

Debate '16 Collection



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Hofstra is Chosen as Alternate Location to Host the Debate

Although Wright University in Dayton, Ohio was chosen to hold the first presidential debate of 2016, they later announced they were withdrawing as host, citing cost and security concerns.

The Commission on Presidential Debates, the nonpartisan organization that produces the event, informed Hofstra University in July that it was being tapped for the first debate, as we had agreed in 2005 to be the alternate location.

President Rabinowitz- “This is an extraordinary privilege and responsibility. We greatly appreciate the faith shown in us by the Commission on Presidential Debates, and we have begun preparations for a successful debate.”



The Clock Begins to Tick- Months to Prepare!

Hofstra became the first school to host presidential debates in three consecutive presidential election cycles. Despite schools usually having a full year to prepare, Hofstra had less than 3 months. This announcement set in motion a remarkable two-month period of mobilization of people and resources, the results of which provided Hofstra University students with a large variety of extraordinary learning experiences.

“Our staff here have spent the last two months, day and night, preparing,” President Rabinowitz told 1010 WINS’ Glenn Schuck. “Usually, you have a year’s notice that you are going to host a debate — we had two months’ notice. But we’re ready. If the candidates are ready, we’re ready.”



Many of the materials generated as a result of the tremendous efforts of the Hofstra community and its supporters, are housed in the Hofstra University Special Collections Department's Debate '16 Collection.



The Debate 2016 Collection features items such as brochures, flyers, posters, banners, photographs and print material that chronicle many of the Debate 2016 series events. In addition, this collection contains debate memorabilia such as bags, shirts, silverware, figurines, stationery and campaign signage, specifically designed to mark this unique moment in American presidential politics. Preparatory events held by the University in anticipation of this occasion, the debate, and post-election news were captured in both online and print media form, and are part of the collection.



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The 2016 Presidential Debates

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Social Media and Technology Initiatives

Facebook will be on site for two of the presidential debates. Members of the media, students, and the campus community will be able to use Facebook Live to broadcast at the debate site. People on Facebook in the U.S. and around the world can watch these videos live, ask questions and comment with their reactions. (facebook.com)

Snapchat will be covering each debate on-site via a "Live Story." These Live Stories will allow users on Snapchat to experience the debates from the many different perspectives of students from the debate host universities, volunteers, media and many others. These compilations of Snaps are designed to encourage the conversation long after each debate is over. (snapchat.com)

PBS NewsHour together with technology partner **Microsoft** have created an interactive, civic education site that allows users to access every general election debate since 1960, screen entire debates or debate highlights and track how candidates have addressed specific issues in the debates over the years. Users can react to the debates and through a unique interactive experience. (WatchTheDebates.org)

Voter Engagement Projects and Outreach

AARP is hosting expert panel discussions on all four host sites and through their "Take a Stand" initiative, is encouraging volunteers across the nation to discuss Social Security with the candidates through social media, television and radio. (2016takeastand.org)

C-SPAN's Campaign 2016 Bus will visit schools, campuses and universities across the country to engage students, educators, and the community through on-board multimedia technology. CSPAN will also be gathering visitor's responses to this year's election to share via social media as part of "Voices from the Road." (c-span.org)

Dominican University of California is leading #CollegeDebate16, a national non-partisan initiative to empower young voters to identify issues and engage peers in the presidential election. College and university delegates created a College Debate 2016 Platform that was shared with the debate moderators. (collegedebate16.org)

Join the Debates (JTD) is an initiative designed and led by **Explo** in partnership with **PBS Education** and the **National Governors Association**. This fall, middle, high school, and college students are engaging their peers in substantive and civil conversation on issues important to the U.S. presidential debates and election. Learning to engage with others who think differently is a skill that requires practice to master. Join the Debates provides curriculum, guidance, and discussion topics. JTD highlights that listening, participation, and respect are key elements for responsible citizenship. (jointhedeates.org)

Hofstra University *presents*

SIGNATURE DEBATE SPEAKERS



MICHAEL E. MANN

The Madhouse Effect

Monday, September 12, 2016
10:15-11:30 a.m.

Student Center Theater
Mack Student Center
North Campus



DAVID AXELROD

*The Evolving Media and
Political Landscape*

Tuesday, September 13, 2016
11:15 a.m.-12:40 p.m.
John Cranford Adams Playhouse
South Campus



BOBBY JINDAL

*A Conversation With Bobby Jindal:
The 2016 Race for the White House*

Wednesday, September 14, 2016
6-7:30 p.m.
John Cranford Adams Playhouse
South Campus



MICHAEL ERIC DYSON

*Race, Religion, and the
American Presidency*

Tuesday, September 20, 2016
7 p.m.

The Helene Fortunoff Theater
Monroe Lecture Center, California Avenue
South Campus



SALLY KOHN

*In Defense of
Political Correctness
and Identity Politics*

Wednesday, September 21, 2016
11:15 a.m.-12:40 p.m.
John Cranford Adams Playhouse
South Campus



ELLEN FITZPATRICK

*The Highest Glass Ceiling:
Women's Quest for the
American Presidency*

Thursday, September 22, 2016
4:30-6 p.m.

The Helene Fortunoff Theater
Monroe Lecture Center, California Avenue
South Campus



EUGENE ROBINSON

*What Issues Will Decide the
2016 Presidential Election?
A Discussion With Eugene
Robinson and Stephen Hayes*

Thursday, September 22, 2016
11:15 a.m.-12:40 p.m.
John Cranford Adams Playhouse, South Campus



STEPHEN F. HAYES

HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY

**DEBATE
2016**
SEPTEMBER 26, 2016

These events are free and open to the public.

To register, please visit hofstra.edu/debate.

For further information, please contact the Hofstra Cultural Center at 516-463-5669.

#HofDebate16

Pre-Debate Program

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Where

Presidential debate will be at David S. Mack Sports and Exhibition Complex at Hofstra University, Hempstead

Who's debating

Republican Donald Trump and Democrat Hillary Clinton



Who is the moderator

Lester Holt, anchor of "NBC Nightly News," pictured above

When to watch
Monday from 9 to 10:30 p.m.

UPDATES

Latest on the first Trump, Clinton debate, at Hofstra.
newsday.com/debate

Where to watch

The debate will be carried live on News 12 and major TV networks without commercial interruption. News 12 also will provide pre-debate coverage and political analysis throughout the day and evening.

Today at noon, Yancey Roy, Newsday's Albany bureau chief, will discuss what to expect during the debate and the latest political developments with News 12 Long Island anchor Elizabeth Haskin. Roy will also appear at 3 p.m. with News 12 anchor Antoinette Biondi, who will be in the studio.

Anchor Stone Grissom will broadcast from outside the debate hall; in-studio anchor Colleen McVey will be on air at 5, 6 and 10 p.m. Biondi will be on air at 7 and 10 p.m.

For comprehensive debate and campaign coverage, visit Newsday.com. The site will provide real-time analysis and social media reaction, interactive polls to gauge which candidate Long Islanders believe is winning, behind-the-scenes photos from the debate and total coverage from the morning of through the end of the debate.

Readers can also go to newsday.com/debate today, during and after the debate.



To watch live streams of the debate, viewers can visit websites and social media platforms including ABC News, BuzzFeed News, CBS News, CNN, C-SPAN, The Daily Caller, Facebook, Fox News, Hulu, Huffington Post, NBC, PBS, Politico, Telemundo, The Wall Street Journal, Twitter, Univision, Yahoo, YouTube.

Members of the media, students and the campus community will be using Facebook Live to broadcast and show what is happening at the debate site. People on Facebook in the United States and around the world will be able to watch these videos live, ask questions and comment with their reactions. Facebook will also have an interactive touch screen to show the conversation on Facebook about the candidates and the issues. (facebook.com)

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Viewing parties

See today's Explore!1 for a roundup of public viewing parties at spots such as the Cinema Arts Centre in Huntington, which is holding a Presidential Debate Watch Party at 9 p.m. and serving up everything from organic popcorn to veggie burgers to spinach pie.



Debate topics

Moderator Lester Holt has selected the following debate topics, subject to changes due to news developments: "America's Direction," "Achieving Prosperity," "Securing America." They will not necessarily be broached in this order.

Debate format

Six 15-minute time segments; two 15-minute segments will focus on each debate topic.

Hofstra will host a Viewer's Guide to Televised Debates, offering tips for viewing the debate critically and providing a guide on being media literate while watching presidential debates. (hofstra.edu/Debate)

Debate rules

The debate will be divided into six time segments of about 15 minutes each on major topics selected by the moderator and announced at least one week before the debate.

The moderator will open each segment with a question, after which each candidate will have two minutes to respond. Candidates will then have an opportunity to respond to each other. The moderator will use the balance of the time in the segment for a deeper discussion of the topic.

SOURCE: COMMISSION ON PRESIDENTIAL DEBATES



Who received tickets

About 1,000 seats inside the center were available. A few hundred tickets allotted to the university went into a student lottery for which the winners were announced during the weekend; the rest were parceled out to the two campaigns, the Commission on Presidential Debates' sponsors and donors, media and security.

Who's in the audience

Familiar faces in the crowd will include Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-N.Y.) and Nassau County Executive Edward Mangano, a Republican.

Working the debate

Among those participating in the most in tonight's debate will be 400 trained student volunteers performing about 40 duties, including running last-minute errands and acting as ushers for audience members.

Getting around

Nassau Inter-County Express (NICE) Bus service to Hofstra, Nassau Community College, Nassau County's Department of Social Services and East Meadow will be disrupted. Riders should check Nice.com, Twitter and Facebook for service updates.



Road closures

The following roads in the Hofstra campus area will be closed or partially restricted to traffic:

- Charles Lindbergh Boulevard and Earle Ovington Boulevard will be closed from 5 a.m. until midnight.
- From noon through midnight, Hempstead Turnpike will be closed from Oak Street to Merrick Avenue near Eisenhower Park. Oak Street will also be closed from Hempstead Turnpike, northbound, to Westbury Boulevard.
- California Avenue and Meadowbrook Place will be closed, northbound, at Belmont Place. Uniondale Avenue and Manor Parkway will be closed, headed north, at McKenna Place.
- Nassau County officials are urging drivers to use their eastbound or westbound routes: Front Street, Old Country Road, or Stewart Avenue.
- Lawrence Street, in Uniondale, will become a one-way street, heading north from Hempstead Turnpike to Westbury Blvd. Courtenay Road in Hempstead can be accessed one-way, headed south from Hempstead Turnpike to Front Street.
- Manor Parkway, Marvin Avenue, Walton Avenue, Gilroy Avenue, and Cunningham Avenue will become one-way streets, for one block South of Hempstead Turnpike.
- There will be no parking on Oak and Lawrence Streets, Courtenay Road, and McKenna Place.

Traffic delays and updates will be projected on six electronic portable message signs.

SOURCE: NASSAU COUNTY NPDET

Campus prep

Officials at Hofstra only had nine weeks to prepare for tonight's debate, after learning in July that Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio, had withdrawn as host.



Campus happenings

Throughout the day, the Hofstra campus will be buzzing with activity. Panel discussions will take place around the school and several media outlets will be broadcasting live from the Hempstead campus. Interactive exhibits will be scattered throughout, including a display sponsored by One Campaign, an international nonprofit, which will include a "White House" bounce castle.

Performers will re-enact events from the presidential election of 1872 at a live show called "Democracy in Performance."

Cost of staging debate

\$5 million. Three Hofstra alumni are footing most of that cost: real estate developers Peter S. Kalikow and David S. Mack, and Lawrence Herbert, former chief executive of Pantone Inc.

Security precautions

Pedestrians entering secure zones in and around Hofstra University will be subject to search.

- Prohibited items:
- Aerosols
 - Ammunition
 - Animals other than service/guide dogs
 - Backpacks
 - Bags and signs exceeding size restrictions
 - Balloons
 - Bicycles
 - Coolers
 - Drones and other unmanned aircraft systems
 - Explosives
 - Firearms
 - Glass, thermal, or metal containers
 - Laser pointers

- Mace/pepper spray
- Packages
- Selfie sticks
- Structures
- Supports for signs and placards
- Toy guns
- Weapons of any kind
- Any other item determined to be a potential hazard

SOURCE: NASSAU COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Preparations for the 2016 Debate at Hofstra



Debate on Campus



Light Projections on Dorm Buildings



News Media Campaign Trucks in Broadcast Alley



News Casting



Behind the Scenes



Hofstra Brings Opportunities for Students to get Involved with the Debate

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NEWS

Debate offers students plethora of experience

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Aside from event programming, Hofstra provided about 300 students with volunteer opportunities and others will have the chance to win a ticket into the debate hall through a "random lottery."

"I'm an operations volunteer," Keegan Rogers, a junior biochemistry major said. "I was working in Event Management and my boss told me he worked the past two debates, he was explaining them and it sounded exciting; so I figured I would volunteer to see what it would be like. Plus, honestly it's a resume builder that will look good when applying for just about anything," he said.

Andrea Ascencio, a senior biology major, entered her bid for a chance to see the two leading candidates debate. "I applied for tickets and I think it'll be pretty great to see a debate. We should all try to be involved when something like this comes to campus

because we can all vote."

While 15 tickets to the debate hall were given to students of WSU, the remaining tickets allocated by the Commission on Presidential Debate will be awarded to Hofstra students. For students who were not chosen as a volunteer and who will not gain entry to the debate hall, there will still be opportunities to be immersed in debate day.

"The whole campus almost becomes like a civics fair," Connolly

said. "The parking lot between the three bears and the [Graduate] Resident Hall are going to close ... the Wednesday before the debate so that Fox, CNN and MSNBC can set up huge broadcast areas so students can go there and watch live television be made."

According to Connolly, this

space, formerly called "issue ally," will be known as "broadcast plaza" and will also host different advocacy organizations such as C-Span, AARP and the ONE Campaign. These organizations will bring interactive displays for students to experience such as a White House bounce castle that is expected to be presented by the ONE Campaign, and a virtual reality art display

that MTVU will reveal in the Son-dra and David S. Mack Student Center.

"We should all try to be involved when something like this comes to campus..."

"There will be a performance of living history called 'Democracy in Performance' in a tent in one of the intramural fields," Connolly said. "There will be live television being shot all around campus ... and there will be the live watch parties at night."

Opportunities to witness major

media organizations and be interviewed by them will not be hard to come by. According to Connolly, when Hofstra hosted its second presidential debate in 2012, campus was flooded with approximately 3,500 members of the media.

"Each major outlet brings a couple hundred people, including everyone from on-air talent to those who pull cables in the media filing center. I don't know how many outlets will be here. If you look at New York, every outlet is coming."

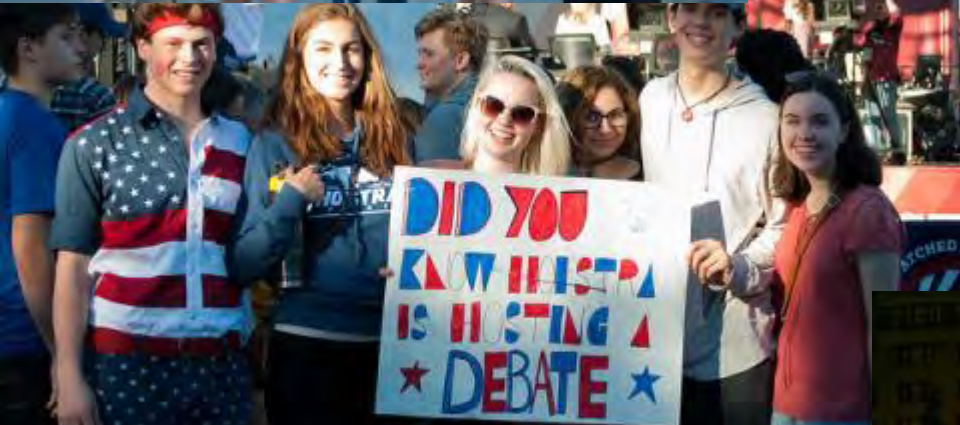
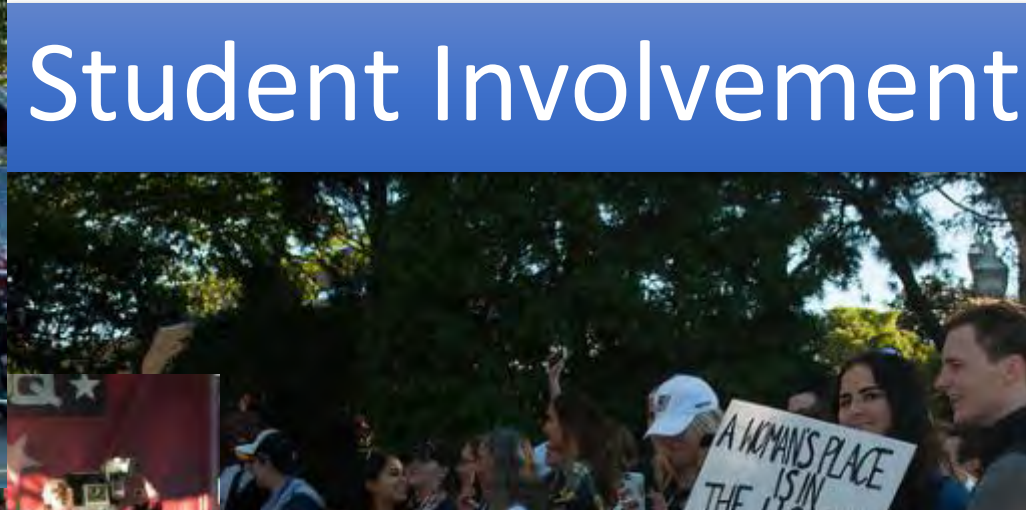
Other outlets expected to make their way to campus this week include: Politico, Telemundo, Associated Press, Agence France-Presse (AFP) and more.

As a professor, Bose's goal leading up to the debate is to allow students to make the most of the experience.

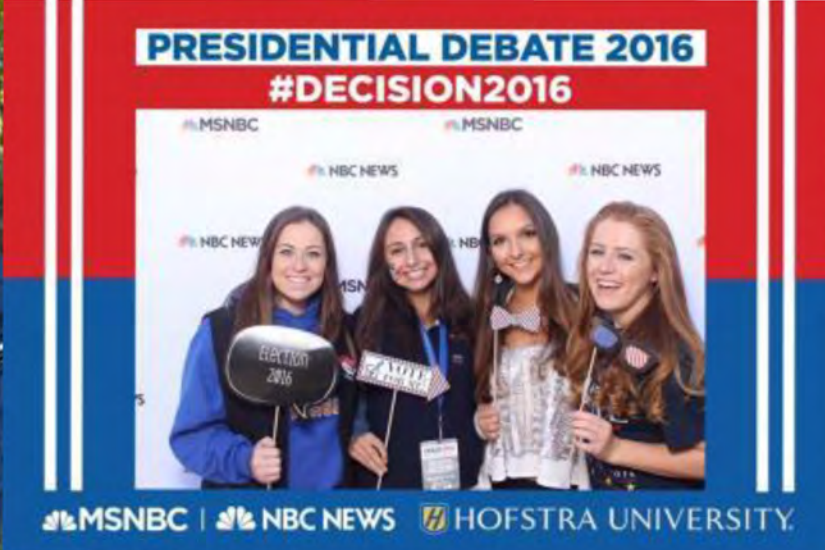
She said, "I think hosting a debate is a unique experience and it's a way to really bring the presidential race home to students, faculty, community, in a way that watching it from a distance just doesn't achieve."



Student Involvement







Student Viewing Parties



Students Walking into the David S. Mack Center to Watch the Debate



Hofstra Mascots- Kate and Willie



Media Filing Center- Spin Alley

Hofstra Rocks the Debate!



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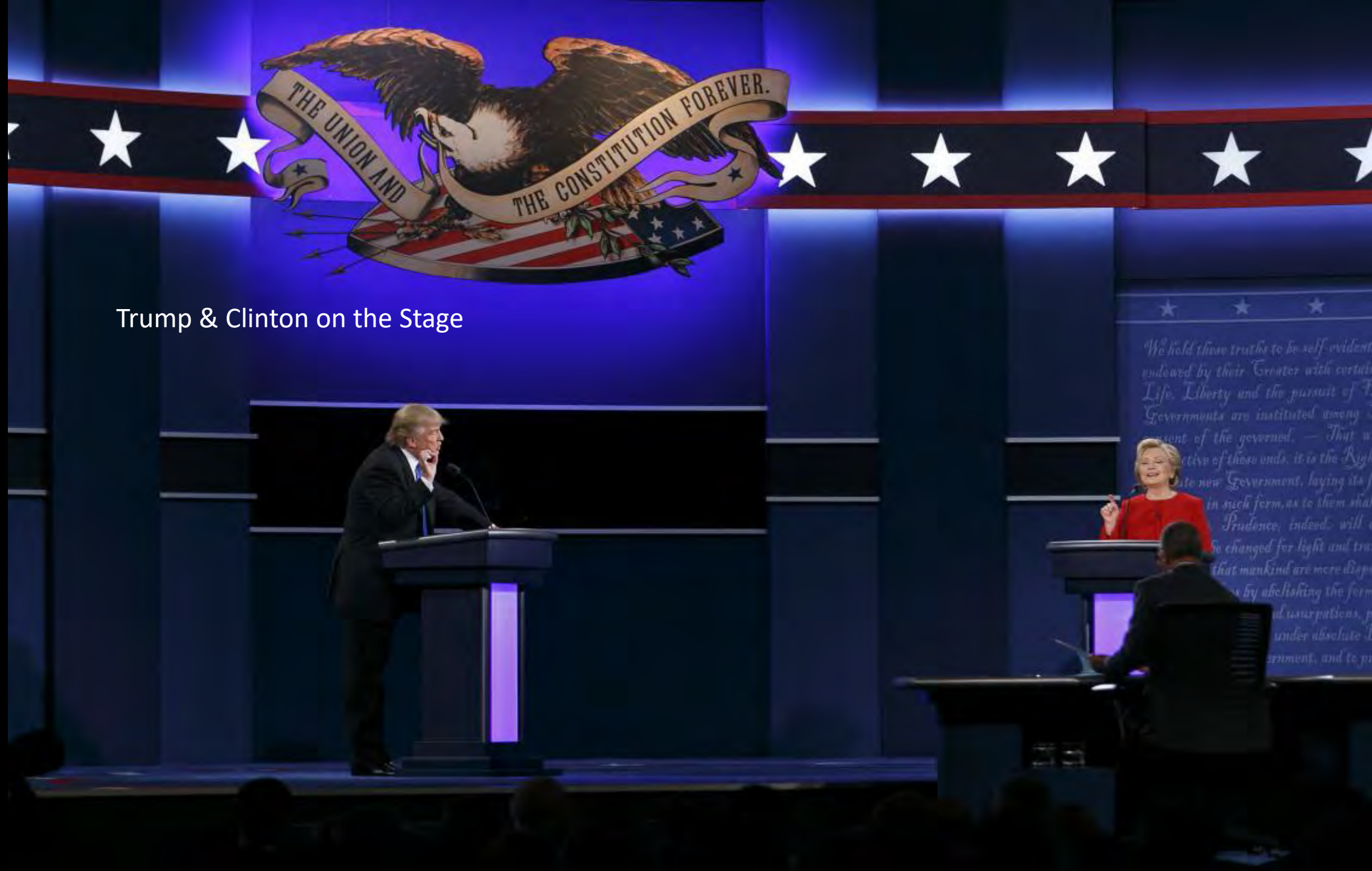
Hofstra University hosted the first 2016 Presidential Debate on September 26, 2016 at the Mack Sports & Exhibition Complex.



Donald Trump During the Debate



Trump & Clinton on the Stage



Post Debate Discussions



Post Debate Discussions- Sept. 27

How Will Suggested Policies Impact the International Scene?

The Hofstra Cultural Center's International Scene Lecture Series and the Long Island Alliance for Peaceful Alternatives will host a panel discussion that will evaluate the impact of the presidential candidates' suggested policies on the international scene.

Panelists include:

- Professor Carolyn Eisenberg, Department of History, Hofstra University
- Emilie Back, Long Island Alliance for Peaceful Alternatives Peace Fellow
- Natasha Rappazzo, Long Island Alliance for Peaceful Alternatives Peace Fellow

The panel discussion will be held in the **Guthart Cultural Center Theater, Axinn Library, South Campus, from 12:45 to 2:10 p.m.** This event is free and open to the public with registration.

International Opinion: Student Roundtable on Global Governance

Join moderator Professor Kara S. Alaimo, Department of Journalism, Media Studies, and Public Relations in the Lawrence Herbert School of Communication in a discussion with international students about the global perspective on the American political scene.

Sponsored by the Center for Civic Engagement, Hofstra University Honors College and International Student Affairs, this discussion will be held in the **Guthart Cultural Center Theater, Axinn Library, South Campus, from 2:20 to 3:45 p.m.** This event is free and open to the public with registration.

Teaching the 2016 Elections

Join Dr. Andrea Libresco, Professor of Social Studies Education and Director of the Minor in Civic Education at Hofstra University, for a workshop that explores strategies and discussion about how to teach up to and beyond the elections in your elementary and middle school classes – grades 4-8. Long Island Alliance for Peaceful Alternatives Peace Fellows Emilie Beck and Natasha Rappazzo will speak at the workshop.

Sponsored by the Hofstra Network of Elementary Teachers, this event will be held in **006-007 Hagedorn Hall from 6:30-8 p.m.** The workshop is open to the Hofstra community.

America's Role in the Global Arena: A Foreign Policy Analysis of the First U.S. Presidential Debate

Join us for a panel discussion among foreign diplomats and decision-makers who will discuss their perspectives on the candidates' remarks about American foreign policies and actions abroad. The discussion will be moderated by Jason Isaacson, Director of Government and International Affairs, American Jewish Committee.

Panelists include:

- David O'Sullivan, Ambassador of the European Union to the United States
- Helga Flores, Principal External Relations Advisor, Inter-American Development Bank, Washington, D.C.
- Dr. Carolyn M. Dudek, Professor of Political Science and Director of European Studies, Hofstra University

This panel discussion will be held at the **Guthart Cultural Center Theater, Axinn Library, South Campus, at 7 p.m.** The event is open to the public with registration.

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THREE-PEAT

Presidential Debate

Hofstra University will make history on Monday, September 26, 2016, when we have the honor of hosting the first presidential debate – and becoming the first university to ever host three consecutive presidential debates.

But even before the Commission on Presidential Debates announced in July that Hofstra would be a debate host, the campus community was fully engaged in the 2016 presidential election, one of the most unconventional in modern history.

In February more than 100 students and faculty traveled to New Hampshire for its first-in-the-nation primary. A few months later, during the New York Republican primary campaign, hundreds of students, faculty and community residents attended a town hall at the Student Center with Ohio Gov. John Kasich. This summer, Hofstra students were in full force at the Republican and Democratic Conventions – covering the events as reporters for WRHU-88.7 FM, Radio Hofstra University, or interning as part of a Washington Center seminar.

As excitement builds for this year's debate, here's a look back at the 2008 and 2012 presidential debates at Hofstra – as well as how the Hofstra community has participated in the 2016 election so far.

Here's a look back in photos at some moments from the 2008 and 2012 debates.

For more information, go to hofstra.edu/debate2016. Join the #HofDebate16 conversation.

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Candidate Pins

The most recent presidential election inspired a notable amount of accessorizing, with hats, T-shirts, and pins as impassioned voters literally wore their positions.



Shirts and Bag- Debate 2016





Trump and Clinton Bottle Openers



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Bobble Heads

Trump-isms

ON HEALTHCARE.GOV WEBSITE:

"We have a 5 billion dollar website. I have so many websites...I hire people and it costs me three dollars."

ON JOBS:

"I will be the greatest jobs president god ever created."

ON FREE TRADE:

"Free trade can be wonderful if you have smart people. We have stupid people."

ON FUNDRAISING:

"I'll use my own money. I'm REALLY rich."

Trump-Knows

"Think BIC! You are going to be thinking anyway, so think BIC!"

"Anyone who thinks my story is anywhere near over is sadly mistaken."

"I love the fact people come into the country...but they have to come in legally."



Hillary-isms

ON MAKING NEWS:

"If I want to knock a story off the front page, I just change my hairstyle"

ON BILL CLINTON:

"If I didn't kick his ass every day, he wouldn't be worth anything"

ON POWER:

"In my White House, we all know who wears the pant suits"

Hillary-Knows

"We must stop thinking about the individual and start thinking about society."

"Don't confuse having a career with having a life."

"There is a sense that things, if you keep positive and optimistic about what can be done, do work out."

"Human rights are women's rights, and women's rights are human rights."

Other Memorabilia



Visit the Debate 2016 Collection Finding Aid
at:

http://www.hofstra.edu/pdf/library/libspc_archives_debate_2016_fa.pdf