

# DUMUNC XXIX

February 18-21, 2010



Come be a part of a 29-year tradition of excellence and fun in Model UN!

## YOU'RE INVITED!

Please see inside for more information on our conference, registration dates, and contact information. We hope you will be able to join us for what we guarantee will be an unforgettable and rewarding experience.

The Duke International Relations Association is pleased to invite you to the 29th annual Duke University Model United Nations Conference, one of the most innovative and prestigious United Nations simulations in the nation. The facts speak for themselves:

- DUMUNC is known for its small, intimate committees staffed by a large, experienced, and exceptionally well-qualified dais.
- Our famous Joint Crisis Cabinets (JCC) have their own skilled and dedicated crisis staff that is responsible for coming up with challenging and realistic

twists to stimulate debate. The JCC committees promise to boast fast-paced discussion and rapid-fire crises that will force delegates to come up with imaginative solutions.

- Our unique lunch banquet allows delegates to interact more closely with each other and the dais over a tasty Southern-style meal.
- This year DUMUNC is proud to introduce two new specialized committees - Afghanistan's Council of Ministers set in 1979, and President Obama's Cabinet set in the present.



Top: A JCC committee plots the destruction of its opposition  
Bottom: The International Court of Justice drafts its opinion

**1:6**

overall staff-to-delegate ratio

**1:2**

staff-to-delegate ratio of specialized JCC committees

**0.5**

miles from the hotel and conference to Duke's campus

**29**

years DUMUNC has stood for excellence in Model UN

**100%**

percentage of participants that love DUMUNC!

## A Welcome from the Secretary-General

Dear Delegates and Advisers,

On behalf of the Duke International Relations Association, I cordially invite you to join us for the 29th annual Duke University Model United Nations Conference. Our conference boasts a long-standing reputation as the premier Model UN conference in the southern United States, and one of the best in the nation. Year after year we have been complimented on the friendliness, professionalism, and knowledge of the staff, the spirited competition, and our exciting and groundbreaking committees. DUMUNC XXIX promises to build on the successes of past years to be the most enriching, enjoyable, and memorable conference we have hosted yet.

To meet the rising demand for spots in the conference this year we have elected to host the conference at the Millennium Hotel, which has better conference space and will allow us to expand the number of committees. We take great care in carefully picking and balancing committees and topics that we believe will be both exciting and educational for delegates. This year I challenge you to participate in our dynamic and innovative committees that range from the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to the Quartet on the Middle East.

We are especially proud of the close attention that each delegate receives at our conference, and we strive to maintain that level of interaction between our staff and the delegates by capping half of these committees at no more than 20 delegates each.

So, this February, join us here in Durham for a truly singular experience. I look forward to serving as your Secretary-General for DUMUNC XXIX. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at [dumunc@gmail.com](mailto:dumunc@gmail.com). Thank you!

Sincerely,

Anant Agarwalla

Secretary-General

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## COMMITTEES

**\*\*Topics will be released by September 1st.\*\***

### GENERAL COMMITTEES

General Assembly Six: Legal

United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime

World Health Organization

North Atlantic Treaty Organization

Middle East Summit

### CRISIS COMMITTEES

Joint Crisis: Bangladesh War of Independence

India Cabinet

West Pakistan Cabinet

East Pakistan Cabinet

Security Council

The Government of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan (1979)

The President's Cabinet

# DUMUNC XXIX IMPROVEMENTS

because we will never stop working to ensure that you are completely satisfied

At the end of DUMUNC XXVIII, we collected feedback from advisers and delegates on ways to improve the conference. As a result of your input, we decided to move the location of the conference to the beautiful Millennium Hotel in Durham. The Millennium, located only minutes from campus, will provide a far superior accommodation for your team than the Hilton. The hotel has recently experienced a change in management and provides far better facilities for our committee sessions than the Hilton was able to provide. The hotel is in a safer area and in closer proximity to Duke's campus. The

rooms are very luxurious, and, perhaps best of all, they are able to offer the same room rate as this past year so there will be no cost increase to you or your delegates.

Perhaps the greatest advantage of the Millennium is the increased facility space. This will allow us to expand the number of committees that we offer, particularly our smaller committees, which allow more delegate participation and interaction and have historically been rated our top committees. Come to DUMUNC XXIX and experience the difference!



Luxury,  
Comfort,  
Convenience

## DUMUNC XXVIII



### Personal Interaction

DUMUNC offers delegates an unrivaled amount of personal interaction both in committee sessions with other delegates (bottom picture) and with committee and secretariat staff at our annual banquet luncheon included in the delegate fees (top picture).

## Registration Times

<u>Early Registration:</u>	August 15, 2009 -- November 15, 2009
<u>Regular Registration:</u>	November 16, 2009 -- January 15, 2010
<u>Late Registration:</u>	January 16, 2010 -- February 18, 2010



Top: FARC delegates plot to destroy Joint Colombia-DEA Task Force Operations

Bottom: HRC delegates in committee session

## Contact Information

If you are interested in potentially attending DUMUNC XXIX and would like to receive further information regarding the conference, please contact our Director of External Affairs, Christopher Edelman, at christopher.edelman@duke.edu or (847)-219-5965.

For more information, please check out our website at [www.dumunc.org](http://www.dumunc.org)\*. It will be updated throughout the year and also features a one-of-a-kind forum where delegates can communicate with the dais, so check back frequently throughout the year as well!

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