



## POSITION PAPER WRITING GUIDE FOR ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

Esteemed Delegates,

I welcome you to GatorMUN IX with the fullest assurance that your time during our annual conference will be both intellectually rewarding and extraordinarily entertaining. While the bulk of your work (and fun) will occur while you are representing your country in February, it is necessary that you fully prepare yourself before you arrive to the University of Florida. Preparing yourself will entail reading the background guide provided by the Director of your committee, adequately researching your country's stance on the three issues, understanding GatorMUN's Rules of Procedure, and writing a position paper that will be turned in to your Director before the beginning of the first committee session. The position paper is a key element of every Model United Nations conference and I encourage you to familiarize yourself with the proper way to write a position paper for GatorMUN IX which will be explained below.

I thank you for choosing the best MUN conference that Florida has to offer and encourage you to e-mail the Secretariat at [gatormun@gmail.com](mailto:gatormun@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
Kelsey Harclerode  
Undersecretary General of Assembly Committees  
GatorMUN IX

### Position Paper Guidelines

1. Position papers are required to receive an award at GatorMUN IX and are accounted for in the overall scoring of each delegate
2. All position papers must be a minimum of 1 page and a maximum of 3 pages
3. Formatting for a position paper is as follows:
  - 1" margins
  - 12 pt. Times New Roman font
  - Single spaced
4. The position paper should include the name of the country that you are representing and the committee that you are a member of
5. Each topic should be addressed equally and the discussion of each topic should include:
  - Country's stance on the topic
    - Domestic initiatives concerning the topic
    - Supported international initiatives concerning the topic
  - Background of the topic
    - UN Resolutions
    - Conferences or summits involved with the issue
    - Additional international initiatives undertaken
  - Proposed goals and solutions pertaining to the topic