



THIMUN Qatar MUN Leaders Training Program 2023

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Running in the autumn and spring terms of each academic year, this ONLINE program is open to MUN leaders, teachers, and student leaders, from all educational institutes, and is run free of charge. The next iteration of this program will begin Jan, 2023 and run to Mar 30 2023.

The program is led by THIMUN Qatar's Head of Program, this 3-month program will outline the role of the leadership team in an MUN club, as well as sharing multiple ready to use resources in the MUN club sessions.

Autumn term program:

Saturday Jan 7 2023, 11:00-12:30 Arabian Standard Time: The MUN Club and the role of the MUN director

Saturday Jan 21, 2023 11:00-12:30 Arabian Standard Time: Developing Critical thinkers.

Saturday Feb 4 2023, 11:00-12:30 Arabian Standard Time: Logical Arguments for Formal Debate

Saturday Feb 18 2023, 11:00-12:30 Arabian Standard Time: Debate, Negotiate or Arbitrate?

Saturday Mar 4 2023, 11:00-12:30 Arabian Standard Time: Editing Resolutions, and writing speeches

General Information on the training:

Each meeting will contain multiple resources to use as training materials in your own clubs. Each meeting will be followed by a short online summative assessment and feedback form. Participants who complete all 4 classes successfully will receive certification from THIMUN Qatar. Participants are not committed to attend all 4 classes once signed up.

Program Syllabus:

Introductory session: **The MUN Club and the role of the MUN director.**

This session will link multiple resources that MUN leaders can use to both establish and further develop an MUN club. The training session will outline understanding MUN, a brief introduction to the UN, how to support delegate research on issues, research country policy, how to support the creation of a position paper, simple guidelines on resolution writing, and the different types of opening speeches.

This session will also cover helpful tips on how to track delegate preparation through Delegate Document check lists.

Developing Critical thinkers.

Primarily this session is around engaging in structured thinking. The session begins with a deep dive into how to critically analyse a global issue, how to achieve a strong definition to the problem, and the role of research/evidence gathering in forming critical thinking. We will also be using the “circle of WHY” and identifying root factors. During the session we will be engaging in a Devil’s Advocate debate, evaluating the strengths and weaknesses of arguments, and going through exercises on identifying biases, and relevancy determination.

Logical Arguments for Formal Debate

This fully interactive session will cover all of the 15 main logical fallacies, inviting participants to both identify logical fallacies in various arguments, and correcting them, as well as creating arguments that contain no fallacies.

Debate, Negotiate or Arbitrate?

What is the purpose of Debate in an MUN conference? How are MUN debates structured, and what is the role of rebuttals during an MUN committee session. This session will also cover the best ways train delegates to keep track of debates and arguments during the MUN session, and what points and motions are used to empower delegates and create the most powerful debates. During this session we will also cover the role and purpose of negotiations in MUN, mediation in SC and finally arbitration in ICJ.

Editing Resolutions, and writing speeches

This final session rounds off the tangible deliverables of any MUN conference, and its documented Youth Voice: The Resolution! This session will deep dive into reviewing the resolution, as well as the best way to use lobbying and informal agreements to create the most potent agreements that can advance the likelihood of member states acceptance of the recommendations created in the resolution.