

Frequently Asked Questions:

Model UN Delegates, Advisors, Teachers & Parents

What is Model UN?

Model UN challenges students to take on the role of diplomats representing different countries as they work together to address a global issue. Model UN is done all over the world in countless conferences! Click [here](#) to watch a short 3 minute introductory video that can introduce you and your students for your first Model UN learning experience!

What makes UNAGB Model UN conferences special?

UNAGB Model UN conferences provide an exceptional learning experience for middle and high school delegates of all levels (whether it's your 1st or 40th conference!). Our committees feature a unique focus on leadership, diplomacy, and skill building that is reflected in our educator-led support model (student resources, and chair training). We offer awards to outstanding students in each committee in recognition of their success communicating effectively and building consensus among diverse global perspectives.

What is the difference between “prep” and “no-prep” conference?

A “prep” conference is one where delegates are provided resources 2 months in advance of the conference. Delegates are then asked to submit a position paper 2 weeks ahead of the conference. A “no-prep” conference does not require a position paper. All delegates are given their country assignments and conference prep materials on the day of the conference. Time is built into the schedule to give delegates a chance to quickly prepare and then jump right into debate!

What is a “crisis scenario simulation”?

For some conferences, UNAGB uses an adapted crisis model, or “crisis scenario” model. These scenarios include many common elements of a crisis committee: note passing between delegates and the crisis director, as well as utilizing a crisis arc. Depending on the committee, delegates may represent “actors” (individual policymakers) or general positions (for example, Climate Policy Advisor). Additionally, UNAGB “Crisis Scenarios” take place in the context of a no-prep conference. This means all delegates will be given the necessary materials on the day of the conference. UNAGB crisis scenario committee rooms will also be medium-sized, with about 20-30 delegates per room (larger than many traditional crisis rooms).

What are the fees and refund policy?

The fee for standard UNAGB conferences is **\$75** per delegate. There is a reduced delegate fee of **\$29** per delegate for schools serving a significant number (33% or higher) of low income students. In addition to individual delegate fees, school groups will be charged a non-refundable \$100 team registration fee. For invitational conferences (DIMUN), there is an \$85 delegate fee and reduced delegate fee of \$29 per delegate for students from schools serving a significant number (33% or

higher) of low income students. All payment is due two weeks before the scheduled conference date. Delegate refunds will not be provided after the payment deadline.

I am the parent/guardian of a student who wants to participate in Model but their school doesn't have a club? What can I do ?

A club is not required to attend a UNAGB conference. Independent delegates can register for a UNAGB Model UN conference, and we'll send you the materials to prepare. If interested in doing so, all that is needed to start a club is a one student delegation (2 students) and an advisor! We have seen successful clubs be run by teachers, parents, or university students, but an adult chaperone must be present for the full conference experience. Reach out to UNAGB with any questions.

Are there other opportunities for my students to participate in Model UN, beyond conferences?

Yes! UNAGB supports schools in doing Model UN as a unit of study in their social studies class, grades 5-11. This is our [In Class Program](#), which is in use in over 25 schools in MA! Students can also participate in our Model UN vacation programs called the [Institute in Global Leadership](#). Reach out to learn more!