



**THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK  
MODEL NEW YORK STATE  
SENATE SESSION PROJECT  
APPLICATION/NOMINATION FORM**



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# SOMOS Conference Model NYS Senate Session Project

## FACT SHEET

The Model Senate Session, now in its 20th year, is designed to provide SOMOS student participants from CUNY with a unique opportunity to develop leadership skills in a legislative/policy-making setting, emphasizing critical thinking and communication.

Students participate in an intensive training program that consists of evening/weekend sessions with faculty mentors. They learn about New York State government, representation and the legislative process. The program culminates with a trip to the State Capitol in Albany, where students debate public policy in the Senate Chamber. An added feature of the Model Senate Project is the opportunity to compete for scholarships awarded by the NYS Assembly and Senate Puerto Rican/Hispanic Task Force, as well as summer internships with members of the state legislature.

**The following are requirements for students who wish to participate in the Model Senate Session Project:**

1. The student must have **completed** a minimum of **three** semesters and must be in good academic standing.
2. The student must be an undergraduate at the time of the Model Senate Session. The Model Senate Session takes place in March 2016.
3. The student may participate no more than two times in the Model Senate Project. Students who have not previously taken part in the Model Senate Project will be given priority in the selection process.
4. **The student MUST be available for the following mandatory training and event schedule:**

Training Sessions:

1. Wednesday, March 2 from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM, Graduate Center-CUNY, Rooms C204/C205
2. Wednesday, March 9 from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM, Graduate Center-CUNY, Rooms C204/C205
3. Saturday, March 12 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, TBD
4. Wednesday, March 16 from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM, Graduate Center-CUNY, Rooms C204/C205

Conference Weekend:

**Saturday, March 19 (7:30 am) to Sunday, March 20 (approx. 5:30 pm)**

5. The student must complete and submit an application, including a 1 page essay answering the question: Why are you interested in participating in the 2016 Model New York State Senate Session Project?
6. **The application deadline is Wednesday, February 17, 2016.**
7. **All students must meet these criteria to be nominated for the Model Senate Project.**

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