



# **DRUGS: GLOBAL HARM REDUCTION IN ACTION**

**DELEGATE GUIDE**

**2021 REGIONAL  
CONFERENCE**

University of Oklahoma

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# DIRECTOR'S LETTER

Dear Delegates,

We are honored and excited to invite you to the 2021 American Mock World Health Organization Oklahoma Regional Conference "Drugs: Global Harm Reduction in Action."

Conversations in drug policy have only recently shifted from complete prohibition to a harm reduction approach. We hope to bring this perspective from our local roots to the international level through our simulation of the World Health Assembly. For the first time in three years, this conference is being hosted in-person at the Thurman J. White Forum Building in Norman, Oklahoma. We are especially excited to bring conversations in drug policy and harm reduction here to Oklahoma, in the heart of the opioid epidemic.

As an established chapter in the midwest region, the University of Oklahoma AMWHO chapter has hosted three successful regional conferences in partnership with universities across the region and mentored new chapters. Despite setbacks caused by the pandemic, we continue to engage students in global public health, policy-making, and international diplomacy. We are grateful to our past leaders for the establishment of a solid chapter, and to the Hudson College of Public Health for their ongoing support.

We hope that our conference and your further involvement in AMWHO help grow not only your passion for public health, but also your desire to create meaningful change toward bettering health outcomes in your community. The ongoing pandemic has heightened awareness of public health issues and the need for science communication. Now, more than ever, it is important to think global and act local. Here at AMWHO, we look forward to inspiring the future generation of health advocates and giving them the tools to change the future.

Sincerely,

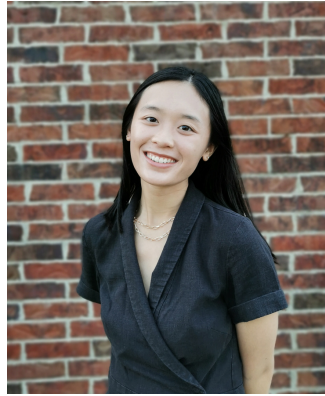
Lydia Burger & Jeanette Hoang  
Co-Presidents, AMWHO University of Oklahoma



# EXECUTIVE TEAM



Lydia Burger  
Co-president



Jeanette Hoang  
Co-president



Christopher Sipols  
Director of Logistics



Natalie Keller  
Director of Logistics



August Linvaree  
Director of Finance



Tess McGee  
Director of PR



Ryna Zubair  
Director of Media



Victoria Mamedova  
Secretary

In recognition of our first-year liaisons:  
Abigail Ren, Julia Naifeh, Lane McCoy, & Sweta Chataut



# SCHEDULE

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH, 2021

### 5:00 PM - 5:45 PM

Event: Check-In  
Location: Forum Lobby

### 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Event: Keynote Speaker  
Location: Forum Auditorium

### 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Event: Opening ceremonies & dinner  
Location: Forum Auditorium

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## REGIONAL BREAKOUT ROOM LOCATIONS

### American Region

Seminar room AMRO

### African Region

Seminar room AFRO

### European & Eastern Mediterranean Regions

Seminar room EURO/EMRO

### Western Pacific and Southeast Asian Region

Seminar room WPRO/SEARO

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH, 2021

### 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Event: Breakfast catered by Panera  
Location: name

### 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Event: Regional Breakout #1  
Location: See note below

### 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Event: Press Conference  
Location: Forum Auditorium

### 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Event: Regional Breakout #2  
Location: See note below

### 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Event: Lunch catered by Chipotle  
Location: Forum Auditorium

### 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Event: Plenary  
Location: Auditorium

### 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Event: Closing ceremonies  
Location: Auditorium



# SPEAKERS

## DR. TRAVIS RIEDER

Travis N. Rieder, PhD, is the Assistant Director for Education Initiatives, Director of the Master of Bioethics degree program and Research Scholar at the Berman Institute of Bioethics. He is also a Faculty Affiliate at the Center for Public Health Advocacy within the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health.

Dr. Rieder's research program concerns ethical and policy issues surrounding America's opioid epidemic. In this area, Travis has published an essay in *Health Affairs* concerning physician responsibility for safely weaning patients off prescription opioids, and co-authored a National Academy of Medicine Perspective Paper on Physician Responsibility in combating the opioid crisis.



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## DR. YU LU

Dr. Yu Lu holds a PhD in Communications and currently serves as an Assistant Professor in the University of Oklahoma Department of Health and Exercise Science where she teaches global health. Dr. Lu's research experience includes Chinese-American smoking habits, maternal smoking habits, and youth alcohol use and abuse. Dr. Lu is an award-winning researcher who previously worked at the Center for Addiction Research, University of Texas Medical Branch.

## DR. ELYSE SINGER

As a medical anthropologist, Dr. Elyse Singer's research and teaching explore bioethical conflicts at the beginning and end of life to engage wider disciplinary conversations about dignity, inequality, moral personhood, and sociopolitical belonging. Her scholarship places law, religion, and medicine in the same analytic frame to examine how people grapple with ethically extreme decisions in a context where state law has recently come to contradict other moral frameworks for like religion.



# PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

The following tables contain the terms and phrases used in facilitating the proceedings during committee sessions in AMWHO conferences. You may be familiar with them if you have prior conference experience, but if not, this table is meant to help guide you during committee sessions. As intimidating as the table may seem, this language is easy to pick up.

Addressing the Dias	When speaking to the Chair, use titles of either “Chair” or “Honorable Chair.” Similarly, call the Vice-Chair and Rapporteur by their title.
For and Against Speeches	During debate, this may be used to have speakers represent affirmative and opposing opinions. This typically provides a speaking time of 30 seconds.
Yielding Time	Delegates may allot the remainder of their speaking time to 1) the Chair, discarding the time, 2) other delegates, or 3) for questions. (e.g. “Fiji yields their time to the Chair.”)
Note Passing	Note passing is encouraged as a method of communication between individual delegates, or with the Dais, without using speaking time during committee sessions and plenary.
Warnings	If necessary, the Chair will provide a warning to delegates who speak out of line continuously. After two warnings, the delegate will have no speaking or voting rights for the rest of committee. After three warnings, the delegate will see the AMWHO OU Co-Directors.
Comments	The use of “I” is not permitted; rather, delegates should state, “the country of X...”
Primary Speakers List	Delegates wishing to speak to start of committee will be noted down in alphabetical order by the Chair.
Moderated Caucus	Delegates must motion to set the time, length, and purpose of this caucus, moderated by the Chair (e.g. “Fiji motions to enter into a 10 minute long general moderated caucus with 1 minute speaking time for the purpose of discussing X.”)
Unmoderated Caucus	Delegates must motion to set a time length, unmoderated by the chair (e.g. “Fiji motions for a 30 minute unmoderated caucus”)



# PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

Points of Order are different phrases or requests that the delegate may ask the chair for anytime during debate between speeches or procedures.

<b>Point of Order</b>	Correct an error in procedure Vote: None Debate: None
<b>Point of Personal Privilege</b>	For personal reasons Vote: None Debate: None
<b>Right of Reply</b>	Speaking time if one is personally attacked by another delegate Vote: None Debate: None
<b>Point of Parliamentary Inquiry</b>	To ask questions of the chair regarding topic Vote: None Debate: None
<b>Suspension of the Rules</b>	Suspends the typical procedure to allow informal discussions. Vote: Majority Debate: None
<b>Motion to Adjourn</b>	End committee at the end of the each session. Vote: Majority Debate: None
<b>Motion to enter into Caucus</b>	Must set length, purpose and type of caucus. Vote: Majority Debate: None
<b>Motion to Extend a Caucus</b>	Extend current type of caucus for specified length and purpose. Vote: Majority Debate: None
<b>Amendments and Division of Question</b>	Vote on sections of working paper/draft resolution separately. Vote: 2/3 Majority Debate: 2+/2-
<b>Roll Call Vote</b>	Vote by roll call, as opposed to a show of placards. Vote: Majority Debate: None
<b>Close or Re-open Speakers' List</b>	No additional speakers can be added to the speakers' list/more should be added Vote: Majority Debate: None
<b>Motion to Amend a Resolution</b>	Must be unfriendly; if friendly, automatically a part of the resolution Vote: Majority Debate: Any Type
<b>Motion to Introduce a Resolution</b>	Begin debate on a resolution Vote: None Debate: None





# RESOLUTION WRITING

**Operative clauses** of a working paper offer solutions to issues addressed in the perambulatory section. These clauses are action-oriented and should include a verb at the beginning of a sentence, followed by the proposed solution. Each clause should be numbered and punctuated by a semicolon, with the exception of the last operative clause, which should end with a period.

Affirming	Desiring	Noting with deep concern
Alarmed by	Emphasizing	Noting with satisfaction
Approving	Expecting	Noting further
Bearing in mind	Expecting appreciation	Observing
Believing	Expressing its appreciation	Reaffirming
Confident	Fulfilling	Realizing
Contemplating	Fully aware	Recalling
Convinced	Further deploring	Recognizing
Declaring	Further recalling	Referring
Deeply concerned	Guided by	Seeking
Deeply conscious	Having adopted	consideration
Deeply convinced	Having considered	Taking note
Deeply disturbed by	Having examined	Viewing with appreciation
Deeply regretting	Keeping in mind	Welcoming

**Preambulatory clauses** of a working paper state the reasons for which the committee is addressing the topic, and highlights past international action on the issue. These may reference past UN documents or resolutions, or the overall sentiment for the paper. These are italicized.

Accepts	Draws the attention	Notes
Affirms	Emphasizes	Proclaims
Approves	Encourages	Reaffirms
Authorizes	Endorses	Recommends
Calls	Expresses its appreciation	Regrets
Calls upon	Expresses its hope	Reminds
Condemns	Further invites	Requests
Confirms	Further proclaims	Solemnly affirms
Congratulates	Further reminds	Strongly condemns
Considers	Further recommends	Supports
Declares accordingly	Further requests	Transmits
Deplores	Further resolves	Trusts
Designates	Has resolved	





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