

IC Diplomatic School - Draft Schedule

Please note that this is a draft schedule and might be subject to slight changes.

Month 1: The European Union and Global Diplomacy

• Session 1: Introduction to the European Union

Core topics: The EU's structure, key institutions (European Commission, European Parliament, European Council), and its role in global diplomacy.

Practical Application: How the EU interacts with other international actors.

Public Speaking Focus: Presenting EU-related topics effectively in a professional setting, delivering clear and persuasive arguments.

• Session 2: EU Foreign Policy and International Law

Core topics: The EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), legal framework for EU external relations, and EU trade agreements.

Practical Application: Case study of a recent EU foreign policy decision.

Negotiation Focus: Practicing negotiation techniques in the context of EU decision-making, balancing national and European interests.

• Session 3: EU and Human Rights

Core topics: EU's role in promoting human rights globally, the European Convention on Human Rights, and EU human rights diplomacy.

Practical Application: Evaluating the EU's human rights record in a specific region or country.

Public Speaking Focus: Advocating for human rights within the EU framework, focusing on persuasive speaking and public advocacy.

• Simulation Day: European Council Simulation

Participants will role-play as EU leaders in a crisis scenario, negotiating diplomatic and legal solutions within the EU framework.

Negotiation Focus: Multilateral negotiation within the EU, including tactics for finding compromise and advancing shared goals.

Month 2: Global Issues, the EU, and Other International Organizations

• Session 1: The EU and Global Security Issues

Core topics: The EU's role in addressing global security challenges (terrorism, migration, conflict zones), including its Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP).

Practical Application: Analyzing the EU's response to a current security crisis. **Public Speaking Focus**: Discussing sensitive global security issues in a diplomatic, clear, and impactful manner.



• Session 2: The EU and Multilateral Organizations

Core topics: The EU's relations with the UN, NATO, OSCE and other international organizations, and its role in multilateral diplomacy.

Practical Application: How the EU navigates global challenges through multilateral diplomacy.

Negotiation Focus: Understanding the intricacies of negotiating within multilateral organizations, with an emphasis on the EU's role in shaping outcomes.

• Session 3: Global Challenges: Climate Change, Trade, and Global Health *Core topics*: International agreements on climate change (e.g., Paris Agreement), global trade issues (WTO), and public health diplomacy (WHO).

Practical Application: How international law and diplomacy shape responses to global challenges.

Public Speaking Focus: Crafting speeches on complex global issues, focusing on clarity, engagement, and persuasion.

• Simulation Day: International Treaty Negotiation Simulation

Participants will simulate the negotiation of an international treaty on a current global issue (e.g., climate change or trade), applying international law principles and diplomacy.

Negotiation Focus: Mastering negotiation skills in treaty settings, balancing the interests of multiple parties while adhering to international legal frameworks.

Month 3: The United Nations and the International System

• Session 1: Introduction to the International System and International Law

Core topics: The global system, key actors in international relations, principles of international law, and the role of the UN in shaping the global order.

Practical Application: Understanding the dynamics of international diplomacy and law.

Public Speaking Focus: Techniques for presenting complex topics clearly and engagingly in international forums.

• Session 2: The United Nations System and its Key Agencies

Core topics: Structure of the UN, roles of the Security Council, General Assembly, and specialized agencies (e.g., WHO, UNESCO).

Practical Application: Case study on the UN's role in peacekeeping and conflict resolution.

Negotiation Focus: Introduction to the art of negotiation in multilateral diplomacy, with a focus on consensus-building.

• Session 3: International Human Rights Law and the UN

Core topics: Human rights instruments (e.g., Universal Declaration of Human Rights, ICCPR), enforcement mechanisms through the UN system.

Practical Application: Analyzing a human rights case and the UN's response.

Public Speaking Focus: Effective advocacy in human rights, learning how to present compelling arguments.



• Simulation Day: United Nations Security Council Simulation

Participants will role-play as UN Security Council members and discuss a current global crisis, negotiating solutions based on international law.

Negotiation Focus: Engaging in high-stakes diplomacy, focusing on negotiation strategies and consensus-building in a simulated UN environment.

Additional Online Content

To support the live sessions, participants will have access to **pre-recorded online content**, including:

- Rules and Procedures for Simulations: Instructions for the UN Security Council, European Council, and treaty negotiation simulations.
- **Key International Law Concepts**: Videos explaining essential international law principles related to the sessions.
- **Public Speaking and Negotiation Tips**: Videos and resources to further enhance participants' communication and negotiation skills.
- Case Studies: In-depth analysis of global legal cases and the role of international organizations.