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Program



2020 STUDENT DIPLOMAT PROGRAM JUNIOR MODEL UNITED NATIONS

PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Culture Diplomacy Conference

Wednesday, January 8, 2020 and
Friday, January 10, 2020

Penn Museum

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Jr. Model UN Preparatory Conference

Thursday, March 5, 2020 and
Friday, March 6, 2020

*The Fox School of Business at
Temple University*

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

PROGRAM

RESOURCES:



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[Briefing Paper - Climate Change](#)

[Briefing Paper - Aiding Refugees
and Displaced Peoples](#)

The Student Diplomat / Jr. Model United Nations Program is a five-month journey that introduces over 750 middle school students to international affairs and cultural diplomacy. With an emphasis on developing students' research, writing, cultural competency, and communication skills, the program helps meet the growing demand for global affairs curricula in local middle schools.

The topics for the 2019 - 2020 Jr. Model United Nations Program topics were **1) Combating Climate Change** and **2) Aiding Refugees and Displaced People**.

Program goals for students include: (1) gaining a deeper understanding of world geography, history, and cultures; (2) exploring the mission, structure, and function of the United Nations; (3) applying research and critical thinking skills to specific global issues; (4) learning to write, debate, and amend resolutions; (5) understanding the role of diplomacy and deliberation in international affairs; and (6) developing skills in conflict resolution, problem solving, and cross-cultural communication. In addition to class or club work facilitated by teachers or parents throughout the school year, the Council meets with the middle school students on three separate occasions between January and May, producing three very distinct programs: The Cultural Diplomacy Conference (January), the Preparatory Conference (March), and the Final Conference (May). In 2020, the Final Conference was cancelled due to COVID-19 and students participated in two end-of-program assignments.