



2008 GEORGIA TECH MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE

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Awards Information

GTMUN awards outstanding delegations, outstanding delegates, and outstanding cooperation following the final session of the conference. This is a way for the GTMUN staff to recognize the hard work, diligent preparation, and professionalism of those delegates who stand out during debate. These awards are not intended in any way to undermine the performances of other delegates. Bear in mind that GTMUN is not a competition, but rather an educational experience. The GTMUN conference's goal is to bring delegates together in a spirit of compromise. Much like the United Nations, the organization exists for the betterment of all, and there are no winners or losers. GTMUN requires hard work and long hours from delegates before and during the conference, and therefore all delegates are commended for their successful participation.

The following criteria are used in determining awards:

- Presentation skills
- Speaking skills
- Creativity
- Overall knowledge
- Specific topic knowledge
- Specific knowledge of country represented
- Accuracy to country represented
- Negotiation skills (especially during caucuses)
- Courtesy to other delegates
- Knowledge of rules/procedure
- 'Political' ability
- Overall presence
- Position paper (accuracy and depth of knowledge)

Directors have the final say on which delegates from their committees get awards. Delegates are monitored during debates and caucuses. The ideal delegate is accurate and knowledgeable on both their country's position on the topic and the UN. They should work to create resolutions that are a reasonable solution to the problem while remaining loyal to their country.

Delegation Awards:

George P. Burdell Cup (1) – Named after the Georgia Tech campus icon, this cup is given to the delegation that best represents their country through the duration of the conference. The delegates have a full understanding of their country's stance on all issues at hand, and show these views in a diplomatic fashion. In addition, the delegates show the utmost respect for their fellow delegates in the committee.

Outstanding Delegation (2) – These delegations have shown outstanding preparation and debate skills throughout the conference.

Delegate Awards:

Outstanding Delegate (1 per committee) – This award is chosen by the Director and the Assistant Director in each committee and is given to the student that most embodies the spirit of the United Nations in all aspects of their behavior.

Honorable Mention (2 per committee) – These awards are at the discretion of the Director and Assistant Director and are given to students that have shown depth of knowledge of the topic and their country and have strived for cooperation throughout the conference.

ICJ Awards

Due to how differently the International Court of Justice runs, awards work somewhat differently for that committee. Here is a list of those awards and how they are selected:

Outstanding Memorial (1) – Given to the Memorial presented to GTMUN prior to the conference showing the firmest grasp of international law and the rules of the court.

Outstanding Justice (1) – Determined jointly by peer and Director evaluation, criteria for this award include knowledge of the workings and values of the court, grasp of international law, and quality of oral and written arguments.

Outstanding Advocate (1) – Determined jointly by peer and Director evaluation, criteria include knowledge of pertinent international law and treaties, presentation of oral arguments, and respect for the values of the court.

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