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Southwest Florida Model United Nations Conference

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Southwest Florida Model United Nations

COMMITTEES and AGENDA

General Assembly

Advancing a Sanctions Regime for Myanmar

Chair: Caleb Brasington AB9

Vice Chair: Gabriel Penton Room 214

UN Environment Program Reversing Widespread Land Degradation, Description & Aridification

Chair: Noelle Morey AB9

Vice Chair: Danielle Witte Room 113

Commission on the Status of Women Reproductive Rights: Is There a Way Forward?

Chair: Mariah Coughlin Sugden Hall Vice Chair: Lauren Major Room 208

International Criminal Court Investigating & Prosecuting War Crimes in Ukraine

Chair: Julia Zuercher AB9

Vice Chair: Madison Weaver Room 207

UN Development Program Addressing the Ongoing Global Crisis of Food Insecurity, Exacerbated by the War in Ukraine and Global Climate Change

Chair: Surya Dodia AB9

Vice Chair: Sophia Iregul Room 111

International Organization for Migration Safeguarding the Rights of Migrant Workers

Co-Chair: Malani Plancher Sugden Hall Co-Chair: Pamela Ramon Room 240

Disarmament & International Security Impact of Private Military Security Contractors on Global Security

Chair: Aayush Singh AB9

Vice Chair: John Anthony Cirillo Room 220-B

UN Commission on Sustainable Development Geo Engineering: New Strategies Needed Because Carbon Mitigation Will Not Be Enough

Co-Chair: Chandler Zuck AB9

Co-Chair: Sydney Shaw Room 220-A

UN Office on Drugs & Crime

Differentiating Cyber Terrorism, Cyber Crime and Disinformation (including the role of Social Media)

Chair: Ethan Upson AB9

Vice Chair: Maximilian Wilkowski Room 211

UN Human Rights Committee Protecting Sexual Identity

Chair: Clarisse Fontes AB9

Vice Chair: Dane Morrissey Room 112

International Negotiating Committee of the UN Environmental Assembly Protecting the Oceans: Drafting a Global Plastics Convention

Chair: Amy Enberg AB9

Vice Chair: TBA Room 209

Security Council

Advancing UN Peacekeeping Reforms in the Midst of Current Ongoing Crises

Chair: Katherine Suero Sugden Hall Vice Chair: Tessa Barber Room 209

Conference Schedule

Monday, March 6

- 3:00 Cash sales only

8:00 Registration opens

Judges, Chairs - Lobby of Cohen Student Union Coaches/Advisors, Guests — Upstairs Cohen room 249 Delegates — Upstairs Cohen room 247

8:00 Judges & Chairs Breakfast

Cohen Student Union, 2nd floor, room 214

9:00 Opening Session

- 9:30 Cohen Student Union ballroom (2nd floor)

Welcome

Alan Van Egmond, Chairman Southwest Florida Model United Nations

Dr. Jim Schmotter, President

Naples Council on World Affairs

Dr. Michael Martin, President Florida Gulf Coast University

Ms. Malani Plancher, President

Model United Nations Club, Florida Gulf Coast University

Recognition of Schools and Coaches

Alan Van Egmond

Call to Order

Dr. Richard Coughlin, Assoc. Professor, Political Science Florida Gulf Coast University

9:30 Committee Meetings

- 12:00

9:30 Coaches'/Advisors' Breakfast

Coaches' Lounge (AB9 room 222)

Lunch

Judges, Chairs - AB9, room 222

All others - AB9 lobby (dining in AB9, rms 106 and 138)

* Move Ukraine/Kids Konnect Ukraine presentation
Ms. Kathleen Hessert, Speaker (AB 106 during lunch)

1:00 Committee Meetings

- 4:00

4:00 Adjournment for the Day

Tuesday, March 8

7:00 - 3:00	Einstein's Bagels - Cohen Student Union Cash sales					
8:30 10:00	Judges, Chairs, Coaches, Staff - Breakfast available AB9 room 222 (Coaches' Lounge)					
9:00 12:00	Committee Meetings					
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch Judges, Chairs - AB9, room 222 All others - AB9 lobby (dining in AB9 rms 106 and 138)					
1:00 - 2:30	Committee Meetings (Final Resolutions) (Coaches may not be present in committee rooms)					
1:30 - 2:30	Coaches' meeting with Alan Van Egmond AB9 room 222 (Coaches' Lounge)					
2:30 - 3:20	Debriefing (Delegates and Judges) Chairs will moderate an open discussion					
3:30	Closing Ceremonies Cohen Student Union ballroom (2 nd floor) Alan Van Egmond, SWFLMUN Chairman					
	Keynote Speaker Hanna Nussair (<i>United Nations Foundation</i>)					
	Recognition of Those Who Made it Happen					
	Special Competition Winners Announced					
	Presentation of Awards Please refer to the information elsewhere in this program for additional details on the awards.					

5:00 Conference Adjournment

Dr. Richard Coughlin

Delegate dining seating is available in AB9 rooms 106 & 138

Additional seating (no tables) is available in the ballroom and the gallery area outside the ballroom, as well as a variety of locations around campus.





KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Hanna Nussair United Nations Foundation

After graduating from State College of Florida Collegiate School in 2017, Hanna attended Florida Gulf Coast University where she graduated summa cum laude with a B.A. degree in Communication Studies and a double minor in Political Science and Global Studies. She obtained her Master of Human Rights degree with a concentration in Global

Gender Studies and Arabic at University of Minnesota's Humphrey School of Public Affairs. While at Humphrey, she served as Graduate Communication Coordinator for the University of Minnesota Human Rights Program and was a Foreign Language Area Studies Fellow in the Arabic language.

Hanna has worked on international projects both during her academic career and after graduation. Most notably, she worked with a refugee support organization, LESS ONLUS, in Naples, Italy, and was a secondary school teaching assistant in Madrid, Spain. Her core professional work focuses on gender equality for women and girls in marginalized communities, and she has experience working on issues such as gender-based violence, women's economic empowerment, social inclusion, and education. During the final year of graduate school, Hanna started her role as a Communication Officer for the international NGO Women for Women International in Washington, D.C. In this role, Hanna led digital campaigns to promote women's economic and social power in conflict-affected regions, and she has been able to work with women in Afghanistan, Iraq, Ukraine, Ethiopia, Syria, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Nigeria and more.

During Hanna's time at FGCU, she was vice president and competitive team trainer for the FGCU Model UN team, and she led FGCU's competitive team during their first national conference in New York City. Over the last few years, she's been instrumental in helping the Naples Council on World Affairs and FGCU prepare strong committee chairs for SWFLMUN during a time when that was particularly challenging. She also volunteers her free time at Model UN Conferences around the world, such as her work with the University of St. Gallen's international Model UN in St. Gallen, Switzerland and the United Nations Association's Intergenerational Model UN.

Today, Hanna works for the United Nations Foundation as a Communication and Advocacy associate for Data2X, an initiative that works to improve the quality, availability, and use of gender data to make a practical difference in the lives of women and girls. In this role, she is able to work closely work closely with experts in the gender equality movement worldwide and to participate in key international moments such as the United Nations General Assembly and the UN Commission on the Status of Women. We're thrilled to have her back this year as our Keynote Speaker.

2023 SWFL Model UN Awards

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

BENJAMIN ESTES MEMORIAL AWARD — Given to the Golden Gate High School MUN Team as a Memorial to their Former Coach \$500 (Naples Council on World Affairs)

LYNN KNOX SWFLMUN COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD

 Given to the Faculty Coach who best exemplifies the highest standards of excellence and empowerment in support of their Model UN Teams \$700 (Patrick Mattingly and Jill Force)

SPECIAL COMPETITION AWARDS – Given to the three Model UN clubs that present the best proposals for this year's topic, Climate Change and Hunger

1st place - \$500 - Howard and Nancy Cohen Award

2nd place - \$350 - Mickey and Mo Winograd Award

3rd place - \$200 - Steve and Carol Vesce Award

POSITION PAPER AWARDS – Presented to the authors of the best position papers. All participants are eligible.

Greg Hudson Award (1st place) - \$2,000 Barbara Markel Memorial Award (2nd place) - \$1500

3rd place - \$1,000 (Naples Council on World Affairs)

4th place - \$800 (Naples Council on World Affairs)

5th place - \$700 (Naples Council on World Affairs)

6th place - \$600 (Naples Council on World Affairs)

7th place - \$500 (Naples Council on World Affairs)

8th place - \$400 (Naples Council on World Affairs)

9th place - \$300 (Naples Council on World Affairs)

10th place - \$200 (Naples Council on World Affairs)

BEST IN COMMITTEE – The "gavel awards" are given to the delegates with the highest total score from this year's competition in each committee. (*Position paper required.*) - custom engraved gavel

BEST SINGLE YEAR PERFORMANCE – Awarded to the delegate who garners the most points this year. (*Position paper required.*) - \$1,500 (*Howard and Nancy Cohen*)

BEST SINGLE YEAR PERFORMANCE BY A JUNIOR – Awarded to the junior who garners the most points this year. (*Position paper required.*) - \$1,000 (*Iqbal and Shelby Mamdani*)

BEST SINGLE YEAR PERFORMANCE BY A SOPHOMORE – Awarded to the sophomore who garners the most points this year. (*Position paper required.*) - \$1,000 (*Naples Council on World Affairs*)

BEST SINGLE YEAR PERFORMANCE BY A FRESHMAN – Awarded to the freshman who garners the most points this year. (*Position paper required.*) - \$ 500 (*Naples Council on World Affairs*)

THE MO WINOGRAD OUTSTANDING DELEGATE AWARD Awarded to the delegate with the best single-year performance who did not win a Multiyear Performance Award and is not a student at one of the "top schools." This delegate need not be a senior but must have submitted a position paper. - \$1,500 (Robert and Joelle Roussel)

STUDENT DELEGATE CAUCUS AWARDS – Awarded by the judges to the delegates whose special leadership and team building skills "behind the scenes" were especially noteworthy to help forge agreement across divides and resolve divergent positions within committees. - \$1,000 to be apportioned among awardees (*Richard and Kay Ryder*)

MULTIYEAR PERFORMANCE AWARDS – Awarded to seniors based on cumulative points earned by the recipients through all years of participation in SWFLMUN. A position paper and a minimum of two years of participation are mandatory.

Amb. Gregor Zore Memorial Award: \$2,500

Ron Gymer Memorial Award: \$2,500

Mimi Gregory Award: \$2,500

Iqbal and Shelby Mamdani Award: \$2,000

Thomas J O'Gorman Memorial Award: \$2,000

David and Beverly Worthington Award: \$2,000

George Gotschall Memorial Award: \$2,000

Ralph J. Bunche Award: \$6,500

TOP SCHOOLS – Awarded to the schools with the highest average delegate scores for this year's competition

1st place - \$1,000 (Edith Hunt) 2nd place - \$700 (Edith Hunt)

3rd place - \$300 (Edith Hunt)

DIANA MCGOWEN MOST IMPROVED SCHOOL AWARD – Awarded to the school with the greatest year-over-year increase in average delegate score - \$500 (Edith Hunt)

The RALPH BUNCHE Award



Dr. Ralph Johnson Bunche b. 7 Aug 1904 (Detroit, MI) d. 9 Dec 1971 (New York, NY)

Ralph Bunche was largely raised by his grandmother, who moved the family to Los Angeles in 1918. Ralph was an excellent student and became valedictorian of his high school, then graduated summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from UCLA in 1927. He attended graduate school at Harvard where he earned both a master's degree and a doctorate in political science.

While still in grad school, Ralph began teaching at Howard University in Washington D.C. where he was professor and founding head of the Political Science Department. He then began working for the Office of Strategic Services (a predecessor to the CIA) and in 1943 was transferred to the U. S. State Department. In 1945 he played an integral role in the drafting of the charter for the newly formed United Nations organization.

Dr. Bunche went on to became chief mediator between the Israelis and Palestinians and for this work was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1950, making him the first African American to be so honored. In 1963, he was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President John F. Kennedy. He was appointed Under-Secretary-General of the UN in 1968.

The Ralph Bunche Award was originally established in 2018 by Richard Clemens with a \$2,000 donation to which a few others added to bring it to \$2,750. In 2020 it increased to \$5,500 and became our top award. This year, at \$6,500, it remains our top award.

2023 Contributors to the Ralph Bunche Award

Dick & Judith Clemens		2500	James & Joanne Huskey	\$ 200
Rollin Crawford	\$	350	Jan & Mike Johnson	\$ 200
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Sue Bookbinder	\$	200	Craig & Chris Korkoian	\$ 100
J. Timothy &			Ed and Karen Leland	\$ 100
Colette Diegel	\$	200	Martha Williams	\$ 100

Didn't win an award? IT'S NOT TOO LATE!!!

Seniors who have **been accepted to FGCU** and **submitted a position paper** may apply for one of <u>three</u>

Prof. Richard W. Coughlin MUN Scholarships

Florida Gulf Coast University has graciously extended to our participants up to three \$2,500 scholarships and Naples Council on World Affairs will add \$500 for books and other educational expenses!

The awards will be paid in two \$1,250 installments toward the Fall and Spring semesters of the freshman year, with the additional \$500 check paid directly to the winners.

To be considered, students must apply for admission to FGCU and submit their name and FGCU student UIN (assigned at the time of FGCU application) to Dr. Coughlin (rcoughli@FGCU.edu) no later than March 20, 2023.



Kathleen Hessert is the CEO of Communication Concepts and Sports Media Challenge, a national brand-building and reputation management consultancy.

After nearly a decade as an award-winning television anchor, reporter and talk show host for CBS and NBC, Hessert changed competitive arenas. Since 1984 she has been a reputation management consultant to C-Level executives in major corporations, government, sports, and entertainment. Her clients have included some of the nations and the world's most renowned personal and organizational brands. She has

guided the protection and enrichment of the brands of major financial, manufacturing, media, entertainment, and educational organizations as well as world leaders in Olympic, professional and collegiate sports. Kathleen's work in crisis management spans corporate mergers and acquisitions, environmental disasters, financial crises, deaths, sexual harassment, and abuse cases to name just a few.

Hessert's social media expertise gained international acclaim with her 2008 launch of NBA super star Shaquille O'Neal on Twitter. Though known widely for her extensive work in the sports and entertainment field, Hessert was also the mastermind behind a major social initiative supporting Pope Francis' historic 2015 visit to the United States and created the internationally acclaimed PopeEmoji series.

In 2009, Hessert recognized a broader and more fundamental need for social expertise and crisis management and became involved in Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief. She served as HADR's lead social strategist and activation for Exercise24, an international disaster preparedness exercise for 79 nations sponsored by the U.S. Navy. Hessert was the Communications Chair of Operation Dragon Fire, a design collaborative between the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (NVOAD), to develop technology solutions to aid decision makers during disaster. In 2022, Hessert joined Humanity 2.0, a Vatican initiative to identify barriers to human flourishing and identify innovative solutions in areas ranging from international development to education and space exploration and colonization among others.

She is a thought-leader on the impact of Generation Z and believes in the value of applying and integrating digital media and the Metaverse across all disciplines. Hessert is a much sought-after speaker on national and international stages and as an interviewee in business and general media.

Hessert graduated from St. Mary's of Notre Dame with a B.A. in Humanistic Studies in 1974 and studied Communications at the University of Notre Dame. She is married to Tim Gunderman and has two children and six grandchildren. She serves on the Catholic Diocese of Charlotte Lay Review Board since 2004 and the Advisory Board for Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice.

Kathleen and Tim live in Bonita Springs, Florida and Charlotte, North Carolina.

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Rollin Crawford Strategic Planning

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Mark Walchak Marge Odeen Maureen O'Gorman Nancy Wallace

Judi Palay Martha Williams

Chair: Dennis Parass

David Heiman

Edie Hunt

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Katherine Suero Ethan Upson Madison Weaver Maximilian Wilkowski

Wilkowsł Danielle Witte Chandler Zuck Julia Zuercher

School Mentor Program

Carole Greene Marvin Lender Chuck Thiesen
Lynn Knox Patrick Mattingly Alan Van Egmond
Carol La Fontaine Bobbi Polachek Steve Vesce
David Heiman Jim Schmotter
Paula Himowitz Michael Smith

School Liaison: Nicole Stanco

A position made possible by Iqbal and Shelby Mamdani

Position Paper Judges

Rollin Crawford Nancy Kohn Ed Serotta Martha Davis Rik Kohn Michael Smith Kishor Kulkarni Natalie Fisher Chuck Theisen Paula Lockhart Jill Force Don Timm Joe Forgiano Ruthmarie Mitsch Julie Van Egmond **Greg Weber** Ken Hallet Dan Morris **Edith Hunt Bobbi Polacheck** Bill Woods Jan Johnson Robert Roussel

Chair: Paula Himowitz

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- The members of the Naples Council on World Affairs, without whose generous contributions we could not exist

WE LOVE OUR COACHES!

Come visit your new lounge in **AB9 (room 222)** where we'll have breakfast for you each morning, snacks in the afternoon and plenty of space to sit and work or chat.

THANK YOU for everything you do!



Strike a Pose

Look for our

SWFLMUN Insta Spots

then post and tag

#SWFLMUN2023

Monday

Join Kathleen Hessert
of Move Ukraine and
Kids Konnect Ukraine

during lunch in **AB9 room 106** to learn about these programs and (situation allowing) chat live with Ukrainian students. (Will stream to other lunch areas.)



Attention High School Sophomores

The Naples Council on World Affairs will be offering **SUMMER 2024** scholarships to rising seniors who have a strong academic record and an interest in International Relations. These fully paid scholarships will be through a Putney program at Oxford University in England, the Tufts University European Center in France, and the Experiment in Living programs in locations such as Germany, Jordan, and Ghana. In addition, scholarships are available to attend domestic based summer programs in International Relations and National Security at such prestigious institutions as Georgetown and American Universities in Washington DC.

Applications must be submitted by December 31, 2023. More information is available at our website:

Naples Council on World Affairs - School Outreach (newa-fl.org)

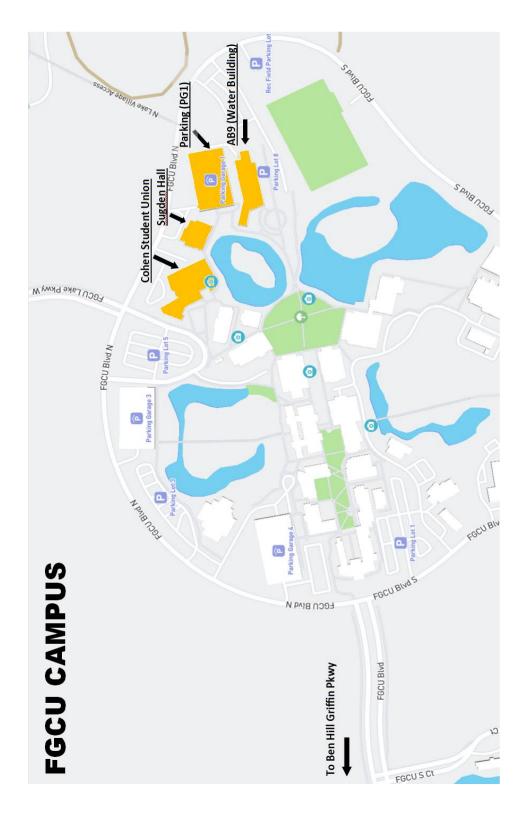
The SWFLMUN conference office

is located in

Cohen Student Union room 246.

The office is open Monday 9:00 - 4:00 Tuesday 8:30 -noon





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Cape Coral High School Kevin Kent

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Donahue Academy Tyler Graham, Quentin Fairchild, Mark Jahnke

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