PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS:

- St. Cloud State University (SCSU)
- South Dakota State University (SDSU)
- Simpson College (SIMP)
- St. Olaf College (STO)
- Bethany Lutheran College (BLC)

Preliminary Rounds:

- 3 wins/ 0 losses
  - SIMP SB (Paull Safford and Dana Bohan)
- 2 wins/ 1 loss
  - SIMP FG (Ethan Fredrick and Jacy Gomez)
  - STO ST (Maddie Sabin and Raffi Triggiano)
  - BLC SS (William Soule and Sergio Salgado)
  - BLC SO (Jacob Schneider and Jeffrey Olsen)
- 1 win/ 2 losses
  - SCSU KS (Brian Kunz and Nino Sakvarelidze)
  - SDSU WF (Nicole Westerman and Nick French)
  - SIMP MB (Kiley Murray and Michelle Berving)
  - STO PC (Maureen Palmer and David Carpenter)
- 0 wins/ 3 losses
  - SIMP JG (Tegan Jarchos and Ashley Gomez)

Bronze Round

- SIMP SB (gov) def STO ST 2-0
- BLC SO (gov) def SIMP FG 2-0

Gold Round:

- BLC SO (opp) def SIMP SB 3-0
GOLD Award Winners: Bethany Lutheran College – Jacob Schneider and Jeffrey Olsen

Top Speakers (left to right): 4th – Paul Safford (SIMP), 1st – Ethan Fredrick (SIMP), 5th – Jacob Schneider (BLC), 2nd – William Soule (BLC), 3rd – Brian Kunz (SCSU)
**Individual Speakers**

- 1. Ethan Fredrick - Simpson - 86
- 2. William Soule - BLC - 84
- 3. Brian Kunz - St. Cloud - 83
- 4. Paul Safford - Simpson - 83
- 5. Jacob Schneider - BLC - 82
- 6. Raffi Triggiano - St. Olaf - 82
- 7. Jacy Gomez - Simpson - 80
- 8. Nicole Westerman - SDSU - 79
- 9. Jeff Olsen - BLC - 79
- 10. David Carpenter - St. Olaf - 79
- 11. Nino Sakvarelidze - St. Cloud - 78
- 12. Kiley Murray - Simpson - 78
- 13. Maureen Palmer - St. Olaf - 77
- 14. Tegan Jarchow - Simpson - 77
- 15. Maddie Sabin - St. Olaf - 77
- 16. Dana Bohan - Simpson - 75
- 17. Nick French - SDSU - 72
- 18. Sergio Salgado - BLC - 71
- 19. Michelle Berving - Simpson - 71
- 20. Ashley Gomez - Simpson - 71

**Topics**

Round 1: This House believes that Black Friday should come even earlier.
Round 2: This House prefers Star Wars over Star Trek.
Round 3: (Case Study)

Michael runs the Processing Line at the Ultra Mechanical plant. As head of the PLUM (as it is known), production has increased while costs have decreased. Senior management is extremely impressed and wants to aid Michael by creating an executive position to take some of the burden off Michael. This “Vice PLUM” would report directly to Michael and be responsible for day-to-day operations and employee relations.

After a series of applications and preliminary interviews, there are two candidates remaining. Frida is an external candidate from a rival production plant. Steven is an internal candidate who has been with the company for 20 years and has worked his way up from fork lift driver to middle management. Both candidates are well qualified for the position, and Michael chooses to offer the job to Frida. However, Frida declines the very generous offer for personal reasons.

Michael then offers the job to Steven. While his salary would dramatically increase from what he is currently making, it is still roughly 17.3% less than the offer made to Frida. Michael’s rational is he needed to offer Frida more money to lure her away from her current job, but Steven has clearly indicated his willingness to stay with the company. Steven does not know that Frida was offered the job first.

In this case the Government team must defend the statement: **Michael is morally justified to offer Steven less money.**

Bronze Round: This House believes in a kinder, gentler National Football League.
Gold Round: This House would change its mind about the mentally ill.
Team Standings after PLUM
1. St. Olaf – 66.5
2. Bethany Lutheran College – 59
3. Simpson College – 46
4. St. Cloud State University – 29
5. Ripon College - 15
6. South Dakota State University – 6
7. North Dakota State University – 3

Season Speaker Awards
1. Raffi Triggiano - St. Olaf - 247
2. David Carpenter - St. Olaf - 233.5
3. Ethan Fredrick - Simpson - 171
4. William Soule - BLC - 169
5. Alex Everhart - St. Olaf - 167
6. Jacob Schneider - BLC - 162
7. Jacy Gomez - Simpson - 162
8. Brian Kunz - St. Cloud - 160
9. Nicole Westerman - SDSU - 160
10. Jeff Olsen - BLC - 157
11. Nino Sakvarelidze - St. Cloud - 157
12. Maureen Palmer - St. Olaf - 155
13. Tegan Jarchow - Simpson - 153
14. Kiley Murray - Simpson - 150
15. Sergio Salgado - BLC - 150
16. Nick French - SDSU - 146
17. Jeffery Fricker - NDSU - 85
18. Rikaela Greane - St. Olaf - 85
19. Bayley Flint - St. Olaf - 84
20. Sarah Starling - St. Cloud - 84
21. Paul Safford - Simpson - 83
22. Allwin McDonald - Ripon - 83
23. Emma Kain - Simpson - 82
24. Caroline Lundt - Ripon - 82
25. Daniela Lorenz - St. Cloud - 81
26. Seth McDonald - Ripon - 80
27. Nathaniel Engvall - St. Olaf - 78
28. Elisabeth Fricker - NDSU - 78
29. Maddie Sabin - St. Olaf - 77
30. Merve Mert - St. Olaf - 77
31. Matt Lasnier - St. Olaf - 76.5
32. David Wang - St. Olaf - 76.5
33. Dana Bohan - Simpson - 75
34. Connor Cummiskey - Ripon - 75
35. Noah Gahm - St. Cloud - 72
36. Kellen Mulford - St. Olaf - 72
37. Michelle Berving - Simpson - 71
38. Ashley Gomez - Simpson - 71
39. Tyler Millard - Simpson - 71
40. Kathy Trieu - St. Olaf - 71