ODUMUNC 44
OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY
Model United Nations Conference XLIX
Online only this year
11-14 February 2021
Welcome Packet
ODUMUNC 2021 will be different

Pandemic response will affect everything we do. This year we have decided to move the conference online for the health and safety of students, staff, and faculty. 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 online by the students of Old Dominion University from 11 to 14 February 2021.

ODUMUNC 44 will be different, but we remain committed to upholding our 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. As we move online, we want to stay in touch to ensure that all the needs of your students are met.

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. It will different this time, but 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. This year instead of gathering in person, we will meet online.

At the conference, delegates promote their country’s policies under the leadership of ODUMUNC’s experienced staff, using parliamentary rules and diplomatic practices.

Conference Timeline

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

Early registration (due Friday, 23 October 2020): Register early to ensure your country selections. To register early, the completed registration form and $65 registration fee are due by 23 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, 11 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 11. 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: This year all committees will be single delegate. A country delegation typically includes four to eighteen students, depending on whether the country is represented only in the General Assembly or also United Nation Commission on the Status of Women and Security Council. There is no additional delegation fee for participants in 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 11 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- Online, Thursday 11 February at 4.00 pm

ODUMUNC features welcome sessions on Thursday. 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- Canceled this year.

We will miss the ever-popular karaoke night and delegate dance.
For Faculty Sponsors

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


*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.
Committees and Topics

Each country delegation requires a minimum of 4 delegates (for each of the four General Assembly committees) to a maximum of 11 (with 1 delegate 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. This year all committees are single delegate.

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
Registration Form

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

Register online at http://odu.edu/al/centers/modelun/conference/registration

or by mail

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## Bodies and Member States

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Belgium
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Dominican Republic
Estonia
France*
Germany
Indonesia
Niger
Russian Federation*
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
South Africa
Tunisia
United Kingdom*
United States of America*
Viet Nam

* veto powers

Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)

Antigua and Barbuda
Argentina
Bahamas
Barbados
Belize
Bolivia
Brazil
Chile
Colombia
Costa Rica
Cuba
Dominican Republic
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St. Lucia
St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Suriname
Trinidad and Tobago
Uruguay
Venezuela, Bolivarian Rep.

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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