#### School Sponsored Field Trip Request Form In-State Overnight Travel ONLY

Attach itinerary, student lists (if known), hotel information, chaperone sign-off forms, waiver requests, etc. to the completed request form and send to the Principal's office. If you will just be submitting the one request form, you may return it by email.

Submit to the principal's office no later than four weeks prior to the requested trip. In-state overnight trip requests must be submitted and also approved in advance of any marketing to the students.

Approval will be granted by the school principal and the superintendent.

To: Jason Hoye and Dr. Anna Nolin

From Ivor Ford Date: 12/13/22

Re: Boston College Model UN Conference (BosMUN)

I would like to request approval for the following In-State and Overnight trip:

Lead teacher's name: Ivor Ford

Group: Model United Nations

Destination and also Itinerary: The Boston Marriott Copley Place; Depart Natick MBTA @ 3.50PM on 02/10/23, return

Natick MBTA @ 3.42PM on 02/12/23

Date of trip: 02/08/22 - 02/08/22 - 2/10/23 - 2/12/23

Transportation: MBTA Commuter rail

Mode of transportation requested: None

Method of payment (fundraising, etc.): Parental payment

Names of chaperones: Ivor Ford, Matthew Miller, Maggie Hale

Estimated Cost of trip per student: \$300

Please state the purpose of this trip: To participate in the Boston University annual high school Model UN conference (BosMUN). This is a Model United Nations Conference and participants are members of the Model United Nations club. They will practice important skills including, research, writing, public speaking, debate, and negotiation.

Dept. Head Sign-off:

☐ Field Trip Approved by Principal

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# WHAT IS BOSMUN?

#### **BosMUN & BUIAA**

The Boston Invitational Model United Nations Conference (BosMUN), is a premier three-day high school level simulation of the United Nations held annually on the first weekend of February in downtown Boston. BosMUN is an undergraduate-run organization based on the Boston University campus and was established in 2000. It operates as a branch organization of the Boston University International Affairs Association (BUIAA).

BUIAA is the parent for many branches involving a diverse group of students from all schools and colleges within Boston University. In addition to BosMUN, they host a premier college level Model UN conference in late September named BarMUN. Some of the other branches include a top ranked Model UN Travel Team, a community service centered group known as Students for the UN (SUN), and a journal known as the International Relations Review (IRR). From the beginning, BUIAA and its branches have excelled in their fields by

providing the best opportunities for participating undergraduates as well as outside stakeholders that appreciate the organization's work.

#### The Conference

Entering its 22nd iteration, BosMUN will feature committees of all shapes, topics, and sizes in order to accommodate the over 1,500 delegates in attendance. We aim to create an all-inclusive, educational, and diverse atmosphere for each and every high school student that attends our conference. At BosMUN, delegates have the chance to delve into the world of international affairs, public speaking, and diplomatic skills, all the while utilizing creative freedom in their various committees through policy debate. Students assume the role of UN representatives and members of other international bodies and national cabinets in order to debate day-to-day issues that confront world leaders, and eventually draft resolutions in response. During the conference, students will learn the importance of balancing national interests with the needs of the international community, while also learning about the powers and limitations of international negotiation. Delegates must strive to preserve their countries' foreign and domestic policies while also negotiating in the face of other, usually conflicting, international policies.

#### The Mission

True to the spirit of the United Nations, BosMUN hopes to reach students both within the Boston University community as well as in the international high school community to provide students with enriching academic debate and to teach leadership skills. Through creative planning, critical thinking, public speech, compromise, and negotiation, we cultivate an environment to engage our future diplomats, politicians, and general leaders by simulating significant current, historical, and future events where they can make lasting change.

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# SCHEDULE

#### **CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

All times in EST.

Please pay attention to the block sessions as they rotate!

#### Friday, February 10:

9:00 am-4:00 pm: School Registration

4:00 pm-6:00 pm: How to MUN (GA/ECOSOC or Crisis) and Boston University Student Panel

6:45 pm-7:45 pm: Opening Ceremony

8:00 pm-10:30 pm: Bloc A Committee Session I

8:00 pm-10:40 pm: Bloc B Committee Session I

8:00 pm-10:50 pm: Bloc C Committee Session I

8:30 pm-9:30 pm: Advisor Reception and Feedback

11:15 pm-12:00 am: Bingo

12:15 am: Delegate Curfew

12:45 am-2:15 am: Midnight Crisis (delegates will be gathered at 12:15 am)

#### Saturday, February 11:

9:00 am-12:00 pm: Bloc C Committee Session II\*

9:00 am-12:10 pm: Bloc B Committee Session II\*

9:00 am-12:20 pm: Bloc A Committee Session II\*

9:30-10:30 Advisor Feedback

12:00 pm-2:00 pm: Lunch Break and Opportunities Fair

2:00 pm-4:30 pm: Bloc C Committee Session III

2:10 pm-4:40 pm: Bloc B Committee Session III

2:20 pm-4:50 pm: Bloc A Committee Session III

4:30 pm-5:30 pm: Small Break

5:30 pm-8:00 pm: Bloc C Committee Session IV

5:40 pm-8:10 pm: Bloc B Committee Session IV

5:50 pm-8:20 pm: Bloc A Committee Session IV

8:00 pm: Dinner Break

10:15pm-12am: Delegate Social Event

12:30am: Delegate Curfew

\*The midnight crisis committees will have a beginning time that is 1.5 hours later than this starting time so 10:30 am

#### Sunday, February 12:

9:00 am-11:00 am: Bloc B Committee Session V

9:10 am-11:10 am: Bloc A Committee Session V

9:20 am-11:20 am: Bloc C Committee Session V

9:30 am-10:30 am: Advisor Feedback

11:00 am-11:45 am: Break

11:45 am: Doors open for closing ceremonies

12:00 pm-1:30 pm: Closing Ceremony

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# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### EVENT DETAILS

#### WHAT IS THE DRESS CODE?

Throughout BosMUN, delegates are required to wear Western Business Attire. During the Sunday morning committee session, delegates are permitted to wear the BosMUN shirt if they purchased one. Delegates are also permitted to wear casual, but appropriate, clothing to all the social events BosMUN hosts.

#### IS FOOD PROVIDED?

While BosMUN does not cater any meals, dinner breaks are provided on both Friday and Saturday nights.

Delegates are encouraged to try some of the numerous establishments in the Prudential Center, on Newbury Street, or within the Marriott Copley itself.

#### WHERE SHOULD WE EAT?

The Boston Marriott Copley is located in the heart of Boston, and is just a short walk from Newbury Street, which has numerous dining options. Dining options and prices may vary, and include everything from quick options like coffee shops and fast food to elegant, sit-down dinners.

#### IS STAYING IN THE MARRIOTT COPLEY HOTEL MANDATORY?

We highly recommend that delegations choose accommodations within the Marriott Copley especially as it allows delegates to participate in the midnight crisis committees. Delegations can register for rooms at a reduced rate through the BosMUN room block, and all conference affairs throughout the weekend will be run in and around the Marriott Copley.

#### WHAT IS THE AVERAGE SIZE OF COMMITTEE?

Crisis: 20

Specialized: 35

ECOSOC: 75

GA: 100

## WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A SMALL AND LARGE DELEGATION AT BOSMUN?

Once registration closes, we find the median number of delegates per delegation. Every delegation below that number is classified as a small delegation and every delegation above that number is classified as a large delegation. However, on average, a small delegation is considered to have 12 or less delegates while a large delegation is considered to have 13 or more delegates.

## COVID-19 POLICY

#### WHAT IS BOSMUN'S CURRENT COVID-19 POLICY?

As of now, we are planning for BosMUN XXII to be mask optional. However, the full policy will be published on our website as we near the date of the conference in accordance with the CDC and Boston University's policies.

#### CAN LATTEND BOSMUN WITHOUT AN ADVISOR?

No. All delegates need to be accompanied by a chaperone who is 21 years old or older. Single delegates must still attend with a chaperone and all schools who register must bring alone an advisor. As BosMUN caters to high school students, this rule includes delegates that may be age 18 or older.

#### ARE POSITION PAPERS MANDATORY?

At BosMUN, each committee requires a position paper per topic. Position papers should be emailed to the delegate's respective chair by February 1st. For more information on how to write position papers or to see a sample paper, please consult our "Delegate Resource Portal" on the BosMUN website. The password for the portal has been emailed to all advisors and you can always email us to ask for it.

#### DO YOU USE THE NOTEPAD SYSTEM?

The notepad system will be utilized in crisis committees and a select few crisis-heavy Specialized committees. Two notebooks will be provided to each delegate in these committees by us.

#### IS TECHNOLOGY ALLOWED?

Yes. Technology will be utilized in all General Assembly, ECOSOC, and some Specialized committees to draft, write, and present resolutions.

# • FEES, DEADLINES, AND REFUNDS

Please refer to our Conference Fees & Costs and Refund Policy documents.

#### WHO SHOULD I MAKE THE CHECK OUT TO?

Boston University International Affairs Association

C/O BosMUN XXII

PO Box 15013,

Boston, MA 02215

#### **BOSMUN XXII MERCHANDISE**

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## OUR VENUE







## BOSMUN XXII WILL BE HELD IN THE RENOWNED BOSTON MARRIOTT COPLEY PLACE

BosMUN XXII is thrilled to continue its relationship with the Boston Marriott Copley Place, where it relocated to for BosMUN XIX. Located in the heart of Downtown Boston, the hotel is mere minutes away from a multitude of Boston attractions, including the Prudential Center and Newbury Street. With easy access to public

transportation, the entire city can be taken advantage of, including the historic Freedom Trail, Faneuil Hall, Quincy Market, and Boston Common. The hotel completed extensive renovations to its conference rooms in 2015, making it a beautiful space to work in and collaborate. The hotel offers newly upgraded bedrooms and suites, along with a variety of dining options in the immediate area.

Find more information here.

110 Huntington Ave

Boston, MA 02116

#### For questions about the hotel please contact:

Faisal Ahmed at dg@bosmun.org

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