**ADJUDICATOR TRIAL POLICY 2019**

1. **Definitions**

**‘External Selector(s)’** means an individual(s) chosen by the externals officers to determine the result of the adjudicator trials that is not a current or previous member of Macquarie University Debating Society.

**‘Intervarsity Tournament’** means the following tournaments: The Australian Intervarsity Debating Championships (**‘Easters’**), The Australasian Intervarsity Debating Championships (**‘Australs’**), The Australasian Women's Intervarsity Debating Championships (**‘Women's’**), and The World Universities Debating Championships (**‘Worlds’**).

**‘Participants’** means those trialing as an adjudicator for an Intervarsity Tournament.

1. **Trial Procedure** 
   1. Adjudicator trials for Intervarsity Tournaments must always take place unless:
      1. the number of Participants is equal to the number of spots available;
      2. the number of Participants is less than the number of spots available.
   2. Externals officers must advertise in accordance with requirements outlined in s 3 of the MUDS Constitution.
   3. Trials will involve Participants:
      1. watching a debate in the appropriate format corresponding to the relevant tournament that will take place during Internals in the presence of an External Selector(s).
         1. In the event that within 48 hours of adjudicator trials an External Selector is unable to be appointed the external officers, an Internal Selector may be engaged at the external officers’ discretion.
      2. adjudicating the debate and completing a ballot indicating:
         1. the results of the debate in ranked order;
         2. the individual speaker scores they would assign the speakers to the debate;
         3. the total team speaker score they would assign to the teams in the debate.
      3. handing in the ballot to the External Selector(s) and ceasing all writing or additions to notes;
      4. delivering an oral adjudication and justifying their decision by answering questions (at the selector’s discretion) individually to the External Selector(s). (The order in which Participants deliver their adjudication to the External Selector(s) is determined randomly by the External Selector(s)).
   4. External Selector(s) will then create a ranked list of the Participants by adjudicating skill and will disclose the list to the externals officers.
   5. The externals officers will notify all Participants of who was selected.
   6. Participants are free to request their ranking once the trial process has ended