



## American Model United Nations Conference Conference Update 18-21 November 2023

18 November 2023

### Saturday, 18 November — Your Day at a Glance

Greetings from the AMUN Secretariat. The 2023 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.

*The full [conference program can be found online](#).*

#### Your Schedule for the Day:

- 1:00 p.m. — 6:00 p.m. — Conference Registration
- 5:00 p.m. — 5:45 p.m. — Rules & Roleplaying Sessions
- 6:00 p.m. — 6:30 p.m. — Opening Plenary Session
- 6:45 p.m. — 10:00 p.m. — Evening Sessions
- 7:00 p.m. — 9:00 p.m. — Virtual Simulation Session
- 8:00 p.m. — 9:00 p.m. — ICJ Advocate Meeting
- 10:00 p.m. — 2:00 a.m. — Late Night Caucusing

#### 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 Plenary, General Assembly Committees, International Telecommunication Union (ITU) — Riverwalk A, Level 1 (Lower Level)
- Security Council & Historical Security Council — Mayfair Room, Level 2
- Report-writing simulations, Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) and Commission on Population and Development (CPD) — Michigan A/B, 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 move the airwalls to divide the large room into smaller rooms 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.***

## **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 and attain credentials here.

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.

Have an exceptional day,

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