



The University of Florida's SunMUN II

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Delegate Handbook



**6515 International Drive
Orlando, FL 32819**



Letter from Emilee Jones, Secretary-General of SunMUN II

Dear Esteemed Delegates, Staff, and Advisors,

It is with immense joy and excitement that I extend a warm welcome to each and every one of you to the upcoming SunMUN conference. As we prepare to embark on this thrilling journey of diplomacy, collaboration, and learning, I am filled with enthusiasm at the prospect of witnessing the incredible talents and ideas that each participant brings to our conference. SunMUN is more than just a gathering of minds; it is a celebration of diversity, a platform for shared experiences, and a space where friendships are forged and perspectives are broadened.

To delegates, you are the heartbeat of SunMUN! Your dedication to research, eloquence in debate, and commitment to understanding global issues are the driving force behind the success of our conference. Get ready to engage in spirited discussions, build consensus, and make lasting memories. Your contributions will undoubtedly shape the success of SunMUN, and we can't wait to witness your brilliance in action.

To Staff, behind every great conference is an exceptional team of individuals, and SunMUN is no exception. To our diligent chairs, dedicated crisis directors, and hardworking administrative staff – your passion and commitment are the backbone of SunMUN. Your efforts to create a seamless and enriching experience for our participants are truly commendable.

To Advisors, thank you for guiding and supporting your delegates on this Model UN adventure. Your mentorship is invaluable, and we appreciate the role you play in shaping the next generation of leaders and diplomats. Your dedication to fostering the growth of your students does not go unnoticed.

As we gather for SunMUN, let's embrace the spirit of collaboration, curiosity, and camaraderie. Our collective journey promises to be filled with engaging debates, innovative solutions, and moments of inspiration. Together, we will create an unforgettable experience that goes beyond the conference room and leaves a lasting impact.

Should you have any questions or need assistance during the conference, our Secretariat is here to ensure your experience is smooth and enjoyable. Wishing you all safe travels, exciting debates, and a conference filled with laughter and discovery. See you at SunMUN!

GO GATORS,

Emilee Jones
Secretary-General of SunMUN II



Letter from Cristina Rodriguez, Director-General of SunMUN II

Hello delegates,

It is my absolute honor to welcome all of you to SunMUN II's second iteration! It feels like yesterday I was SunMUN I's Chief of Staff, running up and down the Reitz Student Union running feedback for committees, delivering candy grams, and getting to know so many wonderful delegates from across the Southern circuit.

It is surreal that our little conference has grown so much thanks to all of you guys. Moving from UF's campus to Orlando, quadrupling the amount of attending schools, a whole new hotel and expansive secretariat board, are all possible because of you guys: the delegates who took a chance to come to this conference. I promise our team has worked tirelessly to deliver a quality weekend of debate to all of you. We have also worked incredibly hard to deliver a weekend of fun! Be as excited for committee as the socials, you won't regret it.

I want to thank a number of people for this weekend, but I have to start with Austin Cerber, SunMUN I's Secretary-General and UF Model UN's father figure. Thank you Austin for believing in me and my skills and placing me in your secretariat as a weirdo freshman. Thank you for not being scared to rely on me, but mostly for allowing me to rely on you. I would not be a member of UF Model United Nations if it wasn't for you.

I want to thank SunMUN II's secretariat and staff for letting me blow up your phone with miscellaneous tasks, for talking with me about SunMUN in the wee hours of the morning, and for choosing me to be one of your bosses for a year and some change. I take that responsibility seriously and thank you endlessly for your contributions to this conference.

Thank you to my parents, who even after six years of not really understanding what Model UN is, continue to support my passion. Your dedication to my happiness fuels my drive and motivation everyday. I hope you guys are proud of me

Yours,

Cristina Rodriguez

Director-General of SunMUN II



Our Secretariat

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Second-year Political Science Major

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Third-year Economics Major

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Undersecretary-General of General Assembly and Specialized

Fourth-year Marine Science Major

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Undersecretary-General of Crisis

Second-year Biology Major

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Second-year Computer Science Major

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Third-year International Studies Major



Attending Schools

College of Central Florida

Emory University - Oxford College

Florida International University

Florida State University

Harvard College

Palm Beach Atlantic University

University of Alabama

University of Central Florida

University of Ghana

University of North Carolina Chapel Hill

University of North Carolina Charlotte

University of Miami

University of South Florida

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Utah State University



Conference Policies

General Conduct Policies

The SunMUN II team is dedicated to enforcing proper conduct throughout the conference weekend. This includes but is not limited to:

1. Abiding by ALL hotel policies, including maintaining proper volume levels, respecting non-SunMUN II hotel guests, possession/use of illegal substances, underage drinking, etc.
2. Being present at ALL committee sessions. If a delegate must miss a committee session, they must contact their head delegate and their committee director immediately.
3. Delegates are expected to maintain respectful and equitable conduct towards all committee attendees and staff.

Sexual Misconduct Policy

The SunMUN II team is dedicated to providing a safe environment for all delegates, staff members, and advisors free from discrimination on any grounds and from harassment during the conference including sexual harassment. Sexual harassment is unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature which makes a person feel offended, humiliated and/or intimidated. Sexual harassment can involve one or more incidents and actions constituting harassment may be physical, verbal and non-verbal.

Examples of sexual harassment include but are not limited to:

- Making derogatory or demeaning comments about someone's sexual orientation or gender identity
- Name-calling or using slurs with a gender/sexual connotation
- Making sexual comments about appearance, clothing, or body parts
- Rating a person's looks or sexuality
- Repeatedly asking a person for dates or asking for sex
- Staring in a sexually suggestive manner
- Unwelcome touching, including pinching, patting, rubbing, or purposefully brushing up against a person
- Making inappropriate sexual gestures
- Sharing sexual or lewd anecdotes or jokes
- Sending sexually suggestive communications in any format
- Sharing or displaying sexually inappropriate images or videos in any format
- Attempted or actual sexual assault including rape

SunMUN II will enforce a zero tolerance policy for any form of sexual harassment, and will treat all incidents seriously and promptly investigate all allegations of sexual harassment. Any and all acts of sexual harassment will not be tolerated and may result in delegate excusal from the conference, with no payment refund in addition to mandatory reporting of all occurrences. An anonymous sexual harassment reporting form will be provided at the conference.



Photo Policy

SunMUN II staffers will be present at committee rooms, socials, and other SunMUN II events in order to take photos and videos of the conference weekend. These photos will be used in SunMUN II's closing ceremony, SunMUN II's social media, and possibly promotional material for SunMUN II and III. If you are uncomfortable being photographed and/or recorded, SunMUN II would like to give you the opportunity to opt-out. To do so, please follow this link in order for our photography team to be aware of your situation: tinyurl.com/sunmunoptout

Dress Code Policy

All delegates attending SunMUN II are expected to attend committee sessions in Western Business Attire (WBA). WBA is expected due to its role in creating a professional work environment conducive to debate and diplomacy. Examples of WBA are collared, button-down shirts, blouses, blazers, slacks or formal pants, pencil skirts, closed-toe professional shoes, and a tie or bowtie.

Policies regarding all socials are in the social section.

Delegate Resource Center

Upon your arrival on Thursday, our dedicated Secretariat team warmly welcomed you at the Desk in front of the Largo Boardroom. This initial greeting spot is more than just a welcome area; it serves as the heart of our event's delegate support network.

For any inquiries or assistance you may need throughout the event, we kindly direct you to the assistance desk located just outside the Largo Boardroom. Our Secretariat is fully equipped and eager to help resolve any delegate-related issues, provide information, or offer guidance to ensure your experience is both productive and enjoyable.

Anonymous Feedback Form

Should a concern arise that you would like brought to the Secretariat's immediate attention, please fill out our **Anonymous Feedback form**. Our secretariat will be checking this form regularly and will take any actions deemed appropriate by our conference guidelines to resolve the situation.

<http://tinyurl.com/ANONSUNMUN>



Land Acknowledgment

SunMUN II and the University of Florida Model United Nations team acknowledges that the land we occupy for this conference is the homeland of the Seminole and Miccosukee people. We recognize that the Seminole and Miccosukee peoples, as well as many other tribes, were forced out of their rightful land. The consequences of this brutal removal on the Indigenous communities are still being felt to this day. SunMUN II and the UF Model United Nations team honor the history, perseverance, and strength of the Indigenous people on a national and international scale. As students in the state of Florida, we continue to educate ourselves and reflect on the state's history of colonization and advocate for awareness about Indigenous cultures and issues. During SunMUN II, we ask for everyone to reflect on the effects of colonization while in committee and participating in conference activities this weekend.

For more information on the Seminole people, please refer to the [Seminole Tribe of Florida website](http://seminoletribe.com).
seminoletribe.com

For more information on the Miccosukee people, please refer to the [Miccosukee Tribe website](http://miccosukee.com/miccosukee-tribe-history).
miccosukee.com/miccosukee-tribe-history



Equity Statement

The SunMUN II team is dedicated to creating and maintaining a safe, inclusive, and equitable environment for all delegates, staff members, and advisors. Through collaboration, open-mindedness, and diplomacy, the SunMUN II Secretariat is committed to providing each and every participant with an equitable and positive experience.

To uphold this commitment, all SunMUN II secretariat members, directors, chairs, and staffers have completed training, including University of Florida Model United Nations equity standards training and Meridians Title IX training.

For any questions, comments, or concerns regarding equity, please contact our Chief of Staff, Nathalia Ramirez, at sunmun.fl@gmail.com.



Charity

At SunMUN II, we are proud to announce that a portion of our event proceeds will be dedicated to "**Love Like Leah**," a cause close to our hearts, honoring the memory of Leah Szczepanski, a remarkable individual whose life and passions have left an indelible mark on those around her.

Leah was a 2022 graduate of Oconee County High School and went on to attend the University of Georgia in the Fall of 2022, carrying with her a passion for diplomacy and kindness. Tragically, Leah's promising journey was cut short unexpectedly just before her sophomore

year. A beloved member of UGA's Model UN leadership team, Leah's dedication and friendship significantly impacted the Model UN community and all who had the privilege of knowing her.



"Love Like Leah" is not just a tribute to Leah's memory but a continuation of her legacy, embodying the spirit of kindness, leadership, and the pursuit of global engagement that she so passionately represented. Through this contribution, we aim to support initiatives that reflect Leah's values and aspirations, fostering opportunities for others to engage in meaningful dialogue and understanding, much like she did. **We encourage all delegates to donate through the purchase of SunDASH and Candy Grams, as well as their website's direct donation.**

Taken from their website:

"Love Like Leah has been established to provide a scholarship to an Oconee County High School senior to carry on the legacy that Leah has left. This scholarship is intended to provide financial assistance to an OCHS graduate as he or she pursues a higher degree."



SunDASH & Merchandise

SunDASH

SunMUN II will be introducing a new and exciting way for delegates to stay fueled throughout the conference, SunDASH. Delegates will be able to order a variety of hot food selections, ice-cold drinks, pre-packaged snacks, bottled beverages, and more. To avoid interruptions to committees, all SunDASH orders will be delivered right to each delegate's seat in committee.

Venmo is the official payment processor of SunMUN II and delegates must have a Venmo account to use SunDASH. Checks, credit cards, Cashapp, Zelle, and cash will *not* be accepted.

SunDASH can be accessed via QR codes on the back of Delegate Placards. For orders to be successfully processed, delegates should Venmo the full amount of their order quickly, with their order confirmation number in the message field.

Please note that orders tagged as Venmo Purchases / Goods & Services transactions will be promptly canceled and refunded.

Candygrams

SunDASH will also be used for candy grams. Delegates can still send a traditional candygram for \$1, or they can customize a package for delivery, combining other SunDASH items.

Delegates are encouraged to use code “sunstart” to save 15% off their first SunDASH order!
(limited quantity available, does not apply to merchandise)
Venmo to @london-mcintosh

Merchandise

SunMUN II is pleased to share that a SunMUN II shirt and a SunMUN II shot glass will be available for sale. Both products will be sold exclusively through SunDASH and will be delivered to delegates in committee. There will *not* be an opportunity to purchase this merchandise after committee sessions end.



Social Information

Friday

MoonLIGHT Social

From **9 pm - 11:00 pm** SunMUN MoonLIGHT Social will be at the Hotel Pool and Bar!

We ask that you wear your poolside best. Floaters bring a life vest!

On the topic of refreshments,

No Open Containers are allowed poolside. Use a Solo Cup, or a Yeti, or a Stanley, or one of the cups from your room!

Alcohol will not be provided. Please feel free to bring, keeping in mind restrictions from hotel staff. You may also purchase at the Hotel's Bar, Poolside Bar, or Epic Wine and Spirits a 4 minute walk from the hotel!

Saturday

Bar Tab at The Beacham

Join Us for an Exclusive Evening at The Beacham! We are thrilled to announce to our esteemed delegates that we will be at an electrifying performance by the acclaimed DJ LYVWYR, who will be setting the stage alight with his dynamic beats.

Detailed information regarding the distribution process of drink tickets is below.

Event Location:

The Beacham
46 N Orange Ave, Orlando, FL 32801

Important Reminder for Delegates

1. **Your name tag is your passport** to this unforgettable night. Please safeguard it with utmost care to ensure seamless admission into The Beacham. In the event of a misplaced name tag, we urge you to contact the secretariat. Our team is on standby to assist you and will ensure a replacement is issued.
2. Head Delegates will receive **two (2) tickets** for their 21+ delegates at the social. Your drink tickets are not replaceable. These tickets should only be used by the 21+ delegates. Please present the ID's of **ALL** 21+ delegates, not just those attending Head Delegate feedback. Delegates do not



have to be present, but their IDs must be real. Drink tickets should be equal to a Well Drinks and Beer. We suggest you don't order anything too fancy, James Bond.

3. **SunMUN II prioritizes the safety and well-being of all attendees.** We strongly advise against drinking and driving. For your convenience and safety, please consider utilizing ride-sharing services such as Uber or Lyft for your transportation needs to and from Downtown Orlando venues. The estimated cost for **Uber/Lyft rides is between \$15-\$25**, a small price for your safety and that of others. Let's ensure a memorable and responsible experience for everyone involved.
4. The team at the Beacham has asked us to provide you with this **dress code**. UF Model UN is not responsible for delegates who do not gain entry. It is also not reflective of our teams

**"Dress to impress. Entry is at the doorman's discretion based on the following,
SO PLEASE REFRAIN FROM WEARING:**

- **Excessively baggy/saggy clothes (shirts, pants, etc.)**
- **Gym Shorts on Ladies /shorts on men**
- **Jogging suits / athletic wear**
- **Tank tops or sleeveless shirts on Men**
- **Plain white tees / Tall T-shirts / Oversized tees**
- **Hoodies**
- **Jerseys**
- **Camouflage**
- **Dirty sneakers or Flip flops**
- **Towel / Rags**
- **Anything depicting weapons / drugs**
- **Offensive or too sexually explicit / obscene**
- **Hats / Headgear / Bandanas / Do-Rags."**¹

Social Policies

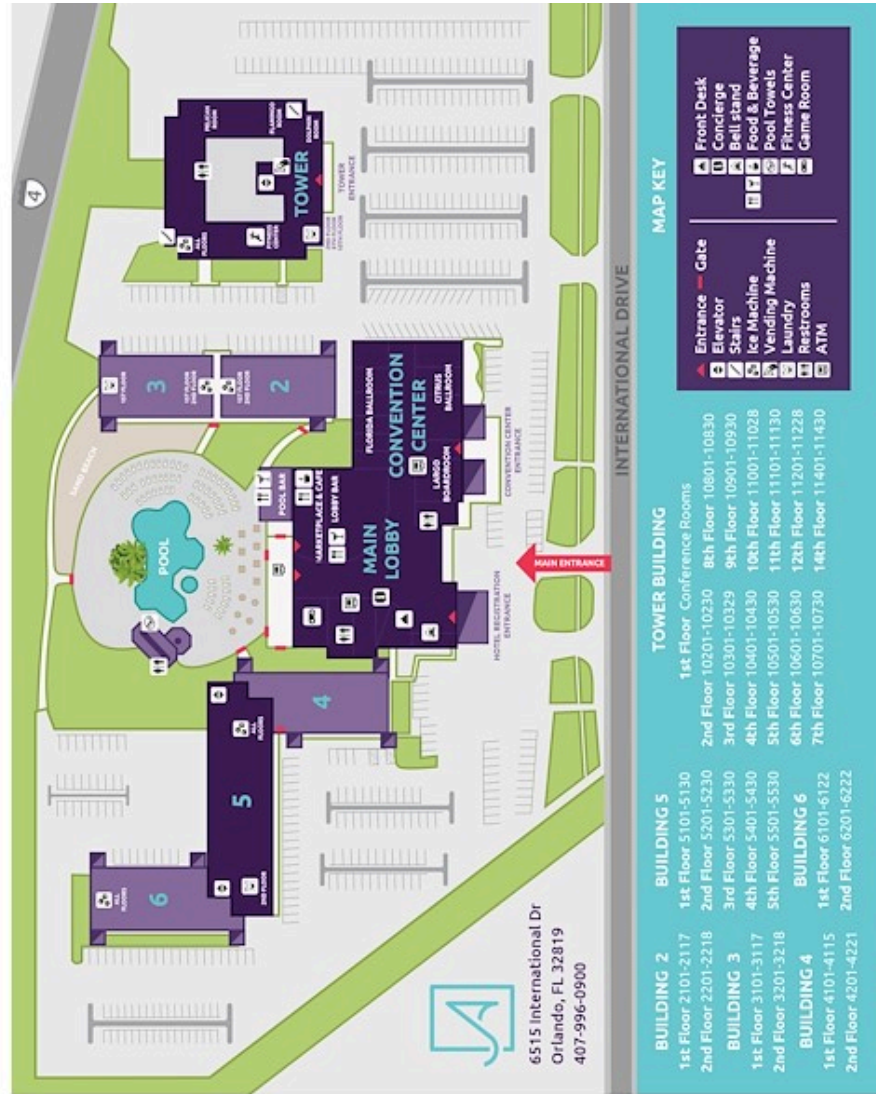
- Any SunMUN participant who is visibly overly-intoxicated can/will be denied entry to Events.
- Government-issued IDs are **mandatory** at all events. No school IDs, photos of IDs, or anything else aside from a physical government ID will be accepted.
- Any action or behavior that negatively impacts the safety or well-being of any fellow individual is prohibited and will result in immediate removal from the venue and potential further disciplinary action.
- No **large bags, purses, or backpacks** are allowed at any of the Events.
- No outside beverages, including water, will be allowed into any Event.
- Possession or use of **illicit substances** is prohibited.
- **Smoking and/or vaping** is not allowed inside any venue space.

¹ BEACHAM.DRESSCODE.2024.pdf



Map of Hotel and Conference Center

WELCOME TO AVANTI PALMS RESORT AND CONFERENCE CENTER



AVANTI PALMS
RESORT AND CONFERENCE CENTER

HOURS OF OPERATION

FRONT DESK
24 HOURS

AVANTI PALMS CAFÉ
7AM - 11PM

LOBBY BAR
4PM - 11PM

POOL BAR
1030AM - 11PM

POOL & JACUZZI
7AM - 11PM

FITNESS CENTER
6AM - 11PM

CONCIERGE DESK
7AM - 9PM

Shuttle services, theme park tickets, information about local attractions & services.

ATM
Main Lobby
Convention Center

ICE MACHINES
Located in Building 3 and Tower Building.

VENDING MACHINES
Located in the Tower Building.

LAUNDRY FACILITIES
Located in the Tower Building.

WIFI
Resort wide WIFI.
Name and room number required for access.