

## Law Freshmen Experience Court Fight in Intra Moot Court Competition

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May 16, 2011- CityU Law School hosted an Intra Moot Court Competition from May 13 to May 16, which is open to the first year students of Bachelor of Laws with Honours (LLB) and Juris Doctor (JD). The competition culminated in the championship trial on May 16 after two days and four rounds of fierce moot court debate.

CityU Law School organizes the Intra Moot Court Competition twice a year for Year 1 students of LLB and JD in order to cultivate the mooting culture in the school and better integrate practical training with knowledge instruction. The competition focuses on Tort Law moot problem about a civil dispute case this year. The participants take part in simulated court proceedings which includes drafting briefs and participating in oral arguments in front of judges.

Judges of the competition consist of faculty members, scholars and senior students with international mooting experience.

Eight teams of sixteen students participated in the competition. **HUI Man Nok** and **LEUNG Ming Yin** championed in the final round while **MAN Ka Mei** and **SIN Long** were awarded as the Runner-Up.

HUI Man Nok, member of the champion team and also the Best

Oralist described the competition as tough but rewarding. He expressed his joy of winning the competition, and added: "It's more cheerful for me to witness my own progress in this process. Through the competition, I enhanced my ability in research, team-work, logical thinking, analytical and problem-solving skills in a time-pressing manner, as well as polished my skills in making statement and argument. I am confident enough to step out for the international moot court competition now."



Finalists of the Intra Moot Court Competition (from left)  
HUI Man Nok and LEUNG Ming Yin-The Winner  
MAN Ka Mei and SIN Long-The Runner Up

**HUI Man Hei**, a Year 4 student who had participated in Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, acted as a judge in the competition in general round. She was very impressed by the remarkable performance of her junior fellow students. She emphasized that: “Moot court training and competition is the best response to the advocacy of *from students to professionals* in our school, which provides the students a platform to apply what they’ve learned in class to real legal practices and build a valuable foundation for their future career.”



Students mooting in the final round of the competition before the judges (from left) Dr. Fozia Lone (Assistant Professor and drafter of the moot problem, Mr. Rajesh Sharma, Director of Mooting, and Professor D.K.Srivastava (author of *The Law of Tort in Hong Kong*)

**Mr. GU Minkang**, Associate Dean, presented the awards to the champion and runner up teams. He expressed his congratulation to all the participants and stressed: “I am so proud of your wonderful performance in the competition. CityU Law School will continuously input sufficient resources to support the activity and I believe that I will hear your good news in international moot court competitions soon.”

**Mr. Rajesh Sharma**, Director of Mooting congratulated the students and expressed his gratitude for the devotion of all the participants and judges in this competition. He said that: “All the participants deserve our highest praise and accolade for your excellent performance and the courage you’ve shown in overcoming all the difficulties. The diligence, courage and endurance you have harvested will promise a bright future for your growth and career development.



Group photo of the participants