Georgia Institute of Technology Collegiate Conference

TechMUN VIII

Official Conference Policy

About

TechMUN is Georgia Institute of Technology's premier collegiate conference. TechMUN is an event hosted by Georgia Tech Model United Nations program and is entirely student-run. TechMUN VIII will commence on February 27th, 2026 and conclude on March 1st, 2026 on Georgia Tech's Atlanta campus.

The following conference policies were developed by the TechMUN VIII Secretariat team. All delegates attending and competing in TechMUN VIII are expected to review the conference policy prior to arrival at the conference. This document is subject to updates at any time to reflect new policies at the discretion of the TechMUN VIII Secretariat. Should any individual have a question, comment, or concern regarding the conference policies, they are encouraged to reach out at our conference email TechMUNconference@gmail.com.

Eligibility

For eligibility to compete in TechMUN VIII, all students within a school's delegation must enroll in an undergraduate program at an accredited university. Students who are enrolled in high school, graduate program, or unenrolled in an educational program are not eligible to compete. Any high school student interested in this conference should take a look at our high school conference GTMUN.

Code of Conduct

Attendance

Delegates should be on time and attend all committee sessions for the duration of the conference. Delegates who are late without an excuse may be penalized for awards. A delegation will be considered absent if it does not respond to roll call at the beginning of each committee session. If a delegate misses roll call, a request to be marked as present should be sent to the dais via a note. If for any reason a delegation or a delegate will be late, cannot attend, or must leave early to/from committee, they should communicate this absence to their chair and/or the secretariat. Delegates who are recognized but not present automatically yield their time to the chair.

Dress Code

TechMUN requires all delegates to wear western business attire during the entire conference in committee sessions as part of its Code of Conduct. Delegates not in compliance with TechMUN's dress code may face disqualification from awards. TechMUN recommends that delegates in need of a reference or have questions about what attire is considered appropriate for committee may refer to this [Model UN dress code guide](#).

Participation

This conference will only recognize officially registered delegates as participating attendees. Only one attendee assigned to a committee and formally registered before the conference's first day, may represent a "member of a committee". Each member of the committee will be capable of a committee vote in procedural and substantive matters, unless special conditions arise, such as the categorization of an observer state, or a special consideration of historical circumstances under a crisis period, etc. These conditions are to be clearly communicated to the delegate by the director(s) of the committee.

Delegations are also allowed to bring non-participating attendees such as faculty or non-competing members. Non-participating attendees are welcome to oversee committees from a designated space at the back of the room. They must conduct themselves in a non-disruptive manner when entering and leaving and are not allowed to directly address the delegates or directors during committee sessions. Non-participating attendees can be removed from the committee for disruptive behavior by the chair's discretion. Non-participating members of committee and are not allowed to attend voting procedures.

Photo Release

By participating in TechMUN, you are agreeing to photo usage by TechMUN and Georgia Tech Model United Nations program for promotional and website material. If you have any concerns about our photo usage, please reach out to us at: techmunconference@gmail.com.

Writing Policy

Artificial Intelligence Usage

TechMUN recognizes artificial intelligence (AI) can serve as a helpful preparation tool for the conference to help begin research, help generate potential solutions or crisis ideas, or help understand a delegate's position; However, TechMUN encourages delegates to think creatively and work hard on their own to prepare unique and innovative ideas, solutions, and arcs. While AI can be a great tool, it is no substitute for human ingenuity and should not be a crutch in any delegate's preparation and work for TechMUN. AI cannot be used to partially or wholly write a conference document. Generative AI must not be used to generate content for the conference, such as in-conference documents and position papers. TechMUN does not permit the usage of AI in any speech, working papers, draft resolutions, crisis notes, joint-personal directives, front-room directive, or any specialized committee document. All committee documents will be checked and reviewed by chairs for any AI usage. Any delegate suspected of using AI for any prohibited reason is subject to penalization or disqualification from awards.

Plagiarism

Plagiarism is the act of presenting the work of others as one's own. For this conference, plagiarism includes presenting work in any committee documents, including but not limited to: working papers, draft resolutions, crisis notes, joint-personal directives, front-room directives, etc, as one's own work. TechMUN does not permit plagiarism in any form. The chair will review all committee documents for plagiarism. Any delegate suspected of plagiarism is subject to penalization or disqualification from awards.

Pre-Writing

TechMUN does not permit pre-written resolutions in any form. Pre-writing includes but is not limited to: writing clauses before and/or outside committee sessions, negotiation with other delegates outside of committee, etc. Delegates found pre-writing resolution content may be disqualified from awards. TechMUN chairs are trained to detect pre-writing, and suspicion of pre-writing is subject to the chair's discretion. Any delegate suspected of prewriting is subject to penalization or disqualification from awards.

Conflict Policy

Zero Tolerance

Model United Nations provides an opportunity for delegates to engage diplomatically with topics of global importance and explore possibilities for conflict resolution in a meaningful way. Many of the topics at hand may involve sensitive or controversial subject matter. We ask delegates to be respectful and professional when engaging with their committee and communicating with fellow delegates and TechMUN Conference staff in and outside of the committee. The following content warnings below are meant to warn you of potentially controversial topics that are present inside and outside of the committee. The TechMUN secretariat and staff will maintain a zero-tolerance policy during the conference and a violation of any of these policies may result in immediate disqualification from awards or removal from the conference.

DEI

At TechMUN, we take diversity, equity, and inclusion issues seriously and require delegates to fully comply with our DEI guidelines. Under no circumstances. is a delegate permitted to write documents/ notes, use events of domestic or international tragedies in an inappropriate manner or make statements that stereotype, generalize, degrade, include derogatory or harmful remarks regarding an individual or community's gender identity, sexual orientation, cultural/ethnic/national background, racial group, occupational status, country's socioeconomic status, or any other categorization. TechMUN asks that delegates remain respectful in committee, and avoid overgeneralizations as well as take into account individual nuances and contexts during your speeches.

Failure to do so will result in an immediate disqualification from awards, and you may be asked to leave the conference. If you have any questions regarding our DEI guidelines, we encourage you to contact one of our staff members. If, because of this committee's content warning, you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to our staff via email at **TechMUNconference@ gmail.com**.

Alcohol, Smoking, and Drug Usage

In the state of Georgia, individuals must be over the age of 21 to consume alcohol. Additionally, in Georgia, it is illegal to possess or consume controlled substances without medical prescription or license. While consumption of certain controlled substances may be decriminalized in the City of Atlanta, smoking is prohibited indoors and in public spaces throughout the city. Delegates competing at TechMUN are expected to uphold these laws; Any delegates found underage and consuming alcohol or possessing and/or using illicit drugs by TechMUN Staff or any other enforcement figure may be disqualified from awards or removed from the conference.

Safety and Security

TechMUN prioritizes the safety of all of its attendees and staff members. During the length of the conference, TechMUN encourages all members to travel in groups at all times while in Atlanta for the safety of every individual.

At registration, every delegate and related participants such as advisors or non-competing members

will receive a badge with their position. We ask that while inside the conference building that all delegates wear their badge on the front of their person for easy identification and safety concerns. If this badge is lost for any reason, please inform the TechMUN administration team immediately to secure a replacement.

If any individual has reason to suspect that a delegate poses a harm to themselves or other individuals, please report the threat to a TechMUN staff member immediately.

Anonymous Reporting

On our website, throughout the conference building, and in every committee room, TechMUN will have an Anonymous Reporting QR code form. If at any point a delegate feels uncomfortable or would like to anonymously inform TechMUN secretariat of a problem within the committee, they should submit this form.

Committee/Staff

Powers of Committee Director

The Director and Assistant Director of each committee represent its "chair" or "dais" and have the authority of conducting, guiding, moderating, and ultimately approving substantive matters of committee. The dais oversees the direction of the flow of debate, grants the right to speak, announces decisions, explains or rules on points, approves handouts for circulation, and enforces parliamentary procedure. The dais has the right of interrupting the flow of debate, ruling proceedings dilatory, temporarily transferring their role to other staff members, and suspending, bending or modifying the rules of parliamentary procedure in the benefit of the committee. Dais decisions take precedence over any procedural rules stated in this document.

Feedback

The Secretariat has the right to pause committee sessions at any point of the conference to request feedback from the delegates. This feedback should be focused on conference organization, committee topics and dynamics, parliamentary procedure, director and assistant director performance, technical capacity, etc. Delegate feedback is communicated to committee staff confidentially and will not affect individual or delegation awards.

Contact Information

If you have any questions or concerns about our conference, please reach out to us on instagram @ gt.techmun or via TechMUNconference@gmail.com directed to the corresponding secretariat member:

Non-Committee Secretariat

Ajay Taduri, Secretary-General

Please direct all general issues that do not correspond to another secretariat member, or an issue of high importance, to TechMUN's Secretary-General, Ajay Taduri.

Amaar Aldina, Undersecretary-General of Administration

Please direct all questions and issues with registration, committee assignments, schedules, delegate waivers, and all other administrative concerns to the USG of Administration, Amaar Aldina.

Isabella Simon, Undersecretary-General of Policy

Please direct all questions and issues regarding conference policies, committee conflicts, delegate emergencies, parliamentary procedure, accommodations, all other policy concerns to the USG of Policy, Isabella Simon.

Alexander Thomas, Undersecretary-General of Logistics

Please direct all questions and issues regarding delegation identification documents (i.e. lanyards, placards), technology, committee rooms, and all other logistical concerns to the USG of Logistics, Alexander Thomas.

Dorian Ramjhattan, Undersecretary-General of Marketing

Please direct all questions and issues regarding information related to TechMUN social media, newsletters, and charity information/donations to the USG of Marketing, Dorian Ramjhattan.

Committee Secretariat

Kaeli Lawrence, Director-General

Please direct all questions and issues regarding our general assembly and specialized committee background guides, topics, specialized mechanics, committee structure, and all other related concerns to the Director-General, Kaeli Lawrence.

Divjot Kaur, Undersecretary General of Crisis

Please direct all questions and issues regarding our crisis committees background guides, topics, specialized mechanics, committee structure, and all other related concerns to the USG of Crisis, Divjot Kaur.

Registration & Payment Policy

Timeline & Fees

	Early	Regular	Late
Timeline	Oct 1st - Nov 14th	Nov 15th - Jan 31st	Feb 1st - Feb 16th
Delegations Fee	$40	$60	$80
Per Delegate Fee	$40	$60	$80

Registration for TechMUN VIII opens on October 1st, 2025 and closes February 26th, 2026. The deadline for each registration period ends at 11:59 PM on each deadline date. Any registration beyond after 11:59 PM will be considered a part of the next registration period.

Payment Policy

After registering as a delegation for TechMUN, the delegation should receive an invoice. Valid invoices will only be sent from the official conference email, TechMUNconference@gmail.com. Any invoices sent from another email are invalid. Delegations should review the invoice to verify the correct number of assignments. Delegations will receive assignments after the invoice is paid. Payments can be made out to Georgia Tech Model United Nations, 613 Cherry St NW, Atlanta, GA 30332 or sent to TechMUN's Official Venmo.

Financial Assistance

TechMUN is a conference designed to be accessible to all. If for any reason your delegation would like to attend TechMUN and needs financial assistance, please reach out to us at our conference email: techmunconference@gmail.com

Refunds

At this time, TechMUN cannot provide refunds. All transactions are final.

Closing Remarks

TechMUN strives to produce a welcoming conference for all delegates and attendees. The conference policy is designed to protect delegates and staff and stimulate a positive environment for all attendees. Any delegate or attendee found in violation of any of TechMUN VIII conference policies will be subject to review by the secretariat with the potential for penalization, disqualification, or removal from the conference, with the potential to be barred from future iterations.

By attending TechMUN VIII, we assume that all attendees have reviewed the conference policy and expect all attendees to remain in compliance with the outlined policies.

Sincerely,

TechMUN VIII Secretariat

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