

LAWS 3035 INTERNATIONAL MOOT COURT

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 200663

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Description This subject aims to train those students selected to represent the School of Law, Western Sydney University, in international law Mooting Competitions in litigation and advocacy before international courts. Depending on the circumstances at the time, the possible competitions will be one or more of the following: Jessup International Law Court Competition; Jean Pictet International Humanitarian Law Competition; Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Competition; Stetson International Environmental Law Competition. Other alternate competitions may be chosen in the future. For several of the competitions, the majority of the work will be conducted over the summer months and students will be required to undertake that they will devote sufficient time during that period to properly undertake all required tasks. Students will be provided with a grounding in issues including jurisdiction, admissibility, interim measures, principles of state responsibility and remedies. The course will focus on the International Court of Justice. The course 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 international advocacy. Students will be involved in the preparation and presentation of a hypothetical case before the ICJ 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.

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

Restrictions

Successful completion of 80 credit points of law subjects

Learning Outcomes

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

1. demonstrate a basic understanding of the sources of public international law, and apply them to specific factual scenarios
2. engage in critical discussion of relevant legal and advocacy considerations arising from specific moot problems and present oral arguments persuasively
3. demonstrate clear research and analytical skills in relation to complex factual problems involving issues of international law
4. produce draft written memorials which demonstrates clear, well structured, appropriately referenced, critical and original analysis and arguments
5. understand the court etiquette, rules of procedure and evidence and requirements regarding an oral presentation to the International Court of Justice

6. develop and refine their oral presentation skills to the level required for international moot court competitions

Subject Content

- oral presentation skills
- research skills
- written memorial skills
- Understanding The Rules of The international court of justice

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.

| Type | Length | Percent | Threshold | Individual/Group Task |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---------|-----------|-----------------------|
| Oral presentations | | 30 | N | Individual |
| Research Exercises and in-class tests | | 40 | N | Individual |
| Assigned Written Memorials | | 30 | N | Individual |

Teaching Periods