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**MESSAGE TO NATIONAL MODEL UNITED NATIONS • DC
(NMUN • DC) 2020 CONFERENCE**

Washington, DC: 6-8 November 2020

Our world faces an unprecedented crisis that is causing widespread human suffering, upending lives, devastating the global economy and risking reversals of hard-won progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals.

In these trying times, I welcome the holding of your Model United Nations activity. Your unwavering commitment to international cooperation is essential for tackling the COVID-19 pandemic -- the biggest test our world has faced since the Second World War.

We can only defeat the coronavirus if we do so globally. We must recognize that the poorest countries and most vulnerable will be the hardest hit, and that decades of development gains could be reversed. Countries already suffering armed conflict now face further upheaval. And the pandemic is having a disproportionate impact on the world's women.

The United Nations is undertaking a wide-ranging response – calling for a global ceasefire and working to control the pandemic, save lives, mitigate the socio-economic impacts, fight stigma and recover better.

We are strongly committed to providing full support to all, guided by our shared values. The world needs your energy, and I draw great hope from seeing your generation mobilize to address the challenges of our time and to build a healthier, more equitable and sustainable future for all.

In that spirit of common cause, I wish you a successful Model United Nations conference.



Upcoming Conferences



New York

28 March - 1 April or 5 - 9 April 2021



Washington, DC

5 - 7 November 2021



Czech Republic - Olomouc

20 - 28 November 2021



Japan - Kobe

20 - 27 November 2022

Economic and Social Council Plenary (ECOSOC)

1. Promoting Gender Equality in Investment and Entrepreneurship
2. Combating Illicit Trafficking of Precious Metals and Other Natural Resources

General Assembly First Committee (GA1)

1. Confidence-Building Measures in the Field of Conventional Arms
2. Measures to Prevent Terrorists from Acquiring Weapons of Mass Destruction

General Assembly Second Committee (GA2)

1. Globalization and Interdependence: Culture and Sustainable Development
2. Financial Inclusion of Rural and Underserved Communities

Human Rights Council (HRC)

1. The 25th Anniversary of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action: Progress on Women's Empowerment
2. The Impact of Counter-Terrorism Practices on Human Rights

Security Council (SC)

1. Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict
2. Addressing Security Challenges in Northern Africa and the Sahel

United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA)

1. Environmental Sustainability in the Textile and Fashion Industries
2. Halting Biodiversity Loss

United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

1. Building Smart Cities to Implement the New Urban Agenda
2. Improving Global Road Safety

United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

1. Advancing Justice and Equity in Sexual and Reproductive Health and Care
2. Addressing the Challenges of a Global Ageing Population



2020 NATIONAL MODEL UNITED NATIONS•DC

Washington, DC • 6 - 8 November

Dear Delegates, Faculty Advisors, Guests, and Friends,

On behalf of our entire volunteer staff, I am excited to welcome you to the 2020 NMUN•DC Conference! In September, the United Nations General Assembly held its first ever general debate completely online. Just as the work of the “real” UN continues virtually, NMUN will continue conducting a realistic simulation exercise as it has since before the second World War. Our hope for this weekend remains to provide you with an engaging environment to discuss some of the world’s most pressing challenges.

This year’s conference convenes during a time of extreme strain on the international system including a pandemic not seen for a century. In some ways, COVID-19 has introduced new challenges while in others it has exacerbated existing issues. Climate change, income inequality, and political instability continue to be significant challenges across the world. Governments have continued to look inward to solve these problems, rather than relying on the international order which has served the international community for over 75 years. Despite these seemingly overwhelming number of crises the international community faces in this era of diminished global leadership, I remain confident that these challenges can be overcome.

I have always thought the greatest strength of the UN to be the value it places on consensus building. Resolutions are not usually adopted through simple majority, but rather by consensus with all 193 Member States coming together to decide the best action. The power of documents like the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and Sustainable Development Goals are not in the values described or actions proposed, but the mutual trust Member States place in each other. The enforcement mechanism of these documents are good faith actors choosing to live up to these standards. Even today, when trust and faith within the international system is low, I remain confident in its ability to solve these challenges—not because of its past success, but because each year at NMUN I witness firsthand a future generation of leaders who remain committed to these ideas.

Over this weekend you will have the opportunity to practice the leadership skills necessary for creating lasting positive change in the world. No matter what you do after your collegiate career is over, knowing how to lead effectively by achieving consensus to solve problems is necessary to implementing solutions. The UN was founded on engaging with all parties, not the just the ones who you agree with the most. This weekend I challenge all of you to take on this extremely difficult task of exhibiting leadership to build consensus in solving the world’s most pressing challenges. I look forward not only to seeing your success this weekend, but to seeing all of you apply your skills as a leader to create lasting and positive change in the “real” world very soon.

With best wishes,

Daniel Sweeney
Secretary-General, NMUN•DC 2020

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Committee Locations

ECOSOC - Economic and Social Council Plenary	ECOSOC Room
GA1 - General Assembly First Committee	GA1 Room
GA2 - General Assembly Second Committee	GA2 Room
HRC - Human Rights Council	HRC Room
SC - Security Council	SC Room
UNEA - United Nations Environment Assembly	UNEA Room
UNFPA - United Nations Population Fund	UNFPA Room
UN-Habitat - United Nations Human Settlements Programme	UN-Habitat Room

Other Room Locations

Information Services (help desk)	Information Services Room
Faculty Room (open during committee sessions)	Faculty Lounge
Head Delegates Meeting Room	Head Delegate Room
Social Networking Room	Networking Lounge

Friday, 6 November 2020 – Gatherly

4:00 pm - 4:30 pm	NMUN Rules Q and A (optional) Watch NMUN Rules Training Overview Video prior to attending	Ballroom
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Opening Ceremony	Facebook/YouTube
6:00 pm - 6:30 pm	Break	
6:15 pm - 9:45 pm	Information Services Open	Information Services
6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Committee Sessions 1	See Committee Locations, p. 6
9:40 pm - 10:10 pm	Head Delegates Meeting	Head Delegate Room

Saturday, 7 November 2020 – Gatherly

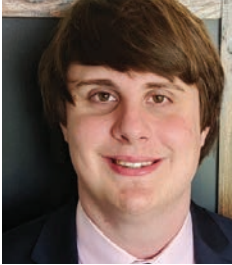
8:45 am - 9:45 pm	Information Services Open	Information Services
9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Committee Sessions 2	See Committee Locations, p. 6
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Break	
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Committee Sessions 3	See Committee Locations, p. 6
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Break	
7:00 pm - 9:30 pm	Committee Session 4	See Committee Locations, p. 6
9:40 pm - 10:10 pm	Head Delegates Meeting	Head Delegate Room

Sunday, 8 November 2020 – Gatherly

8:45 am - 3:15 pm	Information Services Open	Information Services
9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Committee Session 5	See Committee Locations, p. 6
10:30 am - 11:00 am	Faculty Feedback Session	Faculty Lounge
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Break	
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Committee Session 6	See Committee Locations, p. 6
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Closing Ceremony	Facebook/YouTube

Please note: All times listed are Washington, D.C. / Eastern Time.

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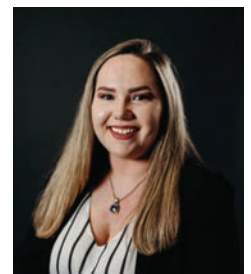
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Austria	Florida Atlantic University	USA
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Belgium	Mercy College	USA
Botswana	Florida Atlantic University	USA
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Cambodia	Florida Atlantic University	USA
Cameroon	California State University Northridge	USA
Chile	Pace University	USA
China	Syracuse University Maxwell School	USA
Czech Republic	Valdosta State University	USA
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Colgate University	USA
Dominican Republic	Hostos Community College	USA
Ecuador	Irvine Valley College	USA
El Salvador (GA2)	Athabasca University	CAN
El Salvador (UN-Habitat)	Valdosta State University	USA
Eritrea	Riverside City College	USA
Estonia	University of New Haven	USA
Ethiopia	Georgia State University	USA
Fiji (HRC)	Clemson University	USA
France	The University of Arkansas	USA
Germany	Bellevue College	USA
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Japan	Montgomery College	USA
Kenya	Irvine Valley College	USA
Latvia	Arcadia University	USA

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Luxembourg	The University of Texas at Tyler	USA
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Niger	Seton Hill University	USA
Norway	Collin College	USA
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Panama	Pace University	USA
Paraguay	Pace University	USA
Peru	Florida Atlantic University	USA
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Russian Federation (ECOSOC, GA2, UNFPA, UN-Habitat)	Saint Peter's University	USA
Russian Federation (GA1)	Stockton University	USA
Russian Federation (SC)	Baylor University	USA
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Rwanda (UNFPA)	Lone Star College-Kingwood	USA
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United States of America	Florida Atlantic University	USA
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Viet Nam	Rock Valley College	USA

Abbreviations for where each school is located are from the [UN Statistics Division](#).



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Recognizing Commitment

Here we recognize the institutions attending this year that have attended NMUN•DC for a decade or more. We appreciate your commitment to our experiential learning opportunities and the ideals of the UN. We look forward to adding more institutions to this list as new and returning schools create their own NMUN tradition. Schools without () are located in the United States.

Hostos Community College

Texas Christian University

Irvine Valley College

The University of Texas
at Dallas

Northwestern Polytechnical
University (China)

West Virginia University

Expectations of Conduct

Our intention is to create an environment at National Model United Nations (NMUN) that supports our educational mission. Professionalism in speech, actions, and appearance by all participants (delegates, head delegates, faculty, delegation leaders, guests, secretariat, staff, and board members) is a requirement of all NMUN conferences. These guidelines are provided to help establish clear expectations.

Concerns about individual behavior in committee should first be addressed to the volunteer staff in committee. Larger concerns, such as violence, sexual harassment, or discrimination issues, may be referred to conference organizers. Organizers may also be contacted directly through information services volunteer staff.

NMUN reserves the right to bar violators from further participation and/or restrict future registration for any participant or school unable to uphold their responsibility to the conference's expectations.

Everyone

- Treat everyone with the highest level of courtesy and respect at all times, including on social media and in electronic communications.
- Please bear in mind that the purpose of attending is participation in NMUN.
- Disruption of committee sessions or causing problems will not be tolerated.
- Respect academic integrity; plagiarism will not be tolerated.
- Alcohol is not allowed in any of our committee sessions. If you are going to drink, please drink responsibly. Excessive alcohol consumption should be avoided. The U.S. legal drinking age is 21.
- Possession or use of illicit drugs is prohibited at all times. Any issues related to illicit drugs may be directed to the attention of local authorities.
- Follow the Dress Code while attending conference events.
- Show respect for one another. Failure to do so may lead to removal from the conference.

Delegates

- 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 ideas of fellow delegates, even if these opinions and ideas conflict with a given delegate's own country's priorities.
- Collaborate with fellow delegates whenever possible.

Head Delegates

- If assigned to a committee, follow the delegates expectations. If serving solely in an advisory role, follow the faculty expectations.
- Attend and participate in head delegates meetings.

Faculty Advisors

- Make efforts to ensure that students maintain a positive and professional approach to the conference and help them understand the skills of diplomacy as practiced at NMUN.
- Serve as information resources when appropriate, but do not participate in the actual writing of resolutions or caucusing activities; participation in the committee process must be left to the student delegates and the conference volunteer staff.
- Quietly observe your students during committee sessions. Communication with them should take place outside of the committee rooms.
- Refrain from using academic credit and grading policies that force participation beyond a country's normal position in the UN; awards should not be a delegation's main emphasis.
- Attend and participate in any faculty advisors meetings.

Guests

- Guests are required to adhere to the same expectations as all other conference attendees.
- Guests serve as observers.
- Guests may not be enrolled university students or faculty advisors and do not provide any support to a delegation. A guest is typically a school official, spouse/partner of a faculty advisor, or a funder who is interested in learning about NMUN.

Sexual Harassment & Discrimination

Sexual harassment or discrimination based on race, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, age, or disability is not acceptable. Such acts are incompatible with NMUN's educational mission and are a violation of our Conduct Expectations. Violators may be expelled from the conference without compensation. General descriptions of behavior that may be considered sexual harassment can be found in the UN's [Code of Conduct](#).

Anyone who believes they have seen or encountered sexual harassment or discrimination should bring it to NMUN's attention. We will investigate the merits of the allegations and respond appropriately. Outcomes may include taking no action, issuing a verbal reprimand, separating individuals from the conference, or any other action deemed appropriate.

Dress Code

All clothing must portray professionalism as expected in diplomatic settings. If attire is deemed inappropriate by NMUN staff, individuals may be asked to leave the session and return with appropriate attire.

- Clothing considered too casual includes sweaters, novelty jackets, shorts, sundresses/other casual dresses, ball caps, jeans, sneakers, athletic wear, and sunglasses. Clothing that exposes excessive bare skin, shows undergarments, or is otherwise revealing is inappropriate.
- It is not appropriate to display any national symbols such as flags, pins, crests, etc. on your person during sessions. All UN symbols are acceptable. If attending virtually, please ensure that your background is conducive to the spirit of creating a neutral space for negotiations. School and country flags/symbols should not be visible on your screen/person.
- Traditional dress is permitted only for delegations in whose home countries it is considered professional business dress. NMUN will not tolerate any attempt to portray a character using traditional cultural attire as a costume.

Faculty advisors, delegation leaders, guests, and volunteer staff serve as role models for delegates. They too are required to dress in professional business attire while participating in scheduled conference sessions.

- Professional business attire is a business jacket (optional for DC 2020), dress shirt, tie (optional for DC 2020), slacks/skirt/dress, and dress shoes. Professional dress expectations require that dresses and skirts be knee length. Delegates should be dressed in professional business attire that reflects their self-identified gender.

Awards Criteria

National Model United Nations (NMUN) 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 using a mathematical formula that accounts for the total number of committees in which each member state is represented.

More details at:

nmun.org/awards-criteria.html.

Award evaluation areas:

- 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.



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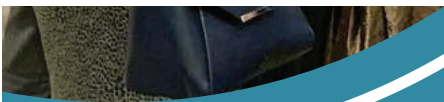
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Motion	Purpose	Debate	Vote	Explanation
* Point of Order	Correct an error in procedure	None	None	Refers to a specific rule
* Appeal of the Chair	Challenge a decision of the Chair	None	Majority	Question the Chair's ruling on a Point of Order
Suspension of the Meeting	Recess meeting for a defined period	None	Majority	Used to go into informal debate or break for a given time
Adjournment of the Meeting	End meeting	None	Majority	Used only on final day; ends committee for the year
Adjournment of Debate	End debate without a substantive vote	2 in Favor 2 Against	Majority	Ends debate on the topic; requires a roll call
Closure of Debate	Vote on all draft resolutions; move to an immediate vote	2 Against	2/3 Majority	Ends all discussion on current topic
* Division of the Question (Used in voting only)	Consider clause(s) separately from rest of draft resolution to create an annex			Voted on in order of most to least radical change
	Part I: Procedural vote on if this motion should be considered	2 in Favor 2 Against	Majority	If passes: Clause(s) removed and voted on separately If fails: No change to clause(s)
	Part II: Substantive vote to accept or reject separate clauses	None	Majority	If passes: Annex passes If fails: Clause(s) discarded and no longer part of any draft resolution
* Roll Call Vote (Used in voting only)	Vote by roll call, rather than show of placards	None	None	Granted upon request without deliberation; additional motions may be considered
* Adopt by Acclamation (Used in voting only)	Adopt a draft resolution as a body by consensus	None	None	Once motioned, Chair must ask if there are any dissensions; additional motions may be considered
Reconsideration	Reopen debate on an issue (Motion must be made by a member who voted in favor of Adjournment of Debate)	2 Against	2/3 Majority	Reopens debate on a topic that was previously ended by Adjournment of Debate
Set the Speaker's Time	Set or change the time allotted to each speaker	2 in Favor 2 Against	Majority	Rarely used at the UN; prior approval from the Dais required or may be ruled out of order; never permitted during the first committee session
Close the Speakers List	No additional speakers may be added to the list	None	Majority	Once a closed list is exhausted, the committee goes directly into voting procedure
Reopen the Speakers List	Open a closed list	None	Majority	Reopens the list; allows more speakers to be added
Adoption of the Agenda	Approval of agenda order	None	Majority	Sets the order in which topics will be discussed

* Only these motions are recognized during voting procedure.