

LAWS 3053 MOOT COURT

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 200773

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Description This unit aims to train students in mooting conducted before an appellate court or tribunal. Students will be provided with a grounding in issues including jurisdiction, admissibility, and remedies. The unit will focus on one or more areas of domestic substantive law and will include a research component. The unit will also have a practical component aimed at enhancing the advocacy skills of participants and applying the theory to the practical aspects of the conduct of appellate advocacy. Students will be involved in the preparation and presentation of a hypothetical case before an appellate court or tribunal and will be given the opportunity to develop their advocacy skills, including the preparation of written submissions and delivery of oral submissions, in a non-competitive context. Undertaking this unit would be useful for students seeking to participate in one or more law mooting competitions, representing Western Sydney University such as the Sir Harry Gibbs Constitutional Law Moot, Sir John Peden Contracts Moot, Shine Lawyers Torts Moot, AAT Moot, and the Law Council of Australia Family Law Moot.

School Law

Discipline Law, Not Elsewhere Classified.

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

Check your HECS Band contribution amount via the Fees (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/fees/) page.

Level Undergraduate Level 3 subject

Pre-requisite(s) LAWS 2013 AND
LAWS 4015 AND
LAWS 2003 AND
LAWS 3082

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Engage in critical discussion of specific problems arising from the readings and present oral arguments persuasively
2. Display a sophisticated level of research and analytical skills in relation to complex factual problems involving issues of substantive law.
3. Produce draft written submissions which demonstrate clear, well structured, appropriately referenced, critical and original analysis and arguments.
4. Demonstrate an understanding of court etiquette, the rules of procedure and requirements regarding an oral presentation to the relevant court by engaging in a moot.
5. Display a level of oral presentation skills appropriate to that required for national moot court competitions.

Subject Content

Oral presentation skills
Research skills
Written submission skills
Understanding the Rules of the relevant court or tribunal

Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Item	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task
Class participation	Throughout semester	10	N	Individual
Oral Presentation	10 to 15 minutes depending upon class numbers	10	N	Individual
Viva Voce Examination	10 to 20 minutes depending upon class numbers.	20	N	Individual
Written submissions: Moot	Moot team submission - up to 3 pages in length.	20	N	Individual
Oral submissions: Moot	40 minutes per team - divided 20/20 or 15/25 or 25/15 between Senior and junior Counsel. Judge may allow an additional 5 minutes per team.	40	N	Individual

Teaching Periods

Summer A

Parramatta - Victoria Rd

Day

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