

Dear Faculty and Students,

It is our pleasure to invite you to attend the 10th Annual East Carolina High School Model United Nations Conference. The event will take place on **November 16 and November 17, 2007**, on the East Carolina University campus. The Model United Nations High School Conference is an event that allows you to expand your awareness of International Relations and building a basis for global understanding. Participants assume the role of representatives to the UN and, within this framework, debate issues of international significance.

The **registration fee** for each school participating in the conference is **\$50**. This should be mailed as soon as possible in order to have a better chance of receiving your first choice country assignment. The school registration fee must be received in order to process your request. Please submit your completed forms and payment by no later than **October 12, 2007** in order to ensure a place at the conference and more importantly your choice of country(ies). This year we are opening up an early registration period for interested schools. Schools that register in this time not only will have a better chance at getting their preferred countries, but also will only have to pay a **\$13** per student delegate fee. The last day to pay the school registration fee and take advantage of this offer is **Monday September 24th**. All registrations that come in after this date will have a student delegate fee of **\$15**. All student delegate fees may be paid during the registration of the conference on November 16, 2007, however schools are encouraged to pay in advance. We will make **country assignments available from October 17th onwards**.

The first step toward making this conference possible is completing the enclosed registration form. The sooner we receive the form and your school registration fee, the more likely you will receive your preferred country or countries. The delegates guide gives a full listing of the committees and topics that will be available for this year's conference. Each delegation may have a minimum of one and a maximum of two students, with the exception of the specialized simulation. In the Crisis Council only one student per country can participate. We do encourage students to participate in this specialized simulation but ask that they be experienced MUNers and that they know that their participation is crucial to the working of the crisis simulation. We need to stress that in the event that a crisis simulation student cannot turn up or cannot stay for the duration of the conference, we will ask another delegate from the same school with the same country assignment to take that person's place in order to keep the crisis running smoothly.

For a description of each committee, the topics each will deal with at the conference, and a list of the countries represented in each (and more), please refer to our extensive delegate guide as well as our Web page at: <http://www.ecu.edu/polsci/mun/index.html> .

This year we have decided to restrict the use of **laptops** in committees altogether to ensure fairness to all participating students. Laptops are however, permissible for use outside committees. Faculty advisors are also requested to ask their students to prepare beforehand and be ready to write sample resolutions only after caucusing with other students at the conference. Your cooperation in the matter will go a long way in helping us make this year's conference a huge success.

We look forward to hearing from you and taking your suggestions for making this event as successful as possible.

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