

8th UConn Early College Experience Globalization Conference: Globalization's Effects on Women's Rights

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Welcome to the Conference!

Dear conference delegates,

The Office of Early College Programs is delighted to welcome you to the UConn Storrs Campus for the 8th UConn ECE Globalization Conference. This year we welcome 90 delegates from 8 Connecticut high schools across the state.

This year's program will feature keynote speaker Dr. Zehra Arat, an internationally known expert in human rights and women's rights in the global context.

The breakout discussions following the student presentations will include lively conversations on the different elements of globalization's effect on women's rights. There are plenty of networking opportunities during the day, so please make the most of your time here on the beautiful UConn Storrs Campus!

Should you have any questions, please seek out a UConn OECP staff member.

Best regards,

Office of Early College Programs

Guests & Judges:

**Dr. Aynsley Diamond
Dr. Brian Boecherer
Carissa Rutkauskas
Desmond McCaffrey
Dr. Frederick Turner
Jennifer Snow
Maria Isabel Berger
Shawna Lesseur**

Keynote: Dr. Zehra Arat



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About the Conference

UConn Early College Experience and the UConn Storrs Campus is proud to host the *8th UConn ECE Student Conference on Globalization: Globalization's Effects on Women's Rights*. Globalization is the increased interaction of people, governments, and countries through international trade, business, foreign aid, research, and politics. While globalization has generally been a mechanism for increasing connections between peoples, which increases awareness and liberal tendencies, when peoples and cultures feel threatened by these interactions, nationalist responses tend to push against globalization and take a protectionist stance. Women are often the most vulnerable population as governments and society respond to the forces of globalization. While some experts argue that globalization exacerbates gender inequality (especially in the global south), others suggest that it opens up opportunities for women to mobilize and become more economically, and thus, more politically independent.

This year's conference will focus on globalization's effects on women's rights. Each participating UConn ECE class has conducted a deep case study of a country of their choice and prepared a presentation of how globalization affects women's rights. Research presentations should make a clear statement on whether globalization positively or negatively affects women's rights in their country and why. As part of the presentation, all groups should focus on: Government & Law, Economy, and Society.

The goal is a well-balanced fifteen-minute slide-show presentation. Time will be given for a five-minute question and answer period. The class must conclude a final assessment – *How has globalization positively and/or negatively affected women's rights in your country?*

The entire class may attend the conference, but a delegation of four students from each class will be presenting the class's work.

UConn ECE classes will come to the UConn Storrs Campus prepared to engage in debate and discussion on this year's topic. As part of the day, after groups present their research, students will attend small sessions with other UConn ECE students, University professors, and discussion leaders. Professors and leaders will share their experiences and conduct lively conversations on the different elements of globalization's effect on women's rights.

Two rounds of presentations will take place. Round One will consist of three groupings of three teams; each grouping in a separate room. Judges in each room will hear three presentations and choose a finalist. A finalist from each grouping/room, for a total of three finalists, will proceed to Round Two. In Round Two each finalist will be presenting to the entire assembly of students, instructors, judges and guests. Finalists have to also answer the question – *How has the morning's discussion influenced your thinking about the theme?* A grand winner, first runner-up, and second runner-up will be selected.

In order to prepare students for a proper academic presentation, they were asked to dress in business professional attire. This conference is intended to be interdisciplinary; all UConn classes were encouraged to consider participating.

Special Thanks to:

UConn's Dodd Center and Student Union for the space, Dan's Awards & Engraving, University Catering and all of our judges and discussion leaders, and to the UConn ECE instructors who prepared the students.

Delegations

Venezuela

Naugatuck High School
UConn ECE Latin & Latino
American Studies

Colombia

East Hampton High School
UConn ECE English

Honduras

Oxford High School
UConn ECE Spanish

Iran

Greenwich High School
UConn ECE Political Science

Saudi Arabia

Stonington High School
UConn ECE English

Sierra Leone

Stamford High School
UConn ECE Biology

Democratic Republic of the Congo

University High School
UConn ECE American Studies
& English

India

A.I. Prince Technical High School
UConn ECE U.S. History

Presentation Scoring

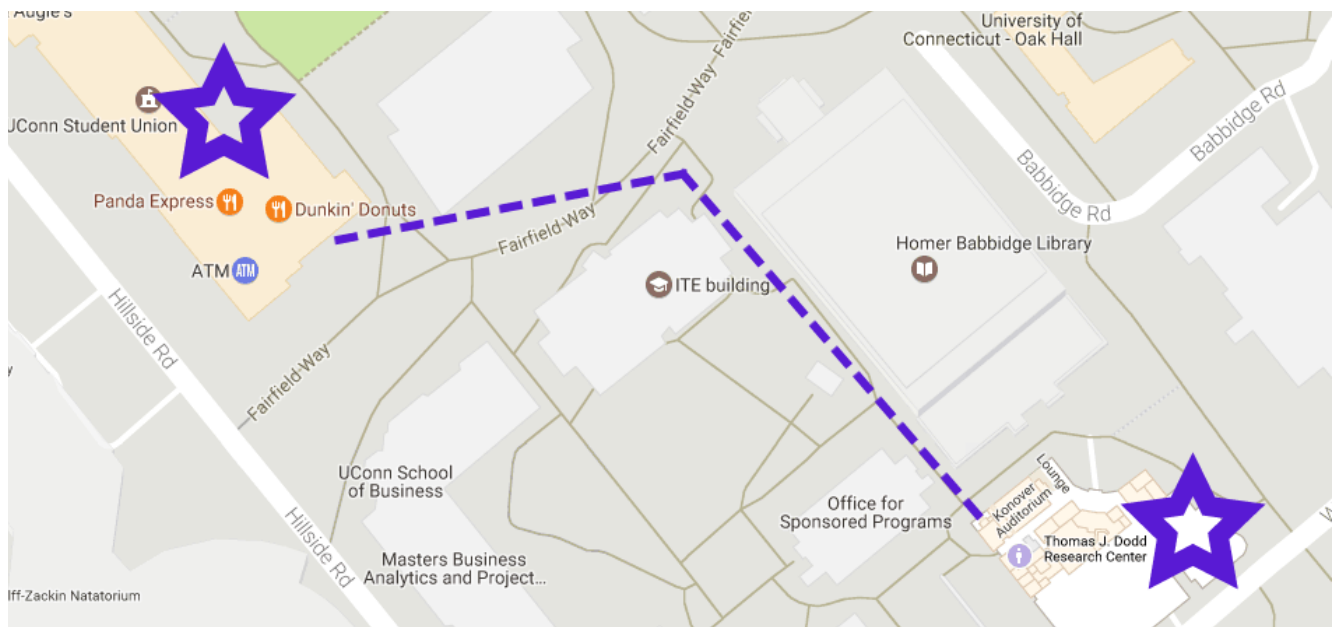
Presentations will be scored in three areas: requirements, content, and style. There is a strong emphasis on the *requirements* that were asked of the presenter and the *content* they will deliver. Sometimes these areas overlap. However, *style* is also very important in a presentation and will be factored into the overall score. A high score will include having a thesis that took a clear stand and outlined the rest of the presentation, and a slide show containing useful statistics, addressing all four topics, concluded within the timeframe and including a clear conclusion statement. Scores are averaged.

Student Code of Conduct

These rules are deemed necessary to assure the orderly flow of civic demeanor of the work of the conference and to assure an exceptional educational opportunity for all students and guests. The Globalization Conference is designed to provide a professional setting for all students to pursue their goal of becoming informed of and active in the realm of global affairs. In order to pursue this goal, all students must adhere to the Code of Conduct. Childish, reckless, irresponsible, or obnoxious behavior in the extreme is unprofessional and will not be tolerated. Students who demonstrate this behavior will risk ejection of the entire team from the conference. This written policy serves as a warning – no verbal warning is required.

1. Students will use proper civil language at all times (including the writing of notes), avoid outbursts and engage in no name-calling or in directing any derogatory comments toward fellow students or guests.
2. Students will dress appropriately for all sessions; dress shirt and tie are deemed appropriate for men as is the equivalent for women.
3. Cell phone use is strongly discouraged throughout the entire day. To encourage a collegial, professional atmosphere students, are discouraged from fact checking during presentations.
4. Delegates must wear their badges at all times with their name and school clearly written.
5. Delegates must obey all school rules which would apply during a normal school day.
6. Any form of plagiarism or cheating is strictly prohibited.
7. Instructors and guests may make additional rules for students, but may not exempt their students from any of the above rules. Any instructor or guest has the right to ask that these rules be properly enforced or require any additional rules.

Campus Map



Student Union Map



8:00	Registration	
9:00	Welcoming Remarks	
9:05	Keynote Address by Dr. Zehra Arat	
9:35	Break (Move to Student Union)	
	<u>Round One Presentations</u>	
	Location: SU 304A Group A Presentations <i>Judges: Carissa Rutkauskas; Jennifer Snow; Frederick Turner</i> Venezuela Colombia Honduras	Location: SU 304C Group B Presentations <i>Judges: Brian Boecherer; Maria Isabel Berger; Desmond McCaffrey</i> Iran Saudi Arabia
9:50	Group C Presentations <i>Judges: Aynsley Diamond; Shawna Lesseur</i> Sierra Leone Democratic Republic of the Congo India	
10:10		
10:30		
10:50	Break	
11:00	<u>Breakout Discussions</u>	
	Location: SU 304A Led by: Jennifer Snow Venezuela Colombia Honduras	Location: SU 304C Led by: Brian Boecherer Iran Saudi Arabia
11:45	Lunch (Student Union Ballroom)	
	Move to Konover @ 12:10pm	
12:20	<u>Assembly and announcement of finalists</u>	
12:30	Group A Finalist Presentation	
12:50	Group B Finalist Presentation	
1:10	Group C Finalist Presentation	
1:30	UConn OECP Announcements	
1:40	Winners Announced	
1:50	Closing remarks	