

American Model United Nations Conference Preparation Newsletter 20-23 November 2021

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20 November - Your Day at a Glance

Greetings from the AMUN Secretariat. The 2021 Conference is finally here! The AMUN Secretariat welcomes you to the city of Chicago and the Sheraton Grand Chicago. AMUN hopes that you and your students are as excited as we are for this conference to begin. See your Saturday at a Glance below.

Rules & Roleplaying Sessions - 5:00 p.m. until 5:45 p.m.

Rules & Roleplaying sessions are your student's last chance to ask questions about AMUN rules and Procedures before the start of the Conference. Since AMUN has not hosted an in-person conference since 2019 we highly encourage the attendance of all students at these sessions, even if they have had prior Model UN experience. To promote AMUN's educational goals many AMUN rules differ from rules of debate at the United Nations.

Sessions are divided by committee/council, see below for room assignments:

- General Assembly Committees, United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA), Human Rights Council (HRC), and International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Riverwalk A, Level 1 (Lower Level)
- Security Council & Historical Security Council Superior Room A/B, Level 2
- Report Writing Simulations, Economic and Social Council for Asia & the Pacific (ESCAP) and Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) Mayfair, Lower Level.

Opening Plenary Session - 6:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

AMUN's Opening Plenary (Sheraton & Chicago Ballrooms IV-VII) session is where the conference really gets started. We expect all students to attend the opening plenary session. This is the AMUN Secretariat's venue to announce last-minute changes to AMUN Policies, Simulation Room Assignments, and Program changes. Simulations will begin immediately after the close of the Plenary session. It is imperative that all participants leave promptly from the rooms for the opening plenary session as hotel staff will need to put up sky walls so that the General Assembly First Committee, General Assembly Third Committee, General Assembly Fourth Committee and the Economic and Social Council for Asia and the Pacific can begin at their scheduled times. *If you*

arrive during the opening plenary session we politely request that you do not bring luggage into the ballrooms.

ICJ Advocate Meeting - 8:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

All ICJ advocates are expected to attend the International Court of Justice (ICJ) Advocate Meeting in the Michigan A/B room on Level 2 of the Conference Hotel, one level below the hotel lobby. This meeting will cover processes, procedures and docket times for this year's ICJ Simulation. This is your advocate's chance to ask questions of the AMUN staff before presenting their cases before the court. Your advocates are highly encouraged to have a backup to cover their representation in their regular simulation so their country is well advocated for.

Late Night Caucus Area - 10:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m.

This area is made available to all conference participants and is in the Riverwalk Rooms on the Lower Level of the Conference Hotel, two levels below the hotel lobby. AMUN highly encourages that your team socialize with each other or with other schools in this area. AMUN asks this for both the health and safety of your students and the consideration of hotel guests that aren't participating in the AMUN Conference.

Information for Late Arrivals

Travel, we get it. If you or any member of your team arrives after the Conference Simulations begin at 6:45 p.m. please head directly to the Ohio Room on Level 2 of the Conference Hotel, one level below the hotel lobby. You will be able to register your school, pay invoices, verify vaccinations and attain credentials here.

Questions, Comments or Concerns?

If you have any questions about this email, please contact us directly at mail@amun.org 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 mail@amun.org with updated contact information or fill out our Change of Address/Contact form online.

Good Luck on Your Preparations,

Dr. Alexandra Middlewood 2021 Secretary-General Shannon L. Dunn AMUN Executive Director

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