



10th Annual Tangier Model United Nations Handbook

MUN stands for Model United Nations, and it is a UN simulator. It provides students with a unique opportunity to debate and discuss current issues affecting our society, with the goal of negotiating peaceful solutions. Students are required to take on the perspective of a specific nation and engage in discussions on a variety of subjects, including politics, the environment, ecology, and human rights.

Overall guide to MUN:

Each student in a committee is assigned a country. It is required of the student to research their country and learn about them.

There are seven committees:

- International Court of Justice (ICJ)
- Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)
- United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC)
- Historical Security Council (HSC)
- Special Political (SPECPO)
- United Nations Security Council (UNSC)
- World Health Organization (WHO)

Positions/roles in MUN

Delegate:

A delegate in a Model United Nations conference is a person who represents a country other than their own and deliberates on matters from the country's perspective, rather than the delegate's. In other words, throughout the conference, a delegate will behave as an accredited diplomat of the nation or organization they are representing, debating the topic of the committee/council they will be assigned to while adhering to the Rules of Procedure.

Chairs, Presidents, Vice-presidents, Chief Judges, Judges:

A Chairperson is a designated staff member who is in charge of overseeing the Council/Committee to which they have been nominated. All Chairpersons are responsible for

preparing the Study Guides, correcting the delegates' Position Papers, and helping delegates' preparation in general prior to the conference. The chairs of each committee supervise and chair each meeting during the conference, ensuring everything runs smoothly. While every committee in the TMUN has a main Chair and a Co-Chair, the International Court of Justice is the only committee with a President, Vice-President, and Judges.

Amicus Curiae:

Amicus Curiae refers to an individual or organization that doesn't side with a specific party to a case but provides information, knowledge, or perspectives on the case that helps the court understand the complexities of the issues. In Model United Nations (MUN), an Amicus Curiae similarly helps the committees by providing information and insights on the topic, promoting a more balanced and informative debate without favoring any side. This role enhances decision-making by broadening the understanding of the topic or case presented.

Ambassadors:

Ambassadors play a significant part in Model United Nations (MUN) conferences. They serve as mediators between their countries and the UN as representatives of their nation and the United Nations. In order to find solutions for global problems, ambassadors engage in negotiations with other delegations, give speeches, and attend meetings as part of their participation in MUN. In order to guarantee that their country's interests and policies are effectively represented in the committee or council, they also work closely with their respective delegations.

Staff:

All Staff members play a crucial role in a MUN conference, since they are responsible for running all the errands throughout the sessions, such as delivering the diplomatic notes from delegate to delegate or handling technical issues. Like all other TMUN members, they should be treated with the utmost respect given their commitment to the conference's overall success.

Conference Protocol

Points:

1. *Point of Information:* A question, normally after a delegate has delivered his speech. This is your chance to attack or enhance the speech made by a delegate.
2. *Point of Personal Privilege:* Ask the Chairs to change something making you uncomfortable, such as temperature, technical issues, or inability to hear the speaker. This is the only point that may interrupt a speaker.
3. *Point of Parliamentary Procedure:* When you think something is outside or proper parliamentary procedure.

4. *Point of Inquiry*: A question directed to the Chairs about MUN procedure.
5. *Point of Clarification*: A point normally made by the Chairs to clarify something, such as a fact.

Motions:

1. *Motion for a Moderated Caucus*: A form of continuous debate in which speakers give their positions on the topics at hand. Normally, you must give a purpose, speaking time, and total time when making this motion.
2. *Motion for an Unmoderated Caucus*: An informal form of debate where delegates are free to leave their seats and discuss with other delegates. This motion is normally made when it is time to merge or write draft resolutions.
3. *Motion to Move into Time Against*: This motion is to be made when those planning on speaking against a resolution wish to speak.
4. *Motion to Move into Time For*: This motion is made when those planning on speaking in favor of a resolution wish to speak.
5. *Motion to Move into Voting Procedure*: When a delegate feels the topic has already been thoroughly discussed, he motions to move into voting procedure so that whatever was being discussed is put to a vote.
6. *Motion to Table a Resolution*: This motion is to put aside the resolution at hand to discuss it at a later time. This is normally done if the resolution isn't producing debate or if the committee is running out of time and you want your resolution to be discussed.
7. *Motion for Division of the House/ Motion to Vote by Roll Call*: This motion is granted by the Chairs if voting by placards seems inaccurate or if the vote was very close. Delegations vote one-by-one and abstentions are not in order.
8. *Motion to Adjourn*: Motion to finish the current committee session.
9. *Motion to Recess*: End of the conference.
10. *Right of Reply*: A formal request to speak after another delegate has offend you or your delegation. This must be submitted in writing to the Chairs.

TMUN Behavior policy

We want to create a safe, respectful, and inclusive environment for all attendees and staff members at our conference. As such, we expect all participants to abide by the following behavioral policy:

1. **Respect**: We anticipate that all participants will be respectful and polite of one another. Refrain from any actions that can be interpreted as disrespectful, threatening, or intimidating. Any form of bullying, harassment, or discrimination will not be accepted.

2. **Professionalism:** We anticipate that every participant will behave in a professional manner at all times. This entails abstaining from actions that can be interpreted as unprofessional, such as using derogatory language or making inappropriate remarks.
3. **Safety:** We want everyone attending our conference to feel comfortable and safe. Please notify a staff member right away of any issues or incidents. Violence, threats, and any other actions that could jeopardize the attendees' safety are strictly prohibited.
4. **Non-Violence:** TMUN is committed to fostering a respectful, safe, and welcoming environment for all participants and individuals, not only in committee sessions but throughout the entire conference. We encourage participants to approach any disagreements with patience and open-mindedness. If any acts of violence are committed, the TMUN Executive Committee reserves the right to administer any consequence deemed appropriate after having notified and spoken to the participant's advisors. We are committed to ensuring all participants' safety and security.
5. **Inclusivity:** Diversity and inclusivity are vital to us at our conference. All participants are expected to respect differences in gender, sexual orientation, religion, disability, and race/ethnicity. Discriminatory actions directed towards any person or group will not be tolerated.
6. **Compliance:** all participants are required to abide by the guidelines that the conference organizers have established. Expulsion from the event may occur if any of the mentioned policies are broken.
7. **TMUN Whatsapp Group Chats:** All Participants will be added to Whatsapp group chats in order to facilitate communication amongst the core-team, chairs, and all remaining members of the TMUN community. Non-participating individuals are not allowed to be a part of the group chat. Only chairs and core-team members are allowed to add individuals to their respective committee group chats. If students are found to participate in unprofessional, explicit, and or harassing behavior, they will be immediately removed from the group chat and their respective advisors and principals will be immediately contacted. If a student is found to add another without explicit consent from their chairs or any member of the core-team, they are to be removed immediately from all group chats and their advisor will be notified. We as a conference are committed to fostering an environment that is both safe and comfortable, online and in person. Any group chat created by a non-core-team member is not in any way shape or form associated with TMUN and is entirely the responsibility of those who choose to participate or be a part of said group chat.

Consent to Photograph TMUN Participants

During the TMUN conference, participants may be photographed or recorded to capture the event's highlights and preserve memorable moments for the TMUN community. By attending TMUN, delegates, advisors, and other participants grant permission for their images to be used by TMUN organizers for the reasons mentioned. If any participant does not wish to be photographed or recorded, they should notify the Secretary General before the conference via email at ilyas.idderhem@ast.ma. If an email is to be sent, the advisor must provide a picture of the student and his or her full name in order to inform the photography team. TMUN is committed to respecting individual privacy and creating a comfortable environment for all participants.

Technology & Plagiarism

At our Model United Nations (MUN) conference, we uphold the highest standards of academic integrity and originality in all delegate contributions. Plagiarism—defined as the act of using another individual's words, ideas, or intellectual property without appropriate credit or permission—is considered a serious offense that directly contradicts the principles of honesty, respect, and fair representation.

In the context of MUN, plagiarism can manifest in various forms, including but not limited to:

- **Copying and pasting text** from online sources, books, or other references without citation.
- **Paraphrasing ideas or arguments** from others without acknowledgment, even when the original wording is altered.
- **Replicating previously published position papers, resolutions, or speeches** without producing original analysis or adding personal insights.
- **Failing to credit data, statistics, or case studies** presented by other delegates or sources in speeches, position papers, or working papers.
- **Using artificial intelligence (AI) tools to generate text, position papers, or speeches** without personal input or proper citation, as relying on AI to create content without original thought or proper acknowledgment also constitutes plagiarism.

Our conference encourages delegates to engage in thorough research and critical analysis, synthesizing information from various sources into unique arguments and solutions. Properly crediting sources not only strengthens your argument's credibility but also demonstrates respect for the intellectual property of others, fostering a collaborative and respectful environment in line with MUN values.

Instances of plagiarism, intentional or accidental, will not be tolerated. Should plagiarism be identified, consequences will be enforced, potentially affecting a delegate's ability to continue

participating in committee sessions. We urge all participants to employ trusted citation methods when referencing outside sources and to strive for authentic contributions to their committee's discourse. This commitment to originality is essential for building a constructive and impactful Model UN experience for all involved.

Awards

ICJ:

- Best Delegate International Court of Justice
- Best Delegate International Court of Justice
- International Court of Justice Court Case Winner
- Best Judge/Chief Judge

WHO:

- Best Delegate World Health Organization
- Best Delegate World Health Organization

UNHRC:

- Best Delegate United Nations Human Rights Council
- Best Delegate United Nations Human Rights Council

SPECPO:

- Best Delegate Special Political
- Best Delegate Special Political

HSC:

- Best Delegate Historical Security Council
- Best Delegate Historical Security Council

UNSC:

- Best Delegate United Nations Security Council
- Best Delegate United Nations Security Council

ECOSOC:

- Best Delegate Economic and Social Council
- Best Delegate Economic and Social Council

Non-Committee Awards:

- Best Chair
- Best Female Ambassador
- Best Male Ambassador
- Female Best Dressed Delegate
- Male Best Dressed Delegate

Dress Code

The dress code for the TMUN conferences is formal, participants are expected to dress in professional business attire every day of the conferences.

The following list is provided by the official TMUN as a guideline for both male and female students involved in the program:

Note that for the social, participants do not have to adhere to this dress code. You can wear whatever you want but we recommend that you go with this year's theme.

→ MALE STUDENTS ACCEPTABLE ATTIRE :

- ◆ Dress shirt (can be long sleeve or short sleeve)
- ◆ Tie (tied appropriately, should not be worn loosened around the neck)

MANDATORY

- ◆ Dress trousers
- ◆ Dress shoes
- ◆ Suit coat (optional)

→ UNACCEPTABLE ATTIRE FOR MALES

- ◆ Jeans, corduroy or any kind of denim trousers, any types of shorts
- ◆ Sneakers
- ◆ Baseball caps
- ◆ Any type of hat (unless worn for religious purposes)
- ◆ Un-tucked shirts (shirts are expected to be tucked in at all times)
- ◆ T-shirts of any type
- ◆ All trousers should be belted at waist level

→ FEMALE STUDENTS ACCEPTABLE ATTIRE

- ◆ Women's business suit with skirt/slacks, blouse and jacket
- ◆ Professional dresses
- ◆ Skirt/blouse combinations
- ◆ Slacks and blouse combinations
- ◆ Dress shoes, sandals, heels
- ◆ Head coverings, hijabs

→ UNACCEPTABLE ATTIRE FOR FEMALES

- ◆ Jeans, corduroy or any kind of denim trousers, or jacket
- ◆ Sneakers
- ◆ Hats, berets, bandanas
- ◆ Shorts of any type
- ◆ Tops that reveal a bare midriff
- ◆ T-shirts of any type

Code of Conduct/Behavior Policy Acknowledgment

By signing below, I hereby acknowledge that I have read, understood, and accept the TMUN Code of Conduct and Behavior Policy. I agree to adhere to all rules, regulations, and guidelines established by the TMUN organizers throughout the duration of the conference. I am fully aware that any failure to comply with these standards may result in disciplinary action deemed appropriate by the TMUN executive team. This may include, but is not limited to, removal from committee sessions, suspension from conference activities, or other measures necessary to preserve a respectful, safe, and productive environment for all participants. I recognize and accept the authority of the TMUN executives to enforce these policies to ensure the integrity and success of the event.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Photography Consent Acknowledgment

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Consent to Photograph TMUN Participants policy. I grant permission for my students' images and likeness to be captured and used by TMUN organizers in event-related materials, including websites and social media. I understand that if there are participants that do not wish to be photographed, I am responsible for notifying the Secretary-General at ilyas.idderhem@ast.ma prior to the conference.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Liability Acknowledgment

By signing below, I acknowledge that TMUN organizers and staff bear no responsibility for personal, medical, or any other issues that may arise during the conference, including conflicts involving participants from other schools, except in cases where immediate intervention by the TMUN Directors and Secretary-General is deemed necessary. I understand that responsibility for any such issues rests with the advisors accompanying each school delegation, who are expected to supervise and support their students throughout the event. All participants remain under the primary responsibility and oversight of their respective schools for the duration of the conference.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____