

MEDIA INVITATION

November 16, 2017

200 Students to arrive in Banff for National Model United Nations Conference with Indigenous Peoples and Environmental issues as main themes.

Proudly hosted by and in partnership with Concordia University of Edmonton, 200 student Model UN delegates from post-secondary schools around the world will attend the conference, which is **being held in Canada for the first time!**

With significant topics of interest at the forefront, cultural components and performances, the theme of the conference will focus on relationships with **Indigenous Peoples as well as environmental issues**. An impressive list of speakers are lined up and hard-hitting global topics will be discussed and debated.

NMUN is the world's largest intercollegiate Model UN conference organization, with a rich 90-year history of conferences hosting participants from 130 UN member states and 430 universities and colleges worldwide. Conferences are held in New York, Washington DC and an international location, which this year was chosen to be Banff, Alberta. NMUN provides post-secondary students with cooperative, hands-on, experiential learning, tackling a range of serious world issues and topics, preparing them to become better global citizens and international leaders.

Being one of the smaller universities involved in the Model UN, hosting this conference is a great honour for Concordia University of Edmonton. It's Model UN Club has worked hard, building their reputation and earning various recognitions as a result of their public speaking, debating and negotiation skills at various Model UN events.

You are invited to attend!

The conference takes place from Monday, November 20 through to Friday November 24 and you are welcome on any day or at any time.

However, we do suggest joining us for the official **Speakers Panel, Opening Ceremonies, Banquet and First Committee Session** or our **Closing Ceremonies**.

When:

Opening Day: **Tuesday, November 21, 2017** (*schedule of the day attached*)

Closing Ceremonies: **Friday, November 24, 2017** from 3:00pm to 4:30pm

Location: Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity, 107 Tunnel Mountain Drive, Banff

NMUN representatives and Concordia University of Edmonton's President and faculty will be available for interview.



Schedule for Tuesday, 21 November

Time	Event	Location
9:30am - 12:30pm	Cultural Tours and Site Visits Day 2: Indigenous Issues	Banff Centre Campus
	Stephanie Harpe Seminar	Kinnear Centre, 2nd Floor, Rooms 201, 203, 205
	Saving Banff's Bears	Kinnear Centre, 2nd Floor, Rooms 201, 203, 205
	Blanket Exercise	Max Bell Building, Main Floor, Husky Great Hall
	Smudging Teaching	Max Bell Building, Main Floor, Elder Tom Crane Bear Room
12:30pm - 2:00pm	Lunch	Sally Borden Building, 3rd Floor, Vistas Dining Room
2:30pm - 3:30pm	NMUN Rules Training (optional)	Max Bell Building, Main Floor, Max Bell Auditorium
3:30pm - 3:50pm	Late NMUN Conference Registration	Kinnear Centre, 1st Floor, Outside Maclab Bistro
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Speakers Panel	Kinnear Centre, 2nd Floor, Rooms 201, 203, 205
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Opening Ceremony	Kinnear Centre, 2nd Floor, Rooms 201, 203, 205
6:00pm - 7:00pm	Welcome Dinner	Kinnear Centre, 1st Floor, Rooms 101, 103, 105
7:30pm - 10:30pm	Committee Session I	

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