



NCCU Department of Diplomacy Delegation to the 2025 National Model United Nations (NMUN)

2025年國立政治大學外交學系參加美國全國模擬聯合國會議代表團 徵選公告

> This will be one of the rare opportunities for you to grow and learn from such a trip both with a meaningful and exciting international conference gathering thousands of students from the major continents and with academic visits that can enhance your vision of international affairs. WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR PARTICIPATION!! Online info session: September 12 (Thu.), 2024, at 8:30 PM. Application Deadline: <u>September 22</u> (Sun.), 2024.

t was initiated by Prof. Alex Chiang (姜家雄), who has retired a few years ago), since 2006 that almost every year the Department of Diplomacy at National Chengchi University sends a delegation to attend the <u>National Model</u> <u>United Nations</u> (NMUN; 美國全國模擬聯合國會議) held in New York City, where the headquarters of the United Nations (U.N.) is. In 2017-2023, a Diplomacy delegation led by Prof. <u>Kwei-Bo Huang</u> (黃奎博) joined the NMUN and paid visits to various institutions and people with in-depth exchanges in New York City and/or in Washington, D.C. In 2024, Prof. <u>Ping-Kuei Chen</u> (陳秉 逵) was the delegation advisor. For the year of 2025, Professor K. B. Huang will lead the delegation to the United States again.

A virtual information session moderated by Professor Huang will be scheduled for 8:30 PM, September 12, 2024. The Google Meet link will be emailed to the potential applicants by the Department of Diplomacy Office.

THE NMUN SESSION TO ATTEND

The "Session 2" of the 2025 NMUN (in New York) will be held on *April 13-17, 2025*. There you will be able to meet delegates from all over the world and enter the U.N. General Assembly Hall. If needed, there will be a second round of selection, to be determined.

WHAT DO WE DO IN THE US

In addition to NMUN, some other activities may be arranged during your stay in New York and/or Washington, D.C., if both time and budget permit. It is possible that the delegation is going to visit a few non-government organizations in the field of international affairs and/or international democracy promotion.

HOW LONG AND WHERE WILL WE STAY IN THE US

A *tentative* schedule of events for this delegation will be between *April 12* (2:00PM Taipei time) and April 24 (7:00AM Taipei time), 2025, depending on the destinations the delegation is going. It is planned that after the NMUN the delegation is going to Washington, D.C. to call on a few former officials, experts or institutional leaders. If not to Washington, D.C., the stay in New York City could be April 12 to April 21. If a mid-term exam will be scheduled during this trip, the delegate is supposed to be able to discuss in advance with her/his course instructor regarding the arrangement of the mid-term exam.

In terms of accommodation, in addition to the NMUN-assigned hotel (either Marriot or Hilton), the delegation in New York City and/or Washington, D.C. is going to stay at a moderate hotel at which two to three delegates each room.

QUALIFICATIONS AND OTHER INFO FOR APPICATION

Qualifications for application are as below:

(a.) Diplomacy-majored sophomore, junior, senior, Diplomacy's double-majored undergraduates, as well as M.A. students who have completed at least 3 required credits of "International Relations" or its equivalent;

- (b.) A good command of English;
- (c.) A hardworking team player who can accustom herself/himself to living overseas; and
- (d.) Able to participate proactively, with few permitted leaves to be discussed, in the training sessions (including those in the winter vacation).

Note: (1.) Applicants are encouraged to provide information about their experience in previous model conference(s) or overseas activities. (2.) If the number of applicants is apparently small, upon the agreement of the chairperson of Department of Diplomacy, M.A. students from College of International Affairs may be considered as qualified applicants in the second round of application. (3.) Those recruited must pass the evaluation to be qualified to represent the Department of Diplomacy and NCCU to the 2025 NMUN.

Application deadline is the end of September 22 (Sun.), 2024.

Application materials and delivery: Those interested should email thef ollowing documents *in one single file* to Miss Zi-Ying Huang (黃姿瑛助教) at <u>dip50956@nccu.edu.tw</u> (Department of Diplomacy's office), with the subject line "NMUN Application-[Your Chinese/Foreign Language Name]" (for example: NMUN Application-王一丁):

- (a.) An English C.V. (including Chinese and English names, enrolled department/program, NCCU student number, and personal contact information);
- (b.) A Photocopy of the transcript of NCCU or previous school (if NCCU's is unavailable); and
- (c.) Other favorable evidence demonstrating the applicant's superior qualifications (no more than 5 items).

The date/time for selection interviews, if any, and the other information will be emailed to the applicants on/after September 25, 2024. A letter of acceptance will be emailed first on September 30, 2024. Expectedly, there will be 10 to 20 delegates to the 2025 NMUN and the other activities in the U.S. The Department of Diplomacy reserves the right of final decision of cancelling this NMUN delegation plan in case of any practical difficulty or dispute arising.

ESTIMATED ACTIVITY COST

The expenses needed for participation in this trip to the U.S. are briefly explained below. One can check <u>here</u> solely for the NMUN-related cost. As for the hotel room, during the NMUN session it will be based on a four-people occupancy basis.

There is an NT\$6000 deposit (by the mid-October 2024) for every delegate, which will be refunded after her/his completion of the U.S. trip. If the delegate cannot continue to participate once the flight ticket and/or hotel rooms have been booked, s/he will be responsible for paying all charges/fees and carrying out contractual obligations imposed by the commercial companies. The Department of Diplomacy and Professor Kwei-Bo Huang will not be liable to provide any refund.

All delegates must purchase flight tickets together (in order to fulfill the minimum requirement of the "group ticket" issued by the airline company – perhaps NT\$33000 or thereabouts each) and leave Taiwan for the U.S. as a group. If delegates do not want to fly as a group (on the same flight) from New York City back to Taiwan, they will need the faculty advisor's permission beforehand.

Partially funded by certain domestic agencies or individuals, each delegate will still have to pay for her/his travel and commuting expenses, registration fees, visa fees, accommodation, meals, shared cost, and any self-incurred expense. All delegates will jointly share the delegation advisor's travel, accommodation, meal, and NMUN-related expenses. Beginning from early October 2024, delegates will be grouped and guided to solicit some funding from the University, government agencies, non-governmental organizations and/or corporations. Depending on the activities to be engaged (either in New York only, or in New York and Washington, D.C.) and on the hotel room types, the total expenditure for each student delegate may be between NT\$64000 and \$76000 (an estimated amount only, as of September 2024). But you will definitely feel it worthwhile!

For more information, please email to: Professor Kwei-Bo Huang at <u>kweibohuang@gmail.com</u>, or Miss. Zi-Ying Huang at <u>dip50956@nccu.edu.tw</u> / or call at campus extension 50956.

Some info regarding the past activities can be found here: **政大校訊:

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