PRINCETON MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE 2026

DELEGATES' GUIDE

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WELCOME LETTER FROM YOUR SECRETARIES-GENERAL

Dear Delegates,

Welcome to the **2026 Princeton Model United Nations Conference (PMUNC)!**

As a conference organized by the Princeton International Relations Council, a subsidiary of the American Whig-Cliosophic Society—the oldest collegiate debating union in the United States—our goal is to deliver an unforgettable and enriching experience. Since its inception, PMUNC has continuously strived to offer a realistic, engaging simulation of the United Nations and other international bodies, complemented by fast-paced crisis committees that are sure to challenge your strategic thinking. Our Secretariat team has been working tirelessly to ensure that every delegate will have the chance to broaden their perspective, voice their opinions on pressing global issues, and collaborate with others to craft meaningful resolutions.

We know that the topics you'll be tackling in your committees will be complex and thought-provoking. To support you, our conference staff—having undergone rigorous training—will be on hand to offer guidance and assistance whenever needed. After an action-packed weekend filled with diplomacy, debate, and delightful moments, we are confident that you will leave PMUNC not only with lasting memories but also with the tools and inspiration to become future leaders in our global society.

Our mission remains simple: to provide each of you with an unrivaled, immersive educational experience. The dedicated conference staff—Princeton University students from diverse academic backgrounds ranging from economics to electrical engineering—are united by a shared passion for Model UN and global affairs. We hold our staff to the highest professional standards, and it is this commitment to excellence that defines PMUNC year after year. Beyond the serious debates, we aim to create a space where learning and collaboration are matched with a spirit of fun and camaraderie.

After carefully considering feedback from delegates, advisors, and staff, we are excited to once again offer a diverse array of committees, including our Crisis, GA, and Specialized committees. From traditional Model UN mainstays like SOCHUM and UNDP, to dynamic, unconventional options like The Trojan War, there's something for every delegate to sink their teeth into. Whether you're delivering a powerful speech as the United States or plotting against your fellow townspeople, we hope this weekend will be filled with spirited debate and plenty of fun!

On behalf of the entire PMUNC team, we are thrilled to welcome you to PMUNC 2026. Be sure to check our website regularly for updates on registration, logistics, and committee details. You can also follow us on Instagram at @pmunc for the latest news. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to our Chargé d'Affaires at pmunccharge@gmail.com.

We look forward to seeing you soon for an unforgettable weekend of diplomacy and discovery!

Best Regards,
Nikhil Kuntipuram '28 and Saibatou Kassim-Bah '28
Secretaries-General
PMUNC 2026

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Start Time	End Time	Event	Location
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH			
1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Registration	The Grand Foyer
5:00 PM	6:00 PM	Opening Ceremonies	The Grand Ballroom
6:00 PM	8:00 PM	Dinner	The Living Room
7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Late Registration	The Grand Foyer
7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Delegate Training	Jester's Court
8:30 PM	11:00 PM	Committee Session I, Group A	Dolce Committee Rooms
8:45 PM	11:15 PM	Committee Session I, Group B	Dolce Committee Rooms
9:00 PM	10:00PM	Faculty Advisors Feedback Session	Troy Hills
12:00 AM		Delegate Curfew	
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST			
7:30 AM	9:30 AM	Breakfast	The Living Room
09:00 AM	2:30 PM	Campus Visits (Optional)	Dolce Lobby - Princeton University
12:00 PM	1:00 PM	In-Hotel events (Optional)	Grand Ballroom South
12:00 PM	3:00 PM	Lunch	The Living Room
3:30 PM	6:15 PM	Committee Session II, Group A	Dolce Committee Rooms
3:30 PM	6:30 PM	Committee Session II, Group B	Dolce Committee Rooms
5:00 PM	5:45 PM	Faculty Advisor Feedback Session	Troy Hills
6:00 PM	8:00 PM	Dinner	The Living Room
8:00 PM	11:00 PM	Committee Session III, Group A	Dolce Committee Rooms
8:30 PM	11:15 PM	Committee Session III, Group B	Dolce Committee Rooms
9:00 PM	10:00 PM	Faculty Advisor Feedback Session	Troy Hills
1:00 AM		Delegate Curfew	

COMMITTEE GROUPS

Group A		Group B	
UNHCR	Yushin	SOCHUM	American Girl
SPECPOL	Moctezuma	LEGAL	Ad-Hoc
EUCO	Hunnic	UNODC	Crimea
ASEAN	Succession	UNEA AU	Trojan War
OAS UNDP	Arab	WHO	LN

Start Time	End Time	Event	Location
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND			
7:30 AM	9:30 AM	Breakfast	The Living Room
9:15 AM	10:45 AM	Committee Session IV, Group A	Dolce Committee Rooms
9:30 AM	11:00 AM	Committee Session IV, Group B	Dolce Committee Rooms
10:30 AM	11:15 AM	Delegate Break	Dolce, Various Locations
11:00 AM	12:30 PM	Committee Session V, Group A	Dolce Committee Rooms
11:15 AM	1:00 PM	Committee Session V, Group B	Dolce Committee Rooms
11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Faculty Advisor Feedback Session	Troy Hills
12:30 PM	1:30 PM	Lunch	The Living Room
12:30 PM	1:30 PM	Head Delegate Lunch	TBD
1:30 PM	4:00 PM	Committee Session VI, Group A	Dolce Committee Rooms
2:00 PM	4:30 PM	Committee Session VI, Group B	Dolce Committee Rooms
2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Faculty Advisor Lecture	Troy Hills
3:30 PM	5:00 PM	Delegate Break	Dolce, Various Locations
4:30 PM	7:00 PM	Committee Session VII, Group A	Dolce Committee Rooms
5:15 PM	7:30 PM	Committee Session VII, Group B	Dolce Committee Rooms
6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Dinner	The Living Room
7:30 PM	8:30 PM	Faculty Advisor Feedback Session	Troy Hills
9:00 PM	10:30 PM	Delegate Social Activities (Optional)	The Grand Ballroom
11:00 PM		Delegate Curfew	
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD			
7:30 AM	9:00 AM	Breakfast	The Living Room
9:00 AM	11:00 AM	Committee Session VIII, Group A	Dolce Committee Rooms
9:00 AM	11:00 AM	Committee Session VIII, Group B	
12:00 PM	1:00 PM	Closing Ceremonies	The Grand Ballroom

COMMITTEE ROOM ASSIGNMENTS

GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

Committee Name	Chair	Acronym	Room
United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	Shaila Man	UNHCR	Grand Ballroom South
United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime	Kevin Keys	UNODC	Salon 1 + 2
Special Political & Decolonization Committee	Ziyi Yan	SPECPOL	Grand Ballroom Center
Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Committee	Maria Wiik	SOCHUM	Grand Ballroom North
UN Legal Committee	Noah Barkan	Legal	Morris
United Nations Development Programme	Maki Flauta	UNDP	Jester's

REGIONAL & SPECIALIZED COMMITTEES

Committee Name	Chair	Acronym	Room
European Council	TBA	EUCO	Executive Suite
African Union	Fopefoluwa Aduwo	AU	Mendham
Arab League	Luqmaan Bamba	Arab	Skylands Suite
The Association of Southeast Asian Nations	Momo Sonoda	ASEAN	Morristown
League of Nations	Ian Liu	LN	Salon 3
World Health Organization	Kyuryeon (Ryan) Kim	WHO	Chester
United National Environment Assembly	Anurup Bhakta	UNEA	Salon 4
Organization of American States	Miniya Malone	OAS	Whippany

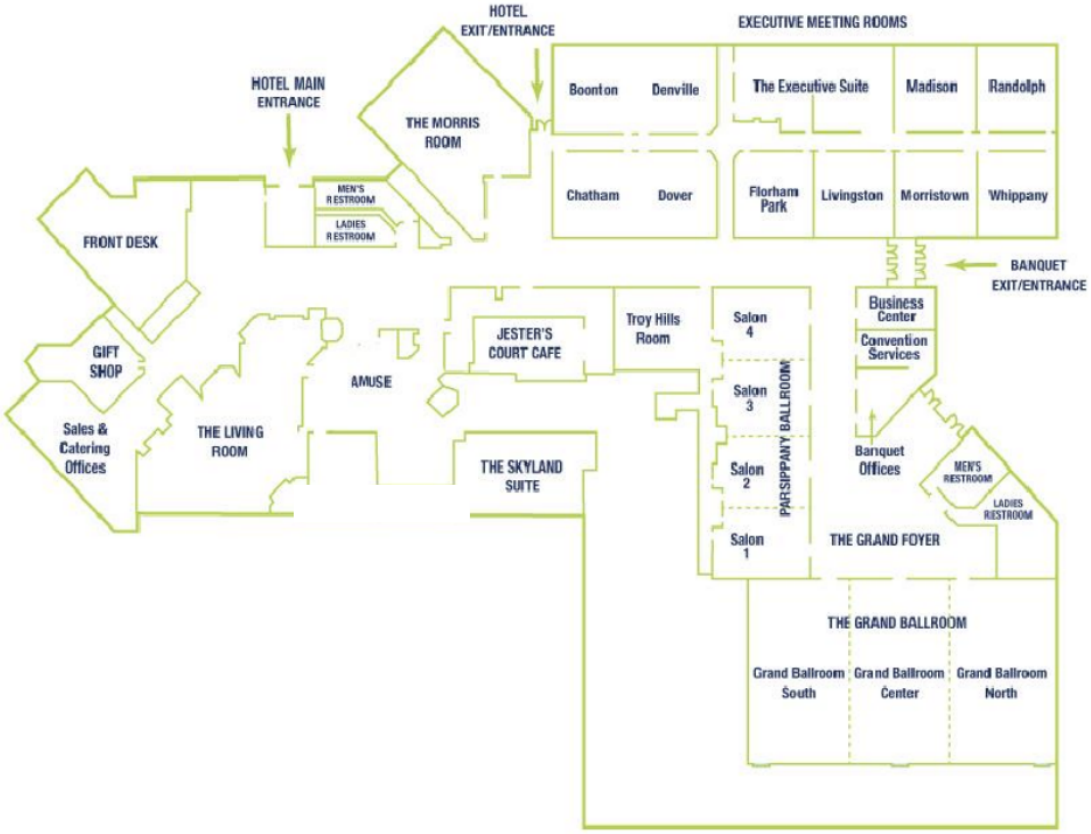
CRISIS COMMITTEES

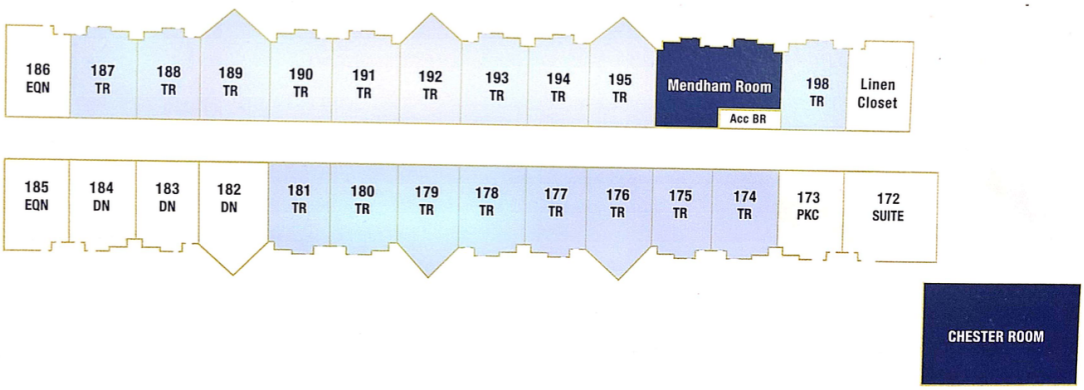
Committee Name	Chair	Acronym	Room
Ad-Hoc	Eva Engel	Ad-Hoc	Chatham
Moctezuma's Revenge: First Contact	Alejandra Ramos	Moctezuma	Randolph
"Scourge of God": The Hunnic Invasions of Europe, AD 460-469	Carter McLean	Hunnic	Denville
The American Girl Historical Summit: Democracy Sold Separately	Lauren Zuravel	American Girl	Florham Park
Troy: The Judgement of Paris	Gabriel Lopez	Trojan	Madison
The Fall of Yushin: South Korea, 1979-1980	Mikhail Perminov	Yushin	Boonton
Hostile Takeover: The Waystar Royco Board of Directors (Succession)	Ayushmaan Kher	Succession	Dover
The Annexation of Crimea & the Russo-Ukrainian War	Eric Mohorea	Crimea	Livingston

CONFERENCE CENTER MAP

Floor:

Mezzanine:





GUIDELINES & SAMPLE RESOLUTION

Please handwrite your clauses and submit them to the dais, per your chair's directions. Prewriting any clauses is strictly prohibited at PMUNC.

Additionally, Large Language Models (such as ChatGPT, Gemini, Claude, etc.) are strictly prohibited for drafting position papers, speeches, and resolution clauses. While delegates may use AI as a research tool to brainstorm or locate information, LLMs cannot be listed as a source in your bibliography, and you must verify and cite authentic sources.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions require a simple majority of 50% + 1 to pass. In order to be introduced, a draft resolution must have at least 2 sponsors, and 20% of the committee must be either a sponsor or a signatory.

SAMPLE RESOLUTION

Sponsors: [Countries who wrote and fully support this resolution]
Signatories: [Countries who want to see this resolution introduced to the floor and voted upon; they do not necessarily have to support all of the resolution's statements]
Topic: "Writing a working paper in committee"

Draft Resolution 1.1

The General Assembly,

Declaring this resolution to be a sample of how delegates should write their working papers in committee,

Affirming the use of Preambulatory clauses to formally introduce the topics in mind, reference specific previous UN action, or to point towards past regional or global efforts on the topic,

Bearing in mind that the starting phrase cannot be italicized by hand, but each clause should still end with a comma and have proper spacing,

1. Proclaims that operative clauses state specific actions desired by the committee;

2. Designates that the first word of the clause be underlined and each clause end in a semi-colon;

3. Further proclaims that if subclauses are to be used:
    a. The sub- clause ends with a comma and are denoted with letters rather than numbers,
    b. They can have sub-sub clauses, which:
        i. Further expand upon on a statement in a subclause,
        ii. Are denoted by Roman Numerals,
        iii. Have at least 2;

4. Calls upon all delegates to not bring pre-written clauses to committee, but write their papers together with fellow delegates;

5. Reminds delegates that they cannot use computers to type their working paper;

6. Encourages all delegates to have a fantastic weekend writing working papers and debating resolutions at PMUNC 2026

PREAMBULATORY & OPERATIVE PHRASES

SAMPLE PREAMBULATORY PHRASES

Acknowledges	Declaring	Further recalling	Noting with regret
Affirming	Deeply conscious	Gravely concerned	Observing
Alarmed by	Deeply disturbed	Guided by	Pointing out
Approving	Emphasizing	Having considered	Realizing
Aware of	Expecting	Having devoted attention	Regretting
Bearing in mind	Expressing its appreciation	Having examined	Reminding
Believing	Expressing its satisfaction	Keeping in mind	Seeking
Citing	Fulfilling	Looking forward	Taking into account
Confident in	Fully aware	Maintaining	Taking note
Congratulating	Further considering	Noting with appreciation	Viewing with appreciation
Contemplating	Further deploring	Noting with deep concern	Welcoming

SAMPLE OPERATIVE PHRASES

Accepts	Congratulates	Further urges	Stresses
Affirms	Demands	Has resolved	Strongly affirms
Appeals	Designates	Insists	Strongly condemns
Appreciates	Draws attention	Invites	Strongly encourages
Approves	Encourages	Opposes	Strongly suggests
Calls	Endorses	Recalls	Suggests
Calls upon	Further invites	Recognizes	Supports
Commends	Further proclaims	Regrets	Takes note of
Condemns	Further recommends	Reminds	Urges
Confirms	Further resolves	Requests	Welcomes

REFERENCE GUIDE: RULES OF PROCEDURE

Motion	Speakers	Vote	Purpose
Adoption of the Agenda	2+/2-	Majority	Sets the order of topics to be discussed
Set Time Limit	None	Majority	Establishes or sets limit on each speech
Move into Moderated Caucus	None	Majority	Moves the committee into a moderated caucus for the stated purpose under the stated time constraints
Move into Unmoderated Caucus	None	Majority	Moves the committee into an unmoderated caucus for the given amount of time
Table the Topic	1+/1-	Majority	Ends debate on the current topic without voting on resolutions
Close the Debate	2+/2-	2/3	Ends debate on the topic and moves into voting procedures
Divide the Question	2+/2-	Majority	Splits a resolution in order to vote on parts of it separately
Declare an Important aaa was Question	2+/2-	Majority	Requires a substantive issue to need 2/3 majority to pass
Roll Call Vote	None	None	Requires the chair to record a verbal vote of yes, yes with rights, no, no with rights, abstain, or pass from all delegations individually
Recess	None	Majority	Suspends committee function until specified time

Point	Purpose
Of Order	Points out a procedural mistake or infraction
Of Parliamentary Procedure	Clarifies the rules when delegation is unsure of procedure
Of Personal Privilege	Points out something impairing a delegation's ability to participate
Of Clarification	Clarifies errors or word choice in a submission or non-substantive issue
Right of Reply	Replies to a personal attack on a delegation's member(s)
Of Inquiry	Asks a clarifying question of the chair or staffers

Submission	Requirements
Working Paper	Requires a minimum of one sponsor and signatures of 20% of countries present. Requires a simple majority to pass, unless deemed an important question.
Resolution	A working paper which has been formally introduced to the committee. A resolution passes if more than 50% of the active votes are "Yes"/in favor.
Friendly Amendment	Must be agreed to by all sponsors of a resolution. Once approved, it becomes automatically incorporated into the paper.

AWARDS POLICY

The following four tiers of awards may be given at PMUNC 2026 for each committee:

1. Best Delegate
2. Outstanding Delegate
3. Honorable Mention
4. Verbal Commendations

In addition, a "Best Position Paper" award will be given.

The following tiers of awards may be given at PMUNC 2026 for delegations:

1. Best Delegation
2. Outstanding Delegation

Awards will be given on the basis of the following criteria, in no particular order:

- Adherence to policy of country/character
- Attendance in all committee sessions*
- Public speaking ability
- Ability to negotiate, compromise, and form effective agreements
- Knowledge of the subject material
- Knowledge and proper application of the Rules and Procedure
- Professional and mature conduct
- Adherence to the PMUNC policies (attendance, dress code, etc.)

*Note: Crisis delegates not staying at the Dolce Hotel by Wyndham Parsippany Hotel will **NOT** be penalized for missing unlisted sessions.

In addition to the committee awards, four school awards will be given for the first and second place schools in both large and small school categories. The school awards will be based on a variety of factors, including the school's overall performance and conduct, delegation size, and the overall effort put into the Conference.

DELEGATION AWARDS

The following tiers of awards may be given at PMUNC 2026 for delegations:

- Best Small Delegation
- Outstanding Small Delegation

- Best Large Delegation
- Outstanding Large Delegation

A total of four delegation awards will be presented at PMUNC 2026: two for small delegations and two for large delegations. Awards will be given to the delegations that have achieved the highest total number of awards based on a weighted point system. The tallying system is described below:

-Best Delegate (6 pts)

-Outstanding Delegate (4 pts)

-Honorable Mention (3 pts)

-Verbal Commendations (2 pts)

-Best Position Paper (1 pts) **small delegations are delegations have 15 delegates or less, large delegations are delegations with 16 delegates or more*