

Generation Citizen partners with College Debate 2016

Generation Citizen, a national nonprofit working to increase civic engagement among high school students, has joined Dominican University of California on the 2016 College Convention initiative. The College Convention will be in September on Dominican's campus.

As a Voter Education Partner for the Commission on Presidential Debates, Dominican is leading an initiative to use technology and social media to engage college students in the Presidential Debates and election, focusing on the issues, not the candidates.

Dominican has accepted applications for [College Debate 2016](#) from about 140 students across the country to serve as [2016 College Convention](#) Delegates. Selected students will meet on the Dominican campus June 1-3 to discuss organizing events on their campuses and engaging with other students via a variety of social media platforms.

Throughout the spring and summer, the College Convention Delegates will facilitate discussions with fellow students, both on their campuses and via social media, in order to encourage students to discuss issues rather than focus on partisan politics.

Delegates will return to Dominican in September for the 2016 College Convention. The Convention's culminating event – a Town Hall – will be live streamed to delegates' colleges and universities, which will be hosting viewing parties on each of their campuses. At the meeting, students will identify key issues for the presidential candidates to address during the debates. These issues will be suggested to the moderators of the Presidential Debates.

[Generation Citizen](#) will involve Bay Area high school students in both the June and September events. Generation Citizen's Democracy Coach college volunteers will guide the high school students throughout the June event as they participate in discussions and workshops focused on effective civic engagement. These students will be invited to participate fully in the September College Convention.

For additional information, please visit collegedebate16.org.

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Generation Citizen

[Generation Citizen](#) (GC) works to ensure that every student in the United States receives an effective action civics education, which provides them with the knowledge and skills necessary to participate in our democracy as active citizens. We envision a country of young people working as active and effective citizens to collectively rebuild our American democracy.

Dominican University of California

Founded in 1890 and located in Marin County, California, Dominican's mission is to educate and prepare its 1,900 students to be ethical leaders and socially responsible global citizens who incorporate the Dominican values of study, reflection, community and service into their lives. The recipient of numerous national awards in recognition of its work focused on civic engagement, equity, and democracy, Dominican is uniquely positioned to engage youth to vote in an informed and educated way.

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