

US Universities Debating Championships | Stanford 2018
Policy on Hybrid Teams

The USUDA constitution does not make claims about hybrid team policies, so the hybrid team policy is set at the discretion of the tournament hosts.

At Stanford USUDC 2018, the hybrid team policy will be as follows:

1. Hybrid teams are teams composed of two debaters who are not from the same institution
2. If both members of the hybrid team do not qualify for ESL or community college status, these teams are not permitted at the tournament.
3. If both members of the team qualify for ESL or community college status, these teams are permitted at the tournament, attendant to the following conditions:
 - a. These teams cannot break to the Open or Novice outrounds.
 - b. The speaks on these teams are eligible for speaker awards in any category.
 - c. If and only if both members of the team have ESL status, the team can break to ESL outrounds. If and only if both members of the team have community college status, the team can break to community college outrounds.
4. If a team wishes to register as a hybrid team pursuant to condition (3), they need to submit the ESL questionnaire or declare community college status - whichever applies - at the time of initial (team) registration. These teams will only be confirmed once the Status Officers review and approve the application. The Status Officers will do this
 - a. The definitions of ESL and community college status are described in the policy on ESL, community college, and novice status.