

CityU School of Law honours moot teams and coaches

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School of Law (SLW) of City University of Hong Kong (CityU) organized a certificate presentation ceremony in celebration and recognition of the law students' achievements in international moot on 18 May 2010. The ceremony also paid tribute to the coaches who are committed to nurture students with international perspectives.

Participants of the ceremony included around 30 law students, the Intra-CityU (SLW) Moot Committee, Professor Wang Guiguo, Dean of the SLW, and a number of professors. Besides, Professor Gabriel A Moens, Dean and Professor of Law of Murdoch University School of Law in Australia, joined the ceremony via video-conference facilities to share the joy of success of the students.

CityU School of Law provides substantial support and training to students to compete in mooting. The benefits of mooting participation are: advanced writing, research and advocacy skills, advanced critical thinking and problems-solving skills, accelerated learning in each of these areas and exchange ideas with law students from around the world.

Moot teams have brought honour and prestige to CityU School of Law which is now recognized as a major powerhouse of international mooting. Their impressive performance reflects the international standard of local law students. To acknowledge the contribution of coaches to that effect SLW facilitated: Dr. Vernon Nase, Dr. Fozia Lone, Mr. Romesh Weeramantry, Dr. Christopher Kee and Mr. Rajesh Sharma.

Professor Wang Guiguo, Dean of SLW said "We see moot as an educational tool as well as an international benchmark for our students. Their ranking in the international moot competitions show the



recognition of the high standard of our students. We also pay attention to our intra-moots because it creates a long term sustainable mooting culture at SLW which envisage students taking the lead from the front.”

First-year LLB student Winnie Wat’s dedication and hard work exemplifies what is possible for SLW students. Winnie was a competitor in the Jessup mooting competition in her first year of studies of law. She said she spent at least three hours each day to prepare by reading law books and journals in the last six months.

The biggest challenge she faced is the learning and the application of new legal knowledge. “The experience of traveling to Washington, USA and learning new techniques in law applications from rival teams is unparalleled to classroom studies,” said Winnie.

Winnie was chosen from a pool of candidates (comprising of first-year and second-year law students) to be one of the members of the moot team to compete in Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition 2010. What made her stand out? Dr Vernon Nase, CityU School of Law Associate Professor, commented, “her mooting and advocacy skills come naturally. Winnie showed good judgment and professional etiquette that are key to her outstanding performance.

As for third-year LLB student Jenny Hui, while participating international moot has been a steep learning curve, she’s in it for the long haul.

It is Jenny’s desire to take part in international mooting when she was admitted in CityU. The best part of the experience is being able to analyze a legal case in varied standpoints and present the argument in front of three-judges panel who are world renowned practitioners or academia. Her motivation also comes from her mother, Mrs Anna Hui, who shared laughter and tears with trust and support. Mrs Hui gave complimentary remarks during the ceremony and expressed her gratitude to school staff who are supportive, caring and helpful.

Mr. Rajesh Sharma, the Director of Mooting, recalled the hard work of students over the past one year and said “We have seen your tears, we



have seen your agony and now we are seeing your smile but behind all that we see your strong desire to excel even further in the future. The success in moot is dedicated to the students; you have made us proud.”



**Intra-CityU Moot
(Organizing Committee)**



**Intra-CityU Moot
Winner in Contract Law moot**



**Intra-CityU Moot
Winner in Tort Law moot**



Moot Award Tea Reception



Mr Sharma welcomes faculty and students.



Dean Wang shares the moment of harvest with students.



Mrs. Hui's sharing her pleasure and joy of her daughter (Jenny)



Prof Cooray gives vote of thanks

SLW Moot team Achievements 2009/2010

Name of Competition	Student Achievements	Team Members
Foreign Direct Investment International Moot Competition 2009, > Held in Frankfurt on 22-24 Oct 2009	* Ranked 8 out of 19 teams	Law Wing Suen (LLB) Lo Cheuk Him (PCLL) Ng Gene Bond (LLB) Tang So Man, Candy (PCLL)
4 th LAWASIA International Moot 2009 > Held in Vietnam on 9-12 Nov 2009	* Top 6th Oralist - Chan Sum Yi, Priscilla * Top 11th Oralist - Chan Ka Hang, Louie	Chan Ka Hang, Louie (LLB) Chan Sum Yi, Priscilla (JD)
Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition 2010, HK (Regional) > Held in Hong Kong on 20 Feb 2010	* Best Applicant Memorial * Top 3rd Oralist - Chan Ka Hang, Louie	Chan Ka Hang, Louie (LLB) Chan Tin Lok (LLB) Chen Zhaoxu, Michelle (JD) Hui Man Hei (LLB) Wat Lai Yee, Winnie (LLB)
8 th Red Cross International Humanitarian Law Moot 2010 > Held in Hong Kong on 5-6 March 2010	* Second Honorable Submission * Top Five Defendant Teams	Anthony Michael Gormley (JD) Inge Roggeveen (JD) Ip Gee Kin, Ken (LLB) Li Wai Shan, Sonia (LLB)
Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court Competition 2010 > Held in Frankfurt on 9-12 March 2010	* Ranked 6 out of 21 teams	Kang Yanan (LLB) Law Wing Suen (LLB) Man Ho Yin, Jacky (LLB)
7 th Annual Willem C. Vis (East) International Commercial Arbitration Moot > Held in Hong Kong on 15-21 March 2010	* Ranked 18 out of 75 teams * Honourable mention for the Best Memorandum on Behalf of Claimant * Honourable mention for the Best Memorandum on Behalf of Respondent	Kaur Prabhjyot (LLB) Lau Ching Kar, Karen (LLB) Mok Ham Dick, Dickie (JD) Suraj Sajnani (LLB) Tse Sau Wai, Flora (JD)
17 th Annual Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot > Held in Austria on 26 March – 1 April 2010	* Ranked 69 out of 250 teams * Honourable mention for the Best Memorandum on Behalf of Respondent	Kaur Prabhjyot (LLB) Lau Ching Kar, Karen (LLB) Mok Ham Dick, Dickie (JD) Suraj Sajnani (LLB) Tse Sau Wai, Flora (JD)
Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition 2010 (Asia Pacific Regional Rounds) > Held in Australia on 13-17 April 2010	* Ranked 3 out of 29 teams * Best Memorial Award * Top 3rd Oralist - Au Lut Chi * Top 4th Oralist - Kong Cheuk Man, Cheryl	Au Lut Chi (LLB) Kong Cheuk Man, Cheryl (JD) Lam Ho Yan (LLB)
11th Annual International Maritime Law Arbitration Moot > Held in Australia on 2-6 July 2010	* Ranked 7th at the conclusion of the General Rounds * The AMTAC Spirit of the Moot award, Yeung Pui Ying, Ada	Leung Yuen Quan, Malisa (JD) Ma Ching Kong (JD) Yeung Pui Ying, Ada (JD)
International ADR Mooting Competition 2010 > Held in Hong Kong on 9-14 August 2010	* Highest Ranked Team in the General Rounds * Best Team in Mediation (General Rounds) * Best Oralist (Arbitration proceedings) in General Rounds - Liu He, Angel * Runner-up for Best Mediator - Ms Chung Hiu Yee * Runner-up Team in the Final	Chung Hiu Yee (PCLL) Li Jiani, Theo (JD) Lin Wah Tong, Jamie (JD) Liu He, Angel (JD) Yuli Yan (JD) William Yip (PCLL)