

CONGRATULATIONS to Team Canada

Finishing 5th at the
WSDC 2022

We are very proud
of their
accomplishments
this year!



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Team Canada Newsletter

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The 2021-2022 year has come to a close, and the 2022-2023 year has begun for Team Canada! This Summer, the 2021-2022 team gathered in Montreal, wherein development and alternate team members Alex Logan, Alice Xu, Angela Lu, and Maria Xu travelled to Montreal with co-coaches Brent Schmidt and Arsalan Ghaemi to assist in the training camp for the 5 members of the team debating at this Summer's WSDC. Afterward, the co-coaches and the 5 students, Annushka Agarwal, Max Williams, Randy Chang, Stellar Zhang, and Vincent Gao, travelled to Halifax to compete at WSDC 2022.

As WSDC 2022 was online, the competition was divided once again into 2 divisions for preliminary rounds. After the 8 preliminary rounds, Team Canada finished first in their division, the only team to win at least 7 rounds. As individual speakers, every student finished in the Top 50 overall, with 3 students placing in the Top 20: Annushka (20), Max (18), and Vincent (10). After a successful Octofinal win over India, the Team bowed out against Sri Lanka on a 4-1 decision, finishing the tournament as the 5th place overall team. Congratulations to the students and coaches and thank you to the countless CSDF members and other members of the Canadian debate community who volunteered their time and effort to aid this year's team.

As WSDC 2022 ended, preparations for WSDC 2023 have already begun! Returning members Annushka, Alice, Angela, Maria, and Randy will be joined by Jonathan Chu, Summit Kawakami, Tanush Agarwal, Barry Gu, Eric Li, Rally Lin, and Hao Ni. The team travelled to Toronto in late August/early September with returning co-coaches Arsalan and Brent to engage in a training camp as well as team bonding activities. The Team is expected to travel outside of the country this year for the first time since the pandemic, and as in-person debate returns the Team looks forward both to debating at preparatory competitions and growing together in the lead-up to WSDC 2023.