

Diplomatic Training in New York

Course Catalogue 2026/27



Marco Suazo, Head of Office UNITAR New York

Dear Delegates, Colleagues, and Friends,

As we embark on another dynamic year, it is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to the 2026–2027 edition of the UNITAR Diplomatic Training in New York Course Catalogue.

Since its establishment in 1965, the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) has upheld a strong tradition of excellence in training, capacity-building, and knowledge-sharing. As the dedicated training arm of the United Nations, UNITAR remains steadfast in its mission to equip individuals, institutions, and organizations with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to address global challenges and advance sustainable development.

Our mission is simple yet profound: to enhance the effectiveness of the United Nations through capacity-building activities that support Member States in implementing the UN's agenda. UNITAR provides governments, civil society, and the private sector with a wide range of learning solutions designed to strengthen decision-making and foster meaningful action toward global goals.

The UNITAR New York Office (UNITAR NYO) plays a pivotal role in this mission. Strategically positioned at the heart of global diplomacy, UNITAR NYO provides direct support to UN Headquarters and maintains close partnerships with Permanent Missions and other stakeholders. This proximity allows us to respond swiftly to the evolving needs of diplomats and delegates. Through our bespoke, à la carte training services, we offer customized programmes that enhance diplomatic skills, deepen policy understanding, and promote cooperation in advancing peace, security, human rights, and sustainable development.

Beyond being a training hub, UNITAR serves as a bridge connecting diverse perspectives and fostering dialogue across cultures and sectors. Through partnerships with leading academic institutions and international organizations, our office continues to expand innovative learning opportunities in areas such as sustainable development, international law, negotiation, and multilateral diplomacy — all tailored to equip participants with the competencies needed to navigate today's complex global landscape.

As we enter the UN's 80th anniversary, UNITAR is proud to remain at the forefront of global education. Our programming continues to grow in scope and innovation — from training in emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence (AI) and digital governance, to fellowship initiatives that cultivate the next generation of leaders. Building on successful collaborations such as the Qatar Fellowship and the International Advisory Group (IAG) Fellowship in the UAE, UNITAR remains dedicated to empowering diplomats and students through tailored, high-impact learning experiences.

In addition to our training activities, UNITAR produces a range of publications and e-learning resources that serve as essential tools for diplomats and practitioners. Flagship materials such as the *Election Officer Handbook* and the *Guidelines for Drafting UN Resolutions* continue to guide users through the complexities of multilateral work. Our e-learning platform further expands access to UNITAR's global knowledge network, offering both free and paid courses on key topics including sustainability, climate change, and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

As you explore this catalogue, I invite you to take full advantage of the diverse learning opportunities it offers. Whether your goal is to deepen your understanding of international diplomacy, strengthen your professional skills, or contribute to a more sustainable and peaceful world, UNITAR stands ready to support you.

We look forward to your active participation and to another inspiring year of learning, dialogue, and collaboration.

Sincerely,

Marco A. Suazo, Head of Office UNITAR New York

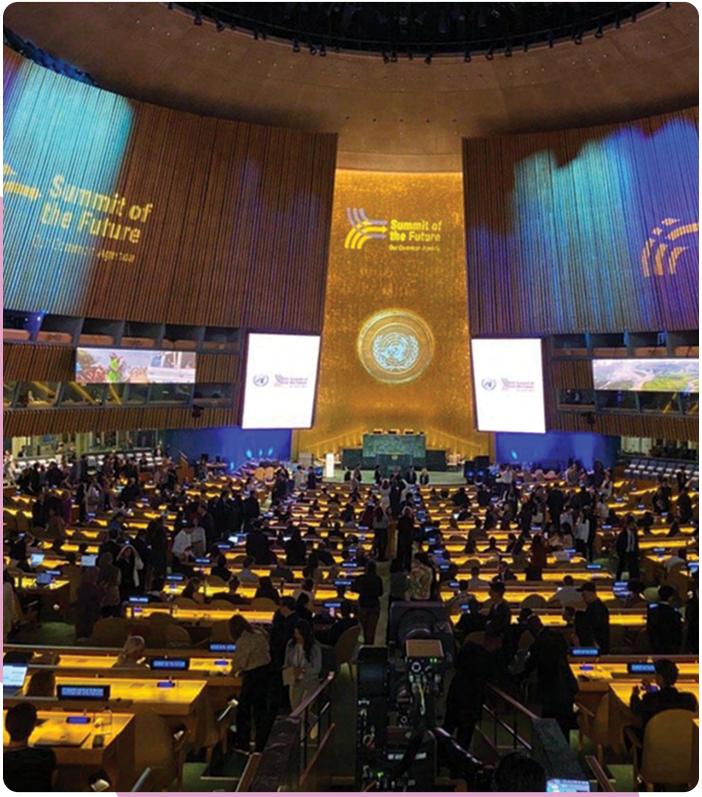
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UN System Core Courses



General Assembly Series

Briefing for Delegates on the General Assembly and the Main Committees

Duration: 2 days

In partnership with the Permanent Mission of Singapore, we are proud to present the annual FOSS General Assembly Briefing, a comprehensive training designed to deepen participants' understanding of the functions and responsibilities of the various committees within the General Assembly. This briefing provides invaluable resources and essential knowledge on navigating the UN system, including effective methods for researching necessary information using tools such as the UN Library. A unique feature of this programme is the participation of the chairs from each General Assembly committee, who provide firsthand insights into their respective committees' roles and functions. Additionally, the briefing includes debriefing sessions on the annual focus of the General Assembly, offering delegates a thorough overview of the year's priorities and strategic directions. This training is an exceptional opportunity for participants to enhance their understanding of the General Assembly's workings and better prepare for their roles within the UN framework.









Transition Workshop for the Office of the President of the General Assembly

Duration: 1 day

The main objective of this workshop is to support the Office of the President of the General Assembly. We hope to make this a permanent feature of the annual UNITAR calendar in order to continue to support this critical transition. A detailed evaluation process shall be used to assess the attainment of this objective.

Spread throughout half a day,
UNITAR will facilitate opportunities
for existing, former, and incoming
staff of the President of the General
Assembly to collaborate, share best
practices, and make connections
in order to ensure that existing
institutional knowledge is adequately
and accurately transferred to support
the work of the new President of the
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Workshop on Revitalisation of the Work of the General Assembly

Duration: 1 day

The UN General Assembly holds a central position in the multilateral system as the chief deliberative, policymaking and most representative organ of the United Nations. The revitalisation of its work was identified as a priority from the very outset of the UN in 1946. A dedicated item was included in the agenda of the Assembly at its 46th session. At its 60th session and continuously since its 62nd session, the Assembly annually established an Ad Hoc Working Group (AHWG) on the revitalisation of the work of the General Assembly.

With a mandate of identifying further ways to enhance the role, authority, effectiveness and efficiency of the General Assembly, the AHWG remains central to Member States' efforts to upgrade the UN, as agreed in the Declaration on the Commemoration of the organization's 75th Anniversary (resolution 75/1).

Amidst evolving challenges, the AHWG's deliberations and outcomes are crucial to enable the Assembly to fulfill its mandate, including to successfully address emerging challenges and for the UN to deliver action-oriented results.

The revitalisation of the work of the General Assembly is a constantly evolving, and long-term process. The main objective of the workshop is to provide delegates with essential knowledge of the background, mandate, main areas, and outcomes of the AHWG, to enable them to actively participate in current and future sessions, and to further strengthen the implementation of the resolutions recommended by the AHWG.

The workshop will also provide an opportunity to foster dialogue with, and among, Member States, the Secretariat, global experts, and stakeholders on the future of the process to revitalise the General Assembly.



Relationship Between the UN General Assembly and the UN Security Council

Duration: 4 sessions (flexible)

Through focused sessions, the workshop intends to improve the participation of delegations in critical forums such as the UNSC's Open Debates, wrap-up sessions, and discussions on the annual report to the UNGA. In anticipation of the Summit of the Future, the workshop will contribute to the broader discussion on the evolution of the relationship between the UNGA and the UNSC, with a particular focus on the implications of veto use and opportunities for reform.

The workshop targets a diverse group of participants, including heads and delegates of political sections at Permanent Missions, individuals involved in the UNGA revitalization efforts, and members of the peace and security teams from the Office of the President of the General Assembly. By engaging this wide audience, the workshop aims to foster a holistic and inclusive discussion that captures a range of perspectives and insights.

Through an engaging and comprehensive agenda, the workshop aspires to catalyse a renewed commitment to multilateralism, enhanced cooperation, and creative diplomacy within the United Nations framework. The ultimate goal is to empower Member States to contribute more effectively to the global dialogue on peace and security, thereby ensuring that the UN remains a relevant and effective force for good in the 21 st century and beyond.





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Delegates Orientation and Induction Courses

Orientation Course on the Work of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)

Duration: 1 day



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This orientation course serves as a crucial preparatory programme for delegates engaging with this pivotal UN body. Typically held at the beginning of each year, the course provides an in-depth overview of ECOSOC's mandate, structure, and operations, equipping delegates with essential knowledge and skills to effectively contribute to its work. Through a blend of lectures, interactive sessions, and simulations, participants gain insights into ECOSOC's role in fostering international economic and social cooperation, addressing global challenges, and advancing sustainable development goals. This orientation ensures that delegates are well-prepared to navigate the complexities of ECOSOC's sessions and contribute meaningfully to its discussions and resolutions.



Joint Swiss-UNITAR Briefing on Budgetary Matters - 5th Committee

Duration: 4 sessions

This 3-day annual briefing, in partnership with the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations, is for new and existing delegates of the Fifth Committee. Speakers include UN Controller Mr. Chandramouli Ramanathan, USG Ms. Catherine Pollard, and the corresponding incoming and outgoing Chairs of the Fifth Committee, along with chiefs and directors of various departments in charge of the Fifth Committee system.



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Joint New Zealand-Sweden-UNITAR High-Level Fifth Committee Briefing

Duration: 4 sessions

This 3-day annual briefing, is an executive-level training designed exclusively for Permanent Representatives, Deputy Permanent Representatives, and Chargés d'Affaires. Held at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, the briefing provides senior diplomats with a focused understanding of the Organization's financial architecture and the role of the Fifth Committee in the UN budget process.

The 2025 edition, organized in partnership with the Permanent Missions of New Zealand and Sweden to the United Nations, aims to: enhance participants' comprehension of the UN's administrative and budgetary mechanisms; strengthen their engagement in Regular Budget negotiations; and promote transparency, accountability, and effective resource management within the Organization. It also serves as a platform for peer dialogue and exchange among senior representatives on emerging fiscal priorities and reform efforts.



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8 DECENT WORK AND
RECONOMIC GROWTH

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17 PARTNERSHP'S
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Induction Course for Elected Members and Non-Permanent Members on the Work of the Security Council

The Security Council has primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security. It has 15 Members, and each Member has one vote. Under the UN Charter, all Member States are obligated to comply with Council decisions. Shortly after the election of the five new Members of the Security Council, their representatives will need to become thoroughly familiar with the issues to the Council and its methods of work, so that they may be ready to start their mandate. This intensive orientation course aims at providing such information to the new delegates.

- Describe the functions, practices, and procedures of the Security Council
- Identify and assess the main issues before the Council
- Determine the role of the President of the Council and informal consultations
- Understand the mandate components of current peacekeeping and political missions
- Analyse the highlights of the Security Council practice, working documents, meeting records, and Subsidiary Bodies.



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The Structure, Adoption, and Drafting of United Nations Resolutions

Duration: 2 days

This workshop is to emphasise the importance of the skills needed to draft resolutions within the United Nations. This workshop provides training on how to go about drafting a UN Resolution, from the rules, terminology of drafting a UN Resolution, to the process underpinning its adoption. Participants will learn about the structure of UN resolutions, with a detailed introduction to resolution drafting. They will gain hands-on experience through drafting exercises. Rules and practices relating to the adoption of resolutions and decisions are also covered.



United Nations Resolutions

Election Officers' Workshop

Duration: 1 day

This specialised training programme is designed to address the unique needs of election officers from various member states. This workshop focuses on equipping participants with a comprehensive understanding of electoral rules and procedures, campaign management, and diverse voting methods. Led by experienced election officers, the programme provides hands-on training and practical insights to enhance the effectiveness and integrity of electoral processes. Through detailed sessions and interactive exercises, attendees gain valuable knowledge on implementing best practices, managing complex election scenarios, and ensuring transparent and fair elections. This tailored approach helps strengthen the capacity of election officers to lead and oversee elections with confidence and competence.



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Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)



SDG's Learning, Training and Practice (SDGs in Practice), High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) Special Event

Duration: 1 week

The SDG Learning, Training and Practice (SDGs in Practice in short) is a series of capacity-building and knowledge-learning training sessions focused on essential topics related to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, held annually as a Special Event in the margins of the United Nations High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development.

The SDG in Practice aims to: Facilitate the acquisition by a wide range of practitioners of knowledge and skills needed for the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Foster networking opportunities, encouraging the sharing of experiences and collaboration among peers. Provide insights into practical actions, tools, and innovative solutions for SDG implementation.











E-Learning

The Concept of Sustainability

Duration: self paced

This course demonstrates the importance of joining efforts, more necessary than ever, to integrate sustainability into our society. The proposal to continuously strive for a more sustainable world, and to bring social, environmental and economic dimensions together, offers a window of hope for generations to come. Many governments, businesses, civil society, academia and other actors are currently working to integrate sustainability into their agenda. But the challenges remain — how to do it, which inspired the creation of this course.

The course is designed with sessions given by specialized speakers in different modules. The design of each session is unique - considering different topics, and various methodological formats. The genesis of the negotiation of the 2030 Agenda, or the challenges of access to water, or the ways to consolidate public & private partnerships, require very different approaches, analyses and ways of approaching the issues. These are the topics, discussions, and debates that you will find in this course - and we hope that the students could seek answers through a wide range of questions that we posted as instructors.

This design of the course aims to offer a global vision of what sustainability means, and its importance today. The final objective of the course is to provide a basic understanding of the meaning and the implications of sustainability. With this preliminary knowledge, more specific training actions will be carried out in the future with different actors in mind.

Course Objectives:

- Provide knowledge and training on sustainability criteria to evaluate each of the sustainability areas: economic, social and environmental.
- Concentrate studies in fields included in each of the sustainability areas
- Understand policies, strategies and models for sustainability in different settings (private sector companies, public institutions and civil society organizations).
- Build and develop skills and competencies to design and implement sustainability strategies.



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Achieving Peace, Preventive Diplomacy, Multilateral Negotiation, and Mediation: A Road to a Call for Peace

This course provides nuanced understandings on the international discourse, agendas, and the diverse environments that underlie the foundation for the multilateral negotiations on the United Nations level.

Overview & Objectives

This course is primarily focused on Goal 16: Peace, justice and strong institutions, the revitalisation of the preventive diplomacy discourse within the United Nations system.

The goal is to familiarise participants with methods to ensure a joined-up analysis and systemwide adoption of preventive diplomacy, and the importance of inclusive peacemaking, with attention to gender parity in high-level working and advisory groups in peacekeeping operations and political missions. Important areas which would be covered are:

- the critical nature of cross-cutting approaches to conflict to resolve the root and structural
 causes, such as poverty, inequality and discrimination on the basis of gender, race and
 ethnicity, class, and religious affiliation, environmental degradation, and overall lack of
 sustainable infrastructure and access to basic resources;
- preventive diplomacy and multilateral negotiation can be framed as tools to advance cross-cutting targets for all SDGs;
- the relationship between peace and development is bidirectional; peace is critical
 for interdisciplinary sustainable development endeavors, and economic, social and
 environmental development must be guaranteed to achieve durable peace; and
- multilateral negotiation itself can be used as a governance mechanism by which
 governments and other stakeholders can skillfully navigate multilateral priorities and
 effectively coordinate action towards achieving the SDGs.

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University Network for Sustainable Development

University Network for Sustainable Development is a platform about learning, exchanging, and partnering to be SDG learners today and SDG leaders tomorrow.

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) are the blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for everyone. Pursuing the quest of SDGs is a common global effort, and universities are unquestionably actors in order for the SDGs to materialise in the future.

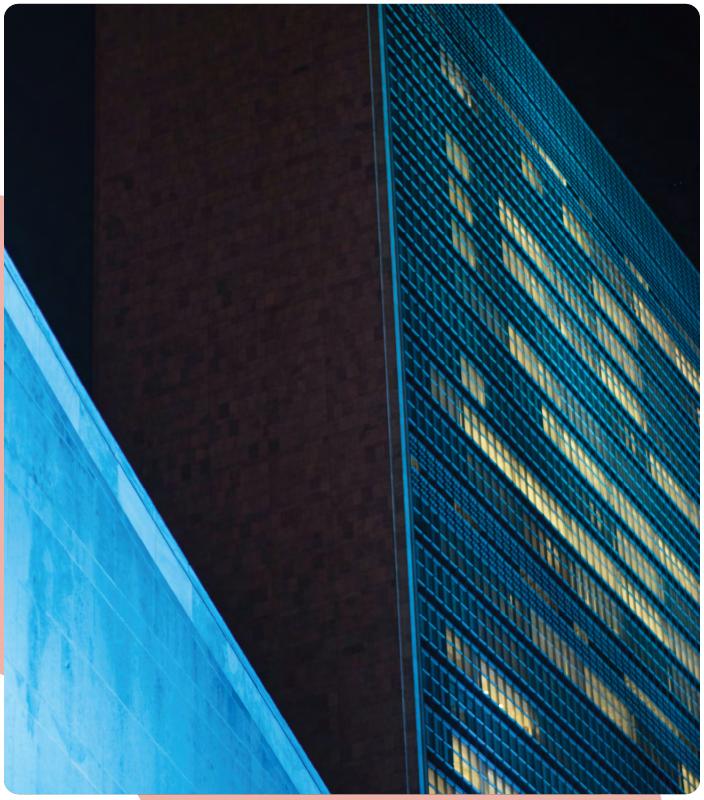
The Network allows universities joining to be informed about other universities' achievements on SDGs learning activities, to create partnerships among one another, as well as with UNITAR, while improving their educational system with exclusive access to official UN learning material, documentation and resources around SDGs and Sustainable Development.

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Subject-Matter Series



Columbia University Law School: Mediation and Negotiation Workshop Series

Duration: 1 day each

Led by esteemed professor and Director of Columbia University Law School's Mediation Clinic, Alexandra Carter, this free, three-part series of workshops equips participants with an overview of critical skills needed to navigate the complex dynamics of multilateral diplomatic fields.

This series of workshops offers a comprehensive approach to enhancing conflict resolution and peacemaking efforts in the context of the international system. The workshop, "Empowering Women in the Peace Process" highlights the critical role of gender equality in negotiations, addressing barriers to women's participation and providing tools for advocacy. "Conflict Resolution and Mental Health" explores the intersection of mental health and conflict, focusing on ethical considerations and coping strategies, while offering a supportive environment for dealing with complex emotions. Lastly, "Mediation Skills Training" introduces participants to essential mediation techniques and builds foundational skills through practical exercises. Together, these sessions aim to equip individuals with the knowledge and tools needed to navigate and resolve conflicts effectively in the diplomatic world.







Alexandra Carter



Key SDG Alignments

Al Governance Training for the UN Member States

The interactive seminar features four sessions focused on AI Governance, aiming to improve participants' understanding of AI research and development, its impact on economies, societies, and governments, and the challenges of AI governance. It includes scenario-building exercises to explore how the United Nations can influence AI governance and the role of AI in the Global Digital Compact.

The seminar starts with an inauguration and an AI technical primer that introduces or deepens participants' knowledge of AI and its current technological role. Experts provide insights into AI governance, including its risks, opportunities, and various governance models. The seminar concludes with a session on the state of AI governance within the UN and the potential of the Global Digital Compact to advance this field.

DOALOS Seminar Series

Duration: 1/2 day in March and October

In partnership with the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, we are pleased to present 3 individual briefings throughout the year:

- Briefing for Delegates on Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea
- United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement and Sustainable Fisheries Processes
- Introduction to Ocean Affairs and Law of the Sea; Key Concepts and Processes.



NRDC Website, 2021

The purpose of these events is to brief new and existing delegates on the ins and outs of Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, specifically on the BBNJ agreement. Speakers include Mr. Miguel de Serpa Soares, UN Legal Counsel, and Mr. Vladimir Jares, Director of the Division of Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea.

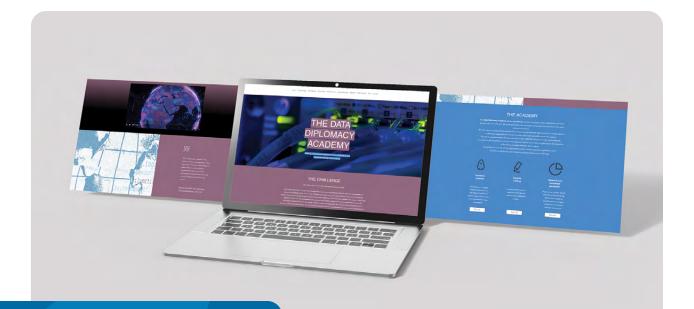




Data Diplomacy Academy Services

The Data Diplomacy Academy will be a knowledge and training hub to assist diplomats and other parties within the UN with the tools and know-how necessary to harness the potential of the data science revolution.

The abundance of data of our present time creates unprecedented opportunities to render work in multilateral organizations smarter, broader, and more equitable across the system. By partnering with a team of international scholars, UNITAR will seek to make these benefits accessible to all, as well as to use this information to deliver actionable insights about the dynamics of the UN as revealed through data analysis.



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The Data Diplomacy Academy may be the most valuable tool for the United Nations to bridge the gap between Artificial intelligence (AI) and Information Technology for future generations. Developing AI and Interface Technology from the Global South may start to close the widening digital divide. UNITAR is committed to supporting this initiative.

Marco Suazo

Head of the UNITAR New York Office



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4 Fellowships



Women in Cyber

The Women in Cyber Fellowship is a result of our partnership with the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Launched in early 2020, the fellowship takes place two to three times a year at the United Nations Headquarters in New York City. The fellowship will introduce new women delegates of different backgrounds, cultures, and regions from developing countries to the United Nations and Cyber issues. To prepare the Fellows for the seventh substantive session of the Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG), this training programme consists of several sessions focusing on capacity building, multilateral negotiations, and international law. High-level officials from the United Nations and experts will share their knowledge, experience, and expertise with the Fellows.

The Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG), established in 2020 by the General Assembly through resolution 75/240 is a five-year long initiative aimed at tackling security of and in the use of information and communications technologies. The group is mandated to further develop the rules, norms and principles of responsible behavior of States; to consider initiatives of States aimed at ensuring security in the use of information and communications technologies; to establish, under the auspices of the United Nations, regular institutional dialogue with the broad participation of States; to continue to study, with a view to promoting common understandings, existing and potential threats in the sphere of information security, inter alia, data security, and possible cooperative measures to prevent and counter such threats, and how international law applies to the use of information and communications technologies by States, as well as confidence-building measures and capacity-building.



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Global Diplomacy Initiative

The Global Diplomacy Initiative Fellowship is a programme designed to introduce the United Nations system to students and professionals interested in starting a career in international diplomacy. This 3-month programme features seasoned UN officials, including Permanent Representatives, to speak about various topics concerning international relations and the United Nations.

Why Become a GDI Fellow?

- Attend 50% of classes in-person at the United Nations Headquarters*
- In-person fellows will receive a UN ID to access the UN building
- Receive a UNITAR certificate upon completion
- Learn from ambassadors and seasoned officials of the United Nations with our panel of experts
- Publish a paper under the guidance of your faculty of choice
- Attend United Nations meetings within the headquarters when available
- Have direct access to our faculty through virtual office hours
- Closing ceremony at the United Nations Headquarters in New York with a private tour and reception

This Fellowship is open to those interested in joining the programme fully remote.



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*Note: In order for the programme to be held, a minimum number of 15 registered participants is required.

If the registered participants exceed 15, all of the classes will be held in hybrid at the UNHQ.

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Tailored Fellowship/Training Programmes for Member States' Delegations

UNITAR is always open to collaborating with all Member States to design fellowship programmes tailored for both junior and senior diplomats. These programmes can be customised to meet the specific needs of diplomats, enhancing their understanding of the United Nations, as well as key skills such as negotiation, writing, and effective representation of their countries. Our fellowship programmes focus on increasing awareness of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and building capacity through interactive exercises. We offer flexibility in scheduling and location, ensuring the programmes can be adapted to each Member State's requirements. Through direct engagement with the heads of various UN agencies and offices, participants gain transparency into the complex system, preparing them to better represent their countries. Most importantly, these fellowships equip diplomats with essential skills for a successful career both within and beyond the UN framework.



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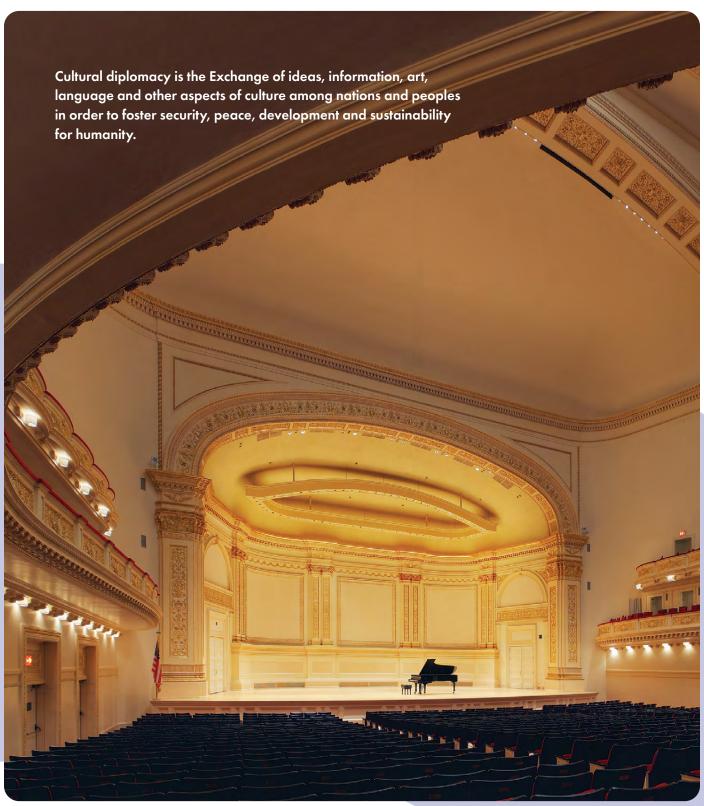
Tailored Fellowship/Training Programmes for Students of All Ages

We offer tailored fellowship and training programmes for students of all ages, designed to introduce them to the world of diplomacy and provide direct access to UN resources. These programmes open the door to the United Nations, offering unique opportunities to engage with its work and mission. We match students' skills and interests with appropriate UN offices, offering field visits, negotiation exercises, and Model UN experiences to deepen their understanding of international relations. By connecting students to real-world diplomacy, we foster a practical learning environment, preparing them for future roles in global governance, diplomacy, and beyond.



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5 Cultural Diplomacy



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Master's Degree in Music Education in Collaboration With Longy School of Music of Bard College

We are proud to have worked together with the Longy School of Music of Bard College to offer our Master of Music in Music Education/Music Performance programme to a global audience. Students are expected to study in person on the Longy campus in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

This degree blends Longy's mission to prepare musicians to make a difference in the world with the UN Sustainable Development Goals committing to achieving inclusive and quality education for all. Together, UNITAR and Longy lift affordable, relevant music training—and seek to remove barriers posed by gender and wealth disparities, achieve universal access to quality higher education, and center music and the arts in the arena of cultural diplomacy and understanding.



Carnegie Hall

Certificate Programme

Oberlin College & Conservatory, and the Teachers' College of Columbia University

Oberlin College has been carefully selected to join our global education network, due to the shared vision of promoting global community and cultural and soft diplomacy. UNITAR is excited to partner with Oberlin College in providing students with an opportunity to develop the skills and knowledge necessary to become leaders in this field.

The certificate programme will focus on the development of communication and leadership, with a particular emphasis on the SDGs. Students will be exposed to a range of diverse practices and traditions and will be encouraged to develop their own unique perspective on these issues.

The programme is led by highly experienced and knowledgeable Oberlin faculties. Students will have access to a range of resources and support services, including academic counseling, career advice, and networking opportunities. To be eligible for the programme, students must have completed high school or its equivalent, and meet the admission requirements of Oberlin College. Applications will be accepted from students all over the world, and no prior experience of working experiences are required. This certificate programme is a truly unique opportunity for the mission of quality education by helping students to develop their skill, and to make a positive impact in the world.

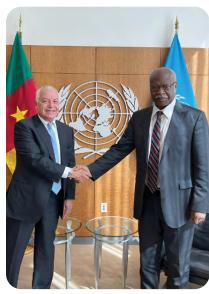
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Carnegie Hall Annual Concert

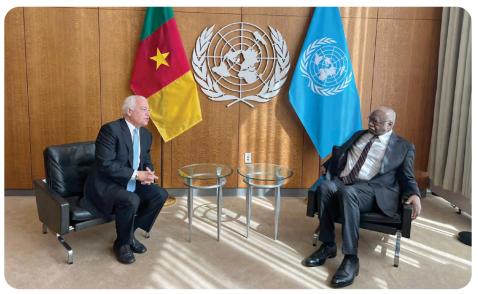
We are proud to host an annual concert at Carnegie Hall as part of its Cultural Diplomacy Programme. This prestigious event is dedicated to honoring the work of the United Nations General Assembly, celebrating its achievements and the spirit of multilateralism. By bringing together diplomats, UN officials, and the broader community through music and culture, the concert serves as a platform to promote cultural diplomacy, fostering mutual understanding and respect among nations. The programme underscores the role of culture in international relations and highlights the power of the arts in building bridges between diverse communities. Through this initiative, we reaffirm our commitment to supporting the UN's mission and the invaluable contributions of the General Assembly.



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6 Publications



Election Officers' Handbook

Available in ebook and soft copy format

Developed in 2023, the Election Officer Handbook aims to help delegates understand the election process in the Intergovernmental Organs of the United Nations, principally in the General Assembly and Economic and Social Council. The elections are carried out in accordance with the relevant rules of procedure.

For elections to treaty bodies, including human rights treaty bodies, the elections are conducted in the Conference or Meeting of States Parties to the treaty concerned and States that are parties to the Treaty participate in the elections in accordance with relevant provisions in the Treaty as supplemented by the relevant rules of procedure. The exception is the Committee on the Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (CESCR), whose members are elected by the Council, as the Committee was created by a resolution of the ECOSOC.

More information on elections serviced by the United Nations Secretariat is available to delegates in Candiweb in the e-delegates portal. Information contained therein includes an overview of the candidates, terms of office, relevant rules of procedure and other relevant information.

The Election Officer Handbook is divided into several chapters which cover the process and procedures of elections which take place at United Nations Headquarters. The handbook provides an outline on the important role played by the regional groups in the nomination process. Finally, the handbook clarifies the Election Officer's roles, responsibilities and information management while considering the technological development in adapting it to the strategies of building and managing campaigns and resource mobilisation.

The Handbook does not provide information on each election conducted at United Nations Headquarters and does not include information on elections serviced by the Specialized Agencies and Related Organizations of the United Nations, for example with regard to the elections carried out in the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute.



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Election Officer's Handbook

Guidelines for United Nations Resolutions

Available in ebook and soft copy format

Developed in 2020, the Guidelines for United Nations Resolutions aims to assist delegations in the process of preparing draft resolutions and decisions, principally in the General Assembly and the Main Committees, as prescribed in the Charter of the United Nations and the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

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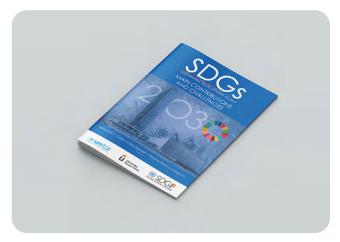
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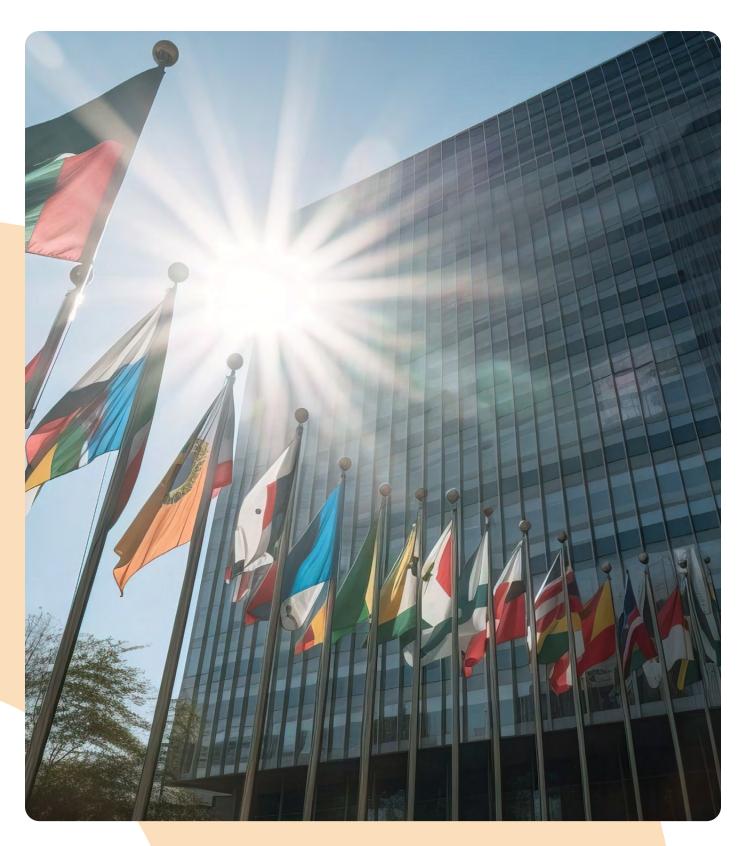
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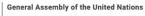














































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