

## Regents' Cup Competition Celebrates Free Speech, Civil Discourse at Arizona's Public Universities

**WHAT:** The inaugural Regents' Cup, a new debate competition celebrating free speech, civil discourse and democratic engagement among students from all of Arizona's public universities, will take place Nov. 16 at the University of Arizona.

This first-of-its-kind competition will feature reasoned debate during an era when free-speech issues on college campuses are at the forefront of the national conversation. Arizona's public universities are recognized as exemplars in free speech; Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University and the University of Arizona are all recognized with the highest "[green light](#)" rating from FIRE (the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education).

Civil discourse and freedom of speech are the timely topics for this debate. Specific issues include libel, slander, defamation laws, social media and more. Participating

