



Teacher's Guide

What is it?

Academic WorldQuest™ is a flagship youth education program of the national network of World Affairs Councils. It is a team competition testing high school students' knowledge of international affairs. In the competition, four-person teams compete by answering multiple-choice questions divided into ten unique and engaging thematic categories.

Benefits

- Prepares for future international studies and careers in the global economy
- Topics are compatible with and enhance the study of many existing curriculums and AP courses
- Possibility of attending National Competition weekend in Washington, DC
- Contributes to the national **Common Core State Standards** Initiative by fostering reading comprehension skills for informational text



First place winners of the 2018 Academic WorldQuest Competition. Students from Plano West High School, representing the World Affairs Council of Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas.

2018-2019 Topics

1. Country in Focus: Qatar
2. How to Deal with North Korea
3. Global Refugee and Migration Crisis
4. #WeAreNATO – The Alliance at 70
5. Great Decisions
6. Japan-U.S. Relations
7. Space Policy
8. World Trade Organization (WTO)
9. Bridging Divides to Build Peace
10. Current Events

Structure of Program

Approximately **4000 students across the country** participate in competitions hosted by **50 local World Affairs Councils across the United States**. Winning teams are invited to represent their high school and local Council at the National Competition, held in the spring each year in the nation's capital, Washington, DC.

Coaching a team is easy!

- Assemble a team of 4 students
- Identify a local competition – visit www.worldaffairscouncils.org to find one
- Assist your team in studying the sources listed on the online Study Guide – all questions come from these sources!
- Attend the half-day local competition
- If your team wins, attend the National Competition in Washington, DC in April 2019



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