Call for Participants in Model European Union (Model EU)

As an official EU public relations program, the University of Tokyo invites students to participate in the Model European Union (MEU) to be held in 2023.

Students will take on the role of a representative of one of the member states or of one of the EU institutions and negotiate policy decisions on climate change, gaining a deeper understanding of how the EU works by experiencing a simulated policy decision by the EU Council of Ministers.

In preparation, you will be advised by representatives of the EU Delegation and Member States' embassies, as well as by experts in EU studies and experts in Member States' studies who are familiar with the EU, to build up your knowledge. Students do not necessarily need to have prior specialized knowledge; rather, the preparatory process allows them to acquire cross-cutting knowledge and perspectives spanning politics, economics, and law.

In addition, several of the participating students who wish to participate will become members of the Secretariat, which will be responsible for organizing the event, setting up preparatory meetings, inviting guest lecturers, and conducting publicity activities, in cooperation with the University of Tokyo's Center for German and European Studies (in charge: Prof. Yuichi Morii).

Students who perform exceptionally well in the Model EU will be given the opportunity to take a study tour of the EU countries.

We look forward to the participation of many students.

■ Outline of Application

Application period: May 26 (Fri.) - June 15 (Thu.), 2023

Eligibility: Undergraduate and graduate students residing in Tokyo and its suburbs (remote locations are negotiable)

How to apply: Please apply via Google forms here.

Announcement of selection results (date and method of contact): June 19 (Mon.) Selected applicants will be notified by e-mail.

■Schedule (Meetings are in principle face-to-face)

First meeting: June 24 (Sat.), 12:30-18:00 @ Komaba Campus, The University of Tokyo-Explanation of Model EU implementation methods

-Lecture and discussion on EU climate change policy

After that: Online meetings every other week or so

Plenary Rehearsal (1st): August 9 (Wed.) @ Komaba Campus, The University of Tokyo Plenary Rehearsal (2nd): September 12 (Tue.) @ Komaba Campus, The University of Tokyo

Ministerial Council Simulation Production: October 28 (Sat.) & 29 (Sun.) @ Komaba Campus, The University of Tokyo

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