

The 2015 Jessup Competition

TBILISI FREE UNIVERSITY CRITERIA FOR SELECTING MEMBERS OF THE MOOT COURT TEAM

Tbilisi Free University has established the following criteria and procedures for selecting members for the 2015 Jessup Moot Court Competition Free University Team. Tbilisi Free University reserves right to add or change any criteria, provided such additions or changed criteria do not conflict with those given herein below.

Mandatory Requirements:

- Student participants must be in their third or fourth year of studies at the Tbilisi Free University Law School
- Student participants must be fluent in (i.e. have strong command of written and oral) English

Additional Considerations:

- Prior experience in mooting (i.e. participation in moot court competitions)
- Successful completion of Public International Law course
- Participation in trainings, conferences or other forums on topics of Public International Law

Application Procedure and Selection Process:

Selection process consists of two stages: 1) written assignment and 2) oral presentation (interview).

Stage One: Eligible students shall submit their CVs and completed Written Assignments (detailed in Annex One) to Tamar Tomashvili, via email at t.tomashvili@freeuni.edu.ge before 10th of September 2014 – 18:00 o'clock.

Each applicant shall complete the Written Assignment provided in Annex One of this document personally. The Written Assignment shall be drafted electronically and shall meet the following formatting conditions:

- Font and sizing: Times New Roman, 12;
- Page margins: 2 cm on each side;
- Spacing: double;
- Limit: 500 words

Stage Two: David Kapanadze, the Coach for the 2015 Jessup Moot Court Competition Free University Team together with at least one lecturer from Free University Law School will interview only those Students who submit their CVs and completed Written Assignments on time. Interview will be scheduled on 13th of September 2014 (time to be communicated in written via email).

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During the interview, the students will be required to present the Written Assignment, as if on oral rounds and answer respective questions. Total length of the interview shall not exceed 12 (twelve) minutes, including oral presentation and Q&A session.

The maximum number of evaluation points, which Students can receive for Written Assignment is 60 (sixty) points, and for the Interview – 40 (forty) points.

Maximum of four students with the highest scores (total of the evaluation points) in both Written Assignment and the Interview will be selected as members of the 2015 Jessup Moot Court Competition Free University Team.

Criteria for Evaluating Written Assignments:

David Kapanadze, the Coach for the 2014 Jessup Moot Court Competition Free University Team, will evaluate the Written Assignment based on the following criteria:

- Identification of legal problems (25%)
- Identification of facts relevant to the legal problems (25%)
- Review and analysis of English language legal materials (treaties, articles, etc.) (10%)
- Structure and organization of the writing (10%)
- Clarity of language and argumentation (10%)
- Command of written English (20%)

Criteria for Evaluating Students during the Interview:

Evaluation criteria for the Interview are as follows:

- General presentation skills / clarity of communicating messages (25%)
- Knowledge of Law and Facts (25%)
- Ability to Answer Questions (25%)
- Time management (25%)

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Annex One – The Written Assignment

Please, download the electronic version of the 2015 Jessup Compromis from ILSA website (<http://ilsa.org/jessuphome/competition-materials>) and read the Compromis very carefully.

Imagine that you are an assistant to the judge who will hear the case based on Compromis. The Judge has assigned you to prepare for her a short overview of all legal problems / issues which relate to the submissions "B" of both Reverentiaand Agnostica as set out in paras. 45.b and 46.b of the Compromis. You have to identify basic materials needed for research (treaties, cases, etc.) and conduct a modest research. As part of your job you also have to identify respective facts of the case, this will help you focus on legal problems and will be very useful during the Interview.