

QDU Adjudicator Position Description

The QDU is the peak debating body in the state of Queensland. It relies on the assistance of a large number of adjudicators every year to ensure that all of its debates receive fair and well justified decisions. Adjudicating itself is highly rewarding; our adjudicators receive reimbursement for their time, experience in educating school-aged students, and, most importantly, the opportunity to develop the minds of Queensland's next generation of thinkers.

An adjudicator's role is simple:

1. An adjudicator needs to decide the winner of the debate. They may not award a draw. They do so by watching the debates, and applying the guidelines of adjudicating that we explain at our adjudication seminars.
2. An adjudicator needs to maintain order in the debate, and ensure there are no disruptions.
3. An adjudicator needs to ensure all students are debating in a comfortable, welcoming environment.

Typically, debates take place on a Wednesday evening. Adjudicators will be required to judge two or three debates, and will be reimbursed \$66 for their time.

If you're interested in adjudicating for the QDU, you need to:

1. Register to adjudicate in our competition management system, which is available at: https://cms.qdu.org.au/adjudicators/register_adjudicator.php
2. Come along to one of our advertised adjudication sessions, usually held at the start and end of each year. They will teach you how to adjudicate, as well as explaining basic QDU processes.
3. Complete the simple adjudication test available online.

Once you've completed the test, you're ready to adjudicate.