

What is Press Corps? 2021 MMUN Conferences

As a Press Corps reporter, students represent a national or international news agency instead of a country. In preparation for this role, they write an editorial instead of a position paper. During the conference, the reporters will inform the conference about the actions in the committees through a Press Corps Blog and Live Press Briefings.

Unlike MMUN delegates, the Press Corps does not have a specific agenda. Instead, reporters choose committee topics on which they want to report. It is engaging work and it is fun.

	Research	Writing	Meetings	Student Group Size	Engagement with other students	Output
MMUN Delegate	Country and topics	Position Paper	Committee	Average size 70-80 delegates	Negotiation	Resolutions
Press Corps Report- er	Topics and Media Positions	Editorials on committee topics (based upon news outlet's positions)	Press Corp Meetings, as well as Committee Meetings to follow/ report on topic debate/ resolutions	Maximum 40 Reporters	Field investigation/ Interviewing/ Eyewitness	Press Articles

Updated Procedures

The Press Corps mission has always been to create more student engagement and parallel the interplay between media and politics. In 2020 we are implementing changes to create an enhanced atmosphere for exchange, crosspollination, and focus.

This year we are narrowing the list of topics and synchronizing the agendas of Press Corps and their corresponding MMUN committees.

This will create more crossover in focus and generate discussions among the different news agencies, as well as provide greater opportunities for interviewing and observing committee sessions during the reporting process.

All of these things provide more crossover coverage along with more engaged and integrated Press Corps.

Each news agency must pick one of three topics from Day I and one of three topics from Day 2.

The topics for Press Corps 2021 are



DAY 2

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DISEC: Cybersecurity;

UN WOMEN: Economic Gender Equality;

UNODC: Election Legitimacy;

SOCHUM: Substance Abuse;

ECOSOC: Increasing Access to Information

ECOFIN: Disaster Risk Reduction

Example

The BBC would need to write an editorial on a topic from Day I such as Election Legitimacy & a topic from day 2 such as Substance Abuse. News Agencies cannot pick both topics from the same day. They must choose one from day I and one from day 2.

Press Corps Agencies

British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC)
Canadian Press
Cape Times
Korea Herald
L'Osservatore Romano
Lybian Herald
Moscow Times
New Vision
Palestine News Network (PNN)
Times of India
Xinhua News Agency
Yemen Post

Here's to a more engaged student media presence at our upcoming conferences!

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