

WELCOME LETTER

Dear Head Delegates and Advisors,

My name is Varsha Venkatasubramanian and I am the Secretary-General for the UC Berkeley Model United Nations Conference in March 2016. UCBMUN is in our 20th year and we are proud to be one of the oldest Model UN programs in the country. Each year our conference brings hundreds of delegates from top universities across the nation and the world to San Francisco, California to debate sociopolitical issues that resonate across the globe.

This year, UCBMUN XX will be hosted from March 3rd to March 6th at the Hilton, Financial District, San Francisco. Delegates will participate in committees, utilizing months of research and preparation to develop resolutions for major geopolitical problems. Our diverse delegates come from various fields, colleges, and regions.

UCBMUN creates opportunities for potential leaders of the next generation to engage in multi-faceted dialogue, face personal growth, gain comprehensive perspectives on world issues, and learn about the trials and triumphs of international diplomacy, all in the hopes of creating a better of tomorrow.

Our conference draws highly motivated individuals that have already made impacts in their communities and will undoubtedly continue to do so in the future. We look forward to your joining us in this exciting journey and experience all that UCBMUN and San Francisco have to offer! If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to email me at sg@ucbmun.org.

Sincerely,

Varsha Venkatasubramanian

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If you have any questions, comments, or concerns during the conference please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Our profound thanks to:

Mr. Fred McCall and Ms. Millicent Cheney, and the entire ASUC/LEAD Center

Ms. Amy Nasser, Mr. Jeffrey Chirinos, and the Entire Hilton Staff

The Horizon Ultra Lounge

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Thursday, March 3rd

Registration 3:30pm – 6:30pm

Model United Nations 101 Workshop* 4:30pm – 6:00pm

Opening Ceremonies 7:00pm – 7:45pm

Committee Session I 8:00pm – 10:00pm

Committee Feedback** 10:15pm – 10:45pm

Bar Crawl/ Hookah Night 10:45pm – 1:00am

Friday, March 4th

Lunch 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Committee Session II 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Advisor Feedback Forum*** 3:00pm – 3:30pm

Dinner 5:00pm – 6:15pm

Committee Session III 6:15pm – 9:15pm

Committee Feedback** 9:30pm – 10:00pm

Jazz Night 10:00pm – 1:00am

Saturday, March 5th

Committee Session IV 10:00am – 1:00pm

Advisor Feedback Forum*** 11:30am – 12:00pm

Committee Feedback** 1:15pm – 1:45pm

Lunch 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Committee Session V 3:00pm – 7:00pm

Delegate Soiree**** 10:00pm – 2:00am

Sunday, March 6th

Closing Ceremony 10:00am – 12:00pm

Please note that all GA sessions on Friday and Saturday will begin 15 minutes before the aforementioned committee sessions times.

* For Location, kindly come to registration desk

** Head Delegates and Advisors Only

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LOCATION OF COMMITTEE ROOMS

Crisis Committees

Ad-Hoc – Pyramid

United Nations Security Council – Washington

A Clash of three Kingdoms – Valencia

Obama's Cabinet – Embarcadero

Dark Net – Davis

Pontius Pilate and the Divisions of Judea – The Cloud

Margaret Thatcher – Grant

Colombia: Beace Accords with FARC – Sansome

Marco's Phillippines – Front

Joint Crisis Committees

Government of Rhodesia – Mason 1

ZANU – Mason 2

ZAPU – Montgomery

Specialized Bodies

World Social Forum– Pine

NFL Owners Meeting – Columbus 3

European Court of Human Rights – Columbus 2

DISEC – Columbus 1

SPECPOL – Grand Ballroom

(Kindly check back pages of handbook for hotel layout)

CONFERENCE INFORMATION AND POLICIES

Office of Delegate Services

Our Office of Delegate Services (ODS) staff is trained to assist with any delegate needs, and treating your concerns is our top priority. Throughout the conference, we will be readily available to answer any inquiries that may come up, such as the replacement of lost materials. Replacement fees for lost badges, delegate handbooks, or country placards will be \$5.00 each

Laptops

The use of laptops is prohibited in all UCBMUN conference committees during committee session. Please note that all prewritten documents or notes are strictly forbidden during committee.

Advisors

Delegations are welcome to invite their advisor to attend the conference. Advisors may observe the performance of their respective school, however they may not participate, interfere, or advise during committee session or debate. Any advisor found violating this policy, at the discretion of the committee's chair and UCBMUN Secretariat, will result in the ineligibility of receiving any awards for their respective school. We will host advisor-centered feedback sessions during many of the committee sessions to ensure we fix any problems the advisors might observe.

Dress Code

UCBMUN Conference staff and delegates are expected to be dressed in professional business attire during committee sessions. Dressing up in your country's traditional dress or as your character might have dressed is acceptable at the discretion of the chair.

Alcohol Policy

For reference of all delegates, one must be 21 years or older to legally purchase or consume alcohol in the United States. The consumption of alcohol during committee session is prohibited regardless of age. Underage drinking at events will not be supported or tolerated by UCBMUN.

Awards

The Secretariat stresses that the presentation of awards is not intended to foster a competitive environment among delegates and should not be pursued as an end. Awards are presented to delegates and schools that demonstrate the qualities of outstanding diplomats and representatives of their particular country or character. Specific policies regarding the selection of award-winning delegates are kept confidential, but the criteria that may be used to evaluate awards include the following:

- a) Quality and accuracy of delegate's policy paper (if the committee requires one)
- b) Knowledge and understanding of the represented country's or character's policies and position

Committees

World Social Forum: Another World is Possible!

Head Chair: Anton Wideroth

2016 NFL Owner's Meeting

Head Chair: Keenu Malik

Legal Committee: European Court of Human Rights

Head Chair: Wendie Yeung Legal Director: Anthony Miller

DISEC: Disarmament and International Security

Head Chair: Hassan Ayub

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (SPECPOL)

Head Chair: Mariam El-Magrissy

Crisis

The Ad Hoc Committee of the Secretary-General

Head Chair: Lorenzo Ramos Crisis Director Grayson Dimick

A Clash of Three Kingdoms: The Battle at the Red Cliff

Head Chair Timothy Guan Crisis Director: Aric Chang

Obama Unleashed or Rejected: The Cabinet of the Presidency of the United States

Head Chair: Rahim Daya Crisis Director: Ish Farooqui

Conquering the Web: Industry, Government and the Dark Net

Head Chair: Bhavna Gopal Crisis Director Steven Elleman

Rome's Forgotten Colony: Pontius Pilate and the Divisions of Judea

Head Chair: Alice Ma Crisis Director: Allie Gordon

Colombia: Peace Accords with FARC

Head Chair: Camillo Ossa Crisis Director Will Kable

The Rolex 12: Marcos Philippines under Martial Law

Head Chair: Disha Subramanian Crisis Director: Austin Weinstein

UN Security Council: India and Pakistan in 1947

Head Chair: Divit Sood Crisis Director: Rajit Kinra

Cabinet of the Iron Lady: There is no Alternative

Head Chair: Baihbav Srikanan Crisis Director Siddharth Mehta

JCC

Zimbabwe African People's Union (ZAPU)

Head Chair: Or-el Vaknin Crisis Director: Sahil Gupta

Zimbabwe African National Union (ZANU)

Head Chair: Amay Hupta Crisis Director: Jay Mahabal

The Government of Rhodesia

Head Chair: Kristina Kousherian Crisis Director: Nathan Black

PROGRAMMING DESCRIPTIONS

Thursday Evening

Bar Crawl: We invite delegates who are 21+ to join us for a neighborhood bar crawl on Thursday night led by UCBMUN staff members. Come experience one of San Francisco's most historic neighborhoods - one of the bars on our bar crawl was a favorite of the Beat Generation. Each bar has a different theme and all are in close proximity to the hotel. **Hookah Night:** Join members of the UCBMUN staff as they travel to one of San Francisco's premier Hookah Bars. We will have a night of tea, finger food, and hookah while experiencing a taste of San Francisco's nightlife. You must be 18 to attend this event. Approximately \$20 cost for Hookah Night, still being confirmed.

Friday Evening

Jazz Night: On Friday night, UCBMUN will host a jazz soiree in the Grand Ballroom of the Hilton, complete with a live jazz quartet and a photo booth. Dress to impress and come boogie with us! A bar will be available for those delegates over 21 who wish to drink.

Saturday Evening

Delegate Soiree: UCBMUN's greatly anticipated annual Soiree will take place on Saturday night, when the Horizon Ultra Lounge becomes hotter than the Delegate's Lounge at the UN. Come celebrate a fantastic conference and dance the night away with new and old friends, allies, and adversaries. Please note that delegates must have a UCBMUN XX wristband to participate in all the aforementioned programming events.

Keynote Speaker Information

Schools and Sponsors

THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING
UCBMUN XX!
WE CANNOT WAIT TO SEE YOU
NEXT YEAR!