



2020-2021 Jr. Model United Nations (Jr. MUN) Program Calendar

Note: This document will be updated as more program dates and details are confirmed.

<p>September 2020</p>	<p>Thursday, September 3 Global Smarts Mentoring Program Prospective Partner Schools invited to Reapply for Global Smarts</p> <p>Wednesday, September 16 (4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Zoom) "Welcome Back" Program Introduction Webinar - Explanation of virtual Jr. Model UN program</p> <p>Wednesday, September 16 Jr. Model UN Registration Opens (NOTE: Program spots are available on a first come, first serve basis.)</p> <p>Friday, September 18 Deadline for Global Smarts Mentoring Partner Prospective Partner Schools to Reapply for Global Smarts</p>
<p>October 2020</p>	<p>Friday, October 23 Registration Closes</p>
<p>November 2020</p>	<p>Wednesday, November 25 Faculty Advisers receive confirmed program dates and students' Jr. Model United Nations country and committee assignments.</p>
<p>December 2020</p>	<p>Friday, December 18 Optional - Country Profile Worksheet Due</p>
<p>January 2021</p>	<p><u>*Preparatory Meeting for Cultural Diplomacy Conference - VIRTUAL - Wednesday, January 6</u> Faculty advisers will meet with Council staff to go over technical and logistical needs for the upcoming Cultural Diplomacy Conference and have the opportunity to ask any questions they may have regarding the program.</p> <p><u>*Cultural Diplomacy Conference - VIRTUAL - Wednesday, January 13, Thursday, January 14, Friday, January 15, and Wednesday, January 27</u> In partnership with the Penn Museum, students and faculty advisers attend the Cultural Diplomacy Conference virtually, where they explore how their unique cultural backgrounds influence their lives and perceptions of the world around them.</p>

<p>February 2021</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Under the direction of a faculty adviser and/or mentor, students learn about the structure and function of the United Nations. ● Students begin to conduct research on the committee topic from the perspective of their assigned country, using briefing papers, online resources and other curriculum materials provided by the Council.
<p>March 2021</p>	<p><u>*Prep Conference - VIRTUAL - Tuesday, March 9th, Wednesday, March 10, and Thursday, March 11th</u></p> <p>Students and faculty advisers attend the virtual Jr. Model United Nations Prep Conference. Students participate in both expert topic briefing sessions as well as resolution writing workshops.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students, in their country and subcommittee groupings, begin to synthesize their research by writing (optional) position papers, explaining their country's position on the assigned subcommittee topic and their country's history with the overall program topic. ● Students, individually, synthesize their research by video recording an opening speech, explaining their country's position on their assigned subcommittee topic and their country's history with the overall program topic. <p>Position Paper OR Video Recorded Opening Speech Deadline: Friday, March 26</p> <p>Faculty advisers submit students' (optional) position papers OR video recorded opening speeches via Google Drive using Council templates, instructions, and resources.</p>
<p>April 2021</p>	<p>Resolution Deadline: Friday, April 30</p> <p>Using background research outlined in their (optional) position papers or video recorded opening speeches, and their newly acquired resolution writing skills, students – in their country and subcommittee groupings – draft final policy resolutions addressing potential solutions to the general assembly/their assigned subcommittee. Faculty advisers and/or mentors review final resolutions and submit to Council staff via Google Drive.</p>
<p>May 2021</p>	<p>Final Resolutions Available: Thursday, May 7</p> <p>Council staff select and publish final resolutions for each subcommittee. Students review drafts of final resolutions and practice public speaking and amendment writing skills in preparation for the Final Conference.</p> <p><u>*Final Conference: Tuesday, May 18th, Thursday, May 20th, Friday, May 21st, Tuesday, May 25th, Thursday, May 27th OR Friday, May 28th</u></p> <p>Students and faculty advisers attend the virtual Jr. Model United Nations Final Conference, where they present, debate, amend and vote on final resolutions aimed at improving the lives of people around the world. Note that each virtual program day will be limited to roughly 60 students.</p>

****Faculty Advisers/Mentors:** Please let Council staff know if you have any difficulty accessing your school's Google Drive program folder, accessing our templates/resources, or anticipate any conflicts with program assignment dates.