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Dear Honorable Delegates, Faculty and Friends,

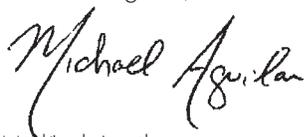
It is our distinct pleasure to welcome you to the 2008 National Model United Nations-DC conference. Hundreds of delegates will descend upon Washington, DC to participate in a conference with a tradition of fostering a better understanding of the United Nations and international relations. This is an opportunity offered to you to put into practice your diplomatic skills and acumen in current international affairs. For three days the staff will challenge you and hope to enrich your knowledge and understanding of procedures and mechanisms that resemble the United Nations at work. NMUN and the Osgood Center for International Studies have come together to host and offer you a unique opportunity not only to represent your country's position but also to cultivate a lifelong interest in diplomacy.

The NMUN-DC conference strives to provide attending delegates with knowledge, skills and experience that will be applicable both during and after college. As you gather with your fellow delegates, who share your passion for international relations, I hope you will take a moment to appreciate the unique opportunity you have to make this conference memorable. As you participate in your individual committees, we ask that you reflect on what the UN really means to you. We hope you come away from this conference believing in yourself as future diplomats and with a renewed sense of appreciation for what the UN stands.

It's great to be part of a success story. The NMUN-DC conference continues to grow and be a prominent conference for engaging students from all over the world. This is an exciting time to be in Washington, DC and our conference will offer distinctive features including a crisis simulation in the Security Council, committee briefings by distinguished speakers from Washington DC, and a dedicated staff devoted to enrich these three days with a multitude of issues at the forefront of international relations. We are enthusiastic about the diverse group of individuals joining us this year, and we look forward to serving your educational needs.

Once again, we extend a warm welcome to new delegates and a hearty welcome back to our returning delegates. NMUN-DC promises to continue its tradition of innovation and high-caliber debate. We encourage you to engage with your colleagues and our staff members in order to add to the richness of your experience in the conference but most importantly, in your increasing knowledge. Many best wishes for a successful NMUN-DC conference.

Warmest regards,



Michael Aguilar
Secretary-General



Wilfredo Gaitan
Director-General

NMUN-DC is sponsored by the National Collegiate Conference Association in partnership with the Osgood Center for International Studies. Both organizations are 501(c)3 non-profit organizations of the United States. The NCCA-NMUN is also an accredited Non-Governmental Organization with the United Nations.

NMUN-DC wants to issue special thanks for the support and cooperation extended to us by the co-sponsors of this event: Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies and the United Nations Foundation.

■ GENERAL ASSEMBLY PLENARY

1. Terrorist Acts and Threats to Development and Stability
2. Migration and its Impact on Development
3. Development of Africa

■ GENERAL ASSEMBLY THIRD COMMITTEE

1. Addressing the Plight and Abuse of Child Soldiers in War and Conflicts
2. The Economic and Social Impacts of Poverty
3. Policies and Programmes Involving Youth: Youth in the Global Economy

■ SECURITY COUNCIL

1. Responding to Humanitarian Crisis: Natural Disaster in Myanmar
2. Democracy and its Impact on Security in Africa
3. Relationship between the UN and Regional Organizations for the Maintenance of Peace and Security

■ ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICAN AND THE CARIBBEAN

1. Environmental Degradation and its Impact on Economies: Deforestation in Haiti and Brazil
2. Eradicating the Coca Crop: Development of Alternative Crop Programs in South America
3. Effect of Food Price Increases on Development and Child Malnutrition

■ HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

1. Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Forms of Intolerance
2. Human Rights Situation in Palestine and other Occupied Arab Territories
3. The Death Penalty in Iraq

■ INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

1. Enforcing the Mandates of the IAEA: Role of Inspectors and Enforcement Powers
2. Access to and Transparency of Nuclear Records of North Korea and Iran
3. Measures to Protect Against Nuclear Terrorism

NMUN•DC | conference schedule

FRIDAY | 31 OCTOBER 2008

10:00am – 2:00pm	Registration	Homewood Suites by Hilton 1475 Massachusetts Ave., NW
2:00pm – 3:00pm	Rules Session for Head Delegates	1717 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Room 500
3:00pm – 4:25pm	Opportunity Fair	1717 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Room 500
4:30pm – 5:30pm	Opening Ceremony Speaker: Elizabeth McKee Gore Executive Director of Global Alliances, United Nations Foundation	SAIS Kenney Auditorium, 1740 Massachusetts Ave., NW
5:45pm – 6:15pm	Committee Briefings by Experts	* GA Third & HRC briefings are in the Kenney Auditorium; others are in their respective committee rooms – see below
7:00pm – 10:00pm	Committee Session I	see below

SATURDAY | 1 NOVEMBER 2008

9:00am – 12:00pm	Committee Session II	see below
1:30pm – 5:00pm	Committee Session III	see below
6:30pm – 9:30 pm	Committee Session IV	see below
9:45pm – 10:30pm	Reception Sponsored by SAIS and the UN Foundation	1740 Massachusetts Ave., NW

SUNDAY | 2 NOVEMBER 2008

9:00am – 12:00pm	Committee Session V	see below
1:30pm – 3:00pm	Conclusion and Voting	
3:30 pm – 5:00pm	Closing Ceremonies KEYNOTE ADDRESS Speaker: R. Nicholas Burns Former Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, US Department of State	Kenney Auditorium

NMUN•DC | committee locations

General Assembly Plenary (GA Plenary):	Room 200, 1619 Massachusetts Ave., NW
General Assembly Third Committee (GA Third):	Room 100, 1619 Massachusetts Ave., NW
Security Council (SC):	Room 806, 1619 Massachusetts Ave., NW
Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC):	Room 203, 1619 Massachusetts Ave., NW
Human Rights Council (HRC):	Room 102, 1619 Massachusetts Ave., NW
International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA):	Room 534, 1619 Massachusetts Ave., NW

NMUN•DC | faculty advisor program

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SATURDAY | 1 NOVEMBER 2008

10:00am	What is New and Different at the Osgood Center in 2009 Shelton Williams, President, Osgood Center	Logan Room, Homewood Suites
2:00pm	The US-Indian Nuclear Deal: A Case Study for the Project to Reform US National Security Patrick Mendis, Vice President of the Osgood Center	Logan Room, Homewood Suites
8:00pm – 9:00pm	Africa: The Forgotten Continent The Hon. Joseph Huggins, CEO, Huggins Investment Group, Africa; former Ambassador to Botswana	Logan Room, Homewood Suites

SUNDAY | 2 NOVEMBER 2008

10:00am	NMUN•NY in 2009 Michael Eaton, Executive Director, National Collegiate Conference Association, Sponsor of National Model UN	Logan Room, Homewood Suites
2:00pm	The 2008 Presidential and General Election Ambassador Robert Hunter, RAND Senior Analyst; former U.S. Ambassador to NATO	Logan Room, Homewood Suites

NMUN•DC | esteemed guests

COMMITTEE SPEAKERS

General Assembly Plenary	Suzi Peel, Vice-President, Books of Hope and Past Scientific Coordinator of the UNAIDS Conference in Africa
General Assembly Third and Human Rights Council*	Allison Grunder, Deputy Assistant Director, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, U.S. Department of State
Security Council	Jess Bailey, Director, UN Political Affairs, US Department of State Economic
Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean	Ambassador Sally Shelton-Colby, Member of the Board of the Osgood Center for International Studies, former Ambassador to the Eastern Caribbean and former Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Latin America and the Caribbean
IAEA	Peter Crail, Research Analyst, Arms Control Association

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The United States will inaugurate a new president in January, 2009. This program will explore the leadership issues that confront both his Administration and the United States Government at that time. From foreign affairs to the economy to race relations to understanding between and among religious faiths, the US will be challenged to respond in new and creative ways in the 21st Century. Can a new President manage these challenges? How is the newly elected government organizing for taking over the reigns of power? Are you personally ready to meet the leadership demands that a changing world will require?



The Program



Osgood Center participants at the Chinese Embassy

"Leadership in a New Era" will bring participants from all over the world to Washington, DC to investigate the dynamics of a leadership transition in Washington. We will visit business, political, media, religious, and other cultural leaders to see how they are preparing for the future. We will bring in leadership trainers to give you insights to your own skills and leadership habits, and we will engage in vigorous discussions about alternative policies to confront the nation's most intractable problems such as energy, health, Middle East Peace, the rise of competitors, social security, terrorism, and more.

Highlights

- Lectures and discussions at Johns Hopkins Schools of Advanced International Studies
- Visits and presentations at principal U.S. Government agencies, Congress, and foreign embassies
- Attendance at the inauguration of the 44th President of the United States
- The program is designed to accommodate either the beginning or advanced student

Costs

Application fee: \$125

Program fee: \$500

Optional Housing Available

Application Deadline: December 1, 2008



Program Participants with Osgood Robert Cresanti and Ambassador Joseph Huggins

NMUN•DC | delegations

COUNTRY	SCHOOL	COUNTRY	SCHOOL
Afghanistan	Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania	Kuwait	Bryn Mawr College
Algeria	Northeastern State University	Lebanon	University of Colorado-Boulder
Andorra	Vancouver Island University	Libya	University of the Pacific
Australia	Queen's University	Malawi	University of Ottawa
Austria	University of Southern Maine	Malaysia	Bryn Mawr College
Bahrain	University of the West of England	Mexico	Juniata College
Belgium	Vancouver Island University	Myanmar	University of Ottawa
Bolivia	LaGuardia Community College	Netherlands	Pace University
Burkina Faso	UNModellItaly	Nicaragua	Northeastern State University
Canada	Wilson College	Nigeria	Hunter College
Chile	Ramapo College of New Jersey	Norway	Tribhuvan University
China	Juniata College	Pakistan	DePaul University
Colombia	Washington Center	Panama	DePaul University
Costa Rica	University of Colorado-Boulder	Peru	Washington Center
Croatia	UN Model Italy	Philippines	Washington Center
Cuba	Pace University	Qatar	University of Texas at Dallas
Czech Republic	Queen's University	Republic of Korea	Xi'an International Studies University
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Villanova University	Russian Federation	University of Colorado-Boulder
Democratic Republic of the Congo	The College of New Rochelle	Saudi Arabia	Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania
Denmark	University of California at Irvine	Senegal	University of Texas at Dallas
Ecuador	University of South Alabama	Serbia	Grayson County College
Egypt	Victor Valley College	Singapore	San Diego State University
France	Texas Christian University	Slovakia	University of South Alabama
Germany	Juniata College	South Africa	Texas Christian University
Greece	University of Southern Maine	Spain	University of California at Irvine
Haiti	University of Northern Colorado	Switzerland	Rhodes College
Indonesia	University of Southern Maine	Syria	Villanova University
Iraq	University of Northern Colorado	Turkey	Baruch College (CUNY)
Ireland	Northeastern State University	Ukraine	Northeastern State University
Italy	Queens College	United Kingdom	Manhattan College
Japan	University of Colorado-Boulder	United States	Rhodes College
Jordan	Pace University	Uruguay	Washington Center
Kazakhstan	Knox College	Venezuela	Villanova University
		Viet Nam	Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania
		Zambia	Washington Center

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Although the NMUN recognizes the potential of awards to foster competition rather than collaboration in its simulation, awards will continue to be offered in response to requests by the majority of participating schools. The Secretariat selects recipients based on the criteria and methodology outlined below. No one can observe every action in committee or truly judge an individual's learning and growth. We believe participation in the simulation is its own reward. It advances understanding of the UN and contemporary international issues, and it has changed the lives of many delegates. We urge all delegates and their faculty advisors to maintain an appropriate perspective regarding the awards. The fundamental basis of the simulation is collaboration and cooperation among nations, which includes working together through multilateral diplomacy. There are, therefore, no winners and certainly no losers in this process.

DELEGATION AWARDS |

The National Model United Nations Conference has established criteria for evaluating delegate performance. Each element is equally important to the overall awards determination process. All committees are weighted equally, and delegations are rated on a mathematical formula in relation to the total number of committees represented by the individual Member State.

Areas of evaluation are:

- **Remaining in character** – defined as advocating your assigned country's position in a manner consistent with economic, social and geopolitical constraints.
- **Participating in committee** – evaluated both during formal sessions and caucusing.
- **Proper use of the rules of procedure** – NMUN uses the rules of procedure to facilitate effective workings of committee and debate.

COMMITTEE AWARDS |

A majority of faculty surveyed in Fall 2005 indicated a desire for individual committee awards in addition to overall delegation awards. The survey results favored balloting by delegate peers. When voting for their peers, NMUN asks delegates to keep in mind that the conference believes outstanding delegates are those who cooperate and stay in the policy/character of their assigned member state. Yelling, standing on chairs and other examples of unprofessional behavior are not characteristics of model diplomats. Recipients will be announced at the final committee session.

A full description of criteria are available at www.nmun.org/participating.htm

SEXUAL HARASSMENT / DISCRIMINATION POLICY |

It is the intention of the NCCA and Osgood Center (organizers) that the environment of the National Model United Nations (NMUN) supports our educational goal. The organizers will not tolerate any instances of discrimination based on race, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, age or handicapping condition. If any delegate, staff or faculty member believes they have encountered discrimination, which results in a hostile working environment or disparate treatment, they must bring it to the attention of the Secretary-General of the conference. In the event that this is not possible, they must bring it to the attention of the organizers. The Secretary-General and a member or members of the organizers' Board must investigate the merits of the allegations, interviewing all parties involved.

Based on the investigation findings, NMUN may:

- take no action
- issue a verbal reprimand
- separate the individual from the conference
- implement any other action deemed appropriate

DRESS CODE |

All clothing must adhere to guidelines that portray professionalism and modesty. If a delegate's attire is deemed inappropriate by the NMUN staff, the delegate will be asked to leave the session and return with appropriate attire.

- Standard delegate attire for the conference is business jacket, slacks (or skirts for women), dress shirt (with tie for men) and dress shoes.
- Dress sweaters, shorts, ball caps, jeans, sneakers and sunglasses are considered too casual. Clothes that expose excessive bare skin or are otherwise revealing are inappropriate.
- It is not appropriate for delegates to display any national symbols such as flags, pins, crests, etc. on their person during sessions. UN symbols are acceptable.

Western business dress is preferred. Cultural dress is only permitted for international delegates in whose native countries "professional business dress" includes traditional cultural dress. NMUN will not tolerate any delegate's attempt to portray a "character" using traditional cultural attire as costume.

DELEGATES |

While participating in the National Model UN conference, delegates have a responsibility to always maintain the highest level of professionalism and diplomacy. Conference staff, faculty, and fellow delegates, should always be treated with the highest level of courtesy and respect. Professionalism in speech, actions, and appearance on behalf of delegates is a requirement of this conference, and necessary to its educational mission. It is assumed that all delegates will respect the property of the United Nations and the host hotels.

NMUN reserves the right to restrict future registration for any participant or school, whose delegates or faculty are not able to uphold their responsibility to the conference's code of conduct.

Delegates are expected to:

- Remain "in character" by consistently advocating the interests and representing the policies of the country assigned. To act "in character" also entails displaying respect for the opinions and ideals of fellow delegates, even if these opinions and ideals conflict with a given delegate's own country priorities.
 - Collaborate with fellow delegates where possible.
 - Conduct themselves in a courteous and professional manner at all times.
 1. Excessive alcohol consumption should be avoided.
 2. The consumption of alcohol and other drugs in committee sessions is forbidden.
 3. Any issues related to illicit drugs will be immediately directed to the attention of New York City authorities.
 4. Delegates who disrupt committee sessions or create problems in the hotel may be barred from further participation in the conference.
- Delegates are encouraged to enjoy the variety of nighttime activities available in New York. Please bear in mind, however, the purpose of your participation in NMUN.

HEAD DELEGATES |

Head delegates provide leadership to their delegates and to other delegations by serving as information resources. They should attend and participate in head delegate meetings. Head delegates may be assigned to a committee or may serve solely in an advisory role. Head delegates assigned to a committee should observe the delegate code of conduct. Those not assigned to a particular committee should interact with delegates as would a faculty advisor.

FACULTY |

The role of faculty, while at the conference, is to make all efforts to see that their students maintain a positive and professional approach to the conference. The educational quality of the conference is primarily dependent on all delegates' active and professional participation. Faculty can ensure this by monitoring their students' attendance at committee meetings, and helping them in understanding the skills of diplomacy as practiced at the National Model UN conference. Faculty advisors must maintain the highest level of professionalism toward all conference participants and staff.

During the conference, faculty are encouraged to advise students on specific questions such as a state's policy or issues of international law, but must not participate in the actual writing of resolutions or caucusing activities. The NMUN conference allows students an opportunity to demonstrate their preparation and research skills. While faculty members are encouraged to observe their students from the back of committee rooms, participation in the committee process must be left to the student delegates and the conference staff.

Faculty members are expected to:

- Provide leadership to their delegates and to other delegations by serving as information resources, where appropriate.
- Respond to questions and concerns without interfering with the work of the committees or the deliberations of delegates, whether in formal session or in caucus.
- Refrain from using academic credit and grading policies that force participation beyond that country's normal position in the UN.
- Remind their delegates of the educational purpose of the simulation. Awards should not be a delegation's main emphasis.
- Attend and participate in faculty meetings.
- Offer suggestions and assistance to new faculty members.

NMUN•DC | restaurants & sites

Baja Tortilla Grill	1333 New Hampshire Ave. (at Dupont Circle)	202-835-0570	Under \$10	Mexican
Brookings Cafeteria (Mon-Fri)	1775 Massachusetts Ave, NW (adjacent to SAIS)	202-797-6000	Under \$10	U.S.
Cosi	1501 'K' St. (at 15th St)	202-639-8999	Under \$10	Sandwiches/ Salads
Moby Dick House of Kabob	1300 Connecticut Ave NW (at 'N' Street)	202-833-9788	Under \$10	Persian
Whole Foods (deli)	1440 'P' St NW (at 14th St)	202-332-4300	Under \$10	Deli
Cafe Asia	1720 'I' St NW (at 17th St)	202-659-2696	\$10+	Japanese
The Iron Gate	1734 'N' St NW (at 17th St)	202-737-1370	\$10+	U.S.
Levantes	1320 19th St. NW, Near Dupont Circle Metro (S)	202-293-3244	\$10+	Turkish
Luna Grill	1301 Connecticut Ave NW (at 'N' St)	202-835-2280	\$10+	Sandwiches/ Salads
Mai Thai	1200 19th St NW (at 'M' St)	202-452-6870	\$10+	Thai
Old Ebbitt Grill	675 15th St, NW (at 'G' St.)	202-347-4800	\$20+	U.S.
Sweet Georgia Brown's	950 15th St, NW (btwn 'I' & 'K' Sts.)	202-393-4499	\$20+	U.S. (Southern)

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NMUN•DC | rules short form

Motion	Purpose	Debate	Vote	Explanation
<i>Point of Order</i> <i>(Can be used any time)</i>	Correct an error in procedure	None	None	Refers to a specific rule
<i>Point of Inquiry</i>	Ask a question	None	None	Ask a question of the speaker
<i>Appeal of the Chair</i>	Challenge a decision of the Chair	None	Majority	Question the Chair's ruling
<i>Suspension of the Meeting</i>	Recess meeting for a defined period	None	Majority	Used to go into caucus or to break for a given time
<i>Adjournment of the Meeting</i>	End meeting	None	Majority	Used only on Sun.; ends committee for the year
<i>Adjournment of Debate</i>	End debate w/o a substantive vote	2pro/2con		Tables the topic; requires a roll call vote
<i>Closure of Debate</i>	Vote on all draft resolutions; move to immediate vote	2 con	2/3rds	Ends all discussion on current topic
<i>Division of the Question</i> <i>(Used in voting only)</i>	Consider clause(s) separately from rest of draft resolution Part I: Procedural vote on the matter of if this motion should be considered Part II: Substantive vote to accept/reject separated by procedural vote	2pro/2con None	Majority Majority	Voted on in order of most to least destructive. If pass: clause(s) are removed and voted on separately If fail: clause(s) remain as is Clause(s) separated out voted on as an annex to the original draft resolution If passed: annex passes If fail: clauses discarded and no longer part of any draft resolution
<i>Roll Call Vote</i> <i>(Used in voting only)</i>	Vote by roll call, rather than show placards	None	None	Automatically granted once requested
<i>Vote by Acclamation</i> <i>(Used in voting only)</i>	Pass a draft resolution as a body	None	Majority	Once motioned Chair must ask if there are any dissentions
<i>Reconsideration</i>	Re-open debate on an issue (motion must be made by a member that voted for Adjournment of Debate)	2 con	2/3rds	un-tables topic that was tabled by Adjournment of Debate
<i>Close the Speakers List</i>	No additional speakers added to speakers' list on topic; re-opening speakers list allows speaker to be added on list again	None	Majority	No new speakers can be added to list; one list is exhausted go directly into voting procedures
<i>Adoption of the Agenda</i>	Approval of agenda order	None	Majority	Determines the order by which the topics will be discussed; Approved topic order = agenda