

## Vice-President (Competitions) OGM Report 2019

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### The Competitions Portfolio

**VP:** David Chieng

**Directors:** Adam Brett, Emma Rogerson, Lucy Kibble, Tiger Lin

**First Year Representative:** Epi Terbio

### ALSA

All ANU competitors did really well. Our Championship Moot team came runner-up.

### Internal Competitions

#### **General Changes**

- New witness examination director, Tiger Lin.
- Change in venue for mooting and witness examination from BPB to new Fellows road building.
- New moot court a valuable asset for competitions.

#### **1. Rule Amendments**

- Mooting rule amendments were made after an appeal in semester 1.
- Judges granted discretion which must be exercised consistently with the competitions code of conduct.

#### **2. Competitions Guide**

- Over the semester break, the Competitions Guide was produced.
- Contributors consisted of volunteer judges/ lecturers and past student competitors.
- Worked closely with Sonny and BnC to get the quality that was expected and desired.
- Published online.

#### **3. Novice Competitions Launch**

- Turn out wasn't as high as we wanted – 2 week period of advertising needed instead of 1.
- Signups mainly happened online.

#### **4. Competitions Workshops**

- Mooting Workshop
  - Speakers: GPCAPT Ian Henderson
  - More than 50 attendees.
- Negotiation Workshop
  - Speakers: Laura Wood and Jacqueline Hickman
- Witness Examination Workshop
  - Speaker: Tiger Lin and Prisca Ochan
  - Around 15 attendees.

- Client Interview Workshop
  - o Speakers: Ingrid Olbrei and Thomas Wilkie-Black
  - o Around 20 attendees

#### **5. Negotiation**

- Director: Emma Rogerson
- 13 teams
  - o 3 withdrawals
- Received support from Ashurst Judges

#### **6. Mooting**

- Director: Adam Brett
- 22 teams
  - o 6 teams have withdrawn
- Received support from King & Wood Mallesons judges.

#### **7. Witness Examination**

- Director: Tiger Lin
- 12 teams
  - o 4 withdrawals

#### **8. Client Interview**

- Director: Lucy Kibble
- 10 teams
  - o 2 team has withdrawn
- Other clients have been filled in by committee members.
- Overall, have received a lot of support from the ANU GDLP staff regarding judging. Students have been a really helpful resource as well.

#### **9. Grand Finals**

- Ashurst Hosting Negotiations on 08/10.
- KWM hosting moot on 30/09.
- Witness Examination held on 11/10.
- CI to confirm with GDLP.

#### External Competitions

- External Competitions Director: Melly Zhao

1. DPP mock trial - 4 applicants, 1 team of 3
2. Clayton Utz Negotiation - 2 applicants, 1 team of 2
3. Allen & Overy moot - no suitable candidate, did not send team
4. Kirby moot - suspended by organiser this year
5. Castan Human Rights Moot - suspended by organiser this year
6. AAT Moot - 9 applicants, 2 teams of 3 selected.

7. Animal Moot - 2 applicants, 1 team of 2
8. Baker McKenzie women moot - no suitable candidate, did not send team.
9. Harry Gibbs - 9 applicants, 1 team of 3
10. Allens Legal Tech Moot - 5 applicants, 1 team of 3 and 1 team of 2