

## G20 Campus Sherpa Program

In line with the Model G20 program on our website [G20-india.org](http://G20-india.org), we want to engage enthusiastic youth from schools, colleges and universities to become “Campus Sherpa”. Each institution will have one campus ambassador who will volunteer to undertake a set of activities to promote, manage and execute Model G20 programs within their campus.

### How do you become a Sherpa?

Anyone who has the will to lead the herd is capable of becoming a Campus Sherpa!

We need enthusiastic students who are experienced in managing and organizing events inside their campus or outside their campus. Anyone who is eager to gain practical knowledge and implement it to create a simulation of the Group of Twenty can opt for this program.

In order to register as a Sherpa, one has to go through an application process. The process comprises a comprehensive registration form pertaining to the applicant’s details.

An applicant is also required to acquire a minimum of 5 students from the same institution who will act as volunteers for the program.

Before one signs up for being a Sherpa, one needs to have the G20 Genius Certificate.

The G20 Genius Certificate is a unique educational tool that treats the background, role, activities, goals, and challenges of the G20 as pedagogical knowledge. The interactive learning orientation lasts 45 minutes and covers all the important information about the G20. It is designed specifically for young people, making it easy for them to grasp and discover the information they need without growing tired. It engages the user with amusing animations, audio-visuals, quizzes, Q&As, and DIY exercises. By placing an emphasis on presenting India's initiatives and culture to the rest of the world, it seeks to produce societal influencers and torch bearers of the G20 program known as "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" and subtly affect the collective conscience.

### What does a Sherpa do?

- A sherpa has to orchestrate and organize a simulation of the G20 on their campus.
- Along with the simulation, they are required to organize youth inspired events all year round.
- As a campus sherpa, one is the mediator between the college and our organization.
- Moreover, all permissions and interactions are communicated via the campus sherpa to us and to the college management.
- One will also gain knowledge on business relations and marketing, while organizing for funds, sponsorship, and volunteers for the events on campus.

- One will also work as the outreach incharge for the campus. For instance, a sherpa will spread awareness about the upcoming events to attain maximum participation.
- It goes without saying that the Sherpas will assist in conducting the National Model G20.
- They will help the staff in planning and executing the yearly summit.
- In conclusion, they will participate as volunteers, speakers, and student delegates in the various events and the annual summit.

Why become a Sherpa?

- **International Relations**

An understanding of the international ties between the constituent members is necessary for everyone partaking in the Model G20 summit, especially a Campus Sherpa. International relations refer to the study of the relations of states with each other and with international organizations and sub-national entities. Delegating as a member state helps one in learning and understanding such ties and being able to find solutions towards grievances. A campus sherpa learns the ties to create awareness strategies for their students.

- **Foreign Affairs**

A Campus Sherpa in the G20 summit is required to have a good grasp on Foreign Affairs pertaining to the member state they are representing. Foreign affairs refer to issues concerning the member state's interactions with other countries overseas. It is vital for a delegate to be aware of the member state's foreign affairs.

With over 50% of India's population being below the age of 25, the government has initiated multiple Know India Programs (KIPs) to educate the youth about its external affairs. Moreover, the Model G20 convention offers a unique forum for learning about international affairs and its consequences.

- **National Affairs**

A Sherpa can also partake as a delegate in the national summit. It is well known that in order to effectively represent a member state, a delegate should be conversant about its internal issues. Being a delegate one gets to learn an enormous amount about the member state's policies, issues, and socio-economic stature.

A good understanding of current affairs is imperative to succeed in any competitive exam. Over 11.5 lakh students applied for UPSC 2022 exam. Model G20 is a great opportunity to strengthen one's internal current affairs and prepare for these competitive exams in a jubilant manner.

- **Macroeconomics**

The G20 brings together the world's major and systemically important economies. India is on its way to becoming the fifth largest economy in the world. Over time, a delegate develops a thorough awareness of the macroeconomic ties involving many countries, not only India. This will enlighten one's comprehension of economic relationships and what determines the economic stature of a country.

With countries such as Sri Lanka, Lebanon, Russia, and Zambia drowning in economic crises, the delegates have an opportunity to present their opinions and find world class solutions.

- **Youth Awareness and Networking**

The Model G20 acts as an awareness program for the youth of India. It enables the youth to dive deep into socio-political matters and fetch for solutions. This process creates a sense of responsibility as an individual and boosts awareness about what is happening around them.

This conference collects thousands of people from various walks to come together and deliberate. It acts as a pivot to enlarge one's network. It is a stepping stone for those who wish to expand their social circuit and leave a mark.

- **Diplomacy**

War is a failure of diplomacy and thus, it is extremely crucial for all member states to be diplomatic in their stance while looking out for themselves. While representing a member state, one learns the art of diplomacy- a trait useful for a lifetime.

Diplomats try to help their own country, encourage cooperation between nations, and maintain peace. This opportunity enables one to have

confidence, patience, the ability to listen, the openness of mind and heart to compromise, and the drive to complete the work demanded.

- **Public Speaking**

The act of speaking face to face to a live audience often brings shivers to most. It is an art not inherited to all, but an art to be acquired. Being a Campus Sherpa in the Model G20 will give you plenty of opportunity to burst your bubble and face your fears.

Individuals with experience in speaking in front of groups are said to be better at interviews in the future. In the summit each participant has to put forth their stance and diplomatically approach the issues presented to them. One has to debate, dialogue, and deliberate, in order to make the events successful..

- **Research Analysis**

It is important to be aware of what one is hosting. Being a campus sherpa, one has to have a rough idea about trends, political and modern, in order to attract large numbers. Thus a thorough understanding of it is required.

Research and Development is a part of every industry. At the end of the conference, not only will you have gained immense knowledge, you will have improved your research and analytical skills, which will definitely help you in the future.

- **Communication Skills**

Speaking publicly is one thing, but communicating your viewpoints to people is another. The process of voicing your opinions to safeguard your plans of action and then guiding the volunteers towards your idea creates great opportunities to work on your communicating skills.

Most HR employers have stressed over the importance of good communication skills during an interview. Good communication and interpersonal skills improve the way one operates through their life. Lobbying during and after a committee session is vital for your victory and prepares you for proper communication after..

- **Leadership Skills**

Hosting a summit of such stature requires leadership skills. One needs to manage a team and work with a diverse group of people. This sharpens your skills to lead a community of individuals.

As a Sherpa, convincing people to be on your team also instills leadership qualities within you. Assuring other members that their concerns will be raised while being the author of one's own resolution requires a sense of leadership. All these experiences prepare you for the future in a complete manner.

- **Event Management**

The process of conducting the conference on campus is not a small task but is of first nature to our Campus Sherpas. It is a series of decisions that lead up to the summit. It covers multiple aspects of managing an event of such scale and helps you in problem solving abilities. At the end of the conference as a Sherpa, you will be confident in managing individuals and events that will always come handy in the future.

- **Certifications**

Most importantly, all Sherpas will get certifications that will attest for the above mentioned skill set. They also reflect the hardwork and knowledge incorporated in this tenure. With such legitimate certifications, anybody's resume will stand out.