



## THE LYCEUM'S MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE AWARD POLICY

### **Outstanding Position Papers**

The Outstanding Position Paper Award recognizes outstanding pre-conference preparation. The Lyceum grants Outstanding Position Paper awards to 2-3 delegations per committee. Position papers are eligible for Outstanding Position Paper awards if emailed to [MUN\\_HS@lyceum.org](mailto:MUN_HS@lyceum.org) by the due date on the Lyceum's website. Position papers submitted after this deadline will not be considered for awards. Position papers containing instances of plagiarism, including plagiarism of the Lyceum topic background guides, will be disqualified from the Outstanding Position Paper award process.

The Model United Nations Club at the Middlebury Institute of International Studies provides student volunteers who carefully select winning position papers based on the following criteria:

- Referencing relevant UN documents and resolutions.
- Consistency with regional/geopolitical constraints as well as United Nations and committee purview.
- Relevant analysis of the issues at hand instead of paraphrasing the topic background guides.
- Overall quality of writing (including grammar, format, style, etc.).

Position papers should adhere to the following style guidelines:

- One half-page in length, single-spaced, with a hard cut-off at one full page.
- One inch margins on all sides.
- Times New Roman, 10-12 point.
- Justified alignment.
- Clear labelling of country name, school name, committee, and delegates' names.
- Title includes the agenda item to be discussed.
- Paper submitted electronically to [MUN\\_HS@lyceum.org](mailto:MUN_HS@lyceum.org) as a Word or PDF file.

### **Outstanding Representation**

The Outstanding Representation award recognizes delegations that exhibit a deep understanding of the issues at hand and demonstrate this knowledge through their participation, leadership, and representation of their country. The Conference grants Outstanding Representation awards to 2-3 delegations per committee. Committee Chairs have been trained to look for the following qualities in representatives in order to select award recipients:

- Understanding and thoughtful analysis of the agenda items being discussed.
- Understanding and thoughtful analysis of policies related to the agenda items (previous, current, and potential/proposed).
- Active participation as a speaker and during caucuses.
- Respect and recognition of limits on speaking time.
- All of the above in relation to representation of their assigned country.