



NYPDL 2022 September Parliamentary Debate Invitational Motions

THR = this house regrets

THW = this house would

THBT = this house believes that

THS = this house supports

THP = this house prefers

Round 1:

Labor Law

- TH, as the labor movement, R recent labor activism by groups that have historically not participated in unions (e.g. PhD students who teach college courses, medical residents, etc).
- THBT labor unions in developing countries should primarily pursue legislative change as a means of achieving workers' rights, instead of directly negotiating with companies
- TH supports stronger collective bargaining rights and protections rather than legislated labor market regulations (e.g., wage levels and working conditions)

Round 2:

Regretting Narratives

- THR the narrative that your academic achievements will determine your success.
- THR the narrative that lying is immoral.
- THR the narrative that time heals all wounds.

Round 3:

Movements

- This house believes that the animal rights movement should focus on environmental concerns as opposed to the ethics of animal exploitation.
- THR the commercialisation of social movements (e.g. the inclusion of pop cultural icons, financial and corporate sponsorship etc.)

- THR the predominance of youth within social movements (i.e tailoring social media presence to teenage and young adult consumers, the presence of young leaders).

Round 4:

International Relations

- THW remove the national element in the Olympics (i.e. no concept of national medal count, no national teams, no flags, etc).
- THBT the U.S. should prohibit universities from accepting research funding from China.
- THW transfer complete management of environmentally significant areas to an international body, instead of the national government of that area (eg: control of the Amazon rainforest would be transferred to an international body, instead of being under the control of the Brazilian government).

Round 5:

Art

- THBT schools should prioritize modern popular literature over classics
- THR the romanticization of villains and antiheroes/antiheroines in literature, movies, and other pop culture artifacts (eg. Joker in Batman; Thanos in Avengers; Don Juan etc)
- THS the creation of children's literature which teaches that people are neither good nor evil

Quarters: Econ

- In areas with rapidly rising property prices, THW suspend all restrictions on property development that are not health and safety requirements (for example, environmental zoning regulations, building height restrictions, and regulations on the appearance of buildings)
- THBT the European left should promote a hard left agenda, including the nationalization of major industry, very high tax rates on the wealthy, and expansion of the welfare states.
- THW abolish all government schemes that provide grants, tax-breaks or loans at preferential terms to home buyers.

Semis: More regretting narratives!

- THR the narrative that patience is a virtue
- THR the narrative that forgiveness is a virtue
- THR the narrative that independence (e.g. financial, emotional, etc.) is the primary marker of successful adulthood

Finals: The afterlife

- THBT religions should promise reward in the afterlife as opposed to promising material reward in this life, with both outcomes contingent on faithful practice
- THP an afterlife of constant reincarnation over an eternal afterlife based on one's mortal actions
- THP a world where major religions hold that their concept of the afterlife is based on the principle of divine mercy, as opposed to divine judgment.