

Point Loma's NPDA Debate Accomplishments (revised 8/24/17)

Each year the National Parliamentary Debate Association (NPDA) awards 20 trophies to the nation's top colleges and universities in two different categories, Year long sweepstakes and National Tournament Sweepstakes. Here is how Point Loma Nazarene University has placed since joining the league in 1996/97. We also enjoyed considerable success in Cross Examination Debate Association (CEDA) style prior to joining NPDA.

2007 PLNU students Griffith Vertican & Tim Kamermayer won the National Championship Tournament, going undefeated in 8 preliminary rounds and through 7 elimination rounds.

Year Long NPDA Sweepstakes

(Based on each college in the nation's top four tournaments throughout the year)

2016-17	2 nd Place
2015-16	1st Place
2014-15	4 th Place
2013-14	5 th Place
2012-13	11 th Place
2011-12	14 th Place
2010-11	3 rd Place
2009-10	4 th Place
2008-09	1st Place
2007-08	4 th Place
2006-07	1st Place
2005-06	24 th place in the Nation
2004-05	8 th Place
2003-04	1st Place
2002-03	1st Place
2001-02	3 rd Place
2000-01	5 th Place tie
1999-2000	3 rd Place
1998-99	5 th Place
1997-98	6 th Place
1996-97	2 nd Place

National Tournament Sweepstakes

(Based on top four teams vs all colleges at the National Championships, in Senior division at Nationals)

2016-17	8 th Place
2015-16	11 th place
2014-15	12 th place
2013-14	16 th place
2012-13	14 th place
2011-12	12 th Place
2010-11	8 th Place
2009-10	14 th Place
2008-09	13 th Place
2007-08	below top 20
2006-07	2 nd Place
2005-06	20 th Place
2004-05	8 th Place
2003-04	2 nd Place
2002-03	14 th Place
2001-02	15 th Place
2000-01	9 th Place
1999-2000	3 rd Place
1998-99	1st Place
1997-98	7 th Place
1996-97	13 th Place

Notable National Championship Tournament Top Speaker Awards:

2006-07 - Fourth Speaker in the nation – Tim Kamermayer

2000-2001 – Top Speaker in the Nation - Katie Angliss

1997-1998 – Tre' Huxley Tied for First – 2nd Place after tie breaker

1997-1998 - Katie Angliss Tied for Fifth – 7th Place after tie breaker

PLNU Debate Teams National Ranking (1996-2017)

The following is a summary table tabulating how PLNU debaters fared against the nation's best college and university debate teams across the country over time. The table tracks the top teams in the year-end comparison rankings over time in the current format of National Parliamentary Debate Association (NPDA) debate. The NPDA has collected data for over 20 years, coincidentally dating back to the first year of PLNU's participation in the NPDA format. Each year since 1996 they have listed the top 20 NPDA debate programs based on the rankings for all participating colleges and universities throughout the country, calculated from how each college did in their top four tournaments of the year. The spreadsheet lists each of the top 20 colleges for each year during that span, and for each year awarded points based upon the school's placement, if any, in that year's top 20 rankings (1st Place = 20 points, 2nd Place = 19 points, . . . 20th place = 1 point).

PLNU is ranked first out of all the colleges and universities competing during this span of the last 22 years in NPDA debate. It is estimated that around 500 or more colleges and universities throughout the nation, and some international universities, have competed in NPDA debate during this time span, more than any other format of intercollegiate debate. The chart below gives the full data of all college and universities to receive any points for placing in the year end top 20 sweepstakes awards nationwide. Remember, hundreds of colleges competing each year do not even get ranked in the annual ranking of the top 20, so many fine programs may not be shown in this list below.

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1996-2017 Rank Order of Colleges listed in the top 20 each year for the National Year Long Rankings

Rank	COLLEGES (Ranked List)	points	Rank	COLLEGES (Ranked List)	points
1	Point Loma Nazarene University	338	46	Moorpark College	25
2	El Camino College	209	47	University of Florida	22
3	Washburn University	194	48	Hillsdale College	21
4	Carroll College (MT)	169	49	Sterling College	21
5	Rice University	162	50	Regis University	20
6	Whitman College	158	51	University of California-Davis	20
7	University of the Pacific	131	52	Fresno City College	19
8	Lewis & Clark College	119	53	Southern Illinois University	19
9	Irvine Valley College	118	54	Missouri Southern State Coll	18
10	United States Air Force Academy	117	55	Southwest Baptist University	17
11	University of California-Berkeley	115	56	University of Alaska	17
12	William Jewell College	107	57	Concordia University (Nebraska)	15
13	Concordia University (Irvine)	106	58	Colorado Christian University	13
14	Willamette University	105	59	Longview Community College	12
15	Texas Tech University	104	60	William Carey College	12
16	Cedarville University	94	61	Berea College	11
17	Colorado State University	88	62	San Diego Mesa College	11
18	Truman State University	85	63	University of Missouri, Columbia	11
19	University of Oregon	80	64	Diablo Valley College	9
20	Western Washington Univ	77	65	Modesto Junior College	9
21	Western Kentucky University	75	66	Pepperdine University	9
22	California State Univ-Long Beach	70	67	University of Colorado, Boulder	9
23	Creighton University	69	68	Biola University	8
24	Morehouse	69	69	College of Eastern Utah	8
25	Grove City College	65	70	Santiago College	8
26	South Orange County	63	71	Solano Community College	8
27	McKendree College	62	72	Arkansas State University	7
28	Santa Rosa College	62	73	College of Idaho	7
29	University of Wyoming	60	74	Grand Canyon University	7
30	Azusa Pacific University	55	75	Humboldt State University	6
31	Central Missouri State University	54	76	Portland Community College	6
32	Northern Arizona	54	77	San Francisco State	6
33	Claremont Colleges	51	78	Wheaton College	6
34	University of Nevada Reno	51	79	Bethany Lutheran College	5
35	University of Utah	48	80	University of California Los Angeles	5
36	University of Puget Sound	47	81	Loyola Marymount University	4
37	Pacific Lutheran University	46	82	San Diego State University	4
38	Northwest College (WY)	44	83	Valdosta State University	4
39	Orange Coast College	44	84	Abilene Christian University	3
40	Boise State University	38	85	Purdue University	3
41	Notre Dame	37	86	University of South Carolina	3
42	Colorado College	33	87	Palomar College	2
43	Whitman College, Northwest College	29	88	University of Southern California	2
44	Northwest College (WA)	28	89	Cameron University	1
45	University of Texas, Tyler	26	90	University of Washington	1