

Rethinking Drugs

How can we improve international drug policy today? Tell us what you think and enter the chance to win a \$10,000 scholarship

2013-14 Challenge

The Global Debate and Public Policy Challenge (GDPPC) is an annual writing and debate contest about issues of global importance for students across continents and academic disciplines.

The 2013-14 challenge is on international drug policy. What should today's drug policy look like? How can we measure success in the fight against drug crimes? Can governments win the "war on drugs"? The challenge asks students to consider how international drug policy impacts security, human rights, health and criminal justice as well as the type of policies that government and other groups should adopt to address the spread of drugs.

The challenge consists of two written tasks, which serve as qualifying stages for participation in a June 2014 forum in Budapest. Following the independent evaluation of the first task submissions, a maximum of 200 students will be invited to submit a policy brief and move on to the Budapest forum.

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Win a trip to Budapest to attend the third annual GDPPC forum at Central European University in June 2014.

Become one of five winners to receive a scholarship of up to \$10,000 payable to a graduate program of your choice. Winners may also make the money payable to a non-profit institution where they want to intern or work. The graduate program and non-profit should be related to the field of public policy.

Sharpen your writing and debating skills with students from across the world.

Learn how to write op-eds and policy briefs from experienced coaches and prepare yourself for a future career in public policy.

Interested?

Register for the challenge at gdppc.idebate.org

Review the background material and instructions for the first task.

Prepare and submit your policy memo by 30 October 2013.

The challenge is open to students formally enrolled full-time in an undergraduate program on or after 1 March 2014 as well as to all recent graduates of an undergraduate program who have not yet enrolled in a graduate program.

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