



## American Model United Nations Conference Conference Update 19–22 November 2022

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### 19 November — Your Day at a Glance

Greetings from the AMUN Secretariat. The 2022 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.

#### Simulation Times

- **6:00 p.m.–7:15 p.m. — Opening Plenary Session with Keynote Address from Ellen Laipson, M.A.**
- **7:30 p.m.–10:00 p.m. — Evening Sessions**

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

Rules & Roleplaying sessions are your students' last chance to ask questions about AMUN rules and Procedures before the start of the Conference. 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, International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) — Riverwalk A, Level 1 (Lower Level)
- Security Council & Historical Security Council — Mayfair Room, Level 2
- Report-writing simulations, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), Committee of Experts on Public Administration (CEPA) — Michigan A/B, Lower Level.

#### Opening Plenary Session – 6:00 p.m. until 7:15 p.m.

AMUN's Opening Plenary (Sheraton & Chicago Ballrooms IV–VII) session is where the conference really gets started and will feature our keynote speaker, Ellen Laipson. 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 committees 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.***

### **2022 Keynote Speaker – Ellen Laipson, M.A.**

Ellen Laipson is the Director of the International Security program at the Schar School of Policy and Government at George Mason University and directs the Center for Security Policy Studies. She joined GMU in 2017 after a distinguished 25 -year career in government and as President and CEO of the Stimson Center (2002-2015). She serves on a number of non-governmental boards related to international security and diplomacy. Her last post in government was Vice Chair of the National Intelligence Council (1997-2002). She also served on the State Department's policy planning staff, the National Security Council staff, and worked at the Congressional Research Service for more than a decade. A member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the American Academy of Diplomacy, she serves on the Advisory Councils of the Chicago Council on Global Affairs, Georgetown University's Institute for the Study of Diplomacy, and Notre Dame's International Security Center. She was a member of the CIA External Advisory Panel from 2006-2009, President Obama's Intelligence Advisory Board from 2009-2013, and on the Secretary of State's Foreign Affairs Policy Board 2011-2014. Laipson has an M.A. from the School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University and an AB from Cornell University.

### **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 advocates' 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 exclusively 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 can be unpredictable, we get it. If you or any member of your team arrives after the Conference Simulations begin at 7:30 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](mailto: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](mailto:mail@amun.org) with updated contact information or fill out our [Change of Address/Contact](#) form online.

Good luck on your preparations,

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