

2020 – 2021 USF MOOT COURT PROGRAM
CASE COUNSEL & COMPETITION TEAM MEMBER
INSTRUCTIONS AND APPLICATION

Please read this information carefully.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. A minimum GPA of 2.3 is required to apply. (Exceptions may be made on a case by case basis, pending approval from Faculty Advisors. If you have concerns about your GPA, please contact the Moot Court Board)
2. Applications are **due Saturday, April 18 by noon.**
3. Completed Applications must contain in the following order:
 - A completed and signed application form;
 - Responses to questions 1-7 (see below);
 - A current resume;
 - A copy/screenshot of your transcript from “MyUSF”; and
 - A legal writing sample indicating the semester it was written.
4. Please submit an electronic copy of your application.
 - Applications should be emailed to the Moot Court Board at usfmootcourt@gmail.com.
 - The electronic copy and ALL attachments **MUST be in ONE PDF DOCUMENT.**
5. After submitting your application, the Moot Court Board will send you a sign-up sheet for an **interview** time. Interviews will take place via Zoom.
 - If you are applying for a **Competition Team** position, be prepared to deliver a **1 minute oral argument** during your interview. We suggest using your introduction and road map from First Year Moot Court. (Applicants for Case Counsel do NOT need to prepare an oral argument.)

IMPORTANT REMINDERS FROM THE INFORMATION PACKET:

1. Case Counsel Receive 1 Unit Per Semester.
2. Competition Team Members receive 2 Units during the semester in which they compete AND are required to take the 3-unit Appellate Advocacy class in the *Fall*.
3. All Case Counsel and Spring Competition Team Members are required to enroll in the Advocate of the Year Competition (1 Unit) during the Fall semester. Competition Team Members placed on a Fall semester competition team are NOT required to enroll in this internal competition.

Thank you for your interest in our Moot Court Programs! We look forward to meeting you during interviews.

Best,
Moot Court Board

CASE COUNSEL & COMPETITION TEAM MEMBER APPLICATION

What position(s) are you applying for? (Check both if applicable)

Case Counsel _____ Competition Team _____

Personal Information:

Full Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Local Address: _____

Mobile Phone: _____ Preferred E-mail: _____

USF ID Number: _____ Current Year in School: _____ Full Time or Part Time: _____
If PT, are you planning on transferring to full time next year? _____

LRWA Professor: _____

LRWA Grade(s): Fall _____ Spring (if 2L or PT 3L) _____

GPA: _____ Class Percentile: _____

How many units do you expect to take next year? (F) _____ (S) _____

COMPETITION TEAM APPLICANTS ONLY:

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

1. Rank the following competition teams in order of interest, with “1” being your *first choice*, and denote teams in which you are *unwilling to participate* with “x.” Please do not rank any “potential” competitions in your top 3. *See descriptions of competitions in the Moot Court Program Information Packet.*

___ Tang ___ National Criminal Procedure Tournament ___ Lefkowitz

___ Wagner ___ National Appellate Advocacy Competition (NAAC)

___ UCLA Gender and Sexuality Law ___ Tulane Sports Law & Negotiations

We did not compete in these competitions this past year, but if there is enough interest, the Board would be willing to send teams to these competitions as well:

___ Asylum & Refugee ___ Brown Admiralty Law ___ Criminal Trial* ___ Civil Trial*

***Evidence and participation in *either* IAP or Trial Practice are a pre-requisite OR co-requisite for membership on a Trial Team.** Please note that IAP is not being offered this summer due to the changed circumstances with the COVID-19 pandemic. Some 2Ls may have taken IAP last summer though.

2. Have you taken or will you be enrolled in any of the following courses next fall? (check all that apply)

Copyright/Trademark IP Survey Int'l Law/Human Rights

Employment/Labor Patent Mediation Alternative Dispute Resolution

Intensive Advocacy Program (IAP) Trial Practice

Maritime Law Criminal Procedure Immigration

Applied Evidence Sports Law Sexuality Law

BOTH CASE COUNSEL AND COMPETITION TEAM APPLICANTS:

Have you previously participated in AYC? If so, when? _____

BOTH CASE COUNSEL AND COMPETITION TEAM APPLICANTS:

Please respond to the following questions:

1. Why do you want to be a case counsel and/or team member?
2. What do you hope to get out of your participation in the Moot Court Program?
3. Describe any relevant team, group, teaching, mentoring or coaching experiences you have had that prepare you for the positions for which you are applying. Include sport teams, debate teams, school- related activities such as membership in any student organizations, and any previous Moot Court or public speaking experience.
4. If applicable, please describe relevant writing experience, apart from LRWA or Moot Court (legal or otherwise), including any publications or awards for written work.
5. In the next academic year, do you plan to work or participate in any of the following activities: tutoring, internship, judicial externship, clinical program, law review/journal? If yes, please indicate which activities and how many hours per week/units per semester. Also include any specific time constraints for the academic year (including holiday and spring breaks) and any concerns you may have with the schedule requirements for participating as case counsel or team member.
6. What are your plans for this summer? Will you be in the Bay Area?
7. **Competition Team Applicants:** What skills, interests, or experiences demonstrate your qualifications to compete on the teams for which you have applied? Please write about each competition in which you are interested, and rank them in order of most to least interested.

I represent that all the above information and submitted attachments are true and correct; and I agree that the Registrar may verify my cumulative GPA and academic standing.

Signature

Date