Award Information

In each committee there are 4 awards given out: Best Delegate, Outstanding Delegate, Honorable Delegate, and Best Research.

Best Research is given out to the delegate that demonstrates the greatest competency in policy writing (see below). Chairs will evaluate delegates on each of the following criteria to decide Best, Outstanding, and Honorable Delegate.

*Competency in policy writing* - Successful delegates should demonstrate a solid grasp of, and facility with, policy writing in the form of resolutions and/or directives. Their writing should be formal, precise, and succinct, and demonstrate a balance between factual evidence and analysis of that evidence leading to a policy action.

*Strong interpersonal skills* - Successful delegates should be able to work well with others, negotiate politely yet effectively, communicate well with others, and remain respectful throughout the conference. Successful delegates should be masters of personal diplomacy - able to advance their ideas and influence others in committee while being well-liked and respected by their peers.

*Confidence and comfort with public speaking and speaking extemporaneously* - Successful delegates should have confidence in giving speeches to committee, speaking consistently and concisely with good content, with eloquence and style. Delegates’ speeches should contribute to and influence committee debate.

*Strong preparation for the conference especially familiarity with the committee topic* - Successful delegates should demonstrate a mastery over the committee topics and research in all aspects of their participation in committee, whether in their speeches, their writings, or in their personal diplomacy.

*Ability to think quickly, critically, and effectively* - Successful delegates should be able to adapt well to rapidly changing situations and to overcome new challenges creatively and effectively.