

Model Senate Roles and Responsibilities

Journalist

The World Affairs Council's Model Senate simulate a congressional hearing and the legislative process with students serving as Senators, Committee Co-Chairs, Expert Witnesses, and Journalists. Students will have the opportunity to write collaborative policy resolutions, hear from Expert Witness, and debate and discuss critical issues in U.S. domestic and foreign policy.

Role:

Journalists are charged with monitoring proceedings in one or more of the program's subcommittee sessions, and summarizing the proceedings, outcomes, and successes of the program in a comprehensive report that will be submitted to the World Affairs Council and their school community. The Journalist will be expected to write a detailed story following the summit to be submitted to the school newspaper or publication, as well as the World Affairs Council for our website and promotional materials. The role of Journalist is ideal for students interested in journalism or someone who wants to observe a program before taking a larger role in future Council Education programs. Students assigned the role of Journalist will have a light amount of preparatory work, but will be expected to fulfill their role after the program. The Council will accept only one student playing the role of Journalist per school.

Preparation Level: Low

Responsibilities:

- Attend and observe your assigned subcommittee session(s). Take diligent notes, record quotes, and fully document the subcommittee proceedings;
- During the program Closing Plenary, deliver a short summary report on the subcommittee(s) proceedings and outcomes;
- Following the program, draft a 1-2 page article on the subcommittee(s) proceedings and outcomes:
- Submit the article to their school newspaper or publication and to the World Affairs Council for inclusion on our website and promotional materials.