

Delegate Code of Conduct

While participating in the VicMUN conference, delegates are expected to preserve a high level of professionalism and diplomacy. All those participating in the conference, whether staff, faculty, or other delegates, should always be treated with respect and dignity. In order to maintain the integrity of a Model United Nations conference, there must be an appropriate standard of professionalism displayed in speech, actions, and appearance. Delegates must also respect the UVic property on which the conference is being held.

Delegates are expected to act as if they are truly representatives of their assigned Member State and thus must engage in the spirit of diplomacy when discussing global issues and topics. Even if there is disagreement between delegates, personal respect must be maintained. Personal disrespect, harassment, or bullying will not be tolerated.

Delegates are expected to:

- ❖ Stay “in character” as delegates of a Member State in committee. While “in character” delegates must still ensure they are continuing to respect fellow delegates, even if the opinions and ideas of another delegate conflict with a given delegate’s own goals.
- ❖ Maintain professionalism at all times;
- ❖ Collaborate with fellow delegates when possible
- ❖ Rude, harassing, and inappropriate behavior by participants will be reported to the Dais and may be escalated to the Director-General. If deemed necessary, the Director-General may dismiss a delegate from their committee temporarily or permanently, and for the most serious offences, may dismiss a delegate from the conference.

Dress code

Purpose and Intent

Dress code is important to provide realism during a Model United Nations conference. Delegates would be expected to adhere to dress code standards in future academic and professional settings, so this is also an expectation during the VicMUN conference.

Dress Code Expectations

Students are expected to dress as professional diplomats sent to represent their state at the United Nations Headquarters in New York City, USA, or Geneva, Switzerland, in the case of the World Health Assembly.

This can include:

- ❖ Suits (including a sport coat, suit jacket, dress pants with belt, or a skirt) with a shirt (button up or blouse) or dress underneath, and professional shoes. Ties, bowties, vests and waistcoats are optional.
- ❖ If delegates cannot access the attire listed above, sweaters can also be used in replacement of a suit jacket. However, dress pants or skirts are still expected.
- ❖ Avoid any casual attire such as jeans, runners, hats, toques, sunglasses, athletic attire, or any other sort of clothing that could be deemed unprofessional or reflect poorly on your state.