



MUN Advisor Certification Workshop

18-19 February, 2022

10 am- 4 pm (Japan Standard Time)
Online using ZOOM

What is Model United Nations?

Model United Nations, also known as Model UN or MUN, is an academic simulation of the United Nations. Participants who are referred to as delegates, adopt the persona of designated country ambassadors during simulated discussions. Delegates must research their countries' position on a pre-determined global issue and represent the country accordingly. Model United Nations conferences are an effective educational tool in which students must work with other peers and create practical and innovative solutions to complex real-world issues.



Delegates at the JEMUN conference.

Why should students participate in MUN conferences?

Participating in Model United Nations is an excellent way for students to gain a multitude of 21st century skills that are not often practiced in a traditional classroom setting. Some of these skills include intercultural communication, cooperation, collaboration, public speaking, negotiation, and advanced critical thinking. Discussions at Model UN conferences are demanding and solutions-oriented with the ultimate goal of creating a proposal that a

majority of the delegates can agree upon. Through this intense process, participants gain further knowledge of the global issue they are discussing, deeper understanding about the countries which are being represented, heightened communication skills, and new reflections on the world and their own position.

Delegates also gain invaluable leadership experience as they work with international teams forming solutions to important global problems. In today's era of rapid globalization, the 21st century skills that delegates develop at an MUN conference will be useful for any career they take on.



Delegate of Belarus at the 2019 JEMUN conference

Preparing for Model United Nations conferences

Preparing for Model UN conferences is a time-consuming and challenging process for both student participants and faculty in charge of teaching MUN preparation courses. To properly prepare for an MUN conference, participants usually spend a full semester in an MUN preparation course or a few months studying on their own.

JEMUN's Unique Approach to Model United Nations

Most Model UN conferences around the world emphasize competition over cooperation, with awards given to the best or most outspoken delegates. JEMUN is totally against this approach as it is far from what really happens in the United Nations, but more importantly a poor approach to educating students for the future. Over the past 16 years, the presenter has developed a unique and powerful Model UN process that emphasizes collaboration and cooperation over competition. This approach to intercultural communication is being used successfully at the annual Japan English Model United Nations (JEMUN) conference.

If you are an educator interested in adding this powerful Model UN approach to your curriculum, register on the JEMUN website and join us online on February 19th and 20th.

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Duration: 2 Days
5 hours/day
Fee: ¥ (¥6,000 JPY)

Course Content:

Day 1:

- *Introduction to MUN and overview of the preparation process*
- *Country assignments: learning the basics and teaching ideas*
- *Researching the agenda and committees: background guide and teaching tips*
- *Teaching students how to write a position paper*
- *Teaching students how to write a country speech*
- *Rules of Procedure (1): Motions/Points, starting the meeting*
- *Speech Delivery*
- *Rules of Procedure (2): informal debate (committees and regions)*
- *Regional bloc meetings: gathering information*
- *Committee meetings: writing a working paper*
- *Rules of Procedure (3): working paper to draft resolution*

Day 2:

- *Rules of Procedure (4): Informal Debate (1st time)*
- *Rules of Procedure (5): Amendments in Regional Blocs*
- *Submitting and Introducing Amendments (Friendly and Unfriendly)*
- *Negotiation*
- *Rules of Procedure (6): Informal Debate (2nd time)*
- *Rules of Procedure (7): Voting Process*
- *Creating a course syllabus to meet the needs of your school*