Foundations of Diplomacy

Diplomatic Simulations

Course Content

Students will be expected to prepare for and to participate actively in a series of diplomatic simulations reflecting a wide range of contemporary international issues. Students will also be expected to make short presentations on topics relevant to the simulations and to play an active part in the ensuing debates.

Week 1: Volcanica: Reporting

Week 2: London Embassies Visit

Week 3: Volcanica: Conflict Analysis

Week 4: Small Group Tutorials for Final Presentations

Week 5: Volcanica: Negotiations

Week 6: Visit to Chatham House and RUSI

Week 7: Tutorials

Week 8: Volcanica: Who are our allies?

Week 9: Volcanica: Dilemmas

Week 10: Viva voce examinations

Intended Learning Outcome

By the end of the term you should be able to:

• enhance your ability to hold the floor and to enter into debate in a committee/group setting

• engage tactfully and sensitively when participating in committee/group meetings with international colleagues

• develop your ability to analyse, synthesize, and present ideas and factual information both accurately and succinctly