



# HARVARD MODEL UNITED NATIONS CHINA 2018

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Dear Delegates and Faculty Advisors,

I hope that you have all enjoyed restful summers and are settled in to the new school year!

October is a time of change here at Harvard. The leaves are turning from deep green to vivid yellows and reds, falling in enormous piles around Harvard Yard. Shorts and T-shirts have become a rare sight around campus, replaced by wool sweaters and the occasional overcoat. For students, the new academic year brings challenge and opportunity in equal measure. Whether we're poring over textbooks in Widener Library or playing catch under the trees with new friends, there's never a lack of things to do.

Things have been particularly busy for the HMUN China staff. While March might seem to be a long way off, we've already spent months knee-deep in conference preparations. Background guides are being edited and formatted for publication, Assistant Director and Specialized Agency applications have been released, and seats at conference are filling up rapidly. This blur of activity has brought our team closer together—the hours we spend working side by side to make conference a reality pass in what seems like minutes.

Of course, these preparations are not about us—they're about you! We encourage you to follow our team on Facebook and WeChat, where we've already started posting HMUN China stories, director profiles, and deadline reminders. If you have not yet done so, we invite you to register to attend conference between now and the deadline of **December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017**. Links to our social media pages and detailed registration instructions are readily available on our conference website at [www.hmunchina.org](http://www.hmunchina.org).

If you have already registered for conference, stay tuned for the release of HMUN China training materials over the coming months! In addition to background guides, informational webinars, and an updated Guide to Delegate Participation, we intend to run a number of live HMUN China Question & Answer streaming sessions in the lead-up to conference. Information about these resources and initiatives will be available on our social media pages and on our website.

Thank you, as always, for your commitment to education through Model United Nations. We are both excited and humbled by the prospect of working with you all at conference, and cannot wait to see you in Beijing this March!

Sincerely,

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