

# FORENSICS UNION

2017-2018

## SEASON RESULTS

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### DEBATE TEAMS (NDT-CEDA & NEDA)

#### NATIONAL RANKINGS 2017-2018

American Debate Association – 20<sup>th</sup> overall; 16<sup>th</sup> in Open; 13<sup>th</sup> in JV; 20<sup>th</sup> in Novice

National Debate Tournament Rankings – 42<sup>nd</sup> overall; 35<sup>th</sup> in Varsity

Cross Examination Debate Association Rankings – 46<sup>th</sup>

CEDA National Debate Scholars (recognizing outstanding academic performance by a debater of Jr Rank): Jennifer Anton, Kristina Curtiss, and Katrail Davis.

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#### **Georgia State University**

Atlanta, GA

Kristina Curtiss & Doug Husic – Double Octafinalists

September 17-19

#### **University of Kentucky**

Lexington, KY

Logan Jancek & Shay Matmanivong – JV Quarterfinals

September 30-October 2

Jancek – 10<sup>th</sup> Speaker

#### **Vanderbilt University**

Nashville, TN

Logan Jancek & Shay Matmanivong – JV Champions

October 13-15

Jancek – 4<sup>h</sup> Speaker

Jennifer Anton & Katrail Davis - Quarterfinalists

#### **Ball State University**

Muncie, IN

Ali Berro & Jamie Kornosky – 5<sup>th</sup> Place, Varsity Public Forum

October 27-28

Berro – 5<sup>th</sup> speaker

#### **Liberty University**

Kristina Curtiss & Doug Husic - Quarterfinalists

Lynchburg, VA  
November 3-5

Jennifer Anton & Katrail Davis - Octafinalists  
Anton – 5<sup>th</sup> Speaker  
Davis – 6<sup>th</sup> Speaker

**Anderson University** Ali Berro & Jamie Kornosky – Semifinals, Public Forum  
Anderson, IN Kornosky – 6<sup>th</sup> Speaker  
November 10-11 Berro – 10<sup>th</sup> Speaker

**Wake Forest University** Kristina Curtiss & Doug Husic – 5-3 finish  
Winston-Salem, NC (Missed Double Octafinals on points)  
November 11-13

**US Naval Academy** Jennifer Anton & Katrail Davis - Octafinalists  
Annapolis, MD Davis – 3<sup>rd</sup> Speaker  
January 13-15 Anton – 4<sup>th</sup> Speaker  
Logan Jancek & Shay Matmanivong – JV Double Octafinalists

**Indiana University** Jennifer Anton & Katrail Davis - Semifinalists  
Bloomington, IN Davis – 6<sup>th</sup> Speaker  
January 20-22

**Capital University**  
Columbus, OH Jamie Kornosky – 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Public Forum  
March 9-10 3<sup>rd</sup> Speaker

**National Debate Tournament**  
Wichita State University Doug Husic & Kristina Curtiss - Qualifiers  
Wichita, KS Jennifer Anton & Katrail Davis – Qualifiers  
March 23-26 WSU's 84<sup>th</sup> & 85<sup>th</sup> qualifiers since 1961  
\*WSU Alumnus Dr. Jacob Thompson wins the 2018  
Ziegelmueller Award

**National Education Debate Association Nationals**  
Duquesne University  
Pittsburgh, PA Hala Ibrahim & Hannah Haynes – Quarterfinalists,  
March 24-25 Public Forum  
Jamie Kornosky – 5<sup>th</sup> Speaker  
Ali Berro – 10<sup>th</sup> Speaker

## INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

### NATIONAL RANKINGS 2017-2018

American Forensics Association – 20<sup>th</sup> Place

National Forensics Association – 11<sup>th</sup> Place

### Western Kentucky University

Bowling Green, KY Day 1: Kevin Mardirosian & John Burklow – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Duo  
September 22-24

Mardirosian – 5<sup>th</sup> Place, Persuasion

Alex Azzopardi – 7<sup>th</sup> Place, Rhetorical Criticism

Spencer Haisha – 6<sup>th</sup> Place, After Dinner Speaking

Shannon Flory – 6<sup>th</sup> Place, Informative

Day 2: Burklow – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Informative

Mardirosian, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Prose; 4<sup>th</sup> in Persuasion

Flory – 6<sup>th</sup> Place, Informative

Azzopardi – 6<sup>th</sup> Place, Rhetorical Criticism

Team Sweepstakes – 5<sup>th</sup> Place

### Illinois State University

Normal, IL

October 6-8

Kevin Mardirosian – 7<sup>th</sup> Place, Prose

Mardirosian & John Burklow – 4<sup>th</sup> Place, Duo

Spencer Haisha – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Novice Poetry

### Marshall University

Huntington, WV

October 27-29

Kevin Mardirosian & John Burklow – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Duo

Mardirosian & Shannon Flory – 6<sup>th</sup> Place, Duo

Burklow – 4<sup>th</sup> Place, Broadcasting

Flory – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Rhetorical Criticism; 5<sup>th</sup> Place, Dramatic

Alex Azzopardi – 4<sup>th</sup> Place, Prose & Info; 5<sup>th</sup> Place, Extemp & Rhet Crit.

Mardirosian – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Prose, Dramatic, & Persuasion

Team Sweepstakes Award – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Limited Entry Division

### Bradley University (The Norton)

Peoria, IL

November 3-5

Alex Azzopardi – Semifinalists, Informative

### Bowling Green State University

Bowling Green, OH

November 18-19

Spencer Haisha – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, After Dinner Speaking

Shannon Flory – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Dramatic

Alex Azzopardi – 5<sup>th</sup> Place, Extemp; 6<sup>th</sup> Place, Informative

Kevin McCallion – 5<sup>th</sup> Place, Novice Impromptu

### Ohio State University

Columbus, OH

December 2

Kevin Mardirosian – 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Prose; 4<sup>th</sup> in Drama, Editorial,

After Dinner Speaking; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Duo (with Burklow)

& Persuasion; 1<sup>st</sup> in Individual Sweepstakes  
Alex Azzopardi – 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Extemp; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Info; 5<sup>th</sup>, Prose  
Shannon Flory – 4<sup>th</sup> Place, Informative & Rhet Crit; 6<sup>th</sup>, Drama  
John Burklow – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Duo (with Mardirosian); 4<sup>th</sup>, Prose; 5<sup>th</sup>, Info  
Spencer Haisha – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Dramatic & After Dinner Speaking  
Jonathan Lundblad – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Program Oral Interp; 6<sup>th</sup>, Info  
Team Sweepstakes – 1<sup>st</sup> Place

### **Otterbein University**

Westerville, OH  
December 3  
Kevin Mardirosian – 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Duo (with Burklow),  
Prose, Drama; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, After Dinner Speaking  
Shannon Flory – 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Info & Rhet. Crit.; 3<sup>rd</sup>, Drama  
John Burklow – 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Duo (with Mardirosian); 2<sup>nd</sup>, Prose; 6<sup>th</sup>, ADS  
Jonathan Lundblad – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Program Original Interp  
Alex Azzopardi – 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Extemp; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Rhet. Crit.; 5<sup>th</sup>, Info; 6<sup>th</sup>, Prose  
Spencer Haisha – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Dramatic & Poetry; 4<sup>th</sup>, ADS  
Team Sweepstakes – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Overall; 1<sup>st</sup> in Swing Sweeps

### **MISL Fall Championship**

December 9  
Alex Azzopardi – 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Extemp, Rhet. Crit.,  
Info, Individual Sweepstakes; 5<sup>th</sup>, Prose  
John Burklow – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Prose & ADS; 4<sup>th</sup>, Info  
Spencer Haisha – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Poetry, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Dramatic  
Team Sweepstakes – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

### **Mid America Forensic Tournament #5 (Northern Illinois University)**

DeKalb, IL  
January 27  
John Burklow – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, After Dinner Speaking  
Kevin Mardirosian – 5<sup>th</sup>, After Dinner Speaking  
Shannon Flory – 5<sup>th</sup> Place, Prose  
Alex Azzopardi – 6<sup>th</sup> Place, Prose

### **Mid America Forensic Tournament #6 (Northern Illinois University)**

DeKalb, IL  
January 28  
Shannon Flory – 1<sup>st</sup> Place, After Dinner Speaking  
Kevin Mardirosian – 3<sup>rd</sup>, After Dinner Speaking  
Shannon Flory – 5<sup>th</sup> Place, Prose  
Alex Azzopardi – 6<sup>th</sup> Place, Prose

### **Eastern Michigan University**

Ypsilanti, MI  
February 4  
Kevin Mardirosian – 1<sup>st</sup> Place, ADS & Drama; 2<sup>nd</sup>,  
Persuasion; 3<sup>rd</sup>, Duo (with Burklow) &  
Ind. Sweeps  
John Burklow – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Duo (with Mardirosian)  
Shannon Flory – 4<sup>th</sup>, ADS, 5<sup>th</sup>, Drama, 6<sup>th</sup> Prose  
Alex Azzopardi – 4<sup>th</sup> Place, Prose  
Team Sweepstakes – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

## **Bowling Green University**

Bowling Green, OH  
February 10-11

Day 1: Kevin Mardirosian – 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Impromptu;  
3<sup>rd</sup>, Persuasion; 4<sup>th</sup>, Drama  
Shannon Flory – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Prose  
John Burklow – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, ADS; 4<sup>th</sup>, Extemp  
Alex Azzopardi – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Impromptu; 3<sup>rd</sup>, Prose; 4<sup>th</sup> Rhet. Crit.  
Jonathan Lundblad – 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Program Oral Interpretation, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Info  
Team Sweepstakes – 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall; 1<sup>st</sup> Place,  
Pi Kappa Delta.  
Day 2: Mardirosian – 1<sup>st</sup>, Persuasion & Ind. Sweeps;  
2<sup>nd</sup>, Drama, Impromptu, Prose  
Flory – 1<sup>st</sup>, Drama; 3<sup>rd</sup>, Info; 4<sup>th</sup>, Rhet. Crit. & Prose  
Burklow – 1<sup>st</sup>, ADS; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Extemp; 3<sup>rd</sup>, Ind. Sweeps; 7<sup>th</sup>, Prose  
Alex Azzopardi – 1<sup>st</sup>, Impromptu; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Rhet. Crit. & Ind. Sweeps;  
4<sup>th</sup>, Info; 6<sup>th</sup>, Prose  
Jonathan Lundblad – 2<sup>nd</sup>, Info & Program Oral Interp  
Spencer Haisha – 1<sup>st</sup>, Poetry, 4<sup>th</sup>, ADS  
Andrew Li – 6<sup>th</sup>, Extemporaneous Speaking  
Leah Langnas – 6<sup>th</sup>, Dramatic  
Team Sweepstakes: 1<sup>st</sup> Place; 1<sup>st</sup>, Pi Kappa Delta

## **MISL Novice Tournament**

February 17 Andrew Li – 1<sup>st</sup>, Impromptu; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Extemp; 4<sup>th</sup>, Persuasion

## **Akron University**

Akron, OH  
March 3-4

Alex Azzopardi – 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Impromptu; 5<sup>th</sup> in Rhet. Crit.  
Shannon Flory – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Prose  
John Burklow – 4<sup>th</sup> Place, Extemporaneous Speaking  
Kalel Blandford – 5<sup>th</sup> Place, Impromptu  
Team Sweepstakes – 4<sup>th</sup> Place

## **MISL State Championship**

Ypsilanti, MI  
March 10

Kevin Mardirosian – State Champion in ADS, Poetry,  
Persuasion, Quadrathon; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Duo; 4<sup>th</sup>, Impromptu  
John Burklow – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Duo & Quadrathon; 4<sup>th</sup>, Extemp,  
POI, & Prose; 5<sup>th</sup>, ADS; 6<sup>th</sup>, Duo  
Shannon Flory – 2<sup>nd</sup>, ADS & Info; 5<sup>th</sup>, Drama; 6<sup>th</sup>, Duo  
Alex Azzopardi – 4<sup>th</sup>, Rhet. Crit. & Info; 5<sup>th</sup>, Extemp; 6<sup>th</sup>, Prose  
Jonathan Lundblad – 2<sup>nd</sup>, POI; 5<sup>th</sup>, Info; 6<sup>th</sup>, Poetry  
Andrew Li – 6<sup>th</sup>, Persuasion  
Team Sweepstakes – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

**Pi Kappa Delta (Tennessee State University)**

Nashville, TN  
March 16-18

Kevin Mardirosian – National Champion, ADS  
Semifinalist, Duo; Quarterfinalist, Impromptu  
John Burklow – Semifinalists, Duo; Quarterfinalist, ADS  
Shannon Flory – Semifinalist, Drama; Quarterfinalist, Info & ADS  
Alex Azzopardi – Quarterfinalist, Extemp  
Team Sweepstakes – 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Division 1

**National Speech Championship (University of Nebraska)**

Lincoln, NE  
March 24-25

Kevin Mardirosian – National Champion, ADS; 3<sup>rd</sup>, Drama;  
Semifinalist, Prose; Quarterfinalist, Impromptu & Persuasion  
Team Sweepstakes – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Graduate Student-run Program

AFA's National Individual Events Tournament

Colorado Springs, CO  
April 6-9

Kevin Mardirosian – Semifinalist, ADS  
Alex Azzopardi – Quarterfinalist, Extemp  
Team sweepstakes – 20<sup>th</sup> Place (program best finish)

**National Forensics Association National Championship**

University of Wisconsin-Osh Kosh  
April 20-23

Kevin Mardirosian – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, ADS; 5<sup>th</sup>, Poetry, 10<sup>th</sup>, Ind. Sweeps  
Semifinalist in Persuasion, Prose, Drama; Octafinalist, Duo  
Shannon Flory – Quarterfinalist, Info, Prose, and ADS  
John Burklow – Octafinalist, Duo  
Jonathan Lundblad – Octafinalist, Informative  
11<sup>th</sup> in Overall Team Sweeps  
2<sup>nd</sup> President's II Division Team Sweeps



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