

MONTANA MODEL UNITED NATIONS

Delegate Dress and Conduct Code

Professional expectations for an inclusive and productive conference

Montana Model United Nations is an academic conference. Delegates are expected to participate with the preparation, professionalism, and respect appropriate to an international diplomatic setting.

Professional Attire

Delegates should wear business or business-casual attire that allows them to participate comfortably throughout a long conference day. Appropriate options include:

- Suits, blazers, sweaters, cardigans, or other professional layers.
- Collared shirts, blouses, professional tops, or comparable garments.
- Dress pants, chinos, professional skirts, or dresses.
- Clean, practical shoes suitable for walking and standing on campus.

Clothing should be clean, safe, and appropriate for an academic setting. Casual or disruptive clothing—including pajamas, athletic wear, costumes, clothing with offensive language or imagery, and excessively torn garments—is not appropriate during committee sessions or ceremonies.

Culture, Religion, Disability, and Access

- Religious, cultural, and traditional clothing worn as part of a delegate's own identity is welcome.
- Delegates may not wear another culture's traditional clothing as a costume or use stereotypical dress, accents, gestures, or portrayals to represent an assigned country.
- Disability-related clothing, footwear, sensory supports, mobility devices, medical devices, and other accommodations are permitted.
- A delegate who needs an exception or accommodation should work with the school advisor or contact MMUN before the conference.

National Symbols and Props

Country placards supplied or prepared according to conference instructions are permitted. Costumes, weapons or replicas, disruptive props, and items used to caricature a country or population are prohibited. Small, respectful national symbols may be permitted at the discretion of conference staff, but delegates should not assume that flags or symbolic props may be displayed in committee.

Diplomatic Conduct

- Treat delegates, advisors, staff, guests, and University of Montana employees with respect.
- Address ideas and policies without insulting, intimidating, harassing, or stereotyping other participants.
- Represent the assigned country's likely position without endorsing hateful language or reenacting dehumanizing rhetoric.
- Follow the chair's rulings and use parliamentary procedure during formal sessions.
- Allow others to participate. Do not dominate caucuses, obstruct drafting, or exclude delegates from negotiations because of school, experience, identity, or viewpoint.
- Remain in assigned conference areas and follow instructions from advisors, conference staff, and University personnel.

Technology and Academic Integrity

- Devices may be used only when permitted by the dais and for conference work such as research, drafting, and reviewing documents.
- Phones and other devices should be silenced and put away during ceremonies, speeches, voting procedure, and whenever directed by the chair.
- Photography or recording requires consent and must follow school and University rules.
- Delegates may use research and drafting tools approved by their school, but all submitted work and speeches must reflect the delegate's own preparation and understanding. Fabricated sources, plagiarism, and undisclosed AI-generated work are prohibited.

Addressing Concerns

The dais will normally address minor concerns through a reminder or warning. Continued or serious violations may be referred to the delegate's advisor and conference leadership and may result in loss of speaking or voting privileges, removal from a session, removal from the conference, or ineligibility for awards. Safety, harassment, discrimination, and accessibility concerns may be reported directly to an advisor or any MMUN staff member.