ODUMUNC 44
OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY
Model United Nations Conference XLIX
Sheraton Waterside, Norfolk, Virginia
11-14 February 2021
Welcome Packet
ODUMUNC 2021 will be different

Pandemic response will affect everything we do.
The ODU Model United Nation Society is attentive to official guidance and policy and will communicate all changes to conference participants.
For now, we are following normal registration procedures.
And we are watching guidance and policy from the:

The Centers for Disease Control
The Commonwealth of Virginia
Old Dominion University, and
The Sheraton Waterside Hotel

While we learn more about the 2020-21 academic year,
Help us plan by completing our:

ODUMUNC 2021 Survey

And feel welcome contact to us with any questions.

Thank you for your patience and support during these difficult times,

Marvin Allen, Secretary-General
ODU Model United Nations Conference 44
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Welcome from the Secretary-General

Distinguished Delegates and Esteemed Guests,

On behalf of our Secretariat, I am truly honored to welcome you to the forty-fourth iteration of Old Dominion University’s Model United Nations Conference (ODUMUNC) hosted by the students of Old Dominion University from Feb. 11 to Feb. 14, 2021.

ODUMUNC 44 is looking to uphold a tradition of excellence and top-notch debate. The ODU Model United Nations Society has a stellar record of 43 years of experience. We aim to make it bigger and better. It is our priority to ensure that the conference is organized to the highest standards.

I believe Model United Nations is more than simulation and debate on international issues. We stand for empathy, understanding, and, more than anything a celebration of a diverse group of feature leaders. The ODUMUN family has a special place in my heart. We would like to welcome you to our family once more with immense pride and joy.

Our secretariat is committed to enriching the experiences of our delegates elevating level of debate, ultimately emerging as competent global citizens. Many of this year’s ODUMUNC committees emphasize the theme of “Adapting to a changing world.” No matter what country or character you proudly represent for the weekend, you are sure to encounter topics that push you to become a better debater and diplomat.

This is my third year being involved with ODUMUN. Each year I am in awe of what this dedicated group of folks can achieve. I cannot wait to see ODUMUNC 44 come to life.

Warmly,

Marvin Allen, Secretary-General
ODU Model United Nations Conference 44
About ODUMUNC

The Old Dominion University Model United Nations Conference is an educational simulation for high school students, where students learn about countries, issues and diplomacy through experiential learning.

Over 1,000 delegates come together every year in February during the convenient President’s Day weekend. In preparation, delegates research their country’s culture, government, foreign policies, positions and interests as well as the topics under discussion.

At the conference, delegates promote their country’s policies under the leadership of ODUMUNC’s experienced staff, using parliamentary rules and diplomatic practices. All in the intense atmosphere of Norfolk’s Sheraton Waterside, in view of the world’s largest naval shipyard.

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Closing ceremony last time:
ODUMUNC 43, February 2020
**Dates and Registration**

*Early registration* (due Friday, 9 October 2020): Register early to ensure your country selections. To register early, the completed registration form and $65 registration fee are due by 9 October 2020. Pay by credit card on our website, or make checks payable to *ODU Model United Nations*. Both payment and registration form must be received by the deadline.

*Final registration deadline* (Friday, 4 December 2020): Submit the registration form online, by fax or mail, with the registration fee of $65. The registration form and initial fee of $65 are due no later than 4 December 2020. We cannot guarantee registration requests received after December 4. Registrations received after are assessed an $80 late fee. Final payment is due 15 January 2021.

*Refund request deadline*: Friday, 15 January 2021. See refund procedures below.

*Name badge request deadline* (Friday, 22 January 2021): Assure your school’s name badges are ready at conference registration by sending your final list of delegate names—with country and committee assignments—by January 22.

*Delegations*: A country delegation typically includes four to eighteen students, depending on whether the country is represented only in the General Assembly or also United Nations Commission on the Status of Women and Security Council. There is no additional delegation fee for participants on specialized bodies and crisis simulations. Schools can bring several country delegations.

*Country rotation*: No school may represent the same country two years in a row. This assures equitable turnover, especially for high-demand countries.

*Photo Release*: By registering and submitting participants’ names, sponsors grant Old Dominion University and the ODU Model United Nations Society permission to use their school’s participants’ names and/or photographs in ODU publications and media both in print and electronic. Every effort will be made to secure specific permission before using photographs.
How To Register

Register on-line at: http://odu.edu/al/centers/modelun/conference/registration

Or mail or fax your registration form to:

Marvin Allen, ODUMUNC Secretary-General

Email: odumunc@gmail.com
Fax: (757) 683-5936
Post: Marvin Allen, Secretary-General
Model United Nations, BAL Room 2002
Old Dominion University
Norfolk, Virginia 23529

Additional copies of the registration form are available at odu.edu/mun

Conference Fees

The school registration fee is $65, due 4 December 2020. All other fees are due 15 January 2021. Other fees:

- $60 each Delegation
- $60 each individual Delegate
- $45 each additional Faculty Advisor
- $80 late registration surcharge

Payments are accepted by check or credit card. Make checks payable to ODU Model United Nations. Credit card payments should be made on the website registration page.
Refund Policy

The registration fee of $65 is non-refundable. Refund requests received in writing by the ODUMUNC Secretary-General on or before 15 January 2021 will be reimbursed up to 100 percent of other fees including delegation, delegate, and faculty sponsor fees.

Refund requests will not be considered after 15 January 2021 except for documented sickness, medical emergency or official school closings due to weather.

As part of Old Dominion University, the ODUMUN Society is subject to all ODU and Commonwealth of Virginia policies, and may require additional supporting documentation for payment of refunds. The ODUMUN Society reserves the right to refund as our finances permit. We do not offer credit for future conferences.

For Delegates

Training Sessions

ODUMUNC features welcome sessions on Thursday night. Led by our College Conference team, ODUMUNC Major Bodies Training focuses on preparation for the General Assembly. ODUMUNC Crisis Training covers preparation for smaller bodies and crisis committees.

Social Events

Let ‘em blow off steam! ODUMUNC features the ever-popular karaoke night and delegate dance.

ODUMUNC Favorites

- Delegates’ karaoke & dance
- Computer and resource room
- Faculty Forum & reception
- Guest speakers from the UN
- Unique waterside location
For Faculty Sponsors

Issue briefs: Provide background information on committees and topics. They are available on the conference website in September.

Training guide: The greatly praised ODUMUNC training manual, Winning UN Simulations, covers everything new delegates need to know as they prepare. On our website at http://www.odu.edu/content/dam/odu/offices/mun/odumunc-delegate-guide-winning-un-simulations.pdf

Support services: The ODU Model UN Society is ready to help your students prepare. Our staff can come to regional schools for classroom training, or you can have your class meet with us at ODU.

The Faculty Forum

ODUMUNC offers its unique Faculty Forum, a one-day seminar on international affairs with maximum classroom relevance. This year’s Forum is on America’s New Place in the International System, all in an informal seminar environment. ODU offers Continuing Education credit for the Faculty Forum.

The Norfolk Naval Shipyard as seen from the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel, and the nearby USS Wisconsin
Committees and Topics

Each country delegation requires a minimum of 4 delegates (for each of the four General Assembly committees) to a maximum of 18 (with 2 delegates each for the four GA committees, UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) and Security Council and one each on three crisis bodies and the House of Commons. It is preferable that two delegates per body represent each country. Participation in specialized bodies is charged delegate fees but no additional delegation fee.

Registrations for crisis bodies are yes/no. The ODUMUNC Secretary-General, in consultation with faculty sponsors, makes specific to crisis bodies separately.

Each school determines where its delegates can be used most effectively. *To be eligible for school awards, each delegation must be represented in all its assigned committees.*

For committee descriptions, see the website.

Maximum Delegates per Country

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Topics by Body

UN Security Council (SC)
1. Addressing the Allegations of Ethnic Cleansing of Native Muslim Populations in Myanmar
2. Breaking the Cycle: The Libyan Crisis
3. Expansionism, Projecting Power, and Territorial Disputes: The South China Sea

UN General Assembly (GA):

GA First Committee: Disarmament and International Security
1. Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism
2. Cyber Security: Defining Cyber Terrorism and Permissible Responses
3. The Challenge of Lethal Autonomous Weapons

GA Third Committee: Social, Cultural and Humanitarian
1. Reaffirming The Rights of Persons With Disabilities
2. The Question of Universalization of LGBT+ Rights
3. Addressing the Needs of Internally Displaced People

GA Sixth Committee: Legal
1. Implementing Reform in the World Health Organization
2. State Responsibility for Environmental Damage
3. Legitimacy of Rebel Governments: Should the UN Choose Sides?

UN Special Summit on Sustainable Development Goals
5. Climate Action: Protection, Restoration, and Promotion of Sustainable Use of Terrestrial Ecosystems
6. Zero Hunger: Ensuring the Human Right to Food Security and Potable Water
Specialized Bodies

*Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)*
1. Reconciling Differences Between the Law of Indigenous Peoples and State Law
2. Foreign Involvement and Intervention in Latin American Countries
3. Regional Responses to the Humanitarian Situation in Venezuela

*The British Parliament: House of Commons*
1. Dealing with Political Uncertainty in the “Aftermath” of Brexit
2. Pandemic Response: Reforms to the National Health Service?
3. Measures to Reduce Violent Nationalism and Xenophobia

*United Nation Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)*
1. Enhancing Gender Equality through Education
2. Establishing Support Networks for Women in Peacebuilding Processes
3. Combatting Human Trafficking

*Crisis Committees*
- Designated Survivor: An American Presidential Succession Crisis 2022
- Taming the Wild West
- Cabinet of the Islamic Republic of Iran 2015

![Government of Hassan Rouhani 2017](image)
The Hotel

The 2021 ODU Model UN Conference convenes at the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel in Norfolk, Virginia.

Hotel accommodations for participants are available at the Sheraton Hotel, where all conference activities will take place. A special room rate of $107 per night, excluding taxes, is extended to all conference participants. To be guaranteed the discount, hotel reservations must be made by Tuesday 12 January 2021.

Hotel reservations: ODUMUNC has a room block for all conference participants from 11-14 February 2021. Please communicate directly with front desk at the Sheraton, or visit www.sheraton.com/Norfolk

Address:
Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel
777 Waterside Drive
Norfolk, VA 23510

Contact:
Phone: 757-640-2762
General Inquiries: 757-622-6664
ODUMUNC XLIII

11 - 14 February 2021

Registration Form

Registration Deadline: 4 December 2020

School: ________________________________

Faculty Advisor: ________________________________

Street, City, State, Zip: ________________________________

Office Phone: __________________ Fax: __________________

Home / Mobile Phone (emergency only): __________________

Email: __________________

Approximate Delegate Count: ___  Number of Countries Requested: ___

COUNTRY PREFERENCES

List your four country choices in order of preference. Include no more than two Security Council countries. If your requested country is in a special committee and you request participation in that committee, then we will attempt to give you that country’s representation in the special committee.

1. ____________________________  3. ____________________________

2. ____________________________  4. ____________________________

SPECIALIZED COMMITTEE AND CRISIS PREFERENCES

(circle each):

Community of Latin American and Caribbean States  YES / NO
The British Parliament: House of Commons  YES / NO
United Nation Commission on the Status of Women  YES / NO
Cabinet of the Islamic Republic of Iran  YES / NO
Designated Survivor  YES / NO
Taming the Wild West  YES / NO

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or by mail

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Bodies and Member States

**UN General Assembly Member States**

Afghanistan  
Albania  
Algeria  
Andorra  
Angola  
Antigua and Barbuda  
Argentina  
Armenia  
Australia  
Austria  
Azerbaijan  
Bahamas  
Bahrain  
Bangladesh  
Barbados  
Belarus  
Belgium  
Benin  
Bhutan  
Bolivia, Plurinational State of  
Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Botswana  
Brazil  
Brunei  
Bulgaria  
Burkina Faso  
Burundi  
Cambodia  
Cameroon  
Canada  
Cape Verde  
Central African Republic  
Chad  

Chile  
China  
Colombia  
Comoros Islands  
Congo  
Costa Rica  
Cote d’Ivoire  
Croatia  
Cuba  
Cyprus  
Czech Republic  
DPR Korea (North)  
Dem. Rep. of Congo  
Denmark  
Djibouti  
Dominica  
Dominican Republic  
Ecuador  
Egypt  
El Salvador  
Equatorial Guinea  
Eritrea  
Estonia  
Ethiopia  
Fiji  
Finland  
France  
Gambia, Islamic Republic of  
Georgia  
Germany  
Ghana  
Greece  
Grenada  
Guatemala  
Guinea  
Guinea Bissau  
Guyana  
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Holy See (Observer)  
Honduras  
Hungary  
Iceland  
India  
Indonesia  
Iran  
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Ireland  
Israel  
Italy  
Jamaica  
Japan  
Jordan  
Kazakhstan  
Kenya  
Kiribati  
Kuwait  
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Lao PDR  
Latvia  
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North Macedonia  
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Portugal  
Qatar  
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Republic of Moldova  
Romania  
Russian Federation  
Rwanda  
Samoa  
San Marino  
Sao Tome and Principe  
Saudi Arabia  
Senegal  
Serbia  
Seychelles  
Sierra Leone  
Singapore  
Slovakia  
Slovenia  
Solomon Islands  
Somalia  
South Africa  
South Sudan  
Spain  
Sri Lanka  
St. Kitts and Nevis  
St. Lucia  
St. Vincent and the Grenadines  
Sudan  
Suriname  
Swaziland  
Sweden  
Switzerland  
Syrian Arab Republic  
Tajikistan  
Tanzania, United Republic of  
Timor-Leste  
Thailand  
Togo  
Tonga  
Trinidad and Tobago  
Tunisia  
Turkey  
Turkmenistan  
Tuvalu  
Uganda  
Ukraine  
United Arab Emirates  
United Kingdom  
United States of America  
Uruguay  
Uzbekistan  
Vanuatu  
Venezuela, Bolivarian Rep.  
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### The British Parliament: House of Commons

*This is single delegate, mid-sized committee. Delegates will be assigned to one of the following political parties:*

- Conservative Party
- Labour Party
- Scottish National Party
- Liberal Democratic Party
- Democratic Unionist Party
- Plaid Cymru
- Sinn Féin
### United Nation Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)

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### Crisis Committees

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**Taming the Wild West**

**Cabinet of the Islamic Republic of Iran 2015**

Register separately for Specialized bodies (Community of Latin American and Caribbean States, The British Parliament: House of Commons and United Nation Commission on the Status of Women) and for Crisis Committees.

Positions in these bodies are assigned by the Secretary-General, in consultation with faculty sponsors. Country assignments may not match your General Assembly choice.