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Press Release

**United Nations 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference  
to be held at the University of Central Arkansas**

Conway- The Department of Political Science and the Model United Nations (MUN) Organization at UCA, along with the Central Arkansas Chapter of the United Nations Association of the United States of America (UNA-USA) and the Arkansas Committee on Foreign Relations (ACFR), are sponsoring a conference to commemorate the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United Nations. The conference will be held at Brewer-Hegeman Conference Center on the campus of UCA in Conway on Friday, October 21, 2005.

The UN 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference includes four sessions, including a breakfast session (8:30am-10:00am), morning session (10:15am-11:45am), luncheon session (12:00pm-1:30pm), and the afternoon session (1:45pm-3:15pm).

Several experts, including Kenneth Gallant, a professor of international law at UALR School of Law, will discuss the pros and cons of the recently established International Criminal Court (ICC) during the breakfast session. Following the breakfast session, several scholars and students of international relations will present recent research on UN related topics, including the politics of the UN security council restructuring, during the morning session.

Former Senator David Pryor, currently Dean of the University of Arkansas Clinton School of Public Service, will introduce the keynote speaker Ambassador Anne Patterson (currently the Deputy Permanent U.S. Representative to the UN) during the luncheon session. Ambassador Patterson, a native of Fort Smith, Arkansas, served as acting Permanent U.S. Representative to the UN for six months following the resignation of Ambassador John Danforth in January 2005. She will speak about the prospects of UN reform.

During the afternoon session of the conference, representatives of Heifer International, Winrock International, and the William J. Clinton Foundation will discuss the role of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and the UN in the area of international development.

The conference is open to the public. The pre-registration fee, which covers the cost of attending all conference sessions including the breakfast and luncheon, is \$10.00 for students and \$20.00 for non-students. Representatives of the media are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Dr. Mark Mullenbach at [markm@uca.edu](mailto:markm@uca.edu) or (501)450-5690.

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