



The State University of New York

# Model New York State Senate Session Project

Application/Nomination Form

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# **“Somos El Futuro” Conference Model NYS Senate Session Project**

## **FACT SHEET**

The Model Senate Session, now in its 12th year, is designed to provide Latina/o students at SUNY with a unique opportunity to develop leadership skills in a legislative/policy-making setting, with an emphasis on critical thinking and communication.

Students participate in an intensive training program that consists of evening/weekend sessions with faculty mentors where 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 carry out a debate in the Senate Chamber on major public policy issues. An added feature of the Model Senate Project is the opportunity to compete for ten scholarships awarded by the NYS Assembly and Senate Puerto Rican/Hispanic Task Force.

### **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 April 2008.
3. The student may participate no more than two times in the Model Senate Project. Students who have not taken part in previous Model Senate Projects 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. Thursday, April 10, 2008 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm
2. Thursday, April 17, 2008 from 5:30 to 8:30 pm
3. Saturday, April 19, 2008 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
4. Thursday, April 24, 2008 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm

**Or similar SUNY Training Sessions to be arranged by and at each participating SUNY campus**

#### **Conference Weekend (Albany, NY):**

Saturday, April 26, 2008 (7:30 am) to Sunday, April 27 (approx. 5:30 pm)

5. Training sessions 1 – 4 will be held at the CUNY Graduate Center, 365 Fifth Avenue at 34<sup>th</sup> Street
6. The student must complete and submit an application, including an essay of at least 1 page answering the question: Why are you interested in participating in the 2008 Model New York State Senate Session Project?
7. **The application deadline is Wednesday, March 26, 2008.**
8. **All students must meet these criteria to be nominated for the Model Senate Project.**

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Model New York State Senate Session Project  
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Please **type or print** clearly answers to the following questions:

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **College:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Last)

**Social Security Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **Major:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Minor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Home Telephone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Pager/ Wireless #:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Gender** (Please circle): Male Female **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

**Total Number of Credits Earned to Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cumulative GPA:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Extra-Curricular Activities:** 1. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact: List the person to contact in case of an emergency:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship to you:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Work Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Other Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please answer the following essay question in at least 1 page; attach your typed essay to the application.**

Why are you interested in participating in the 2008 Model New York State Senate Session Project?

**Application must be returned no later than March 26, 2008 to**

Ernesto Malavé, Jr., Asst. Director  
The Edward T. Rogowsky Internship Program  
The City University of New York  
New York, New York 10016  
or faxed to (212)-251-0826

**Campus Liaison Certification:**

I have reviewed the above student's application and nominate the student for participation in the 2008 Model NYS Senate Session Project.

**Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title/Dept:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_