

AMUN Digital Conference Experience Preparation Newsletter

19 October 2020

AMUN Rules and Roleplaying It's all on Flipgrid!

Greetings from the AMUN Secretariat.

Advice from AMUN on Using the Rules and Roleplaying

If you attended AMUN in the past, you are probably familiar with our Rules & Roleplaying sessions. Every year, we provide presentations to demonstrate tips and tricks for Representatives to be successful at AMUN. These demonstrations usually take the form of skits that Representatives and Faculty Advisors attend before the Opening Plenary and include an opportunity to ask questions.

This year, all of our Rules and Roleplaying content will be presented asynchronously so you can access it at your convenience before Conference—and return to it as needed once Conference has started. (Of course, during Conference, AMUN Staff will also be available to answer your questions!) The Rules and Roleplaying content will be hosted on Flipgrid, with unique locations for each type of simulation:

In each place, you will find Secretariat-produced videos about rules and procedures, processing resolutions and amendments, and the task of roleplaying. Each of the videos will address many specifics of AMUN in a virtual environment:

- *GA/ECOSOC Simulations*: <u>Rules & Procedures</u>, and <u>Roleplaying & Resolutions</u>.
- *SC/HSC/COI Simulations*: <u>Rules & Procedures</u>, <u>Resolutions and Amendments</u>, <u>SC/HSC Simulations</u> <u>Operations</u>, <u>Commission of Inquiry Operations</u>, and <u>Meet Your Sim Staffers</u>.
- The International Court of Justice will conduct similar sessions synchronously once Conference begins.

Additionally, two other sets of content for AMUN 2020 are hosted on Flipgrid. At <u>AMUN 2020 Information</u>, you can find introductions to our Conference Leaders as well as answers to many of the questions you may have. At <u>AMUN 2020 Policies</u>, you can find further information about Conference policies and logistics. At <u>Opening Speeches AMUN 2020</u>, you can access Opening Speeches, organized by simulation, that have been recorded and uploaded by other AMUN representatives.

Please check back on these channels, as content will be added as we approach the start of the conference.

AMUN Virtual Preparatory Sessions for Delegates

The AMUN Virtual Preparatory Sessions for delegates will take place on 19 and 20 October from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Central Time on the Gatherly platform. These sessions will allow your students to both practice simulating using the AMUN rules and ask AMUN staff in non-chairing departments questions about how Conference will work.

We strongly encourage participants to take advantage of this opportunity to test out the conference platform and gain valuable practice using the AMUN Rules of Procedure as they will be administered by the AMUN Secretariat.

Please refer back to our <u>earlier communication</u> for full details.

AMUN Virtual Conference Important Dates

We have put together important dates and times for the 2020 Conference to assist you in your preparations. We will continue to update this calendar as we solidify dates and times. 19-20 October

- Gatherly Platform opens for representative familiarization sessions between 6-8 p.m. Central During these sessions, representatives will have access to:
 - Practice simulations
 - Tech help
 - Finance/registration help
 - General questions
 - Team huddles

22 October

- Opening Plenary and Keynote, 7:00 p.m. Central
 - Mr. Matthew Reynolds, US and Caribbean Representative to UNHCR
 - Live streamed via Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube. Participants will be able to ask questions in real time.

23 October

- Graduate School and Career Expo, 2-5 p.m. Central, Expo Floors
- FA/PR Feedback Meeting, 2:30 p.m. Central, Mayfair Floor

24 October

• FA/PR Feedback Meeting, 3:15 p.m. Central, Mayfair Floor

25 October

- FA/PR Feedback Meeting, 9:30 a.m. Central, Mayfair Floor
- 2021 Country Lottery 10:30 a.m. Central, Mayfair Floor

AMUN merch is still available! Keychains, stickers, blankets and more! All available merch is available online, ready to be shipped to you! <u>Order on our website today</u>.

Questions, Comments or Concerns?

If you have any questions about this email, please contact us directly at <u>mail@amun.org</u> and we will be happy to help. As always, if you are no longer the primary contact for your school's Model UN club or class, please contact us at <u>mail@amun.org</u> with updated contact information or fill out our <u>Change of Address/Contact</u> form online.

Good Luck on Your Preparations,

Joshua Adams 2020 Secretary-General Shannon L. Dunn AMUN Executive Director

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