

TABLE A3. Palestinian Statehood Hybrid Simulation

Attributes	Details
Topic	Current affairs in the Arab-Israel conflict focusing on statehood for the Palestinians with four working groups on borders, security, Jerusalem and terror in the first round and bilateral ones between U.S.-Israel, U.S.-Palestinians and Israel-Palestinians, in the second round
Educator goals	Experimental practice with use of a cyber platform for simulations that bridge intercampus distances Allow students to experience current regional events
Dates	January 3, 2012: one-hour cyber round on Facebook January 4, 2012: one-hour cyber round on Facebook May 6, 2012: one-hour cyber round on Facebook May 8, 2012: one-hour cyber round on Facebook May 18, 2012: half day face-to-face round
Participants	60 students 25 Undergraduate Communication students, Sapir College 35 Graduate Political Studies and Communication students, Bar-Ilan University
Platform	In-class face-to-face preparations Four cyber rounds on Facebook One half day face-to-face round with Wi-Fi connections for instant use of Facebook and YouTube
Rounds	Four cyber rounds of world politics One face-to-face round
Political teams	Three teams: the U.S. as a superpower, Israel as a regional state, the Palestinians as a nonstate actor 5 to 17 participants per team. The Palestinian team contained Hamas as an opposition group; the Israeli team with 17 players contained opposition leaders and public opinion representatives
Media teams	Three teams: Arab, International, Israeli media organs
Feedback	Registration and world politics forms and research projects submitted by students
Debriefing	In class debriefing, separately in each campus
Assessment	Student grading Joint appraisal of the project by cooperating educators with adjustments in future simulations