PROGRAM INFORMATION:
Tuesday, March 3, 2020
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
The Fox School of Business at Temple University
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

PROGRAM RESOURCES:
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Program Book
Briefing Paper – The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations
Committee Briefing - The Ongoing U.S. - Iranian Tensions
Committee Briefing - Cybersecurity and Election Interference in 2020 and Beyond
Committee Briefing - Migration in the Western Hemisphere

“Throughout its history, the committee has been instrumental in developing and influencing United States foreign policy... Through these powers, the committee has helped shape foreign policy of broad significance, in matters of war and peace and international relations.”

-Senate Committee on Foreign Relations History and Rules

The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations (SCFR) represents an integral component of Congress’ oversight responsibilities and acts to uphold U.S. interests in an increasingly globalized world. Senators are tasked with reviewing ongoing political, economic, environmental and social events occurring throughout the world, and providing reasonable, solutions-oriented policies to mitigate harm and promote U.S. interests. The SCFR also deliberates on all foreign policy legislation in the Senate and is responsible for the confirmation process of all diplomatic nominations among other responsibilities.

Students in the 2020 Model Senate Foreign Relations Committee represented select Senators of the committee, their staffs, expert witnesses, and journalists as they sought positive solutions to three ongoing global issues. Students studied one of the following three topics: 1) The Ongoing U.S. - Iranian Tensions; 2) Cybersecurity and Election Interference in 2020 and Beyond; 3) Migration in the Western Hemisphere. Senators heard testimony from expert witnesses and crafted resolutions suggesting specific policies and proposals aimed at mitigating the threats posed by these issues and promoted desired solutions.