

CMUNC 2023



Cornell Model United Nations Conference 2023 Ithaca, NY ~~ April 20-23

Invitation Packet & Notes from the
Secretariat

The Cornell Model United Nations Conference is a Model UN Conference hosted annually in Ithaca, NY for high school students both in the United States and internationally. For the past nineteen years, CMUNC has upheld its commitment to fostering diverse intellectual debate and discussion regarding both contemporary and historical international affairs.

Our well-trained Secretariat and staff have been working tirelessly since the end of CMUNC 2022 preparing a conference that will focus on providing a delegate experience unlike any other. Our conference proudly hosts more than 800 students annually in-person and hosted more than 300 students last year online. Our greatest achievement in hosting this conference, though, is our encouragement and expansion of Model UN through educational experiences and trainings.

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Letter from the Secretary-General, Akosa Nwadiogbu

Dear Prospective Delegates, Advisors, and Model UN Enthusiasts,

My name is Akosa Nwadiogbu, and I will be serving as your Secretary-General for Cornell Model United Nations Conference 2023. Cornell Model United Nations Conference (CMUNC) is an amazing experience for all who take part.



CMUNC provides a forum for those with passions in debate, international affairs, and global problem solving to immerse themselves in the pressing topics and issues of

the past, present and the future. As a learning conference, we stress how much we value professional networking, skill development, and delegate feedback.

I would like to cordially invite you to Cornell University and the surrounding Ithaca area, where our conference will be taking place from April 20th to 23rd. Our Secretariat has been hard at work since the close of CMUNC 2022, alongside the Executive Board of our parent organization, the Cornell International Affairs Society, and our amazing staff. We hope to offer every delegate and advisor a truly unforgettable experience.

To our newcomers, welcome to the CMUNC experience! CMUNC prioritizes providing the highest quality delegate experience to novice and seasoned delegates alike. We sincerely hope you will join the CMUNC family and join us in the spring. Do not hesitate to contact me at any time with questions or concerns you may have leading up to conference weekend.

To our returners, thank you for your continued support and feedback. Every year, CMUNC seeks to improve on the last. Your feedback has been invaluable and we've implemented many of the changes you wish to see. We are dedicated to creating the conference that you wish to attend, and we hope that your experience this year will exceed your expectations. Whether you are a CMUNC veteran or just browsing the website to learn more, welcome again to CMUNC. As global citizens who understand the importance of Model UN, I truly look forward to working with you all this spring. Thank you for your interest, and I cannot wait to meet you all in Ithaca in April!

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Akosa Nwadiogbu'.

Akosa Nwadiogbu

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Letter from the Director-General, Annie Rogers

Dear Prospective Delegates and Advisors,

It is an honor to invite you to join myself and the rest of the Secretariat and staff to the twenty-first annual Cornell Model United Nations Conference. My name is Annie Rogers and I will be serving as the Director-General for CMUNC this year.



CMUNC is proud to be one of the country's premier Model UN conferences and our staffers are dedicated to upholding the learning nature of the conference, as they have for the past twenty years. We are also continuously renewing our commitment to diversity and accessibility, particularly this year, as we continue the second iteration of the hybrid CMUNC experience.

Attending delegates will receive personalized daily feedback, the opportunity to participate in Model UN 101 sessions, and work with our amazing staffers and Secretariat to achieve their Model UN goals. We are dedicated to our school's motto, "any person, any study", in ensuring that all delegates have the tools and training they need to succeed in debate and discussion.

Although we maintain a hybrid-style conference, our out-of-committee delegate experience will remain at the center of our focus. From our College Q&A sessions, virtual and in-person tours, virtual game night, and in-person delegate dance, we are truly committed to ensuring that CMUNC is a weekend unlike any other.

It has been and will continue to be an absolute joy and privilege to serve as the Director-General for the 2023 conference. My role is to oversee the logistical and administrative aspects of CMUNC, and I am happy to answer any questions you might have. I cannot wait to hopefully meet you either virtually or in-person in Ithaca in April. Welcome to CMUNC!

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Annie J. Rogers". The script is cursive and fluid.

Annie Rogers

Director-General, Cornell Model United Nations Conference 2023 ~ dg@cmunc.net



A Campus Feel, both Near and Far!

Whether you'll be joining us in-person in Ithaca or virtually, join us for a conference within walking distance of the stunning Cornell University campus. Our conference atmosphere of a small-city combined with a world-class Ivy League research university allows both in-person and virtual delegates the opportunity to see the campus from a student's point of view. Campus accessibility and further information can be found on Cornell's website, <https://www.cornell.edu/>

Akosa Nwadiogbu, Secretary-General

"Thanks to the hard work and dedication of our staff, we are able to combine a welcoming environment for all delegates while fostering quality, high-level debate and discourse."

Our Staff

One of the pillars of CMUNC is being able to provide an engaging, stimulating, and enjoyable conference for our delegates. With a typical staff-to-delegate ratio of 8:1 for both the in-person and virtual conference, our incredible staffers are truly committed to our goal of supporting delegates in becoming cooperative decision-makers to tackle real-world issues. Our staffers and dias members provide high-quality training and feedback to any and all delegates through daily feedback and careful attention to committee.



Our Commitment to Diversity

Year after year, CMUNC prides itself on being a conference rooted in accessibility and renewing its commitment to diversity and inclusion. Our committee offerings are no different, as they recognize a wide range of different social, economic, and historical backgrounds. Our delegates, both in-person and virtual, hail from all over the United States and the world.

The Delegate Experience

An unforgettable experience in Ithaca and at home!

Due to the ongoing pandemic and the success of CMUNC 2021, we are offering a virtual option for CMUNC 2023.

From our large general assemblies to our small crisis and specialized committees, CMUNC's Secretariat and staff is dedicated to ensuring that our delegate experience is unlike any other. We offer Model UN trainings and personalized feedback to ensure that all delegates--whether they be experienced or first-timers--have a positive experience and learn something truly valuable. This dedication shines most when our delegates create unique solutions to complex issues, create lifelong memories with their fellow MUNers, and unforgettable friendships.

Outside of the committee room, both modalities of CMUNC 2023 continue this commitment by providing social events for delegates, college panels and Q&A sessions, in-person and virtual tours, game nights, and more!

