



# ODUMUNC 39

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Sheraton Waterside, Norfolk, Virginia

11-14 February 2016

**Registration Packet**

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## Welcome from the Secretary-General

### Welcome from the Secretary-General to ODUMUNC 39, 11-14 February 2015

I'd like to wish a warm welcome to everyone, and on behalf of the members of the Old Dominion University Model UN society I would like to invite your school to the 39th annual ODU Model United Nations Conference. ODUMUNC 39 will be held Thursday-Sunday 11-14 February 2016 at the Downtown Norfolk Sheraton Hotel.

*Nations and States* is the theme for ODUMUNC 39. The interactions between states and nations are at the heart of the international stage. Differences between groups of people and those who rule are central to the effectiveness of the UN and fulfilment of its founding principles, including the right to self-determination.

The ODUMUNC staff is tirelessly preparing for ODUMUNC 39. We want to assure delegates and sponsors alike the best Model UN experience possible. Our General Assembly (GA) committees are designed to foster stimulating debate and accurately depict UN deliberations. The General Assembly is the foundation of the UN and a great place for new delegates to begin their Model UN careers. This year we will feature the Global Forum on the Implementation and Adjustment of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), crafting the structure for international development and aid for the next fifteen years.

ODUMUNC 39 also includes several specialized deliberative committees. These committees are more specific smaller sub-bodies within the UN system, and will address issues more specifically than General Assembly committees typically do. These committees are similar to GAs in function and structure, but the smaller size allows for more focused debate and innovative responses than General Assemblies typically offer students. The specialized committees that are being featured this year are the UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC), the ECOSOC Commission on Crime and Criminal Justice, and the UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA).

This year's ODUMUNC will feature four crisis committees focused around exercising delegates' abilities to carry out tasks such as crisis management, in depth role playing, and fast-paced debate. Delegates in these committees will be acting as historical figures or modern characters rather than state representatives, but the skills gathered as a result of participation in crisis committees are just as applicable and valuable as skills developed from participating in GA committees. The biggest change to our crisis committees this year is the addition of an exciting new committee: The Ad Hoc of the Secretary General. This committee is special because the topic of the committee and the characters portrayed are not released until delegates walk into the committee for the first session. I am excited with this addition to the crisis wing of the

conference, but I would like to stress the need for experience in Model UN as a whole but crisis specifically for this committee. Some conferences go as far as requiring applications for their ad hoc committees, but we do not; we do however, highly stress that experience for this committee is recommended.

ODUMUNC has hosted over 1000 delegates and sponsors for several years now, and has been the largest Old Dominion University affiliated academic event for some time now. Our tenure as one of the oldest high school model UN conferences has been earned by a continuing tradition of excellence and by our society's dedication to realistic simulation. We have been bringing together students from all over to a single place to advance the most important issues facing the world today to find peaceful resolutions in the true spirit of the UN.

We encourage everyone to *register early* to assure your school the best possible country and committee assignments.

See you in Norfolk, 11-14 February 2016.

Best Regards,

Chris Steadman  
Secretary-General  
ODUMUNC 39





## About ODUMUNC

The Old Dominion University Model United Nations Conference is a simulation for high school students, emphasizing education in international affairs, role-playing, public speaking, and policy management. Over 1,000 delegates and an ODU staff of 70 strive for accurate representation of the policies of the countries and organizations they represent. In preparation for the conference, delegates research their country's government, foreign policies, positions and interests as they relate to the topics under debate. At the conference, delegates promote their country's policies under the leadership of ODUMUNC's experienced staff, using with parliamentary rules and diplomatic practices. All in the intense atmosphere of Norfolk's Sheraton Waterside, in view of the world's largest naval shipyard.



ODUMUNC staff at the 2015 conference

## Dates and Registration

*Early registration* (due Friday, 2 October 2015): Register early to ensure your country selections. To register early, the completed registration form and \$65 registration fee are due by 2 October 2015. Pay by credit card on our website, or make checks payable to *ODU Model United Nations*. Both payment and registration form must be received by the deadline.

*Final registration deadline* (Friday, 4 December 2015): Submit the registration form online, by fax or mail, with the registration fee of \$65. The registration form and initial fee of \$65 are due no later than 4 December 2015. We cannot guarantee registration requests received after December 4. Registrations received after are assessed an \$80 late fee. Final payment is due 15 January 2015.

*Refund request deadline*: Friday, 15 January 2016. See refund procedures below.

*Name badge request deadline* (Friday, 29 January 2016): Assure name badges are ready at conference registration by sending your final list of names—with country and committee assignments—by January 29.

*Delegations*: A country delegation typically includes up to twelve students, depending on whether the country is represented only in the General Assembly or also in the ECOSOC and Security Council. There is no additional delegation fee for participants on specialized bodies and crisis simulations.

*Four delegations per school*: Due to space constraints, delegation assignments may be limited. Schools that wish to send additional delegations should indicate on the registration form. There is a maximum of four delegations per school, not including the specialized bodies and crisis simulations.

*Country rotation*: No school may represent the same country two years in a row. This assures equitable turnover, especially for high-demand countries.

*Photo Release*: By registering and submitting participants' names, sponsors grant Old Dominion University and the ODU Model United Nations Society permission to use their school's participants' names and/or photographs in ODU publications and media both in print and electronic. Every effort will be made to secure specific permission before using photographs.

Conference Timeline	
2 Oct.	Early registration deadline
4 Dec.	Registration form & fee due
15 Jan.	All payments due
15 Jan.	Refund deadline
29 Jan.	Name badge requests due
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## How to Register

**Register on-line at:** <http://odu.edu/al/centers/modelun/conference/registration>

If you prefer to mail or fax, please send your registration form to:

Mr. Christopher Steadman, ODUMUNC Secretary-General

*Email:* [odumunc@gmail.com](mailto:odumunc@gmail.com)

*Fax:* (757) 683-5936

*Post:* Christopher Steadman, Secretary-General  
Old Dominion University  
Model United Nations, BAL Room 2006  
Norfolk, Virginia 23529

Additional copies of the registration form are available at [odu.edu/mun](http://odu.edu/mun)

## Conference Fees

The school registration fee is **\$65**, due 4 December 2015. All other fees are due 15 January 2016. Other fees:

**\$60** each Delegation

**\$60** each individual Delegate

**\$45** each additional Faculty Advisor

**\$80** late registration surcharge

Payments are accepted by check or credit card. Make checks payable to *ODU Model United Nations*. Credit card payments should be made on the website registration page.

## Refund Policy

The registration fee of \$65 is non-refundable. Refund requests received in writing by the ODUMUNC Secretary-General on or before 15 January 2016 will be reimbursed up to 80 percent of other fees including delegation, delegate, and faculty sponsor fees.

No refund requests will be considered after the refund deadline of 15 January 2016 except for documented sickness, medical emergency or official school closings due to weather.

As part of Old Dominion University, ODUMUN is subject to all ODU and Commonwealth of Virginia requirements, policies, and procedures and as such may require additional supporting documentation for payment of refunds. ODUMUN reserves the right to refund as our finances permit. We do not offer credit for future conferences.

## For Delegates

### Training Sessions

Back by popular demand, ODUMUNC features welcome sessions on Thursday night. Led by our College Conference team, ODUMUNC 101 focuses on preparation for the General Assembly. ODUMUNC Crisis Briefing covers preparation for crisis committees.

### Social Events

Blow off steam! ODUMUNC features the ever-popular karaoke night, delegate dance and game room.



ODUMUNC Favorites
Delegates' karaoke & dance
Computer and resource room
Faculty Forum & reception
Guest speakers from the UN
Unique waterside location

## For Faculty Sponsors

**Issue briefs.** Provide background information on committees and topics, and will be available on the conference website prior to the conference.

**Support services.** The ODU Model UN Society is ready to help your students prepare with advice for student research and training. Our staff can come to regional schools for classroom training, or have your class meet with us at ODU.

## The Faculty Forum

ODUMUNC offers its unique Faculty Forum, a one-day seminar series featuring Old Dominion professors, regional political leaders and other experts. The series typically features six speakers in an informal seminar environment with refreshments. Previous years' Faculty Forum have been on the Global Implications of Climate Change, Islam and World Politics, and Europe's Role in World Affairs. *Old Dominion University offers Continuing Education credit for the Faculty Forum.*



The Norfolk Naval Shipyard from the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel.



## Committees and Topics

Each country delegation requires a minimum of 4 delegates (for the four General Assembly committees) to a maximum of 12 delegates (with 2 delegates each on for countries with the four GA committees, ECOSOC and Security Council). It is preferable that each country be represented by two delegates per body.

Schools are permitted an additional 5 delegates on specialized bodies: UNECA, HRC up to 2 delegates each, and the three crises bodies with 1 delegate each. The specialized bodies are on a per request basis and are charged *delegate* fees but not the additional delegation fee.

Registrations for the crisis committees, including the Ad Hoc, are yes/no. Specific assignments are made separately by the ODUMUNC Secretary-General.

Each school determines where its delegates can be used most effectively. *To be eligible for school awards, each delegation must be represented in all its assigned committees.*

For committee descriptions please see the website.

### Maximum Delegates per Country

<i>Country / Delegation</i>	<i>United Nations Bodies</i>					<i>Iran Cabinet</i>	<i>Scramble for Africa</i>	<i>Ad Hoc</i>	<i>Maximum Delegates</i>
	<i>GA</i>	<i>SC</i>	<i>ECOSOC</i>	<i>UNECA</i>	<i>HRC</i>				
<b>GA</b>	8								8
<b>GA &amp; SC</b>	8	2							10
<b>GA &amp; ECOSOC</b>	8		2						10
<b>GA, SC, ECOSOC</b>	8	2	2						12
<b>Above &amp; Specialized</b>	8	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	13 - 19



Security Council 2015

## Topics by Body

### General Assembly (GA):

#### *GA First Committee: Disarmament and International Security*

1. The Challenge of Lethal Autonomous Weapons
2. Regulating Private Security Companies
3. The Legitimacy of Cyber Intelligence Gathering

#### *GA Third Committee: Social, Cultural and Humanitarian*

1. Addressing the needs of Internally Displaced People
2. Establishing Universal Principles on International Undocumented Migration
3. Reaffirming the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

#### *GA Fourth Committee: Special Political and Decolonization*

1. Combating Corruption and Malfeasance in Peace Missions
2. Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms while Countering Terrorism
3. Promoting Human Rights with Respect to Cultural Diversity

#### *GA UN Summit on the Improvement and Implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals*

1. The Protection, Restoration, and Promotion of Sustainable use of Terrestrial Ecosystems
2. Establishing Water Security and the Right to Water
3. The Eradication of Poverty
4. The Addition of New Sustainable Development Goals

### Specialized Bodies

#### *Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice*

1. The Future of Capital Punishment
2. The Question of Corporate Responsibility
3. Fighting International Poaching
4. Curbing Gang Violence and Membership



*UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)*

1. Addressing the Need for Economic Diversification in Africa
2. The Promoting Education in Africa
3. The Promotion of Industrialization Through Trade

*Human Rights Council*

1. Promoting Women in Southeast Asia
2. The Future of Hostage Support Programs and International Kidnapping
3. Reaffirming the Right to Freedom of the Press
4. Combating Honor Based Violence Across the World

*Security Council*

1. Insuring the Security of UN Refugee Centers
2. Discouraging Youth from Joining Violent Extremist Organizations
3. Ending the Armenia-Azerbaijan Conflict

**Crisis Committees**

Her Majesty's Loyal Council on Africa, 1880

Cabinet of the Islamic Republic of Iran, 2015

Ad Hoc Committee of the Secretary General



Human Rights Council  
2015

## Venue

The location of the ODU Model United Nations Conference 2016 is the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel in downtown Norfolk, Virginia.

**Hotel accommodations** for participants are available at the Sheraton Hotel, where all conference activities will take place. A special room rate of \$105 per night, excluding taxes, is extended to all conference participants. To be guaranteed the discount, hotel reservations must be made by 10 January 2016.

**Hotel reservations.** Ms. Sabrina Thomas is the contact point at the Sheraton Hotel for all conference reservation inquiries. Please communicate directly with her and the Sheraton, or visit [www.sheraton.com/Norfolk](http://www.sheraton.com/Norfolk)

*Address:*

Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel  
777 Waterside Drive  
Norfolk, VA 23510

*Contact:*

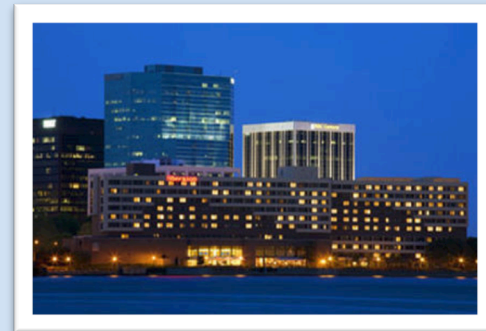
Ms. Sabrina Thomas  
[sthomas@norfolksheraton.com](mailto:sthomas@norfolksheraton.com)  
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General Inquiries: 757-622-6664

## Directions to the Sheraton

**From the West.** Interstate 64 East toward Richmond. Just before reaching Richmond, take I-295 South (toward Norfolk, Virginia Beach). Bypass Richmond, and then get back onto Interstate 64 East. Continue to Interstate 264 West and take Exit 284A (toward Norfolk). Follow Exit 9 to Waterside Drive.

**From the North.** Interstate 95 South toward Richmond. Just before Richmond, left exit to Interstate 295 South (toward Norfolk, Virginia Beach). Bypass Richmond, and then right exit to onto Interstate 64 East. After the Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel, take Exit 284A (toward Norfolk). Follow to Exit 9 Waterside Drive.

**From the South.** Interstate 95 North to Route 58 East (toward Norfolk). Follow Route 58 East to I-264 East (toward Norfolk), through the Downtown Tunnel and Bridge. Take the Waterside Drive Exit.



The Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel.

## ODUMUNC XXXIX Registration Form

*February 11 - 14, 2016. Final Registration Deadline: 4 December 2015*  
Register online at <http://odu.edu/al/centers/modelun/conference/registration>

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Street, City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Home / Mobile Phone (emergency only): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate Delegate Count: \_\_\_\_ Number of Countries Requested: \_\_\_\_

### COUNTRY PREFERENCES

List your four country choices in order of preference. Include no more than two Security Council countries. If your requested country is in a special committee and you request participation in that committee, then we will attempt to give you that country's representation in the special committee.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

### UN ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR AFRICA PREFERENCES, IF PARTICIPATING IN UNECA:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

### SPECIALIZED COMMITTEE PREFERENCES

(circle each):

Human Rights Council	YES / NO
Historical Crisis: Scramble for Africa	YES / NO
Cabinet Crisis: Iranian Cabinet	YES / NO
Ad Hoc Crisis	YES / NO



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<b>Individual Delegate</b>	\$60
<b>Additional Faculty Advisor</b>	\$45
<b>Late Surcharge</b>	\$80

## International Press Corps

*Conference newspaper:* ODUMUNC will again feature the International Press Corps (IPC). High school journalists working with ODU staff edit and publish the conference newspaper, *The Chair's Discretion*. They report on the committees, caucuses, success and disaster, commentary and perspectives. This year students in the IPC will be assigned positions like other delegates, but instead they will play different international news agencies. This will give students participating in IPC the opportunity to write in character about events going on in the conference.

Experience in journalism or model UN simulations is not a requirement. Students interested in an IPC assignment should submit an application by *15 January 2016*. *There is no registration fee for IPC participants.*

### ODUMUNC 2016 International Press Corps Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: Freshman \_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Faculty Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

Email (be sure to include this): \_\_\_\_\_

*Send this application form with a writing sample to the ODUMUNC Secretary-General no later than 15 January 2016.*

## Bodies and Member States

### UN General Assembly Member States

Afghanistan	Cape Verde	Gabon
Albania	Central African Republic	Gambia
Algeria	Chad	Georgia
Andorra	Chile	Germany
Angola	China	Ghana
Antigua and Barbuda	Colombia	Greece
Argentina	Comoros Islands	Grenada
Armenia	Congo	Guatemala
Australia	Costa Rica	Guinea
Austria	Cote d'Ivoire	Guinea Bissau
Azerbaijan	Croatia	Guyana
Bahamas	Cuba	Haiti
Bahrain	Cyprus	Holy See (Observer)
Bangladesh	Czech Republic	Honduras
Barbados	DPR Korea (North)	Hungary
Belarus	Dem. Rep. of Congo	Iceland
Belgium	Denmark	India
Belize	Djibouti	Indonesia
Benin	Dominica	Iran
Bhutan	Dominican Republic	Iraq
Bolivia	Ecuador	Ireland
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Egypt	Israel
Botswana	El Salvador	Italy
Brazil	Equatorial Guinea	Jamaica
Brunei	Eritrea	Japan
Bulgaria	Estonia	Jordan
Burkina Faso	Ethiopia	Kazakhstan
Burundi	Fiji	Kenya
Cambodia	Finland	Kiribati
Cameroon	France	Kuwait
Canada	FYR Macedonia	Kyrgyzstan

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Lao PDR	Oman	St. Kitts and Nevis
Latvia	Pakistan	St. Lucia
Lebanon	Palau	St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Lesotho	Palestine (Observer)	Sudan
Liberia	Panama	Suriname
Libya	Papua New Guinea	Swaziland
Liechtenstein	Paraguay	Sweden
Lithuania	Peru	Switzerland
Luxembourg	Philippines	Syrian Arab Republic
Madagascar	Poland	Tajikistan
Malawi	Portugal	Timor Leste
Malaysia	Qatar	Thailand
Maldives	Republic of Korea (South)	Togo
Mali	Republic of Moldova	Tonga
Malta	Romania	Trinidad and Tobago
Marshall Islands	Russian Federation	Tunisia
Mauritania	Rwanda	Turkey
Mauritius	Samoa	Turkmenistan
Mexico	San Marino	Tuvalu
Micronesia	Sao Tome and Principe	Uganda
Monaco	Saudi Arabia	Ukraine
Mongolia	Senegal	United Arab Emirates
Montenegro	Serbia	United Kingdom
Mozambique	Seychelles	United Republic of Tanzania
Myanmar	Sierra Leone	United States of America
Namibia	Singapore	Uruguay
Nauru	Slovakia	Uzbekistan
Nepal	Slovenia	Vanuatu
Netherlands	Solomon Islands	Venezuela
New Zealand	Somalia	Viet Nam
Nicaragua	South Africa	Yemen
Niger	South Sudan	Zambia
Nigeria	Spain	Zimbabwe
Norway	Sri Lanka	

**UN Security Council Member States**

Angola  
Chad  
Chile  
China\*  
France\*

Jordan  
Lithuania  
Malaysia  
New Zealand  
Nigeria

Russian Federation\*  
Spain  
United Kingdom\*  
United States of America\*  
Venezuela

\* *veto power*

**UN Economic and Social Council Member States**

Albania  
Antigua and Barbuda  
Argentina  
Australia  
Austria  
Bangladesh  
Benin  
Bolivia  
Botswana  
Brazil  
Burkina Faso  
China  
Colombia  
Congo  
Croatia  
Dem.Rep. of Congo  
Estonia  
Finland

France  
Georgia  
Germany  
Ghana  
Greece  
Guatemala  
Haiti  
Honduras  
India  
Italy  
Japan  
Kazakhstan  
Kuwait  
Kyrgyzstan  
Mauritania  
Mauritius  
Nepal  
Pakistan

Panama  
Portugal  
Republic of Korea  
Russian Federation  
San Marino  
Serbia  
South Africa  
Sudan  
Sweden  
Switzerland  
Togo  
Trinidad and Tobago  
Tunisia  
Turkmenistan  
Uganda  
United Kingdom  
United States of America  
Zimbabwe



UN Economic Commission for Africa

Algeria  
Angola  
Benin  
Botswana  
Burkina Faso  
Burundi  
Cameroon  
Cape Verde  
Central African Republic  
Chad  
Comoros  
Congo  
Côte d'Ivoire  
Democratic Rep. of Congo  
Djibouti  
Egypt  
Equatorial Guinea  
Eritrea

Ethiopia  
Gabon  
Gambia  
Ghana  
Guinea  
Guinea-Bissau  
Kenya  
Lesotho  
Liberia  
Libya  
Madagascar  
Malawi  
Mali  
Mauritania  
Mauritius  
Morocco  
Mozambique  
Namibia

Niger  
Nigeria  
Rwanda  
Sao Tome & Principe  
Senegal  
Seychelles  
Sierra Leone  
Somalia  
South Africa  
South Sudan  
Sudan  
Swaziland  
Tanzania  
Togo  
Tunisia  
Uganda  
Zambia  
Zimbabwe



**Human Rights Council Member States**

*Seats will be assigned by the Secretary-General.*

Albania	Germany	Pakistan
Algeria	Ghana	Paraguay
Argentina	India	Portugal
Bangladesh	Indonesia	Qatar
Bolivia	Ireland	Republic of Korea
Botswana	Japan	Russian Federation
Brazil	Kazakhstan	Saudi Arabia
China	Kenya	Sierra Leone
Congo	Latvia	South Africa
Côte d'Ivoire	Maldives	FYR Macedonia
Cuba	Mexico	United Arab Emirates
El Salvador	Montenegro	United Kingdom
Estonia	Morocco	United States of America
Ethiopia	Namibia	Venezuela
France	Netherlands	Viet Nam
Gabon	Nigeria	

**Crisis Committees**

**Ad Hoc Committee of the Secretary General**

*Positions and the topic will be given at the beginning of the first session*

**Her Majesty's Loyal Council on Africa, 1880**

*Positions will be assigned by the ODUMUNC Secretary-General*

**The Cabinet of the Islamic Republic of Iran, 2015**

*Positions will be assigned by the ODUMUNC Secretary-General*



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