

# Utah State University Model United Nations

Intro Guide and Registration Form



**November 9th**

# Utah State University Model United Nations Committees

## GA Committees

### Disarmament and International Security Committee:

#### Topic 1: Autonomous Weapons

#### Topic 2: Cyber Warfare

In the digital age, technology is integral to all aspects of life, from power grids to financial systems. Cyber warfare targets this vital infrastructure, aiming to disrupt services and seize digital assets across borders. Effective anticipation and mitigation of cyber threats are crucial for protecting millions and maintaining international stability. Delegates must develop strategies to manage and neutralize cyber-attacks, ensuring the security of our interconnected world.

As AI technology advances, Autonomous Weapons Systems (AWS) present increasing risks. The International Red Cross defines Lethal Autonomous Weapon Systems (LAWS) as "weapons that select and engage targets without human intervention." With AI becoming more prevalent in global militaries, the use of LAWS is likely to grow. Without clear international regulations, managing these weapons becomes challenging. Delegates must work together to create rules for the development and use of autonomous weapons to ensure global safety.



### Security Council:

#### Topic 1: Privacy

#### Topic 2: Espionage

In an age when private information isn't so private, and espionage looks more like a hacker than a James Bond flick, the world's security has fundamentally changed. This year, the Security



Council [at the USU MUN conference] will focus on Privacy and Espionage. Students should learn of the new tactics employed by and against the world's governments and leaders and prepare themselves for lively discussion.

Students should prepare themselves to confront the privacy issues of today's world, including the numerous data leaks from software giants, the rising tide of fraud and identity theft, as well as social media algorithms' role in the issue. They should also prepare themselves for the espionage aspect, as in, how these privacy and security issues relate to international conflicts and espionage for and against national governments.

## Crisis Committee

### Kaiser und König: The July Crisis, 1914

It is July of 1914, and the dual monarchy of Austria-Hungary is in trouble. On the 28th of June, Archduke Franz Ferdinand, the heir to the Austro-Hungarian throne, was shot dead alongside his wife in the streets of Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina. The assassin, Gavrilo Princip, is known to be a Serbian nationalist.

He and his fellow co-conspirators, a secret society known as the Black Hand, after being arrested, state that they were acting independently. Most within Austria-Hungary, from the political elite to the greater masses, doubt this, and many believe that the relatively newly independent kingdom of Serbia had a hand in the plot.

This is a great opportunity for many within the Austro-Hungarian government: a chance to reassert Austro-Hungarian authority within Europe and a chance to redeem the Habsburg dynasty of past disgraces.

Whether the crisis is resolved through the power of the pen and word or with the bullet and shell is up for the delegates to decide.



## Utah State University Prices and Registration

**Delegation Fee**

**\$50**

**Delegate Fee**

**\$30**

### How to Pay

In order to pay for registration fees, you must write a check to USU or pay through the USU page electronically. If there are any questions or concerns about this payment, please email us.

### Questions or Concerns?

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