

Technology Committee FAQ

Q: Do technology committees have a crisis?

A: Of course! Crisis is a beloved part of YUNMUN, and every committee regardless of their use technology will have one.

Q: When can technology be used in the committee?

A: Computer use will be allowed during caucuses and breaks, encouraging in depth research of the crisis topic. During crisis, special exceptions for computer use may be made at the discretion of the chair.

Q: How do you suggest that I best prepare my delegate for the procedure and flow of this committee?

A: Though there will be computer use in the committee, the tone and flow of the traditional YUNMUN committee will still be present. Computers will not be allowed to be in use during the entirety of the committee session. Notes will still be passed by hand, and votes will still be taken by placard vote. Therefore, much of the procedure for the committee with regard to opening topics, voting, parliamentary inquiries, etc. will remain the same. For specific questions about procedure, please see the Delegate Handbook and YUNMUN Technology Committee Procedure Guide posted to our website. This procedure guide relates specifically to the use of computers, the electronic slideshows, and more. However, the general rules of the YUNMUN committee will remain (with these additions).

Q: What type of student should I place on this committee? What advice should I give to a delegate that I have already placed on this committee? Should the delegate have prior YUNMUN experience?

A: The type of delegate on this committee can either have YUNMUN experience or not, but ideally should be one that can use the technology in a productive and non-distracting way. There is one technology committee this year, the Commission of Science and Technology for Development (CSTD). We would prefer delegates who are committed to the competition to be placed in this exciting committee.

Q: What preparations should my delegate be doing for the implementation of computers in addition to the regular procedure and research?

A: The best way to prepare your delegate for this committee is to encourage them to research their topic thoroughly and teach them how to use Google Docs (suggested edits, collaborating comfortably, hyperlinks etc.) and Google Slides (to create their electronic slide presentation). Lastly, since the crisis will allow time for research, teaching the delegates how to research on the fly, and find relevant and useful information is important.

Q: I saw on YUNMUN Technology Committee Explained that Google slides should be

submitted. How should I do this?

A: Along with your position paper, each delegate comes with one slide presentation prepared on Google Slides outlining their country's position on the topic. These will be used during opening presentations at the conference. Please submit one slideshow on the topic and save your document as "Committee_Country_Topic_LastName." For example, if I was on CSTD as Finland, and the topic was Private Military Companies (PMCs), I would save my document as

"CSTD_Finland_PMCs_Kahane"; All Google Slides should be emailed directly to your chair.

I hope that CSTD will be extremely successful and a paradigm for YUNMUN committees of the depth, seriousness, creativity and fun that embodies this conference!

I hope this has answered your questions, and of course feel free to reach out with any further inquiries!

Best,

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