

# LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Hello Delegates,

Welcome to HAMUN, and more specifically, to the Commission on Status of Women (CSW). My name is Isabella Carranza and I will be your CSW chair for HAMUN'S 52nd Conference. I'm currently a Freshman in the University of Houston, and am studying for a Bachelors of Science in Psychology. I'm very excited to be your chair this year and look forward to the discussions and new perspectives this conference will bring.

I've been a delegate at both HAMUN '50 and HAMUN '51 and this is my first year serving as a chair! Immediately upon beginning to delegate and involve myself more, HAMUN became incredibly special to me, as not only did it help me feel more aware of pending global issues, but it gave me specialized perspectives from the countries I delegated for. HAMUN also helped spark a passion for research, which I now am more involved in and currently pursue within my psychology studies.

I chose to staff CSW because of my passion surrounding women's rights. Especially when deciding which topics or case studies to include within the background guides, it puts into perspective how so many women struggle around the globe and the problems that remain. Realizing how patriarchy is embedded within countless institutions and cultures may feel discouraging at first, but by being in this committee, hopefully by the end of researching you gain a sense of hope through seeing how different women's rights groups collaborate and solve issues today.

I encourage all delegates to take this as a chance to speak up during debates, challenge different perspectives or solutions, and see how different states may work together towards their respective goals. I believe HAMUN is a great supportive and collaborative environment, and all forms of participation make the experience even more enriching.

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