & Thomas Bright
Reagan Williams & Ryan Nix
Kelsey Brewer & Taylor Needham
Rachael Sullivan & Jack Johanning
Taylor Ledford & Eryn Mascia
Isaac Sommers & Rebeca Puenta
Julieta Hernandez & Justin Adofina

Regent University
College of Wooster
University of Central Florida
United States Air Force Academy
Patrick Henry College
College of Wooster

Seth Conell & Madeline Person
Emma Woods & Shelly Grostefon
David Moosmann & Chris Chambers
Joseph Esswein & Colleen Slein
William Bock & Clair Atwood
Alexander Downs & Madaline O'Neill

Final Rankings

Rank	Team	School	Ballots-Comb Str-(PD)
1	Sarah Geesaman Myles Cheney (Team 214)	Hybrid (PHC/CSULB)	6.000 8.000 (30.333) W:3 T:0 L:0
2	Kristina Smith Lakshmi Achari (Team 112)	Texas A&M	6.000 6.000 (28.500) W:3 T:0 L:0
3	Bethany Fogerty Dan Murphy (Team 203)	Holy Cross	6.000 6.000 (26.333) W:3 T:0 L:0
4	Ashlyn Olson Jacob Van Ness (Team 102)	Patrick Henry College	6.000 6.000 (16.500) W:3 T:0 L:0
5	Abigail Lisa Areil Heinsius (Team 115)	Regent University	6.000 4.000 (35.833) W:3 T:0 L:0
6	Julieta Hernandez Justin Adolfini (Team 111)	Cal State Long Beach	5.500 6.500 (41.000) W:3 T:0 L:0
7	Caleb Engel Christopher Baldacci (Team 114)	Patrick Henry College	5.000 9.000 (8.167) W:2 T:1 L:0
8	Thomas Siu Meridian Paulton (Team 211)	Patrick Henry College	5.000 8.000 (27.833) W:2 T:1 L:0
9	Alexis Rickmers Kristen DeWilde (Team 204)	University of North Texas	5.000 7.000 (45.000) W:2 T:1 L:0
10	Blake Eaton Alexandra Noll (Team 101)	UT-Dallas	5.000 7.000 (39.667) W:2 T:1 L:0
11	Clare Downing Ryan Collins (Team 219)	Patrick Henry College	5.000 7.000 (37.500) W:2 T:1 L:0
12	Andrick Massaro Jacob Shriner-Briggs (Team 401)	Youngstown State University	5.000 7.000 (34.667) W:2 T:1 L:0
13	Kelsey Brewer Taylor Needham (Team 207)	Cal State Fullerton	5.000 7.000 (29.500) W:2 T:1 L:0
14	Seth Conell Madeline Person (Team 119)	Regent University	5.000 7.000 (28.833) W:2 T:1 L:0
15	Sam Cordle Ryan McDonald (Team 217)	Patrick Henry College	5.000 7.000 (24.833) W:2 T:1 L:0
16	Steven Cole Maya Rich (Team 205)	Eastern Michigan	5.000 7.000 (20.500) W:2 T:1 L:0
17	Josh Webb Shane Roberts (Team 105)	Patrick Henry College	5.000 7.000 (20.000) W:2 T:1 L:0
18	William Bock Claire Atwood (Team 110)	Patrick Henry College	5.000 6.000 (19.667) W:2 T:1 L:0

19	Maya Durvasula Jackson Skeen (Team 306)	Duke University	5.000 5.000 (17.000) W:2 T:1 L:0
20	Marie Sheehan Benjamin Taylor (Team 113)	College of Wooster	4.500 7.500 (24.833) W:2 T:1 L:0
21	Taylor Ledford Eryn Mascia (Team 120)	University of North Texas	4.500 7.500 (17.833) W:2 T:1 L:0
22	Mindy Vo Diego Duarte (Team 305)	Cal State Long Beach	4.500 7.500 (13.833) W:2 T:1 L:0
23	Joseph Esswein Colleen Slein (Team 109)	U.S. Air Force Academy	4.000 9.000 (10.000) W:2 T:0 L:1
24	Michael Maunder Alexandra Cross (Team 107)	Regent University	4.000 8.000 (38.000) W:2 T:0 L:1
25	Ambris Saravanan Thomas Bright (Team 104)	Loyola University of Chicago	4.000 8.000 (37.833) W:2 T:0 L:1
26	David Moosmann Chris Chambers (Team 103)	University of Central Florida	4.000 8.000 (21.833) W:2 T:0 L:1
27	Eric Sorice Angel Sanchez (Team 118)	University of Central Florida	4.000 8.000 (21.167) W:2 T:0 L:1
28	Rebekah Mercer Emily Stewart (Team 312)	Baylor University	4.000 8.000 (13.833) W:2 T:0 L:1
29	Reagan Williams Ryan Nix (Team 313)	Arkansas State University	4.000 8.000 (12.833) W:1 T:2 L:0
30	Ema Woods Shelly Grostefon (Team 215)	College of Wooster	4.000 6.000 (25.000) W:1 T:2 L:0
31	Alexander Downs Madeline O'Neill (Team 108)	College of Wooster	3.500 8.500 (28.667) W:1 T:2 L:0
32	Jake Beach Juan Luna (Team 311)	Texas A&M	3.500 8.500 (3.167) W:1 T:1 L:1
33	Joel Beacher Tyler Ross (Team 202)	University of Chicago	3.000 9.000 (32.833) W:1 T:1 L:1
34	Shane McGlashen Carlos Vasquez (Team 218)	University of Central Florida	3.000 9.000 (21.667) W:1 T:1 L:1
35	Henry Lu Reed Sawyers (Team 304)	Williams College	3.000 9.000 (14.833) W:1 T:1 L:1
36	John Lutz Andrew Hammond (Team 213)	University of Chicago	3.000 9.000 (14.000) W:1 T:1 L:1
37	Isaac Sommers Rebeca Puenta (Team 116)	Howard Payne University	3.000 9.000 (5.333) W:1 T:1 L:1
38	Julie Nelson Rachel Reon (Team 319)	Baylor University	3.000 9.000 (-4.833) W:1 T:1 L:1

39	Michael Clement Amanda Pine (Team 405)	Bentley University	3.000 9.000 (-5.667) W:1 T:1 L:1
40	Marlee Charlton Stefan Savoy (Team 308)	St. Thomas University	3.000 9.000 (-11.833) W:1 T:1 L:1
41	Rhiannon Herbert Katherine Berger (Team 117)	Ohio Wesleyan University	3.000 9.000 (-16.667) W:1 T:1 L:1
42	Billie DeShone Mark Babcock (Team 301)	Saginaw Valley State University	3.000 9.000 (-33.667) W:1 T:1 L:1
43	Rachel Sullivan Jack Johanning (Team 303)	College of Wooster	3.000 7.000 (22.000) W:1 T:1 L:1
44	Kristi Daniels Lorelee Kampschneider (Team 414)	Loyola University of Chicago	3.000 7.000 (0.333) W:1 T:1 L:1
45	A.J. Colkitt Nathan Wilson (Team 406)	Liberty University	3.000 7.000 (-1.333) W:1 T:1 L:1
46	Dakota Durrego-Mealy Carlos Ibara (Team 314)	Cal State Fullerton	3.000 6.000 (-7.167) W:1 T:1 L:1
47	Jamie Butts Chris Hon (Team 201)	Cal State Fullerton	2.500 9.500 (2.833) W:1 T:0 L:2
48	Coral Ciupak Dawson Honey (Team 216)	College of Wooster	2.500 9.500 (-9.833) W:1 T:0 L:2
49	Linda Shirley Bridgett Custis (Team 413)	Merrimack College	2.500 9.500 (-30.833) W:1 T:0 L:2
50	Magdalena Torres Kelley Kennedy (Team 220)	U.S. Air Force Academy	2.000 10.000 (-6.333) W:1 T:0 L:2
51	Princlee Clesca Austin White (Team 410)	University of Central Florida	2.000 10.000 (-14.333) W:1 T:0 L:2
52	Conor McElroy Marcos Perez (Team 209)	University of North Texas	2.000 10.000 (-16.333) W:1 T:0 L:2
53	Jeremy Tija Ruan Meintes (Team 208)	Patrick Henry College	2.500 9.500 (-15.333) W:0 T:2 L:1
54	Hannah White Ronald Pantelena (Team 419)	Regent University	2.000 14.000 (-8.000) W:0 T:2 L:1
55	Luke LaRosa Snigda Malilapali (Team 310)	University of Connecticut	2.000 12.000 (-12.333) W:0 T:2 L:1
56	Matt Brewer Andrea Kelble (Team 411)	Holy Cross	2.000 12.000 (-18.000) W:0 T:2 L:1
57	Jillian Smith Michael Marshall (Team 404)	Youngstown State University	2.000 10.000 (-11.167) W:0 T:2 L:1
58	William Rice Manisha Vepa (Team 317)	University of Maryland-Baltimore County	2.000 10.000 (-17.167) W:0 T:2 L:1

59	Robert Dube Kaitlyn Block (Team 212)	UT-Dallas	2.000 9.000 (-13.167) W:0 T:2 L:1
60	Rachel Cahill Rob Mass (Team 420)	Saginaw Valley State University	2.000 8.000 (0.833) W:0 T:2 L:1
61	Barak Biblin Natasha Torrens (Team 309)	Duke University	2.000 8.000 (-0.500) W:0 T:2 L:1
62	Erica Phillips Michelle Viaroto (Team 412)	Cal State Fullerton	2.000 8.000 (-13.500) W:0 T:2 L:1
63	Thomas Krupinski Kathleen Pokarski (Team 315)	University of Tampa	1.000 14.000 (-26.333) W:0 T:1 L:2
64	Jonathan DePina Christina Barbaro (Team 407)	Fitchburg State University	1.000 13.000 (-16.833) W:0 T:1 L:2
65	Yash Tekriwal Eli Weiner (Team 415)	University of Virginia	1.000 13.000 (-36.667) W:0 T:1 L:2
66	Forest Dearing Chloe Dyer (Team 302)	Ohio Wesleyan University	1.000 13.000 (-36.833) W:0 T:1 L:2
67	Michael Brunettis Maura Smyles (Team 307)	Duke University	1.000 13.000 (-44.167) W:0 T:1 L:2
68	Jeffrey Cricthlow Tarina Crook (Team 316)	U.S. Air Force Academy	1.000 11.000 (-20.167) W:0 T:1 L:2
69	Anthony Gonzalez Jordan Giles (Team 403)	Eastern Michigan	1.000 11.000 (-22.333) W:0 T:1 L:2
70	Darrius Atkins Simeon Lyons (Team 408)	Morehouse College	1.000 11.000 (-22.333) W:0 T:1 L:2
71	Maggie Burreson Kelsey Ritchie (Team 318)	TCU	1.000 11.000 (-25.167) W:0 T:1 L:2
72	Avery Broome Maggi Heneghan (Team 210)	University of Chicago	1.000 11.000 (-29.833) W:0 T:1 L:2
73	Nicholas Whittaker Joseph Talafous (Team 402)	Monmouth University	1.000 11.000 (-56.833) W:0 T:1 L:2
74	Logan Laguna-Kirkpatrick Colleen Sharp (Team 206)	Duke University	0.000 12.000 (-21.833) W:0 T:0 L:3
75	Hassan Mohammed Isadore Heckoff (Team 416)	Hunter College	0.000 12.000 (-24.000) W:0 T:0 L:3
76	Nuraldeen Brifkani Jospeh Kidd (Team 409)	Middle Tennessee State	0.000 12.000 (-26.000) W:0 T:0 L:3
77	Maddie Shaw Caitlin Flanagan (Team 106)	University of Virginia	0.000 12.000 (-29.833) W:0 T:0 L:3
78	Madison Makepeace Lauran Haas (Team 320)	St. Thomas University	0.000 12.000 (-55.333) W:0 T:0 L:3

79	Sarina Bhatgara Nicole Geradin (Team 417)	University of Connecticut	0.000 12.000 (-77.500) W:0 T:0 L:3
80	Leon Peschel Justin Chan (Team 418)	University of Connecticut	0.000 10.000 (-75.167) W:0 T:0 L:3

Orator Rankings

1	386.3333	Ambris Saravanan	Loyola University of Chicago
2	385.3333	Jacob Van Ness	Patrick Henry College
3	384.1667	Jacob Shriner-Briggs	Youngstown State University
4	384.0000	Thomas Bright	Loyola University of Chicago
5	383.0000	Angel Sanchez	University of Central Florida
6	382.5000	Christopher Baldacci	Patrick Henry College
7	382.5000	Dan Murphy	Holy Cross
8	382.1667	Ryan Collins	Patrick Henry College
9	381.5000	Meridian Paulton	Patrick Henry College
10	381.3333	Ema Woods	College of Wooster
11	380.6667	Eric Sorice	University of Central Florida
12	380.5000	Abigail Lisa	Regent University
13	380.0000	Rebekah Mercer	Baylor University
14	379.8333	Claire Atwood	Patrick Henry College
15	379.0000	Andrick Massaro	Youngstown State University
16	378.8333	Thomas Siu	Patrick Henry College
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28	376.8333	Justin Adolfina	Cal State Long Beach
29	376.1667	Joel Beacher	University of Chicago
30	375.8333	Alexander Downs	College of Wooster

31	375.3333	Luke LaRosa	University of Connecticut
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51	370.0000	Julie Nelson	Baylor University
52	369.8333	Kaitlyn Block	UT-Dallas
53	369.5000	Isaac Sommers	Howard Payne University
54	369.1667	Myles Cheney	Hybrid (PHC/CSULB)
55	369.1667	Maggi Heneghan	University of Chicago
56	368.8333	Dakota Durrego-Mealy	Cal State Fullerton
57	368.6667	Eryn Mascia	University of North Texas
58	368.5000	Reagan Williams	Arkansas State University
59	368.3333	Michael Maunder	Regent University
60	368.1667	Sarah Geesaman	Hybrid (PHC/CSULB)
61	368.0000	Madeline O'Neill	College of Wooster
62	368.0000	Kristina Smith	Texas A&M
63	367.6667	Alexandra Cross	Regent University
64	367.5000	Hannah White	Regent University
65	367.3333	Diego Duarte	Cal State Long Beach
66	367.1667	Maya Rich	Eastern Michigan
67	366.6667	Caleb Engel	Patrick Henry College
68	366.5000	Madeline Person	Regent University
69	366.5000	Andrea Kelble	Holy Cross

70	366.0000	Jackson Skeen	Duke University
71	365.6667	Jordan Giles	Eastern Michigan
72	365.3333	Katherine Berger	Ohio Wesleyan University
73	365.3333	Mindy Vo	Cal State Long Beach
74	365.1667	Blake Eaton	UT-Dallas
75	365.0000	Snigda Malilapali	University of Connecticut
76	364.8333	Shelly Grostefon	College of Wooster
77	364.8333	Christina Barbaro	Fitchburg State University
78	364.3333	Jeremy Tija	Patrick Henry College
79	364.3333	Conor McElroy	University of North Texas
80	364.1667	Natasha Torrens	Duke University
81	364.1667	Coral Ciupak	College of Wooster
82	363.6667	Jeffrey Cricthlow	U.S. Air Force Academy
83	363.3333	Amanda Pine	Bentley University
84	363.0000	Yash Tekriwal	University of Virginia
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87	362.0000	Lakshmi Achari	Texas A&M
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96	360.3333	Kelley Kennedy	U.S. Air Force Academy
97	360.0000	Shane McGlashen	University of Central Florida
98	359.8333	Michelle Viaroto	Cal State Fullerton
99	359.8333	Shane Roberts	Patrick Henry College
100	359.6667	Andrew Hammond	University of Chicago
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108	358.0000	Nuraldeen Brifkani	Middle Tennessee State

109	357.5000	Ruan Meintes	Patrick Henry College
110	357.3333	John Lutz	University of Chicago
111	357.0000	Rachel Reon	Baylor University
112	357.0000	Eli Weiner	University of Virginia
113	357.0000	Michael Marshall	Youngstown State University
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117	356.3333	Kelsey Ritchie	TCU
118	356.3333	Manisha Vepa	University of Maryland-Baltimore County
119	356.0000	Matt Brewer	Holy Cross
120	355.8333	Caitlin Flanagan	University of Virginia
121	355.6667	Jospeh Kidd	Middle Tennessee State
122	355.6667	Juan Luna	Texas A&M
123	355.1667	Anthony Gonzalez	Eastern Michigan
124	355.0000	Carlos Ibara	Cal State Fullerton
125	354.8333	Maura Smyles	Duke University
126	354.8333	Tarina Crook	U.S. Air Force Academy
127	354.8333	Reed Sawyers	Williams College
128	354.5000	Marcos Perez	University of North Texas
129	354.5000	Jillian Smith	Youngstown State University
130	354.3333	Princllee Clesca	University of Central Florida
131	354.3333	Marie Sheehan	College of Wooster
132	354.0000	Mark Babcock	Saginaw Valley State University
133	353.1667	Ryan Nix	Arkansas State University
134	352.8333	Rachel Sullivan	College of Wooster
135	347.3333	Nicole Geradin	University of Connecticut
136	347.3333	Forest Dearing	Ohio Wesleyan University
137	346.8333	Dawson Honey	College of Wooster
138	345.8333	Maddie Shaw	University of Virginia
139	345.5000	Madison Makepeace	St. Thomas University
140	345.3333	Stefan Savoy	St. Thomas University
141	345.0000	Lauran Haas	St. Thomas University
142	343.0000	Rachel Cahill	Saginaw Valley State University
143	342.6667	Hassan Mohammed	Hunter College
144	342.6667	Simeon Lyons	Morehouse College
145	342.5000	Billie DeShone	Saginaw Valley State University
146	342.1667	Chloe Dyer	Ohio Wesleyan University
147	341.3333	Colleen Sharp	Duke University

148	340.6667	Bridgett Custis	Merrimack College
149	339.8333	Avery Broome	University of Chicago
150	339.5000	Rhiannon Herbert	Ohio Wesleyan University
151	339.5000	Marlee Charlton	St. Thomas University
152	338.3333	Linda Shirley	Merrimack College
153	336.8333	Joseph Talafous	Monmouth University
154	335.0000	Austin White	University of Central Florida
155	335.0000	Sarina Bhatgara	University of Connecticut
156	334.1667	Isadore Heckoff	Hunter College
157	331.3333	Nicholas Whittaker	Monmouth University
158	330.5000	Leon Peschel	University of Connecticut
159	329.8333	Michael Brunettis	Duke University
160	324.5000	Justin Chan	University of Connecticut

National Brief Writing Competition Results:

Petitioner Briefs winners:

- 1) Taylor Ledford/Eryn Mascia – University of North Texas – **95**
- 2) Chris Hon/Jamie Butts – California State University at Fullerton – **94.5**
- 3) Maya Rich/Steven Cole – Eastern Michigan University – **94**
- 4) Ciarra Lofstrom/Zsofia Szlovak – California State University at Long Beach – **91.5**
- 5) Kristina Smith/Lakshmi Achari – Texas A&M University – **90**
- 6) Josh Webb/Shane Roberts – Patrick Henry College – **88**
- 7) Carlos Ibarra/Dakota Durrego-Mealey – California State University at Fullerton – **87.5**
- 8) Andrea Ramirez/Kaitlin Oullette-- Fitchburg State University – **87**
- 9) Claire Atwood/William Bock – Patrick Henry College – **86**
- 10) Ashlyn Olson and Jacob Van Ness – Patrick Henry College – **85**

Respondent Brief Winners:

- 1) Bethany Fogerty/Daniel Murphy – College of the Holy Cross – **97**
- 2) Meghan Izzo/Briana Mora – College of the Holy Cross – **94**
- 3) Isaac Summers/Rebeca Puente – Howard Payne University – **90**
- 4) Anthony Gonzalez/Jordan Giles – Eastern Michigan University – **89.5**
- 5) Celina Bontigao/Gelane Diamond – California State University at Fullerton – **86**

- 6) Justin Adofina/Julieta Hernandez – California State University at Long Beach – **85.5**
- 7) Dana Call/Jon Satcher – University States Air Force Academy – **84.5** (tie)
- 8) Paul Taske/Kyle Francis – Eastern Michigan University – **84.5** (tie)
- 9) Matheus Gubel/Soheil Tabatabai – California States University at Fullerton – **84.5** (tie)
- 10) Kelsey Brewer and Taylor Needham – California State University at Fullerton – **83.5**