



Tips and Guidelines for Success at YMUN 50

Research Tips

- You should start your research now if you haven't already. The more research you have done going into the conference, the more successful you will be.
- Make sure to use reliable sources in your research so that you are working with accurate information.
- It is good to look at maps and infographics as well as articles, but make sure to check that your maps and graphics are also coming from a reliable source.
- Your topic guide on the YMUN website is a good place to start but your research should go far beyond it— your research should be specific to the country or person that you will be representing.
- When researching the stance on your topics of the country or person you will be representing, you should look at how they have voted in the recent past on those/similar topics, and use your judgment of where they stand based on what they say their stance is, what their actions say their stance is, and what others believe their stance is. Remember that you are representing the government of your country, so focus on the government's stance not the population's stance. You are not here to represent your personal beliefs, but rather the beliefs of the country/person you represent, so research accordingly.
- Bestdelegate.com has a great free guide on writing position papers based on your research.
- You can print out your favorite maps and infographics, and write down bullet points on your research before the conference, so that you can keep the information on hand in your YMUN folder.

Preparation for the Conference Tips

- Check the conference schedule and map in advance so that you can plan time for delegate trainings, fun YMUN activities and events, meals with your delegation or the new friends that you will meet at YMUN, campus tours of Yale, and keeping up with your homework while you are away from high school.

- Make sure you have a group chat with your delegation, especially your advisor, that will work in the United States, so that you can communicate with each other, and stay in contact with your advisor at all times.
- YMUN offers a New Delegate Training and an Advanced Delegate Training right before the conference begins if this is your first conference, you want to brush up on parliamentary procedure, or you want to make sure you know the way YMUN will work — as MUN procedure varies slightly in every country.
- Get excited to learn new things and have an incredible conference!

Tips for the Conference

- Keep the delegate badge and conference materials that YMUN gives you with you at all times.
- Stay in contact with your advisor, and call the numbers that YMUN will give you upon arrival if you are ever in need of assistance or have any concerns.
- Stick to the plan that your delegation has made for the conference.
- Make the most of the conference! Outside of committee sessions, YMUN offers delegate trainings, a Yale student performance showcase, Yale Day events to get to know the university, the delegate dance, raffles for prizes, and more! YMUN happens on Yale campus in the city of New Haven, so please enjoy the beautiful campus and New Haven's restaurant scene, especially its world-famous pizza. And YMUN brings delegates from all across the world, so get to know the incredible people that will be your fellow delegates.