Agenda

9:00 – 9:05 Welcome

9:05 – 9:25 Introduction to Global Classrooms

9:25 – 9:30 Video

9:30 – 10:10 Panel Discussion

10:20 – 10:20 Questions

10:20 – 11:20 United Planets Simulation

11:20 – 11:30 Questions/Evaluations
Global Classrooms® Minnesota
of
the United Nations Association of Minnesota, and the United Nations Association of the USA, a Program of the United Nations Foundation

UNA-MN is a non-profit, grassroots organization that works on a local and regional level to promote the principles of the United Nations.
Global Classrooms Program

Is an innovative and rigorous international education program that engages students from grades 7 – 12 both in the classroom and in UN simulations called Model UN.

Through the program, students learn critical life skills such as negotiation, public speaking, research, writing and the responsibilities of Global Citizenship.
Numbers

In 2011-2012...

• Over 2,900 students participated in the *Global Classrooms* Program.

• In 2004-2005, only 350 students participated in the Model UN conference.
Evaluating *Global Classrooms*

United Nations Assessment

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Self-Assessments

Student Self-Assessment

- Strongly Agree/Agree
- Neutral
- Strongly Disagree/Disagree

Average % of responses per category

Questions

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Global Classrooms Program Benefits for Teachers

- Global Classrooms Curriculum with a flash drive
  - Model UN Trainers
  - Professional Development Opportunities
- Classroom Guest Speakers (Speakers Bureau)
- Lots of support for teachers (Newsletters, e-mails, etc.)
  - Model UN Conference (in-school and State)

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Teacher Evaluations

Student Learning/Preparation

Question 1

Question 2

Question 3

Excellent
Above Average
Average
Below Average
Poor
NA

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Global Classrooms Curriculum

- Lesson Plans aligned with the Minnesota Academic Standards in Social Studies.
- Focused on developing students’ skills.
- Easy to use with handouts and activities.
- A flash drive with PowerPoint presentations and videos.
- Flexible.
- Available in Spanish.
Model UN Trainers

• Model UN Trainers are interns at *Global Classrooms*. Most of them are college students with an extensive knowledge of Model UN.

• Trainers will go to classrooms to provide support for teachers and students.

• Native Spanish speakers are available to come into classrooms as trainers.

• Model UN Trainers will also act as dais members during the Model UN Conferences.
Professional Development Sessions:

- Introduction to the *Global Classrooms* MN Curriculum and Conferences: November 3, 2012
- Guest Speaker(s) with in-depth knowledge of topic for the Model UN Conferences: February 2013
Classroom Guest Speakers:

- Humphrey Fellows - partnership with the University of Minnesota Hubert H. Humphrey School of Public Affairs and Human Rights Center at the Law School;
  - UNA-MN Board Members;
  - Local experts in specific topics
Support for Teachers

*We are happy to provide as much support to teachers as we can!*

- Email/phone communication
- Meetings as necessary
- Newsletter updates…
Model United Nations Conferences:

**School Conferences**
Hosted at ten different Minnesota schools
2011-2012: 1,873 students

**State Conferences**
Hosted at four College / University Campuses
2011-2012: 1,036 students
Spanish Conferences

• Launched in 2010-2011 with 130 participants

• Last year, we had 190 participants from four different schools

• That’s a 46% increase!

• We’re the only UNA-USA/UNF Spanish Model United Nations in the United States
Topics for 2012-2013

Poverty

- General Assembly
  The Urbanization of Poverty

- Security Council
  Poverty and Conflict in Afghanistan

- World Health Organization
  Poverty and Maternal Health
Preparing your Students for a Model UN Conference

Six Steps:
1. Country Assignments – Country Research
2. Topic Research
3. Solutions
4. Position Paper
5. Resolutions
6. Rules of Procedure
That’s it!