

Speaker Point Guidelines for HBU Intramural

Top Tier: Teams that WOULD CERTAINLY make in the Final 4

- 94 Astonishingly good. The best team you have heard in this semester.
- 92 Brilliant. Incredibly strong and nearly flawless in matter and manner.

Upper Middle Tier: Teams MOST LIKELY in contention for the Final 4

- 90 Superb. This team dominates the round with flashes of brilliance.
- 88 Compelling. Arguments are central to the debate and quite deep.
- 86 Excellent. Clear structure and role fulfillment, few if any weakness.
- 84 Sophisticated. Key issues are addressed with sufficient explanation.

Middle Tier: Team that MAY or MAY NOT end up the Final 4

- 82 Very good. Clear strengths mixed with a few minor weakness.
- 80 Above average. Clear strengths mixed with some weaknesses.
- 78 Average. Usually relevant, often persuasive, holds attention.
- 76 Average. Successfully fulfills many of their basic roles on the table.

Lower Middle Tier: Team PROBABLY NOT likely to make the Final 4

- 74 Average. Has strengths and weaknesses in roughly equal proportions.
- 72 Below Average. Some gaps in logic or weak points, needs structure.
- 70 Below Average. Some simplistic arguments, difficult to follow.
- 68 Fair. Arguments are mostly lacking in both explanation and proof.

Bottom Tier: Teams CLEARLY NOT in contention to make the final 4

- 66 Fair. There is a lack of structure and a not much awareness of the role.
- 64 Fair. Frequently the team is unclear and confusing, hard to follow.
- 62 Poor. This team rarely makes full arguments, little awareness of role.
- 60 Poor. Only barely relevant to the motion, weak structure and delivery.