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SRMUN Atlanta 2023 Conference Schedule

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Schedule subject to change. All times are EST.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2023

1:00p – 4:30p	SRMUN Atlanta 2022 Registration
1:00p – 3:45p	Delegate Preparation Seminars
	1:00p – 1:45p New Delegate Preparation
	2:00p – 2:45p Rules of Procedure
	3:00p – 3:30p Resolution Writing
	3:30p – 4:00p Report Writing
5:00p – 5:45p	SRMUN Atlanta 2023 Opening Ceremony
6:30p – 10:30p	Conference Services
7:00p – 10:30p	Committee Session 1
10:30p	Chair & Rapporteur Interviews & Selection
10:30p	Head Delegates' Meeting

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2023

7:30a – 8:30a	Chair & Rapporteur Training
8:30a – 10:30p	Conference Services
9:00a – 12:00p	Committee Session 2
12:00p – 1:30p	Lunch Break
1:30p – 5:00p	Committee Session 3
2:00p – 3:00p	Faculty Advisor Roundtable Session
5:00p – 7:00p	Dinner Break
7:00p – 10:30p	Committee Session 4
10:30p	Head Delegates' Meeting

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023

8:30a – 4:00p	Conference Services
9:00a – 12:00p	Committee Session 5
10:00a – 11:00a	Faculty Advisors' Meeting
12:00p – 1:30p	Lunch Break
1:30p – 4:00p	Committee Session 6
4:30p – 5:30p	SRMUN Atlanta 2023 Closing Ceremony

Faculty Advisor Roundtable Meeting

Friday, November 17th, 2pm-3pm

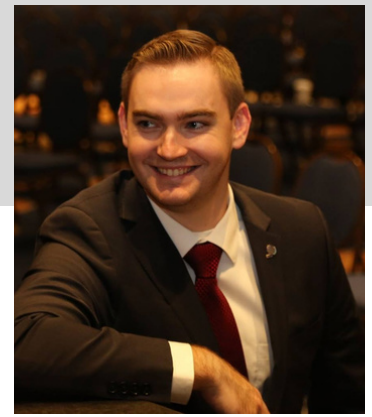
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The SRMUN Board of Directors invites Faculty Advisors to join a conversation with fellow faculty colleagues about running a Model UN program and teaching international relations.

We hope you'll make time to join us to network with colleagues and share best practices!

Welcome!

From the SRMUN Atlanta Secretary-General,
Austen Brennan



Honorable Delegates, Esteemed Advisors, and Distinguished Guests,

On behalf of the entire SRMUN Atlanta Staff, Board of Directors, and Executive Directorate, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 34th meeting of SRMUN Atlanta at our new location, the Hyatt Regency Atlanta. For many of you, SRMUN remains a long up-held tradition for your institutions, and we are honored to have you returning with us once more this year. The Executive Staff, Committee Staff, and the Board of Directors are incredibly grateful and excited to meet you once again.

Building off the success of last year, SRMUN Atlanta 2023 will again forgo an overall theme. We began this practice with the intention of bringing greater diversity to the debate that takes place on the committee floor, and allowing our committees to stand out individually. We have decided to continue it this year, to give your Committee Staffs the opportunity to present you with a broader range of topics that are more closely tailored to each committee staffs role and mission within the United Nations. Those topics will challenge delegates in their research, collaboration, and overall diplomatic skills, and more closely reflect the very real challenges that come before each committee every day.

On a personal note, I discovered the world of Model UN right here at SRMUN as a delegate six years ago. I came to SRMUN late in my college experience, at a time when I was trying to figure out my next steps. My experience here inspired me to pursue a Master's degree in International Relations. Moreover, I decided to join the staff because my time at the conference was truly one of the best experiences I'd ever had, and I wanted to be a part of creating that experience for others. I keep coming back every year for that exact same reason, and so does the rest of our conference staff. We are all former SRMUN delegates, either of the Atlanta Conference, the Charlotte Conference, or both, who have realized that every year at this conference, we get the honor of watching future leaders thrive, working collaboratively to tackle real challenges that confront the leaders of today, and preparing to face the challenges of tomorrow. It has truly been a life-changing experience, and my sincerest hope is that it will have a similarly positive impact for each and every one of you.

All the best,
Austen Brennan
Secretary-General, SRMUN Atlanta 2023

Meet the Executive Staff



Emily Bowen
Director-General



Michael Bovi
Deputy Director-General



Makayla McDermott
Under Secretary-General

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Cardell Johnson

Senior Executive, United States Government and Accountability Office (GAO)

Cardell Johnson is a Senior Executive at the United States Government Accountability Office (GAO)—an independent federal agency that provides Congress, agency leaders, and the public with timely, fact based, non-partisan information that can be used to improve government. At the GAO, Cardell leads the agency's oversight work on the federal government's management of public lands and water resources, including mineral, coastal and marine resources, as well as wildfire management, fresh water supply and National Weather Service programs. In his executive capacity, Cardell testifies as an expert witness before Congress (House and Senate committees) on various land management and water resources topics.



Prior to joining GAO, Cardell served as the Director of Quality Assurance and Risk Management at the United States Agency for International Development, Office of the Inspector General (USAID OIG). Cardell also worked at the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as a senior budget analyst and Director for Performance Improvement in EPA's Office of the Inspector General.

Cardell is a SRUMUN alumnus. In addition to directing various committees he served as Deputy Director General, Director General, and Secretary General (2007, 2008, 2009). Cardell earned a master's degree in public administration from Indiana University-Bloomington, School of Public and Environmental Affairs. Cardell also graduated with a bachelor's degree in political science from Alma College.

UNITED NATIONS



NATIONS UNIES



MESSAGE FROM UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL ANTÓNIO GUTERRES

Thank you for taking part in this Model United Nations conference and for believing in the power of global cooperation to solve global problems. We need your engagement and ideas today more than ever. Conflict, poverty, hunger, and inequalities are on the rise. A surge of mistrust and misinformation is polarizing people and paralyzing societies. Human rights are under assault. And the triple planetary crisis – climate disruption, pollution, and catastrophic biodiversity loss – is threatening lives and livelihoods everywhere.

But we can turn things around. Humanity has shown time and

again that we are capable of great things when we work together – across geographies and generations. To do so, we need an inclusive and networked multilateralism – one that ensures young people have a seat and a say in shaping our common future. We need your creativity, courage, and commitment. I draw hope from seeing your generation challenge the status quo and call for transformative change.

The United Nations is your steadfast ally in striving to build a more just, sustainable, inclusive, and peaceful world for all.

Thank you.

The History of:

Southern Regional Model United Nations (SRMUN), Inc.

Inaugurated in 1990 in Greenville, South Carolina, with the intention of being an exemplary learning experience for undergraduate college students pursuing issues of international concern.

The first conference attracted delegations from 10 schools and a total of about 100 student participants. SRMUN's first Secretary-General, Julie Pauling, was instrumental in organizing the conference. As a student member of the Board of Directors of the National Model United Nations (NMUN) organization during 1990 - 1992, she was convinced that establishing a regional "spin-off" would achieve two useful goals: first, schools that sent delegations to the spring NMUN conference would be able to gain some experience at a fall conference that would be smaller and less overwhelming to newer participants and, second, schools in the southeastern part of the country financially unable to send delegations to NMUN would still have an opportunity to benefit from a Model United Nations experience.

The conference site was moved to Atlanta in 1991 in order to have a location that was more central and an area that was more attractive to interested schools. The tactic worked successfully in very little time. Around 20 schools and 250 students participated in the second annual conference. Conference participation over the next several years gradually increased to over 400. As SRMUN entered its second decade of activity in 2000, delegate numbers exceeded 500 participants from approximately three dozen campuses. Most of the schools involved in SRMUN are located in the southeastern United States, but several institutions from outside the region also furnish delegations. It is particularly gratifying to observe the same schools returning year after year. In addition, each conference sees delegations appear from schools sending students for the first time. A significant number of schools are also able to provide more than one delegation.

During its early years (1990 - 1993) the administration of the SRMUN conference was the responsibility of NMUN's Board of Directors. The NMUN Board was generous with its financial support to get SRMUN off the ground. It did not have its own independent Board until 1993. In addition, NMUN advanced the funding to SRMUN that was required to establish the conference in the amount of a \$10,000 loan.

The rapid growth of the newly-created conference enabled SRMUN to pay off the loan by 1995. By that time, SRMUN's independent Board of Directors was fully established and became the ultimate authority for the conference's professionalism. SRMUN at this point became a fully sovereign conference independent of and separate from NMUN and equipped with its own governing structure.

The structure of SRMUN over the years has revealed remarkable resilience in terms of how it dealt with what could only be referred to as growing pains. Atlanta was universally accepted as a natural physical location for the conference. It did become necessary to change hotel conference sites on a few occasions. However, as the conference grew in the number of attendees, first tier hotels developed substantial interest in hosting the event. From its inception, SRMUN has been held during the last half of November, normally the week before the Thanksgiving holiday. This schedule enables delegates for the greater part of the fall semester to prepare for the conference and also allow them to enjoy a brief recess before the final examination season commences. The conference itself traditionally runs from late Thursday afternoon to Saturday evening.

SRMUN attendees made it clear that there's a real need for a Spring conference. After researching possible locations, the Board of Directors voted to host the first annual SRMUN Spring conference in Charlotte, North Carolina, which was held in April 2013. Over ten years later, SRMUN Charlotte has consistently grown as a successful Spring event. In October 2020, SRMUN expanded to host virtual conferences, and welcomed new schools from the far west in the United States and internationally from Canada, Costa Rica, and Kazakhstan.

SRMUN is a successful organization because of the loyalty and professionalism of its staff, delegates, faculty advisors, and supporters. There is no doubt that the original intention of the founders to make SRMUN a memorable learning experience has been and continues to be fulfilled. The participants are always eager, energetic, and devoted to their task.

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SRMUN's conferences are sponsored by an educational not-for-profit corporation, the Southern Regional Model United Nations, Inc. As of December 1, 2021, the Board of Directors for SRMUN, Inc. is a seven-member panel (with a minimum of one faculty advisor) and the Executive Director who are responsible for the overall state of the organization from year to year. Board members are responsible for meeting two or more times a year to conduct organizational business, including reviewing financial statements, creating strategic priorities of the organization, and approving all substantive content for the conference. The Board also selects and trains the Executive Staff of each conference; these offices are the Secretary-General, the Director-General, the Deputy Director-General, and the Under Secretary-General.

Reporting to the Board of Directors is the Advisory Group. The Advisory Group is composed of individuals who have applied and been approved by the Board to serve the organization by reviewing and making recommendations to the Board on all substantive matters relating to SRMUN conferences, including conference theme, committees, and topics selection, and more.

Any person who has served as Staff, Executive Staff, or in a Faculty Advisor capacity for a minimum of two SRMUN conferences is eligible to run for a seat on the Board of Directors. Approximately half of the Board is appointed per year, to staggered two-year terms. To be considered, a person must submit a completed application to the Executive Director by November 15. A slating committee determined by the Board of Directors will select the incoming Board Members from the pool of applicants each year, prior to December 1st. At any time, a person may submit an application to serve on the Advisory Group. To do so, interested applicants must submit a completed application to the Executive Director.

The Executive Director manages daily corporate affairs for SRMUN Inc. The Board of Directors is responsible for the hiring of the Executive Director. The Executive Director reports directly to the Board.

SRMUN Atlanta 2023

Secretariat

Executive Staff

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Director-General	Emily Bowen
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	Assistant Director	Joanne Kim
Group of 20	Director	Edgar Romero Cordova
	Assistant Director	Claudia Bonney
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COMMITTEES AND TOPICS

GENERAL ASSEMBLY PLENARY (GA PLEN):

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- I. Combatting Misinformation in Times of Crisis
- II. Addressing the Global Housing Crisis and Right to Adequate Housing

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION (WTO)

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- I. Promoting Market Transitions to Sustainable Plastics
- II. Expanding the Role of Human Rights and Labor Standards in Trade Agreements

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (CSW):

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- I. Addressing the Effects of Forced Displacement on Women
- II. Evaluating the Role of Women in the Conduct of Organized Crime

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- I. Protecting Education Systems within Conflict Regions
- II. Developing International Collaborative System to Mitigate the Destruction of World Heritage Sites

Group of 20 (G-20)*: **g20_atlanta@srmun.org**

- I. Addressing the Effects of the Global Debt Crisis on Developing Member States
- II. Addressing Skill Gaps in the Global Economy

UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL (UNSC)*:

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- I. Open Agenda

** Annotates a single-delegate committee*

All committees, with the exception of UNSC, simulated at SRMUN Atlanta 2023 are resolution writing committees that require a simple majority to pass. UNSC is subject to the P5-Veto.

For further assistance, please contact the Secretary-General at sg_atlanta@srmun.org.

COMMITTEES & MEETING ROOMS

General Assembly Plenary (GA Plen)	Embassy C
World Trade Organization (WTO)	Embassy D
Commission on the Status of Women	Embassy E
United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization	Embassy F
Group of 20	Embassy A
United Nations Security Council (UNSC)	Embassy B
SRMUN Opening & Closing Ceremony	International Ballroom
SRMUN Registration	Embassy G
Conference Services	Embassy G
Caucus Space	International Ballroom
Delegate Preparation Seminars	Embassy C
Head Delegates Meetings	Embassy C
Chair/Rapporteur Interviews & Training	Embassy F
Board of Directors Meetings	Williams
Faculty Roundtable & Meeting	Embassy H
Faculty Advisors' Lounge	Embassy H

MEMBER STATE ASSIGNMENTS

Member State School

Afghanistan	University of Kentucky
Albania	University of Kentucky
Algeria	Winthrop University
Angola	College of Central Florida
Argentina	Wesleyan College
Armenia	Wake Forest University
Australia	Western Carolina University
Austria	Berry College
Azerbaijan	Guilford Technical Community College
Belarus	Mississippi State University
Brazil	Kennesaw State University
Canada	Winthrop University
Chile	Mississippi State University
China	College of Charleston
Colombia	Appalachian State University
Costa Rica	University of Montevallo
Croatia	University of North Georgia
Cuba	Winthrop University
Czech Republic	East Tennessee State University
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Western Carolina University
Democratic Republic of the Congo	University of Kentucky

Member State School

Denmark	Appalachian State University
Dominican Republic	Mercer University
Ecuador	University of Kentucky
Egypt	Georgia State University
Equatorial Guinea	University of North Carolina at Greensboro
Finland	Guildford Technical Community College
France	University of North Georgia
Germany	Kennesaw State University
Ghana	Santa Fe College
Greece	University of Kentucky
Haiti	Winthrop University
Hungary	Ohio Northern University
India	University of North Georgia
Indonesia	Santa Fe College
Iran	Radford University
Israel	Radford University
Italy	Auburn University
Japan	Auburn University
Jordan	Appalachian State University
Kuwait	Mississippi State University
Lebanon	College of Charleston
Malaysia	East Tennessee State University

MEMBER STATE ASSIGNMENTS

Member State School

Malta	University of North Carolina at Greensboro
Mexico	University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Mongolia	University of Kentucky
Morocco	Lenoir-Rhyne University
Mozambique	Western Carolina University
Myanmar	East Tennessee State University
Netherlands	Western Carolina University
Nigeria	Wake Forest University
Norway	University of Tennessee at Martin
Pakistan	Georgia State University
Philippines	University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Poland	Wake Forest University
Portugal	Guilford Technical Community College
Qatar	University of Tennessee at Martin
Republic of Korea	Hillsborough Community College
Russian Federation	Georgia State University
Saudi Arabia	University of Kentucky
Senegal	Mississippi State University
Serbia	University of Kentucky
Singapore	University of North Georgia
Somalia	University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Member State School

South Africa	Georgia State University
South Sudan	Columbus State University
Spain	Gulf Coast State College
Sweden	University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Switzerland	University of South Florida
Syrian Arab Republic	Merecer University
Thailand	Columbus State University
Tunisia	Auburn University
Turkiye	Hillsborough Community College
Ukraine	University of Kentucky
United Arab Emirates	Berry College
United Kingdom	University of Montevallo
United States of America	University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Uruguay	College of Charleston
Venezuela	East Tennessee State University
Viet Nam	University of North Georgia
Yemen	College of Charleston

DELEGATE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: May I use my laptop or smart device (i.e., tablet or mobile phone) during the committee?

A: Sorry delegate, no electronic devices are allowed during any part of formal debate which includes but does not limit speeches, motions, announcements, voting, and roll calls. Devices may be used in informal sessions such as during moderated and unmoderated caucuses.

Q: Any advice on where I can find information on a specific issue? I just heard something called sovereignty and I am totally lost.

A: The first option is approaching your faculty advisor. The second is Conference Services where you can research on the computers for free.

Q: It is really cold in this room, but I was told I cannot make a point of personal privilege to the dais in order to change that. What would be the best way to address it?

A: The way to address any items that involve temperatures, water, other delegate behavior, general questions, etc. is to either (1) send a note or email to the dais or (2) approach the committee director during a suspension of the meeting. This will ensure that your questions or concerns are addressed and answered quickly without distracting the entire body.

Q: I hear SRMUN delegates have every room in the hotel booked so it's cool to be loud in the hallways and our rooms late at night.

A: Even though SRMUN is the largest event in the hotel this weekend, there are still many guests who are not part of the conference. Let's respect these guests who are not cool enough to be at SRMUN. We understand you will still have energy after conference hours and want to caucus or work which is why the lobby is a prime area to use as it is available to us for the weekend, feel free to use it!

Q: I am a double-delegation, do we both have to be present during formal debate?

A: No, but at least one delegate from your delegation should be present during formal debate. You don't want to miss anything important!

Q: Can we leave our laptop, placard, and garbage in the conference rooms between sessions?

A: NO, do not leave your valuables in the committee room during breaks. SRMUN and the hotel are not responsible for any lost or stolen goods. Also, please be cordial to the hotel staff by cleaning up after yourselves after each session, they would be extremely appreciative of this.

Q: Why can't we have Wi-Fi in every square foot in the hotel?

A: Unfortunately, due to the enormous cost, Wi-Fi in the conference rooms is not available. Meanwhile, there is free Wi-Fi at the Georgia Pre-Function Area outside of Conference Services, the lobby area, and in the guest rooms. We have been working on improving this situation and will notify if there's updates.

Q: I have been in committee all day but am on a roll on my working paper. Where can I grab a quick bite to eat and get right back to work?

A: SRMUN knows a fed delegate is a happy delegate. This is why we want our delegates to be fully nourished during and out of committee sessions. The prime location of the Sheraton Atlanta has a ton of surrounding restaurants where you can grab and go!

Q: Where is the SRMUN Delegate Social, why aren't we having one?

A: With the prime downtown location of the Sheraton Atlanta, we wanted to give delegates the chance to explore the city and choose a place of their own to dance the night away. If you are lucky, you may even see some familiar staff faces out around town!

Q: Where can I get one of those awesome t-shirts or accessories that I see staff wearing?

A: You can visit the SRMUN Threadless store at SRMUN.Threadless.com or Conference Services, where we accept all forms of payment!

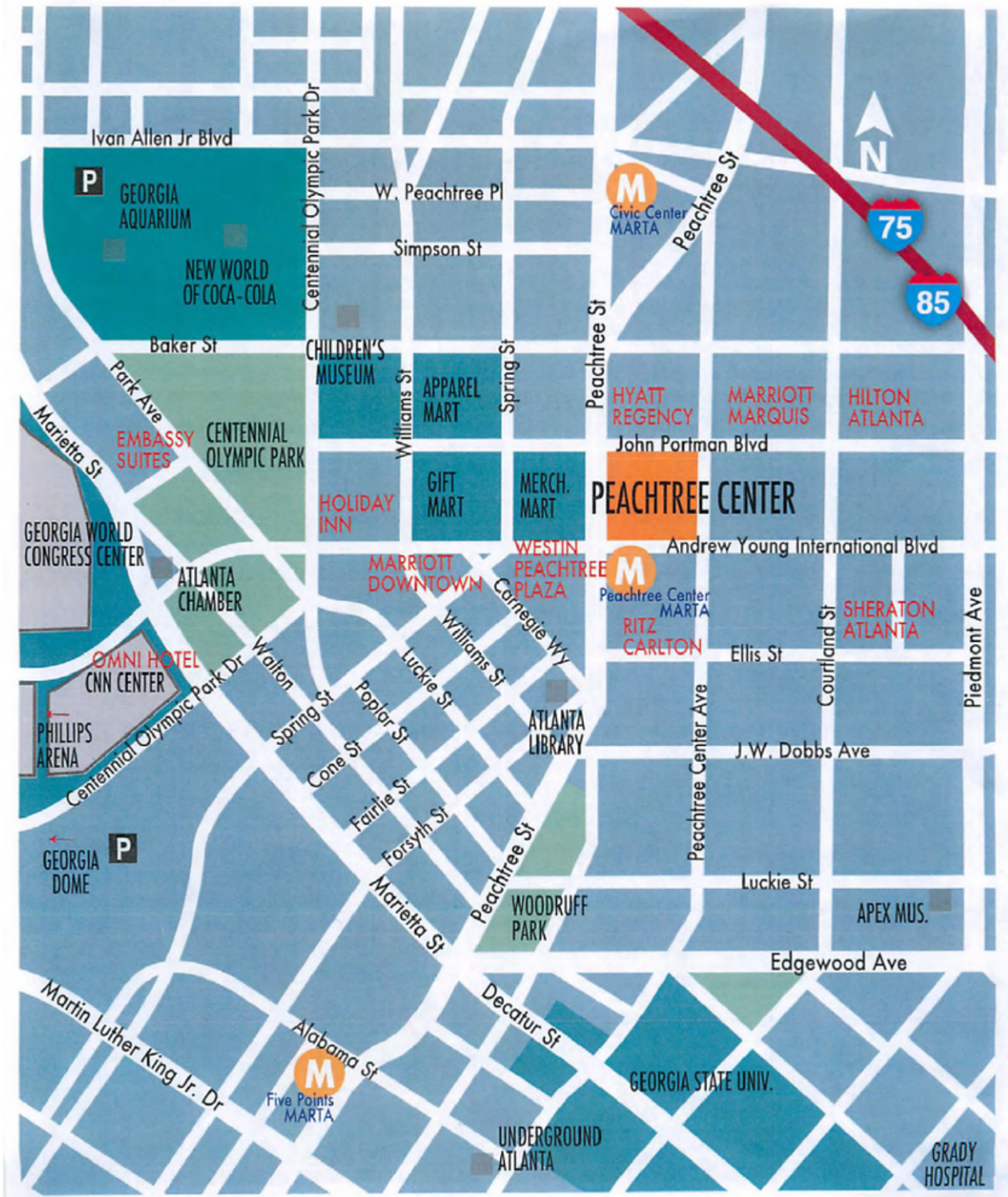
Q: I'm unable to continue with Model UN as a class or I'm a graduating senior and this is my last SRMUN. I am heartbroken but I hear being a staff member seems just about the best opportunity, EVER! How do I get involved?

A: Great question, delegate! Announcements will be made throughout the conference on where to hand in applications. The application can also be filled out online, check it out on [our website](#)! We encourage you to ask staff members about their experience, we guarantee it will change your life! Positions may also be available at our upcoming SRMUN Charlotte event.

Q: I cannot wait to be a SRMUN delegate again, but I don't want to wait an entire year – what can I do?

A: Easy Answer! [Register today for SRMUN Charlotte](#), taking place in late March at the Hilton Charlotte University Place Hotel. You may also already [book your hotel rooms](#) today.

DOWNTOWN ATLANTA & PEACHTREE CENTER MAP



SRMUN POLICIES

DELEGATE CODE OF CONDUCT

Delegates are expected to:

- To be “in character” also entails displaying respect for the opinions and ideals of fellow delegates, even if these opinions and ideals conflict with a given delegate’s own Member State’s priorities.
- Remain in character by consistently advocating the interests and representing the policies of their assigned Member State.
- Collaborate with fellow delegates where possible. Delegates who disrupt committee sessions or create problems in the committee room may be barred from further participation in the conference.
- Conduct themselves in a courteous and professional manner at all times.
- Refrain from consumption of alcohol and other drugs in committee sessions. Note: Any issues related to illicit drugs or alcohol will be immediately directed to the attention of the SRMUN Board of Directors and Executive Staff.
- Respect fellow delegates at all times and in all methods of communications. Using information and communication technologies such as email, cell phones, text messages, instant messaging, defamatory personal websites, and social media to support deliberate and hostile behavior intended to harm other delegates is strictly forbidden.
- Know and follow these rules and regulations.
- Delegates who disrupt committee sessions or the conference or who are found to have violated any clause of the SRMUN Code of Conduct, which you may scan the QR Code for further information, may be barred from further participation in the conference, forfeiting any delegate fees and/or award eligibility.



DRESS CODE:

- Standard delegate attire for the conference is business jacket, slacks (or skirts for women), dress shirt (with tie for men) and dress shoes.
- Shirts that expose excessive bare skin on the chest, stomach or are otherwise revealing are inappropriate. Clothes that reveal undergarments are inappropriate.
- Dress sweaters for men are generally considered too casual, unless a tie is worn underneath.
- Shorts, ball caps, jeans, sneakers, sandals, and sunglasses are forbidden.

- It is inappropriate for delegates to display any national symbols such as flags, pins, crests, etc. on their person during committee sessions. UN symbols are acceptable.
- Western business dress is preferred. Cultural dress is only permitted for international delegates whose native country’s accepted professional business dress includes traditional cultural dress. These delegates are the only individuals to whom this applies. Any delegate attempting to use cultural costume to portray a “character” will be asked to leave the committee chamber and change into clothing that is more appropriate. The SRMUN organization will not tolerate any delegate’s attempt to mock traditional cultural attire or abuse it as a costume.
- All clothing must adhere to guidelines that portray professionalism and modesty. If a delegate’s attire is deemed inappropriate by the SRMUN staff, the delegate will be asked to leave the session and return with appropriate attire.

BADGES

- All conference attendees are to wear their credentials during official meetings.
- Participants are identified as follows:
 - Executive Staff: Dark Blue
 - Staff: Blue
 - Board: Red
 - Head Delegates: Yellow
 - Delegate: White
 - Advisor: Green
 - Guest: Pink or Tan

SEXUAL HARASSMENT & DISCRIMINATION POLICY

It is the intention of SRMUN that the environment of our conferences best achieves our educational goals. The SRMUN Executive Staff and Board of Directors will not tolerate any instances of harassment or discrimination based on race, color, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, age, or medical condition.

If any participant at SRMUN, whether a delegate, Faculty Advisor, observer, committee staffer, Executive Staffer, Executive Directorate member, or member of the Board of Directors believes they have witnessed or encountered discrimination and/or harassment, which results in a hostile working environment or disparate treatment, they should bring it to the attention of any one or more of the following people: any member of the Board of Directors, any member of the Executive Directorate (Executive Director and 3 Deputy Executive Directors), or any member of the

SRMUN POLICIES

SEXUAL HARASSMENT & DISCRIMINATION POLICY *continued...*

Executive Staff (Secretary-General, Under Secretary-General, Director-General, and Deputy Director-General). Any person receiving such a report is obligated to pass along such reports to a member of the Board of Directors of their choosing (should they themselves not already be a member) as quickly as possible, and no later than within 24 hours. Alternatively, a report can be submitted by scanning the QR code below. Please be sure to include accurate contact information so that a SRMUN Board Member can contact you regarding your report. Anyone reporting instances of harassment or discrimination will be protected by the organization from retaliation.

The SRMUN Board must investigate the merits of the allegations, interview all parties involved, and submit a written report to the rest of the Board. Based on the investigation's findings, the Board of Directors may:

- Take no action;
- Issue a verbal reprimand;
- Remove an involved individual from the conference; and/or,
- Implement any other action that the Board deems appropriate.

To review the complete SRMUN Sexual Harassment Policy, please scan the QR Code.



CONFERENCE SERVICES POLICIES

- A maximum of two delegates will be allowed in Conference Services to work on each working paper at any one time. Delegates are expected to write their working papers outside of the lab and should utilize the designated caucus space of the conference.
- There will be NO FOOD OR BEVERAGES allowed in Conference Services.
- Internet resources are only for research use. Delegates will not be permitted to check their email. WiFi is provided in the designated caucus space and hotel lobby area.
- As SRMUN goes "green," delegates should electronically share or send their working papers to the dais via the respective committee email instead of printing at Conference Services. If a delegate wants to print a document, copies will be made for the delegates at a charge of \$.10 per copy, unless given a waiver by a dais member, this cost is used to defray the rental and repair costs for

copiers at SRMUN's conferences.

- Staff application printing is free of charge, although the staff application can be electronically submitted via the SRMUN website.
- Delegates may also purchase replacement badges and placards in Conference Services. Replacement badges will cost \$5.00 and replacement placards will cost \$10.00.

PLAGIARISM

SRMUN, Inc. encourages unique and exceptional dialogue amongst our participants through the free flow of ideas and conversations, with the expectation that all written and spoken words be original thought. All materials, including but not limited to: Position Papers, speeches, and working papers/draft resolutions, and reports are subject to a zero-tolerance policy regarding plagiarism or the unaccredited use of another's words. Any delegate found in violation of this stated policy will receive no credit for the entirety of their work, including receiving a score of zero for position papers found to include words that are not cited and/or properly credited to the original author.

SRMUN AWARDS POLICY

Each year, the SRMUN Board of Directors recognizes exceptional delegations with both Position Paper and Conference Awards using set criteria. For the Virtual SRMUN conference, awards will be announced during the Closing Ceremony. Schools within the United States will receive their awards via mail.

POSITION PAPER AWARDS

Before the start of the conference, delegates utilize the SRMUN website to submit Position Papers for each committee in which their assigned Member State is represented. These two-page Position Papers are graded by our volunteer committee staff using a standard rubric. Once all on-time papers are graded, delegation scores are calculated. The highest scoring delegations among these receive an Outstanding Position Papers Award during the SRMUN Closing Ceremony.

The Position Paper evaluation scores are emailed to Faculty Advisors after the Faculty Advisors' Meeting with the Board on the final day of the conference. The evaluation sheets explain how delegations scored in several metrics. Late papers will be graded, if possible, but any late or missing Position Papers will make that entire delegation ineligible for Position Paper awards. An example feedback sheet is available at: http://www.srmun.org/docs/sample_pp_scoring.pdf.

SRMUN POLICIES

POSITION PAPER AWARDS *continued...*

Outstanding Position Paper Awards will be announced and distributed during the Closing Ceremony. At SRMUN Virtual, evaluation scores are emailed to Faculty Advisors and awards will be sent by mail.

COMMITTEE DELEGATION AWARDS

Delegations are nominated by SRMUN conference staff and awarded the Committee Delegation Award, which will be announced during either in the final committee session or the SRMUN Closing Ceremony. Delegations that show superior skills in their preparation and presentation of their Member State, as specifically noted in their committee, are recognized for their specific contributions through this award. The breakdown of Committee Delegations Awards is as follows: Each large-size committee will receive up to six awards, each medium-size committee will receive up to four awards, and each small committee will receive up to two awards.

CONFERENCE DELEGATION AWARDS

During the conference, our volunteer committee staff nominates exceptional delegate performance in each committee at the end of each session. The following criteria are used to determine the merit of each delegation:

- **Caucusing** - Does the delegation make a concerted effort to work with other delegations during informal debate? Do they attempt to incorporate nations outside of their respective regional bloc while maintaining character?
- **Diplomacy** - Does the delegation work to find cohesion and compromise among their fellow Member States? Does the delegation take a respectful, educated, and professional approach to working with other committee delegates?
- **Participation** - Does the delegation articulate their policies and beliefs succinctly and efficiently? Do they use their persuasive skills to engage other delegates while maintaining a diplomatic approach?
- **Preparation** - Does the delegation adequately represent the policies of their Member State in the context of the topic? Do they have a solid understanding of the topics and scope of the committee as it pertains to the Member State they are representing? Have they provided research and documentation to support their convictions? Do they organize their thoughts to effectively articulate the changes they are advocating through the delivery of the committee?

- **Resolution Writing** - Does the delegation contribute substantive material to be used in the production of working papers? Do they work effectively with other committee delegates to generate working papers that are relevant to the topic and within the scope of the committee?

These nominations are then tallied by the SRMUN Board. Final scores are calculated as follows:

The number of committees in which each delegation (Member State) is represented is multiplied by the number of committee sessions (usually 6). This is the maximum theoretical score each delegation may achieve. For example, if the delegation for China is represented in 7 committees, their maximum theoretical score is $7 * 6 = 42$. The actual number of times throughout all six committee sessions that a delegation is nominated is then divided by this number to arrive at a fractional score.

In our example, assume China was nominated 38 times throughout the conference. The delegation for China will receive a fractional score of $38 / 42 = 0.90476$.

At the end of the conference, all delegations are ranked in descending order by their fractional score. Fractional scores are not reported and will not be released publicly. The highest-scoring delegations receive an Outstanding Delegation Award, followed by Distinguished Delegation, and Honorable Delegation. The total number of awards given at the SRMUN Closing Ceremony will vary from year to year, depending on the number of delegations in attendance. Not all delegations will receive an award.

AUDIO VISUAL

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SRMUN RULES OF PROCEDURE

RULES ARE LISTED IN ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

Motion *	Purpose	Debate	Vote
Point of Order	Correct an error in procedure	None	None
Appeal the decision of the chair	Challenge a decision of the Chair	None	2/3
Suspension of the Meeting for an Unmoderated Caucus	Recess Meeting	None	Majority
Suspension of the Meeting for a Moderated Caucus	Recess Meeting	None	Majority
Adjournment of the Meeting	End Meeting	None	Majority
Adjournment of Debate	End debate without a substantive vote	2 pro/2 con	2/3 (Roll call)
Closure of Debate	Move to an immediate vote	2 con	2/3
Division of the Question (1st Vote)	Vote to consider operative clauses separately	2 pro/2con	Majority
Adopt by Acclamation	Accept a Draft Resolution by consensus	None	No opposition
Roll Call Vote	Vote by roll call	None	None
Reconsideration	Re-open debate on an issue	2 con	2/3
Set Speaker's Time	Set or change speaker's time limit	2 pro/2 con	Majority
Close/Reopen Speaker's List	No additional speakers added/ to again permit additional speakers	None	Majority
Adoption of Agenda	Approval of agenda order	None	Majority

**The 5 motions that are shaded are the only ones that can be used during voting procedure. These are also listed in order of precedence.*

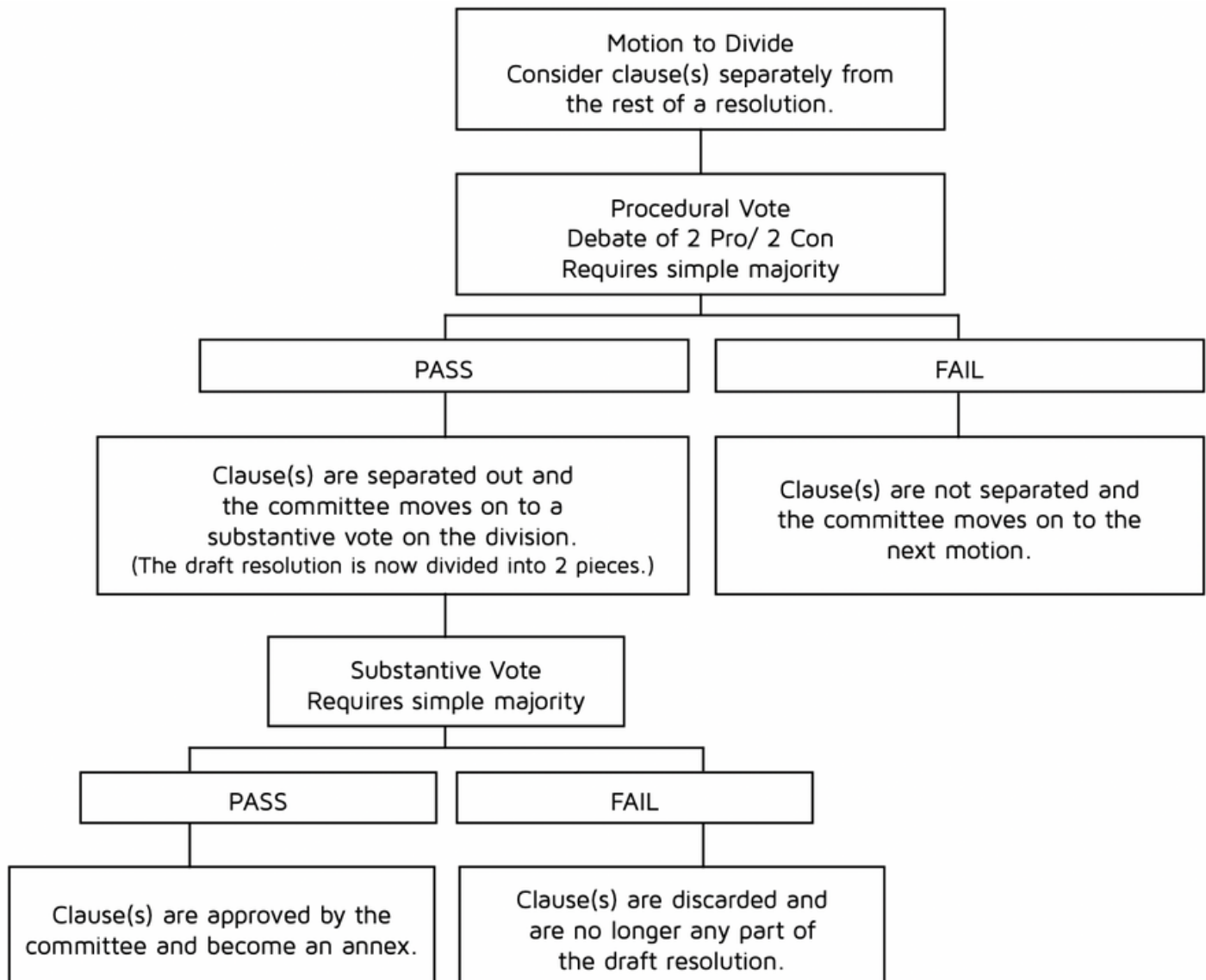
DIVISION OF THE QUESTION

WHY DO YOU MOTION TO DIVIDE THE QUESTION?

During voting procedures, a delegate may move for the division of the question motion if they want to highlight a particularly important or critical operative clause(s).

In highlighting the clause, Member States in support would vote “yes” in the procedural vote and then “yes” for the substantive vote. If the substantive vote passes, the highlighted clauses become a separate annex with the original preambulatory clauses from the original draft resolution.

THE PROCESS:



UNMODERATED CAUCUSING

Unmoderated caucuses, one of two forms of the suspension of the meeting at SRMUN, is an essential part of your committee experience. These intermittent breaks from formal debate allow delegates the freedom to move about the committee room and discuss the topic at hand with their fellow delegates.

During unmoderated caucuses, you will collaborate and negotiate with the other committee members to create working papers that will move toward becoming draft resolutions.

MOTIONING FOR AN UNMODERATED CAUCUS

- During formal debate, any delegate can request an unmoderated caucus by motioning for the “suspension of the meeting for an unmoderated caucus.”
- A delegate must also state the length of time that you want the caucus to last. The maximum amount of time allowed is 30 minutes.
- Example: “Nigeria moves for a suspension of the meeting for the purpose of an unmoderated caucus for a period of 20 minutes.”
- Once the dais accepts the motion, a vote will be taken and a simple majority is required for the motion to pass.
- If multiple motions for unmoderated caucus are on the table, the body will vote on them by most disruptive to least disruptive. For example, if motions are entertained for 20 minutes and 30 minutes, the longer length of time will be voted upon first. Also for this example, if the 30-minute unmoderated caucus passes, the 20-minute motion will be removed from the floor from further consideration.
- Motions for suspension of the meeting are not applicable during voting procedures.

TIPS FOR CAUCUSING EFFECTIVELY: TAKE THE DIPLOMACY CHALLENGE!

Discuss	Past resolutions, sub topics, data, charts, maps, etc. are valuable keys to creating solid resolutions and will be very helpful to you and your fellow delegates. Offer these items during your discussions.
Invite	Ask other members of your regional bloc to join you in discussion.
Plan	Choose which ideas are most important and which ones have room for negotiation.
Listen	Allowing other delegates to speak will add to the discussion and help flush out possible solutions.
One on One	Incorporate individuals that you may not have heard from and get their opinions on the issues.
Mind the time	Stay focused on the topic and the discussions which will lead to the creation of a thought out and widely supported resolution.
Ask questions	If you disagree with another delegate, calmly ask questions that will help you better understand their position. Find out if there is any common ground and focus on ideas that you can agree on.
Connect	Establish great relationships by learning your fellow delegate's names, and more about their ideas.
Yes	The ultimate goal is a resolution that the committee will vote on. Keep that in mind by respecting other delegates to the fullest during your negotiations.

MODERATED CAUCUSING

The moderated caucus allows committees to focus on a specific facet of the topic at hand for a detailed discussion. The motion for these caucuses will delineate the overall time, speaker's time, and subject of the caucus. There is no speaker's list, and delegates will raise placards to be called upon in order to speak. The maximum time for a moderated caucus is 20 minutes. The moderated caucus is useful to focus the committee on a specific sub-topic for consideration.

How to Motion for a Moderated Caucus:

- During formal debate, any delegate can request a moderated caucus by making the following motion: "(Member State) moves for a suspension of the meeting for the purpose of a ___ minute moderated caucus with a speaker's time of ___, discussing ___."
 - Example: "Spain moves for a suspension of the meeting for the purpose of a 20-minute moderated caucus, with a speaker's time of 45 seconds, discussing financing for draft resolution 1-1."
- Remember, you must include (1) total length of time; (2) speakers time; and (3) topic for discussion for every moderated caucus motion.
- Once the dais accepts the motion, a vote will be taken and a simple majority is required for the motion to pass
- Motions for suspension of the meeting are not applicable during voting procedures

Things to remember and consider:

- If the motion for moderated caucus passes, the chair will ask the delegation that made the motion if they reserve the right to speak first. Delegations may reserve this right, or refuse. They may not reserve the right to speak last.
- If the motion for moderated caucus fails, the committee may move back into formal debate or continue voting on motions that are still on the floor.
- Unmoderated caucuses take precedence over moderated caucuses.
- Moderated caucuses remain on the table for voting once a different moderated caucus or an unmoderated caucus has expired.
- Make sure to clearly define your topic for consideration in the moderated caucus. Get a feel of the committee with regards to the topic of moderated caucus, giving you an idea of how specific to make the topic.
- If delegates are not raising their placards to speak, the chair may use their discretion to end the moderated caucus prior to the end of the stated time.

HOW TO BE AN EFFECTIVE DELEGATE

Effective delegates possess the skills to communicate and compromise. The work of the United Nations is a collaboration of different viewpoints and policies; however, most all resolutions passed by the bodies are by consensus. There are several keys to working successfully in your committee:

Research: Topics at SRMUN are ever-changing issues facing our global society, and as such, research on these topics often update from when Position Papers are submitted. Delegates are welcome to conduct supplemental research during the conference; however, developments on the topics are suspended once the SRMUN Opening Ceremony begins, except for Security Council.

Caucusing allows the free flow of ideas and conversation. Outside of the unmoderated and moderated caucus time in sessions, delegates can initiate these conversations over breaks. Please review the unmoderated caucusing on the prior page and be sure to practice DIPLOMACY.

Moderated caucuses allow delegates to have a rapid exchange of ideas in a more formal setting. The caucus works like a conversation, with the Chair facilitating the debate, and no speaker's list.

PREAMBULATORY CLAUSES

The preamble of a draft resolution states the reasons for which the committee is addressing the topic and highlights past international action on the issue. Each clause begins with a present participle (called a preamble phrase) and ends with a comma.

Preambulatory clauses can include:

- References to the UN Charter;
- Citations of past UN resolutions or treaties on the topic under discussion;
- Mentions of statements made by the Secretary-General or a relevant UN body or agency;
- Recognition of the efforts of regional or non-governmental organizations in dealing with the issue; and
- General statements on the topic, its significance and its impact.

SAMPLE PREAMBULATORY CLAUSES

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|---------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| • Affirming | • Expressing its appreciation | • Keeping in mind |
| • Alarmed by | • Expressing its satisfaction | • Noting with regret |
| • Approving | • Fulfilling | • Noting with deep concern |
| • Aware of | • Fully alarmed | • Noting with satisfaction |
| • Bearing in mind | • Fully aware | • Noting further |
| • Believing | • Fully believing | • Noting with approval |
| • Confident | • Further deploring | • Observing |
| • Contemplating | • Further recalling | • Reaffirming |
| • Convinced | • Guided by | • Realizing |
| • Declaring | • Having adopted | • Recalling |
| • Deeply concerned | • Having considered | • Recognizing |
| • Deeply conscious | • Having considered further | • Referring |
| • Deeply convinced | • Having devoted attention | • Seeking |
| • Deeply disturbed | • Having examined | • Taking into account |
| • Deeply regretting | • Having heard | • Taking into consideration |
| • Desiring | • Having received | • Taking note |
| • Emphasizing | • Having studied | • Viewing with appreciation |
| • Expecting | | • Welcoming |

OPERATIVE CLAUSES

Operative clauses identify the actions or recommendations made in a resolution. Each operative clause begins with a verb (called an operative phrase) and ends with a semicolon. Operative clauses should be organized in a logical progression, with each containing a single idea or proposal, and are always numbered. If a clause requires further explanation, bulleted lists set off by letters can also be used. After the last operative clause, the resolution ends in a period.

SAMPLE OPERATIVE CLAUSES

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|------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| • Accepts | • Endorses | • Further resolves |
| • Affirms | • Expresses its appreciation | • Has resolved |
| • Approves | • Expresses its hope | • Notes |
| • Authorizes | • Further invites | • Proclaims |
| • Calls | • Deplores | • Reaffirms |
| • Calls upon | • Designates | • Recommends |
| • Condemns | • Draws the attention | • Regrets |
| • Confirms | • Emphasizes | • Reminds |
| • Congratulates | • Encourages | • Requests |
| • Considers | • Endorses | • Solemnly affirms |
| • Declares accordingly | • Expresses its appreciation | • Strongly condemns |
| • Deplores | • Expresses its hope | • Supports |
| • Designates | • Further proclaims | • Takes note of |
| • Draws the attention | • Further reminds | • Transmits |
| • Emphasizes | • Further recommends | • Trusts |
| • Encourages | • Further requests | |

TIPS TO CREATING DRAFT RESOLUTIONS

WORKING PAPERS

Before a document is accepted by the Dais, to be voted on, it is referred to as a working paper.

- Delegates need to first download the official SRMUN working paper template from any Conference Services computer or visit their SRMUN Hub committee webpage on srmunhub.org.
- A working paper must have the following attributes to be accepted as a draft resolution:
 - At least one Sponsor
 - A combination of Signatories and Sponsors to equal 25% of the committee present during the first session.
- Sponsors have had substantive additions either through direct clauses or impactful ideas to the working paper. These are the only individuals called to the Dais when edits are returned.
- Signatories are Member States who would like to see the idea debated and do not necessarily have to agree with the idea.

DRAFT RESOLUTIONS

Once a working paper has been accepted by the Dais, it is then referred to as a draft resolution

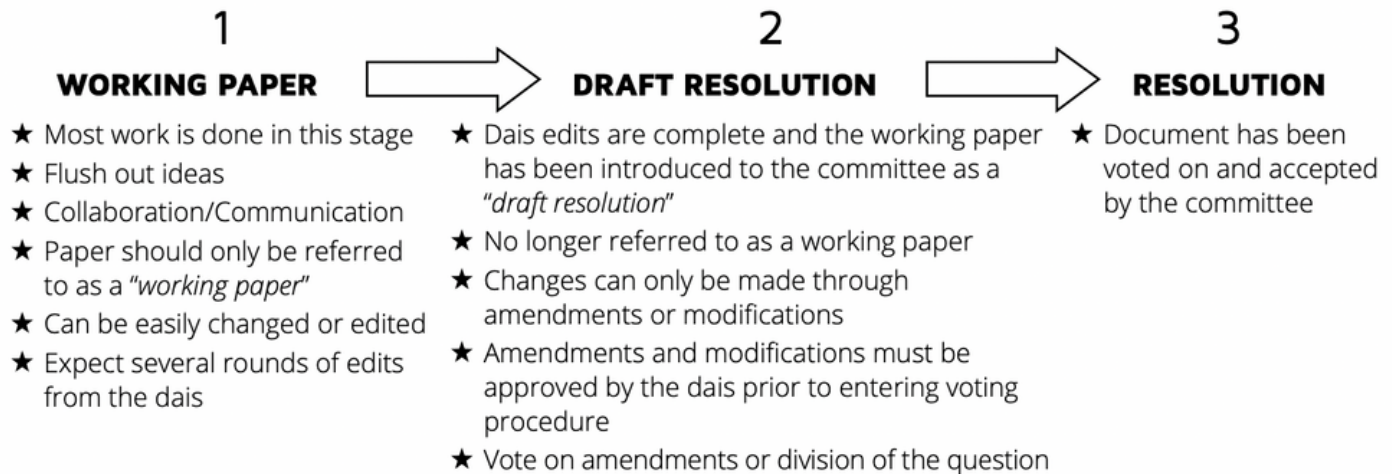
- Once a draft resolution has been accepted, preambulatory clauses cannot be altered.
- Draft resolutions will be titled based on the topic being discussed and in the order they were selected. The topics are numbered based on how the delegates have ordered them on the agenda and not necessarily how they are ordered in the background guide. Examples:
 - During topic 1, a working paper is submitted and accepted by the dais it is "Draft Resolution 1-1."
 - The next working paper submitted and accepted is then "Draft Resolution 1-2."
- During the second topic a working paper is submitted and accepted by the dais, it is now titled "Draft Resolution 2-1"
- When a working paper is accepted by the Dais to become a draft resolution, the Signatories and Sponsors are removed and this becomes a document of the body.

MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS

Often a draft resolution needs changes to garner support or to build consensus. SRMUN provides for these changes through two avenues, and its Google Form is available on the SRMUN Hub:

- **Modifications** are usually small in nature, often rewording a phrase for clarity or a rearrangement of ideas. These are changes that all Sponsors of the draft resolution agree to being made. Signatory support is not required, but they are usually consulted. All modifications need to be written out on a modification form and submitted to the Dais, with the acceptance and acknowledgment of all Sponsors. There is no vote needed for modifications, they are made and introduced to the body once the Dais accepts them.
- **Amendments** are typically more drastic changes to the document and can include, but are not limited to, removing or rewording operative clauses, or changing the scope or intention of a clause. These are changes that do not have the support of all the Sponsors. Amendments require 1/4 of the delegate support to be accepted by the Dais. The Amendments are voted on prior to voting on the draft resolution it affects and require a simple majority to pass. In the case of multiple amendments, they will be voted on in order of most disruptive to least disruptive, as decided by the Dais. Passed amendments must be considered when voting on the draft resolution. Should a draft resolution include an amendment that changes the intention, a Sponsor is able to vote against said draft resolution.

EVOLUTION OF A RESOLUTION



MERGING

- Sometimes there are too many working papers with similar ideas and the Dais will ask groups to merge their working paper together.
- Don't panic! At the beginning of the committee session, work is often done in small groups and many similar ideas are often being addressed simultaneously.
- The Dais will alert each group that the papers are too similar to accept both and will ask that the groups combine and create a collaborative working paper.
- By combining multiple papers, a comprehensive work product is produced that will garner widespread support.

MERGING TIPS

- Be open-minded, flexible, and promote compromise and cooperation through diplomacy.
- Work with different groups to discuss your similar ideas and how you can create a cohesive document.
- The Dais wants the committee to be successful, so the goal of merging is to create a quality comprehensive document.

SPONSORS VS SIGNATORIES

Each working paper will require a certain number of Sponsors and Signatories to be considered as a draft resolution. The number required will vary by committee and will be announced by the Dais during the first committee session.

If you are a **SPONSOR** to a working paper:

- You actively assist in the authoring of the paper and you agree fully with the substance
- You must vote in favor of the working paper should it become a draft resolution
- You must approve all modifications and immediate changes to the draft resolution

If you are a **SIGNATORY** to a working paper:

- You do not have to agree with the substance of the paper, only that you want to see it debated
- You may vote in favor, against, or abstain should it become a draft resolution
- You may introduce amendments without the consent of the Sponsors

WORKING PAPER EXAMPLE

After acceptance as a draft resolution, a code will be assigned which the body will refer to it as. The first number refers to the topic being debated and the second is assigned by the dias.

Alphabetize the list of Member States.

The list of Sponsors and Signatories will be removed from the working paper when it becomes a draft resolution and is distributed to the entire body as an official document of said body.

Working Paper 2-6

Committee: General Assembly Plenary

Subject: Ensuring Global Food Security

Sponsors: China, Comoros, Eritrea, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, and South Africa

Signatories: Austria, Egypt, Gabon, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Malaysia, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Russia, Switzerland, United States of America, Venezuela, and Viet Nam

The General Assembly,

List committee name, followed by a comma.

Keeping in mind the United Nations Millennium Project, an effort to contribute 0.7 percent of Gross National Product To Official Development Assistance (ODA), pledged by international leaders at the International Conference for Development and the World Summit on Sustainable Development Aid in 2002,

Fully believing the United Nations Millennium Project to be imperative to meeting the United Nations Millennium Development Goals (MDGs),

Bearing in mind the positive correlation between the United Nations Millennium Project and self-sustainability of developing Member States in order to promote long-term independence of foreign aid,

Noting with concern that debt forgiveness is included as a misleading form of foreign developmental aid,

Observing the rudimentary agricultural methods and resources of developing Member States as a hindrance to self-sustainability,

Recognizing the correlation between improving global flood security and the cooperation among the United Nations subsidiary bodies, including but not limited to the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO), World Food Programme (WFP), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF),

1. *Reminds* Member States of the pledge to contribute to the ODA through the United Nations Millennium Project, especially during this economic downturn;
2. *Emphasizes* food, monetary, and technological aid as a preferred means to ensure global food security as a component of the ODA rather than debt forgiveness;
3. *Supports* instead targeting development aid through the transfer of technology, including but not limited to:
 - a. Hybridized seed,
 - b. Fertilizers and pesticides; and,
 - c. Improved equipment and tools;
4. *Encourages* the coordination among subsidiary bodies of the United Nations which work to eradicate world hunger through the establishment of a platform for discussion among representatives of each body in order to operate in a more cooperative and efficient manner; and,
5. *Further encourages* such a forum to convene in Johannesburg, South Africa every first week of June and first week of December commencing in 2012:
 - a. By calling on the represented subsidiary bodies to appoint an expert from each body to create a universal comprehensive agenda to avoid the mismanagement of funds and the historic problem of overspending on certain issues while leaving others without funding, and,
 - b. With delegation expenses included in the allocated budget of each individual subsidiary body.

After being approved as a draft resolution, preambulatory clauses cannot be modified or amended.

During motions for division of the question, only entire operative clauses can be addressed. Operative sub-clauses cannot be divided out.

Only certain committees, i.e. GA Plenary & Security Council can add an operative clause to stay seized of the matter.

All operative clauses (except for final one) end with a semi-colon. Following the final operative clause all draft resolutions end with a period.

Always check for spelling and grammar before submitting any working paper! It will save precious time during editing!

All working papers/draft resolutions are to be typed in 10 font, Times New Roman style.

CAUCUSING BLOCS

NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION (NATO)

Albania	Lithuania
Belgium	Luxemburg
Bulgaria	Montenegro
Canada	Netherlands
Croatia	Poland
Czech Republic	Portugal
Denmark	Romania
Estonia	Slovakia
France	Slovenia
Germany	Spain
Greece	Sweden
Hungary	Turkey
Iceland	United Kingdom
Italy	United States
Latvia	

COMMONWEALTH OF INDEPENDENT STATES

Armenia	Moldova
Azerbaijan	Russia
Belarus	Tajikistan
Kazakhstan	Uzbekistan
Kyrgyzstan	

GROUP OF SEVEN (G7)

Canada	Japan
France	United Kingdom
Germany	United States
Italy	<i>*Suspended: Russia</i>

EUROPEAN UNION (EU)

Austria	Latvia
Belgium	Lithuania
Bulgaria	Luxemburg
Croatia	Netherlands
Czech Republic	Poland
Denmark	Portugal
Estonia	Romania
France	Slovakia
Germany	Slovenia
Greece	Spain
Hungary	Sweden
Italy	

AFRICAN UNION (AU)

Algeria
Angola
Botswana
Burundi
Côte d'Ivoire
Djibouti
Egypt
Equatorial Guinea
Kenya
Lesotho
Libya
Madagascar
Niger
Nigeria
South Africa
Sudan
Togo

SECURITY COUNCIL (SC)

Based on Late 2020 Membership

P5:
China
France
United Kingdom
United States
Russia

Alternating:
Estonia
India
Ireland
Kenya
Mexico
Niger
Norway
Saint Vincent & the
Grenadines
Tunisia
Viet Nam

ORGANIZATION OF PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES (OPEC)

Algeria	Kuwait
Angola	Libya
Congo	Nigeria
Equatorial Guinea	Saudi Arabia
Gabon	United Arab Emirates
Iran	Venezuela
Iraq	

GULF COOPERATIVE COUNCIL (GCC)

Bahrain	Saudi Arabia
Kuwait	United Arab Emirates
Oman	
Qatar	

GROUP OF TWENTY (G20)

Argentina	Italy
Australia	Japan
Brazil	Mexico
Canada	Rep. of Korea
China	Russia
European Union	Saudi Arabia
France	South Africa
Germany	Turkey
India	United Kingdom
Indonesia	United States

LEAGUE OF ARAB STATES (LAS)

Algeria	Palestine
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THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL AT SRMUN

The Double Veto

Background

When the UN was created, the ultimate decisions on whether a vote in the Security Council (SC) was procedural or substantive was left up to the SC itself. On rare occasions, P-5 Member States are able to question whether an item is procedural or substantive. This motion which requires nine affirmative votes and a "yay" vote or abstention from each of the P-5 members. For instance, a P-5 member may challenge the SC President's ruling that an issue is procedural. The SC then has a substantive vote on whether the issue is procedural or not. The P-5 member can veto this vote, making the issue substantive, then veto the original motion. This is known as the double veto. The double veto is rarely used.

SRMUN's Security Council

The SRMUN Security Council has limited meeting time, and the desire of the committee is to maximize the available time. The SC Committee Director has the right to limit the use of the double veto on procedural issues that have minor impacts on debate such as suspension of the meeting and setting the speaker's time. However, procedural motions such as agenda setting or inviting a party to a dispute could be subject to a potential double veto.

To call for the double veto, a member of the P-5 should raise their placard after a motion has been made, but before a vote has been taken and make the following motion:

"The delegate from the United Kingdom moves to declare this motion a procedural motion."

For Example:

"The Delegate from Romania moves for a discussion of the Use of Pre-Emptive Force."

The Delegate from the United Kingdom raises their placard in their left hand and is recognized:

"The Delegate from the United Kingdom moves to declare this motion a procedural motion."

Once the President accepts this motion, the SC moves to a substantive vote on whether or not the motion to set the agenda is procedural. A "yes" vote means that it is procedural; a "no" vote means that it is substantive. If the UK votes no, then the motion to set the agenda is considered substantive. At this point, the SC votes substantively on the motion to set the agenda. A no vote from any member of the P-5 will veto the motion.

If you have any questions about these issues or any other SC related question, please do not hesitate to consult your Director, Assistant Director, the Director-General, or Deputy Director-General.

The Dias has ruled a vote procedural, and a member of the Committee does not agree. The delegate then raises their placard in their left hand to motion for a vote to challenge the procedural nature of the vote.

The Committee then votes on whether or not the vote is procedural.

If the vote receives nine or more "yeas" AND all of the P5 vote in the affirmative or abstain, the vote remains procedural and the Committee retakes the vote.

If the vote does not receive nine or more "yeas" AND an affirmative vote or abstention from all P5 members, the vote becomes substantive and the Committee retakes the vote as a substantive vote.



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The SRMUN Advisory Group (AG) serves as an extension of the Board of Directors and provides recommendations to the Board regarding substantive elements of SRMUN's conferences, including but not limited to: Conference Theme Approvals, Committee and Topics Selection, new initiatives, and more. In other words, the AG is responsible for shaping most of the things that our delegates know and love about SRMUN conferences. All recommendations provided by the AG are ultimately approved or denied by the Board of Directors.

If you are a current or former SRMUN staff member, Executive Staff member, or Faculty Advisor and have wanted to get more involved with the SRMUN organization, then the AG is for you! Please note that the AG is only open to outgoing members of conference staff or Executive Staff and either current or former Faculty Advisors. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and are [available on our website](#). Completed applications should be emailed to the SRMUN Executive Director, Michael Oleaga, at Michael.Oleaga@srmun.org.

Board of Directors

The SRMUN Board of Directors is responsible for managing the property, affairs, and business of SRMUN Inc., the nonprofit organization that funds SRMUN conferences. Additionally, the Board is ultimately responsible for the overall quality and content of SRMUN conferences. The Board will consist of seven appointed voting members (including at minimum one faculty advisor), the Executive Director, and two Founding Member Emeritus.

To be eligible to run for a position on the Board of Directors, candidates must have served as Staff, Executive Staff, or in a Faculty Advisor capacity for a minimum of two SRMUN conferences. The Board of Directors is selected by the Slating Committee no later than December 1st of each year. Interested individuals must submit an application to the Executive Director for consideration by the Slating Committee. The application is found on the [SRMUN website](#). Applications can be submitted at any time, by November 15, for the seats that will be slated for the next session of the Board. The new Board will assume its roles at the start of the new session on December 1st.

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Delegates are also permitted to use the computers in Conference Services to complete their applications. Printing of applications is free of charge. Committee staff applications are due by the close of the conference on the Saturday of conference weekend.



COMMITTEE STAFF APPLICATIONS

The substantive staff of SRMUN remains the backbone of the conference. For SRMUN Atlanta, the staff is generally hired, on a volunteer basis, from late-December to mid-January. In conjunction with the Directors-General, both the Committee Directors and Assistant Directors will propose committee topics and compose topic outlines, summaries, write Background Guides, and updates. The writing process typically begins in March and continues through early August, growing increasingly more and more intensive. Directors are required to attend multiple virtual training sessions. In the Fall, committee staff evaluates Position Papers. At the conference, Directors and Assistant Directors serve as the chief substantive officers of their committees, facilitating the learning process obtained at SRMUN. Although previous Chair or Rapporteur experience is preferred, it is not required. This is a full-year commitment. Please carefully consider this before applying for SRMUN Staff. Please note Committee Staff Applications are due by the close of the conference.

For SRMUN Charlotte, preparation is already underway. SRMUN Charlotte's staff is generally hired, on a volunteer basis, from mid-April to early May. If you're interested in staffing for SRMUN Charlotte, please email their Director-General at dg_charlotte@srmun.org for more information.

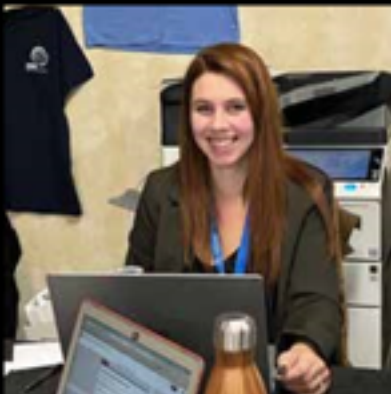
EXECUTIVE STAFF APPLICATIONS FOR SRMUN ATLANTA 2024

The responsibilities of the SRMUN executive staff are substantial but rewarding. The Director-General and Deputy Director-General are responsible for the substantive workings of the conference, including hiring and motivating the volunteer committee staff, deciding the committee and its topics, and editing Background Guides and updates. The Secretary-General is responsible for the business aspects of the conference, including school recruitment and correspondence. The Under-Secretary-General facilitates the pre-conference set-up Conference Services, working with the Secretary-General on recruitment, and staff travel. The Under-Secretary-General also organized and runs Conference Services for SRMUN. Previous SRMUN staff experience is highly preferred but is not required. These positions require an extensive, full-year commitment. Consider this carefully before applying. Executive Staff applications for SRMUN Atlanta 2023 are due November 15, 2023.



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