In the year 1904, the Panama Canal opened its gates to the world, inaugurating one of the most impressive engineering projects of history. Proposed as early as the 15th century, the first serious attempts were undertaken by the French towards the end of the 19th century. Plagued with problems, the project was eventually abandoned until it was picked up by the U.S. government in 1903.

This committee will place delegates at the heart of negotiations between American, Colombian, and Panamanian interests. Delegates will have to compromise between radically different viewpoints and work through the political, international, and logistical challenges that were ubiquitous during the building of the Canal. Starting in 1903, delegates will simulate the heated debates between the American and the Colombian governments, eventually coming to a mutual agreement over the building of the Panama Canal.