



## Guide to Forming A Team for GCS

### What is the GCS?

Global Crisis Simulation (GCS) is a business and policy simulation conference to be held in Mumbai, India in 2014. By combining the traditional 'Model UN' style of debate with topics in corporate governance, science, technology, security, and crisis management, GCS will offer delegates an exciting and challenging new way of exploring the most important problems that face business and public sector leaders.

### What does a GCS Committee look like?

A typical GCS committee, a policy hackathon, will bring together 15-30 delegates, present them with a case, and have them simulate a major decision making body while realistically adhering to that organization's goals. Over three days, delegates will be asked to create actionable solutions to the problems presented while operating in a simulated 'crisis' environment.

Delegates will delve deeply into issues while acting as corporate boards, regional governments, and a plethora of other decision-making bodies. The conference will include simulations of crises in biotechnology, business management, environmental sustainability, pandemic diseases, urban planning and financial regulation.

### Steps to forming a delegate team:

#### 1. Find a group of interested students:

Spread the work about GCS on your campus and college circles, and make sure to emphasize the difference between a normal MUN committee and GCS committee. Ensure that the delegates in your team have varied backgrounds in terms of expertise, as a GCS committee will incorporate different methods of solving problems.

#### 2. Decide the size of the team:

The size of the delegation from your school depends on various factors such as budget, distribution of delegates among the various committees, and how you choose to select these delegates.

#### 3. Find a faculty advisor:

Reach out to faculty in the International Relations, Political Science, Economics, or other relevant departments at your school. Explain to them what GCS is, and what role you would like them to play as your advisor. Advisors can be extremely valuable resources; both by sharing their knowledge and experience with students and by helping the team gain funding and other support from the university.



**4. Elect a Head Delegate:**

The Head Delegate is the leader of your delegation at conference and is in charge of coordinating transportation, accommodation, and all conference activities. It is advisable to pick a Head Delegate who has experience and knowledge so as to prepare the remaining delegates in what to expect in the conference.

**5. Put together a fund raising and training plan:**

Decide how much of conference expenses you will try to cover as a team through fundraising, and how much you will ask team members to contribute themselves. Involve the faculty advisor and decide upon the best plan for fund raising. It is also essential to hold training sessions to prepare for the conference. Not only does it help to be prepared, but training sessions are also excellent team building opportunities that build cohesion.

**6. Set conference expectations and behaviour:**

Set clear expectations on how delegates should behave at the conference. This should include ensuring that delegates attend all committee sessions, and take the conference seriously. Not only will this help maintain a clear understanding of your objective at the conference, but will give a set of ground rules for your delegation to follow.

We are always available to answer your questions regarding both conference preparation and logistical issues.

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