



ODUMUNC 47

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Model United Nations Conference XLVII

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Welcome Packet

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Welcome from the Secretary-General

Esteemed Delegates, Faculty and Guests,

My secretariat and I are pleased to welcome you to the 2024 session of Old Dominion University's Model United Nations Conference, ODUMUNC 47, at the Norfolk Sheraton Waterside Hotel.

ODUMUNC 47 benefits from a milestone in the history of Old Dominion University. In 2022 ODU was recognized as an *R1* institution, ranking among the top 5 percent of all American research universities.

The recognition affects ODUMUNC. Home to the Center for Coastal Physical Oceanography and the Mitigation & Adaptation Research Institute (MARI), ODU has a bright history of research into the most significant environmental challenges facing humanity. For these reasons, our conference theme this year is *Adaptation and Mitigation amid a Climate Crisis*. You will see this reflected in our committees and topics.

Model UN is a gracious experience not just for those wishing to enter international relations, but also to develop skills in diplomacy and problem-solving with wide-reaching relevance. We look forward a conference featuring innovative and creative solutions from delegates, as they tackle some of the gravest challenges faced by the Member States of the United Nations today.

We wish all of delegates and delegations the best of luck preparing. We are excited to welcome you back for our 47th year in a row, and look forward to seeing you in February.

See you in February,

J Belin
Secretary-General
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About ODUMUNC

The Old Dominion University Model United Nations Conference is a three-day educational simulation for high school students. Students learn about countries, issues, and diplomacy through experiential learning and role playing.

We bring together over 800 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 priorities as well as the topics under discussion. This year we will return once again to the Sheraton Waterside Hotel in downtown Norfolk, Virginia.

At the conference, delegates promote their countries' policies, guided by leadership from ODUMUNC's experienced staff, using parliamentary rules and diplomatic practices to achieve their delegation's goals.



Opening ceremony at
ODUMUNC 46, February 2023

ODUMUNC 47 Timeline

6 Oct.	Early registration deadline
8 Dec.	Registration form & fee due
2 Feb.	All payments due
2 Feb.	Delegate list due
8 & 15 Feb.	Training sessions
15-18 Feb.	ODUMUNC 47!

Registration Schedule

Early registration: due Friday 6 October 2023. Register early to ensure your country selections, at <https://www.odu.edu/al/centers/modelun/conference/registration>. To register early the completed registration form and \$60 registration fee are due by 6 October 2023. Pay by credit card on our website, or make checks payable to ODU Model United Nations.

Final registration: due Friday 8 December 2023. Register online, by fax or mail with your registration form and initial fee of \$60. We cannot guarantee registration requests received after December 10. Late registrations are assessed an \$80 late fee. Final payment is due 3 February 2023.

Refund requests deadline: Friday 2 February 2024. See refund procedures below.

Delegate Name List: due Friday 2 February 2024: 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 2 February. Find the form at <https://www.odu.edu/al/centers/modelun/conference/registration>

Delegations: Billing is based on General Assembly countries. A single country delegation includes four to nineteen students, depending on whether the country is represented only in the General Assembly or also specialized bodies like the Arab League and UNHRC, and crisis simulations. There is no additional delegation fee for participants in specialized bodies and crisis simulations. Schools can bring several country delegations.

Country rotation: To assure equitable turnover, no school may represent the same country two years in a row.

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 media both in print and electronic. Every effort will be made to secure specific permission before using photographs.

To Register

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

Or mail or fax your registration form to:

Blaizen Bloom, ODUMUNC Secretary-General

Email: odumunc@gmail.com

Fax: (757) 683-5936

Post: Blaizen Bloom, Secretary-General
Model United Nations, BAL rm 2002
Old Dominion University
Norfolk Virginia USA 23529

Conference Fees

The school registration fee is **\$60**, due 8 December 2023.

All other fees are due 2 February 2024. Other fees:

\$60 Each Delegation (General Assembly country)

\$60 Each individual Delegate

\$45 Additional Faculty Advisors (first Advisor is free)

\$80 Late Registration Surcharge (after 8 December 2023)

Payments are accepted by check or card. Make checks payable to *ODU Model United Nations*. Card payments can be made on the website registration page, <https://www.odu.edu/al/centers/modelun/conference/registration>

Refund Policy

The registration fee of \$60 is non-refundable. Refund requests received in writing by the ODUMUNC Secretary-General on or before 2 February 2024 will be reimbursed up to 80 percent of other fees including delegation, delegate, and faculty sponsor fees. Refund requests will not be considered after 2 February 2024 except for documented sickness, medical emergency, or official school closings due to weather.

As part of Old Dominion University, ODUMUN is subject to all ODU and Commonwealth of Virginia policies and procedures and may require additional supporting documentation for payment of refunds. We do not offer credit for future conferences.

Conference Fees

School Registration	\$ 60
Delegation	\$ 60
Individual Delegate	\$ 60
Additional Faculty Advisor	\$ 45
Late Surcharge	\$ 80

Delegate Events

Training Sessions

Led by our College Conference team, ODUMUNC features on-line and in-person welcome and training sessions, hosted on-line Thursday 9 February and in-person at the Sheraton Waterside Hotel on Thursday 15 February:

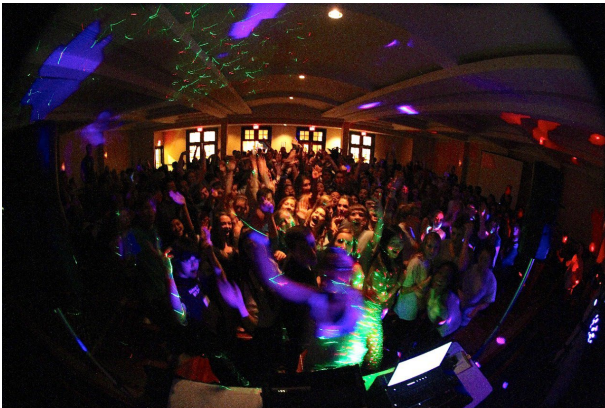
ODUMUNC 101 focuses on preparation for the General Assembly and mid-sized, specialized bodies.

ODUMUNC 102 is for delegates preparing for crisis simulations.

Delegate Events: Karaoke Night and the Delegate Dance Return

Karaoke Night: Thursday 15 February

The Delegate Dance Returns: Saturday 17 February



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 delegates need to know as they prepare. 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, over zoom, or you can have your class meet with us at ODU.

The Faculty Forum

ODUMUNC is delighted to welcome faculty back to our *Faculty Forum*, a one-day seminar on international affairs with maximum classroom relevance. This year's Forum marks the 75th anniversary of the founding the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) in 1949. The Forum, on Saturday 17 February, features ODU professors and NATO officials discussing the future of the world's dominant military alliance. ODU offers Continuing Education credit for the Faculty Forum.



The Norfolk Naval Shipyard as seen from the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel, and the nearby WWII battleship USS Wisconsin.



Committees and Topics

Each country delegation requires a minimum of 4 delegates (one delegate for each of the four General Assembly committees, although two per body is recommended) to a maximum of 19 (with two delegates each in the Security Council, the four GA committees, and ECOSOC, OAS and OPEC), and one delegate each in the three crisis bodies. It is preferable, but not required, that two delegates represent each country in GA and specialized bodies, except crisis simulations. Participation in specialized and crisis bodies is charged delegate fees but not an 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 individual delegates are assigned. *To be eligible for school awards, each delegation must be represented in all its assigned committees.*

For committee descriptions, see the website.

Total Delegates Per Country

Country Delegation	United Nations Bodies			Specialized and Crisis Bodies					Total Delegates
	SC	GA	ECOSOC	OAS	OPEC	Crisis One	Crisis Two	Crisis Three	
<i>Minimum</i> delegation	4								4
<i>Maximum</i> delegation	2	8	2	2	2	1	1	1	up to 19



At ODUMUNC 43
February 2023

Topics by Body

UN Security Council (SC)

- Resolving disputes over contested territories
- Restoring and preserving peace in the Horn of Africa
- Maintaining peace and stability amid growing water shortages

UN General Assembly (GA):

GA First Committee: Disarmament and International Security

- Controlling Lethal Autonomous Weapons
- Measures for resolving disputes between state actors

GA Second Committee: Economic and Financial

- The question of de-dollarization and its impact on the global economy
- Managing free trade under the WTO in an era of rising national tensions
- Managing educational inequality its effects on economic development

GA Fourth Committee: Special Political and Decolonization

- Ending foreign exploitation of mineral resources in Democratic Republic of Congo
- Helping developing and middle-income countries reduce reliance of fossil fuels
- Respect for principles of national sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States in their electoral processes

UN Special Session, the Climate Change Conference of the Parties 28 (COP28)

- Promoting global utilization of new technologies to reduce the impact of climate change
- Ensuring inclusion of historically marginalized voices in climate policy-making
- Supporting efforts by developing nations to achieve the aims of COP28

Specialized Bodies

UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)

- Strengthening the International Convention against the Recruitment, Use and Training of Mercenaries
- Establishing sustainable circular economies through the development of waste recycling partnerships
- Aiding efforts to building climate-resilient infrastructure for drought and famine

Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)

- Strategies to maximize oil revenues for OPEC Members and Associated States
- Supporting green industrialization efforts through improved oil access
- Preparing OPEC Members and Associated States for decreased oil demand

Organization of American States, 1971-82 (OAS)

- On the question of the War on Drugs, 1971
- Responding to the anti-Allende coup in Chile, 1973
- Responding to the Dirty War in Argentina 1974-82

Crisis Simulations

- Crisis One: Russian Civil War, 1917-23
- Crisis Two: Congo Crisis, 1960-65
- Crisis Three: Arctic Drilling, 2040



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Bodies and Member States

UN General Assembly Member States

Afghanistan	Cambodia	Estonia
Albania	Cameroon	Ethiopia
Algeria	Canada	Fiji
Andorra	Cape Verde	Finland
Angola	Central African Republic	France
Antigua and Barbuda	Chad	Gambia, Islamic
Argentina	Chile	Republic of
Armenia	China	Georgia
Australia	Colombia	Germany
Austria	Comoros Islands	Ghana
Azerbaijan	Congo, Republic of	Greece
Bahamas	Costa Rica	Grenada
Bahrain	Cote d'Ivoire	Guatemala
Bangladesh	Croatia	Guinea
Barbados	Cuba	Guinea Bissau
Belarus	Cyprus	Guyana
Belgium	Czech Republic	Haiti
Belize	DPR Korea (North)	Holy See (Observer)
Benin	Democratic Republic of	Honduras
Bhutan	Congo (DRC)	Hungary
Bolivia, Plurinational	Denmark	Iceland
State of	Djibouti	India
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Dominica	Indonesia
Botswana	Dominican Republic	Iran
Brazil	Ecuador	Iraq
Brunei	Egypt	Ireland
Bulgaria	El Salvador	Israel
Burkina Faso	Equatorial Guinea	Italy
Burundi	Eritrea	Jamaica

Japan
 Jordan
 Kazakhstan
 Kenya
 Kiribati
 Kuwait
 Kyrgyzstan
 Lao People's Democratic
 Republic
 Latvia
 Lebanon
 Lesotho
 Liberia
 Libya
 Liechtenstein
 Lithuania
 Luxembourg
 Madagascar
 Malawi
 Malaysia
 Maldives
 Mali
 Malta
 Marshall Islands
 Mauritania
 Mauritius
 Mexico
 Micronesia
 Monaco
 Mongolia
 Montenegro
 Mozambique
 Myanmar
 Namibia
 Nauru
 Nepal
 Netherlands
 New Zealand

Nicaragua
 Niger
 Nigeria
 North Macedonia
 Norway
 Oman
 Pakistan
 Palau
 Palestine (Observer)
 Panama
 Papua New Guinea
 Paraguay
 Peru
 Philippines
 Poland
 Portugal
 Qatar
 Rep. of Korea (South)
 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.
 Viet Nam
 Yemen
 Zambia
 Zimbabwe

UN Security Council (SC) Member States

Albania
Brazil
China*
Ecuador
France*

Gabon
Ghana
Japan
Malta
Mozambique

Russian Federation*
Switzerland
United Arab Emirates
United Kingdom*
United States*

** veto powers*

UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) Member States

Afghanistan
Argentina
Belgium
Belize
Bolivia (Plurinational
State of)
Botswana
Brazil
Bulgaria
Cabo Verde
Cameroon
Canada
Chile
China
Colombia
Costa Rica
Côte d'Ivoire
Croatia

Czechia
Denmark
Equatorial Guinea
Eswatini
France
Greece
Guatemala
India
Indonesia
Israel
Italy
Japan
Kazakhstan
Lao People's Dem. Rep.
Liberia
Libya
Liechtenstein
Madagascar

Mauritius
Mexico
New Zealand
Nigeria
Oman
Peru
Portugal
Qatar
Republic of Korea
Slovakia
Slovenia
Solomon Islands
Sweden
Tunisia
United Kingdom
United Rep. of Tanzania
United States of America
Zimbabwe

Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)

Member States

OPEC Member States

Algeria
Angola
Republic of the Congo
Equatorial Guinea
Gabon
Iran
Iraq
Kuwait
Libya

Nigeria
Saudi Arabia
United Arab Emirates
Venezuela, Bolivarian
Rep.

OPEC+
Azerbaijan
Bahrain
Brunei

Egypt
Kazakhstan
Malaysia
Mexico
Oman
Russian Federation
South Sudan
Sudan

Organization of American States, 1971-82 (OAS)

Member States

Antigua and Barbuda
Argentina
Bahamas
Barbados
Belize
Bolivia
Brazil
Canada
Chile
Colombia
Costa Rica
Cuba, Republic of

Dominica
Dominican Republic
Ecuador
El Salvador
Grenada
Guatemala
Guyana
Haiti
Honduras
Jamaica
Mexico
Nicaragua

Panama
Paraguay
Peru
Saint Kitts and Nevis
Saint Lucia
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Suriname
Trinidad and Tobago
United States
Uruguay
Venezuela, Bolivarian Rep.

ODUMUNC 47 Crisis Simulations

Crisis One: Russian Civil War, 1917-23

Crisis Two: Congo Crisis, 1960-65

Crisis Three: Arctic Drilling, 2040



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Registration Form

Registration Deadline: 8 December 2023

School: _____

Faculty Advisor: _____

Street, City, State, Zip: _____

Office Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Home / Mobile Phone (emergency only): _____

Email: _____

Approximate Delegate Count: _____ Number of GA Countries Requested: _____

COUNTRY PREFERENCES

List your country choices in order of preference. Include no more than two Security Council countries. If a requested country is in a specialized body, we will give you that country in the specialized body.

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____

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SPECIALIZED BODIES AND CRISIS PREFERENCES
(circle each desired):

UN ECOSOC
OAS
OPEC

YES / NO
YES / NO
YES / NO

Crisis: Russian Civil War, 1917-23
Crisis: UN's Congo Crisis, 1960-65
Crisis: Arctic Drilling, 2040

YES / NO
YES / NO
YES / NO

Note: Specialized Body and Crisis Simulation positions are assigned by the Secretary-General, in consultation with faculty sponsors. These assignments may not match your General Assembly country choices.

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Last time in person:
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