

GatorMUN V

Dear Applicants,

GatorMUN V will be a different experience from past conferences. While we are retaining the core committees of the General Assembly, we are including a number of smaller, crisis driven committees. Remember that High School Students range in ages from 14-18, and their level of historical knowledge is quite limited compared to us. What this means to you is greater flexibility, but also a lot of hard work to make it happen. Our conference will be a memorable experience for all of our delegates, standing out from the typical large committee conferences.

At the 61st meeting of the General Assembly Plenary, former SG Kofi Annan and current SG Ban Ki-moon emphasized the importance of Security, Development, and Human Rights as the three pillars of the United Nations through which world peace can be achieved. In order to align GatorMUN V with current UN interests, the underlying theme for this year's GatorMUN is **Peace and Security**; as such, our simulations will embody this theme.

We have scheduled GatorMUN V to take place **February 22-24, 2008**. Please be aware that this means that background guides *must* be finished ASAP. We are aiming to have background guides available to schools by mid-November. Applications must be submitted electronically to GatorMUN@gmail.com.

Please look over the attached list of Position Descriptions offered to get a better idea of what to apply for. GatorMUN is UF Model United Nations' largest annual event, and is a great opportunity to showcase your knowledge of International Affairs and leadership skills. We welcome all applicants with all levels of Model United Nations experience (including none!). We welcome you to invite your friends to apply as well!

On this application you will find a list of committees. If you are applying for a directorship, assistant directorship, home government, or crisis staff, please check off the top 5 committees you would wish to work for, noting your preference by numbering them (one being the most preferred and five the least). It is your work and creativity that will make this conference fun for everybody, so please give the secretariat all of your suggestions for the upcoming conference by talking to us at any UF Model United Nations meeting/event or emailing us at Gatormun@gmail.com.

Sincerely,
Jan Sznurkowski
Director General, GatorMUN V



Staff Application

General Information

Name:
Class:
School:
Email:
Phone:

Please Check the Position You Are Applying For

Please rank your top three choices (1=1st choice)

Sales Director Assistant Director
 Crisis Staff Conference Services
 Home Government Sales Department
 Gator News Network (Press) Director

Committees

Please rank the 5 Committees you would be most interested in working with in order (1=1st Choice)

<input type="checkbox"/> GA1: DISEC	<input type="checkbox"/> GA2: ECOFIN	<input type="checkbox"/> GA3: SOCHUM
<input type="checkbox"/> GA4: SPECPOL	<input type="checkbox"/> UNSC 2050	<input type="checkbox"/> ICJ
<input type="checkbox"/> NGO Forum	<input type="checkbox"/> The Greek Council	<input type="checkbox"/> Thrones of Mount Olympus
<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. State Dept.	<input type="checkbox"/> Gator News Network (Press)	

Experience

1. What is your prior MUN experience?

2. Please list any outside experience relevant to the position.



Volunteer Position Descriptions

There are a wide variety of positions available for UFMUN members (and their friends!) to apply for! Below please find descriptions of the basic positions we have available for GatorMUN V, which will be held February 22-24, 2008. GatorMUN is a great resume-builder, and one of the most important of UFMUN's annual events. We welcome everyone to apply!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Secretariat of GatorMUN V at GatorMUN@gmail.com, and we will be happy to help you.

Conference Services

This is the heart of GatorMUN. Conference Services is the place where every document composed by a delegate goes for proofing and publication. Conference Services is a great place to hone Resolution-writing skills for future conferences. Newer UFMUN members looking for an opportunity to experience the staff-side of a Model United Nations conference should consider applying for Conference Services.

Sales Department

GatorMUN offers various items (carnations, T-shirts, etc.) for the delegates, advisors, and staff members to purchase throughout the conference. The conference donates a large percentage of these proceeds to a specific charity effort. The UFMUN budget also draws off the proceeds of GatorMUN in a limited capacity for special programs. Members of the sales staff will be accountable for funds, talking with the advisors and delegates, and advertising throughout the conference. Sales Department members often visit each committee to let the delegates know what kinds of items are available and the presentations are often extremely entertaining. All actors welcome.

Sales Director

The GatorMUN secretariat is looking for a responsible individual to oversee the operations of the Sales Department and work with the Financial Officer of GatorMUN to account for sales.

Home Government

Home Government is an exciting segment of the GatorMUN staff. Home Government members work with directors to provide supplemental presentations to committees that will help the delegates understand the individual issues surrounding their debate. Also, when delegates have questions regarding the policy of the member-state or role they are representing, they submit a written request for information to Home Government, which is researched and responded to. Research skills, specialized information regarding GatorMUN committees, and acting skills are helpful in this position. You will also have the opportunity to learn more about issues that interest you!



Crisis Staff

Members of the Crisis Staff will work with some of our smaller specialized committees to make materials and storylines for crisis simulations. Crisis simulations are spontaneous informational media that we introduce to the committee that completely changes the course of debate and requires the delegates to adapt to changing, real-time situations. Crisis staff will work with Directors and Assistant Directors to construct imitation news headlines, briefings, diagrams, and video media for these simulations.

Assistant Director

Assistant Directors help the Director run committee sessions. Duties of the Assistant Director include Role Call, Voting Procedure Assistance, intermittent direction of the committee, timing, position paper grading, and other duties that ensure that committee runs smoothly. Knowledge of GatorMUN Rules of Procedure is helpful, but the training sessions held by the Secretary-General and Director-General will fill in any knowledge gaps an Assistant Director has. Directors and Assistant Directors work as a team to positively contribute to the delegate experience!

Director of Gator News Network (Press)

Many newer delegates are intimidated by committee participation, and prefer to first observe a conference before engaging in debate themselves. Gator News Network is a small newspaper published daily or twice daily throughout the conference that keeps all the delegates, advisors, and staff members up to date on what's going on at GatorMUN. Our Gator News Network allows new delegates to analyze the inner workings of GatorMUN. The Director of the Gator News Network needs to be able to edit and format a 3-4 page newsletter-style publication, and work with 5-15 high school students to cover the daily happenings of each committee.

Committee Director

Directors of GatorMUN committees are responsible for efficiently running and writing the background guide for their committee. At GatorMUN, Committee Directors are given a great deal of freedom to determine committee, which makes these positions rather competitive by nature. Directors are required to attend training sessions regardless of their level of experience, and are urged to help their Assistant Directors learn good practices for the future. At this point in time, there are no Committee Directorships available.