



Latin America Model United Nations 2020



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COUNTDOWN TO PARTICIPATION

October

The invitation to participate in LAMUN 2020 will be sent to all schools in October 2019.

November - December

The registration form (FORM I) must be received by the LAMUN Committee no later than Monday 2nd December 2019.

Students applying for the positions of Student Officers or Press members must return the completed Student Officer Application Form or Press delegate Application Form together with a letter of application and their MUN-Director's recommendation by Monday 2nd December 2019.

December

The Delegation assignments and Student appointments are sent by email to each school.

March

The registration form (FORM II) must be received by the LAMUN Committee no later than Friday 13th March 2020.

April

The Conference takes place: 23-26 April 2020 Montevideo, Uruguay

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Thursday 23rd April (Colegio Stella Maris)

10:00 – 16:30 Student Officer Workshop (mandatory)

Friday, 24th April (The British Schools of Montevideo)

08:30 – 10:00 Registration
10:00 – 12:30 Preparatory meeting, lobby
10:00 – 12:30 Security Council in Session
10:30 – 11:30 MUN Director's introductory meeting
11:40 – 12:30 Approval Panel – Session 1
12:30 – 13:30 FORMAL OPENING
13:30 – 14:30 Lunch
14:30 – 15:00 Opening speeches
15:00 – 17:00 COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS and SC in Session
14:30 – 17:00 Approval Panel – Session 2

Saturday, 25th April (The British Schools of Montevideo)

09:30 – 13:00 COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS and SC in Session
09:30 – 13:30 Approval Panel – Session 3
13:00 – 14:00 Lunch
14:00 – 16:30 COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS and SC in Session
16:45 – 19:30 LAMUN's Sunset

Sunday, 26th April (Colegio Stella Maris)

09:30 – 11:00 COMMISSIONS and SC in Session
09:30 – 10:45 GA Committees in Plenary Session
10:45 – 11:05 Break
11:05 – 13:00 COMMISSIONS and SC in Session
11:05 – 13:00 GA Committees in Plenary Session
13:00 – 14:00 Lunch
14:00 – 15:00 CLOSING CEREMONY

ISSUES ON THE AGENDA

Security Council:

The question of Kashmir as a threat to regional peace.
The issue of the surge of new Israeli settlements.
Managing the regional threat of instability in Venezuela.

Environment Committee

Discouraging the production and use of single-use plastics.
The transition from coal-based economies to economies based on renewable energy.
Battling rising sea levels: saving the Pacific island small states.

ECOSOC

The effect of economic sanctions on international trade.
Managing the threat to global health caused by refusing vaccinations.
The question of Brexit with regards to the global economy.

GA 1 – Disarmament and International Security

The question of threats to national stability caused by religious intolerance.
The question of cyber surveillance on civilians.
Preventing conflicts over energy resources in the Arctic.

GA 3 – Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Committee

Addressing the Ebola outbreak in the Great Lakes region.
Empowering the LGBTQ+ community.
Addressing the rise of threats to women's rights in the Middle East.

GA 4 – Political

The question of the occupied territories in Ukraine.
The issue of the rights of the citizens of Hong-Kong.
The issue of Kurdistan.

Human Rights Council

The question of Human Rights of Uighur Muslims in China.
Safeguarding Rights of migrant workers.
Protecting the Human Rights of children in Yemen.

LIST OF COUNTRIES

LAMUN 2020

Security Council 2019-20

Belgium
Cote d'Ivoire
Dominican Republic
Equatorial Guinea
Germany
Indonesia
Kuwait
Peru
Poland
South Africa
France (SC and ECO)
USA (SC and ECO)
China (SC and ECO)
Russian Federation (SC and ECO)
UK (SC and ECO)

Non-SC

Afghanistan
Angola (ECO)
Argentina
Australia
Austria
Bangladesh
Brazil (ECO)
Canada (ECO)
Chad (ECO)
Chile
Colombia (ECO)
Cuba
DR Congo
Denmark (ECO)
Egypt (ECO)

El Salvador (ECO)
Ethiopia (ECO)
Fiji
Iceland
India (ECO) (could be summoned to SC)
Iraq
Iran (ECO)
Israel (Could be summoned to SC)
Italy
Japan (ECO)
Mexico
Netherlands(ECO)
Nigeria
Norway (ECO)
Pakistan (ECO) (could be summoned to SC)
Palestine
Philippines (ECO)
Saudi Arabia (ECO)
Somalia
Spain
Syrian Arab Republic
Turkey
Uganda
Ukraine (ECO)
United Arab Emirates
Venezuela (ECO) (could be summoned to SC)
Vietnam
Yemen (ECO)

DELEGATION SIZE

SC/ECOSOC* delegation

Minimum 7 Max 8 students

- SC: 2 delegates
- ECOSOC: 1 delegate
- GA: 1 delegate (only 1 GA committee could be left vacant)
- HRC: 1 delegate
- EC: 1 delegate

SC delegation (non ECOSOC*)

Minimum 6 Max 7 students

- SC: 2 delegates
- GA: 1 delegate (only 1 GA committee could be left vacant)
- HRC: 1 delegate
- EC: 1 delegate

ECOSOC delegation:

Minimum 5 Max 6 students

- ECOSOC: 1 delegate
- GA: 1 delegate (only 1 GA committee could be left vacant)
- HRC: 1 delegate
- EC: 1 delegate

Standard delegation (non SC/ECOSOC):

Minimum 4 Max 5 students

- GA: 1 delegate (only 1 GA committee could be left vacant)
- HRC: 1 delegate
- EC: 1 delegate

APPLICATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF STUDENT OFFICER AND PRESS DELEGATE

GENERAL RULES

All students applying for one of the above positions must complete an Application Form, together with a formal letter of motivation and a letter of recommendation from their MUN Director. These must be returned by mail to contact@lamodelunitednations.org by the final closing date. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Application forms can be found in the LAMUN website: www.lamodelunitednations.org

STUDENT OFFICERS

The Student Officer team consists of the Executive Committee together with the Presidents, Deputy Presidents, Committee Chairs and Deputies in the various forums.

All Student Officers must be thoroughly conversant with Parliamentary Procedure and particularly with the current THIMUN Rules of Procedure. They must have a good knowledge of current affairs as well as of the issues on the agenda. They will be required to write a research report and must be prepared to be actively involved in the lobbying process, coordinating the work of their respective Council, Commission, Conference or Committee throughout the conference.

In their letter of application candidates should state which position and which forum(s) they are particularly interested in.

Please note that students in their final year at secondary school who have not previously chaired at LAMUN, THIMUN-Affiliated or THIMUN conference are unlikely to be selected.

Deputy Presidents and Committee Chairs

The Deputy Presidents of the three Commissions and the Special Conference will preside over the sub commissions when they are in session and assist the President in lobbying and in the plenary sessions. The Committee Chairs will each preside over one of the three GA Committees when they are in session. Most of these positions are expected to be filled by those who have already held a position at LAMUN, THIMUN-Affiliated or THIMUN conference as Deputy President or Deputy Chair.

Deputies

In general, Deputy Presidents and Deputy Chairs are appointed in order to provide an opportunity for younger students to gain experience. It is hoped that such students will prove themselves capable and will be available to serve again at the subsequent session of LAMUN.

CONFERENCE FEES AND DEADLINES

2020 CONFERENCE FEES

Delegation/MUN Director/Chaperones/Student Officer – USD 110
Admin Staff – USD 50
(Lunches and LAMUN Sunset are included in the Conference fee)

PAYMENTS

Delegation pre-payment must be made when submitting FORM 1.
This will be made through MUNIS

All payments must be made in United States Dollars (USD), and net of all bank charges to:

ACCOUNTS

LOCAL TRANSFER:

Beneficiary: Asociación Educadora Edmundo Rice
Address: Máximo Tajes 7359 - Montevideo – Uruguay CP 11500
Banco Santander Sucursal 73
Cuenta corriente dólares Nro. 1075144

FROM ABROAD:

Intermediate Bank:

Wells Fargo Bank - New York
Swift code PNBPUS3NNYC
ABA 026005092

or

Bank of America - Miami
Swift code BOFAUS3M
ABA 067001097

Beneficiary Bank:

Banco Santander S.A. - Montevideo - Uruguay
(Swift code BSCHUYMM)

Final Beneficiary:

Asociación Educadora Edmundo Rice
Máximo Tajés 7359 - Montevideo – Uruguay CP 11500
Cuenta corriente dólares Nro. 1075144

Please indicate clearly the name of the school on the transfer.

Bank Charges

Schools are responsible for payment of all bank charges related to the payment of fees.

CODE OF CONDUCT

It is assumed by virtue of the fact that participants are here for a serious programme that they are mature enough to respect others and to provide a framework within which all MUN participants can operate. Thus, for the period of the conference, they must be regarded as diplomats and ambassadors for the country they are representing, as well as representatives of their individual schools. This demands a high standard of personal conduct and behaviour from all delegates, both during the conference sessions and outside. Failure to follow these simple guidelines may result in participants being sent home at their own expense and schools not being invited to future sessions.

Alcoholic Beverages and Narcotic Drugs

MUN-Directors are responsible for making and enforcing their own rules for their students with regard to alcohol consumption. Alcoholic Beverages may not be consumed at any time during the conference. It should be noted that in Uruguay the minimum legal age for alcoholic consumption and smoking is 18, therefore, no alcohol or cigarettes will be sold to students.

The use of any form of narcotic drug is expressly prohibited.

Accommodation

Students staying in Hotels and Hostels are reminded that they have a great deal of responsibility towards their hosts as well as towards their fellow residents. We will provide some suggestions for accommodation.

Dress Code

Being a serious simulation, LAMUN expects personal appearance to be appropriate for a professional setting. Participants (**this includes MUN-Directors and Chaperones**) should not wear clothing, jewellery, or accessories which are distracting, inappropriate, or which may call attention to themselves – either individually or as a group.

Inappropriate dress includes, but is not limited to:

- Team accessories such as scarves, hats, non-LAMUN badges/ buttons/ pins
- Sports shoes & denim clothes
- National costume or military attire

Men should be dressed in a formal suit, shirt, tie, or similar alternative i.e. blazer or jacket with formal trousers. Women should be dressed equally formally in suits, smart separates

(whether trousers or skirts) or dresses. Low necklines and/or short skirts are not considered appropriate.

The dress code also applies to MUN-Directors.

LAMUN reserves the right not to allow inappropriately dressed participants into the forums.

Administrative Staff

The function of the Administrative Staff is to ensure the smooth running of the conference. They are in charge of monitoring the flow of delegates entering and leaving their debate forums, assisting delegates with microphones, maintaining order throughout the debate, and taking disciplinary action against individual delegates when authorised to do so by the President or the Chair. They are responsible for the transmission of notes between delegations and/or the podium, and for counting votes when required.

Approval Panel

The processing of Resolutions is entirely digitalised. The Approval Panel will be open from Friday morning onwards in Room 80, processing resolutions from all forums. Delegates must obtain 3/5 of the House as co-submitters in order for their draft resolution to be brought to the Approval Panel in digital form, provided that the resolution enjoys the Chair's approval

Badges

Take great care of your LAMUN badge. If you do not have a badge, you will not be allowed into meetings or the General Assembly. A new badge will not be available. Badges will not be changed when minor spelling mistakes have been made with regards to the name of the delegate.

Certificates

The certificates can be picked up on Sunday morning at the MUN Director's Lounge.

Cloakroom

On Sunday, Room 14 will be used as a Cloakroom for luggage. Please approach the Admin Staff. Note however, that LAMUN will not accept handbags or laptops. You will have to keep these with you at all times.

Lunch

Badges will be used as lunch tickets throughout the 4 days, starting on Thursday.

Mobile Phones/Portable Audio Equipment

Delegates are allowed to use their laptops to check documents or do research. However, phones have to remain in silent mode at all times during sessions.

MUN-DIRECTORS

All students must be accompanied by, and are the responsibility of the designated MUN-Director(s), at all times. MUN-Directors must ensure that their students are present in their designated forums. MUN-Directors are also required to adhere to the dress code.

Notes & Communication

Each note must be written on **official and appropriate delegation stationary that each delegate must bring** (See sample in page 18). The name and the section of the receiving delegation must be clearly written on the front of the note. Notes will be screened and thrown away if they contain improper messages. Disciplinary action may be taken by the Administrative Staff or the Student Officers against any delegate who is abusing the system. There will be no messenger service between forums.

Official Photographs

Each year two official photos will be taken of each forum, the Student Officers, the Admin Staff, the Press Team, and MUN-Directors. Please check the time schedule and location to see at what time your picture will be taken. The pictures will be available online. Unless, you notify us in writing by 5th April we assume there is permission to upload all pictures.

Opening Ceremony

The Opening Ceremony will take place on Friday in the Gymnasium. **All participants are invited to attend.** There will be no seating signs and delegates can take any seat. Please be seated by 12:30 at the very latest. There will be no admission after the start of the Opening Ceremony.

Opening Speeches

All delegates are expected to prepare an Opening Speech to be read on Friday afternoon.

Plenary Session

The Plenary Session of the General Assembly will be on Sunday in the Auditorium. There will be signs in order to indicate where every delegation shall be seated. It is expected from all delegates attending the Plenary Session to be seated with the rest of their delegation, respecting the seating arrangements that have been made. Please be seated by 09:30 at the very latest.

Resolutions and Amendments

Approved resolutions will be available online and 5 printed copies will be available on the Forums. Amendments will be emailed to the chairs during the session.

The phones have to remain in silent mode at all times during sessions.

Smoking Areas

Smoking is not permitted anywhere inside the buildings. It is a national regulation that smoking is prohibited in indoor public places and within a 200-metre distance from schools and hospitals. The designated smoking area is outside.

Student Officers

It is mandatory that all Student Officers attend the workshop on Thursday. They are expected to arrive at 09:30 in Colegio Stella Maris (Máximo Tajés 7359). During the conference, they are expected to participate in the briefings and debriefings. Briefings will take place every day 20 minutes before the start of the day, while debriefings will begin as soon as delegates are dismissed from their respective forums, and will last for approximately 30 minutes.

They are expected to read the Student Officers manual, which has been sent to them by the Secretariat members.

Student Officers should be well informed about every aspect of their issues. They are encouraged to be up to date on the topic, and do more research in the days to come.

It is mandatory for all Student Officers as well as any other LAMUN participant to adhere to the dress code.

Voting Placards

A placard with the name of the delegation is provided on the basis of ONE per delegate. You need it for voting. Don't forget to bring it with you to all sessions. Lost placards will not be replaced.

Photo Authorisation

It is the MUN Directors' responsibility to read and share the **Photo and Video release** attached below, with the delegates and their families. Those families who do not wish their child to appear must sign the form. This form must be sent by email to contact@lamodelunitednations.org by the MUN Director prior to the commencement of the Conference. Bear in mind that a non-signature corresponds to an authorisation.

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS

Image Release Form

Application Forms:

- Student Officer
- Press Delegate

IMAGE DATABASE

PHOTO & VIDEO RELEASE FORM

The **Latin America Model United Nations** shall count on a photographic data base of the locations of its Conferences and participating delegates to be used for institutional purposes, including any informative or promotional ones. To that effect, LAMUN is authorised to use the delegates' images for the aforementioned purposes both for including on the web page or in any other kind of LAMUN-related publication.

It is the MUN Director's responsibility to understand and share this requirement with students and their parents, since it is up to them to sign and authorise the use of their child's image. In order to make this process a swift one for MUN Directors, we are only requesting the signatures of those parents or guardians who do **not** authorize their child's image to be photographed.

It is therefore understood that a non-signature corresponds to an authorisation.

Non-authorization

I do not grant permission to the rights of my child's image, likeness and sound of his/her voice as recorded on audio or video tape without payment or any other consideration.

I understand that his/her image may be edited, copied, exhibited, published or distributed and waive the right to inspect or approve the finished product wherein my/his/her likeness appears. Additionally, I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of his/her image or recording. I also understand that this material is restricted for exclusive use in educational settings.

Delegate	Parent/Guardian Signature

I have shared this with the delegations and their families and this form provides true and accurate information.

MUN DIRECTOR

STUDENT OFFICER

Application Form Return by December 2nd, 2019

*Return this form **together** with a letter of motivation and teacher recommendation by email to: contact@lamodelunitednations.com*

Letters of motivation should outline the candidates' MUN experience and should state what they hope to achieve and what contribution they think they can make to the Conference. **MUN-Directors' recommendations** should include some reference to the candidates' academic performance, school and extra-curricular activities. **All applicants must be aware that, if and when chosen, they are expected to attend the mandatory workshop on Thursday 23rd April 2020.** Where there is more than one application from one school, MUN-Directors must rank order (**max. 3!**).

Name _____

M/F _____ Nationality _____

Date of Birth (D/M/Y) _____

School _____

Grade/form/class in 2019/2020 _____

Personal email (where you frequently check messages) _____

If you held a position at LAMUN or a THIMUN affiliated MUN conference in the past, please state which (if more paper needed please attach):

I HEREBY APPLY for a Student Officer position at the 7th Annual Session of LAMUN, held from 23 – 26 April 2020.

I WOULD PREFER, if possible, to serve as:

- President of General Assembly
- Secretary General
- Deputy Secretary General
- President Committee *
- Deputy President Committee *

*** PREFERRED FORUM (please give three in rank order):**

1. 2. 3.

Date:

Signature:

PRESS DELEGATE

Application Form Return by December 2nd, 2019

Return this form **together** with a letter of motivation and teacher recommendation by email to: contact@lamodelunitednations.com

Letters of motivation should state what the candidate hopes to achieve and what contribution they think they can make to the Conference and include details of the applicants journalistic experience and skills, familiarity with work-processing, desktop publishing, and/or photo editing programs, MUN experience and knowledge of current events.

MUN-Directors or teachers who know the candidate well should include in their **recommendation** references the candidates' academic performance, school and extra-curricular activities, and hopefully give the reader(s) an impression of why the candidate would make a good Press Delegate. Where there is more than one application from one school, MUN-Directors must rank order (**max. 3!**).

Name _____

M/F _____ Nationality _____

Date of Birth (D/M/Y) _____

School _____

Grade/form/class in 2019/2020 _____

Personal email (where you frequently check messages) _____

I WOULD PREFER, if possible, to work in the following area of the press team (circle one) as I believe I have the right skills:

Editing (Chief or Text)
Artwork

Reporting

Layout

Photography

Briefly state your MUN experience as well as your journalistic experience:

I HEREBY APPLY for a position in the press team at the 7th Annual Session of LAMUN, held from 23 – 26 April 2020.

Date:

Signature: