

Course title	Vis Moot Workshop				
Teacher(s)	SAITO Akira	開講区分		単位数	
		2nd semester		1.0	
Numbering Code	J2ML600	Day・Period	Other	Timetable Slot Code	3J382

Lesson topic

Students will participate in Vis Moot (international commercial arbitration moot competition), which is the world's largest competition based on the rigorous simulation of the practice of arbitration, and get the experience of practice of written submission and oral presentation in the present international arbitration. Because of the increasing importance of international arbitration as the measure of resolving disputes in international business, the knowledge and experience gained through these activities will be useful in their future as lawyers as well as business persons working in the globalized business areas.

Lesson target

Upon completing the course, students understand the proceeding of international arbitration and the roles played by the lawyers. Students also should be able to know how to make proper document for written submission in arbitration and how to conduct proper oral presentation under a formal setting of arbitration. Students should also understand the basic methods of legal research for the cases concerning international business and how the laws and rules from different origins relate and function together. Students should be able to work with other members of the team efficiently and help each other effectively.

Syllabus and plan

As a project-based course, no strict time and contents to be taught cannot be fixed. Followings are the rough flow of the works to be tackled with.

1. Reading and analyzing the problem of Vis Moot 2021-22.
2. Legal research and brain storming
3. Making the outline of the Memorandum for Claimant.
4. Writing and editing the Memorandum for Claimant
5. Reading and analyzing the Memorandum for Claimant written by the opponent team
6. Legal research and making of the outline of the Memorandum for Respondent
7. Writing and editing the Memorandum for Respondent
8. Preparation and exercise of oral arguments
9. Participation into the pre-moot and Vis Moot competition

Evaluation method

- Contribution to the teamwork for written submissions 40%
- Participation into the exercise of oral presentation 20%
- Performance in Pre-moots and/or Vis Moot 40%

Evaluation baseline

Students should be able to:

- understand the proceeding of arbitration.
- understand and interpret the rules and laws concerning arbitration
- write documents properly and argue effectively in the process of arbitration proceedings
- cooperate with other team members efficiently

Notice (include info. on related class)

Prior to taking this course, students are expected to check the schedule and keep enough time for participating in this project.

Review and preparation

Preparation: Try to finish the assigned work in the previous class

Review: Recollect the discussion and consider how to proceed for the next session

Office hour · Contact information

To be announced in the first meeting

Message for student

Vis Moot represents one of the most successful events for promoting the globalization of legal education in the world. Simulation-based education for practice is regarded to be the most effective measure for letting the students familiarize both practice and theories underlying it at the same time.

Improvements in Teaching

Text

Redfern and Hunter on International Arbitration (Oxford UP, 2015)

Reference Material

Please refer to the site of this course in LMS BEEF..

Classroom Language

English

English (supplemented by Japanese or other languages)

Keywords

International Commercial Arbitration, UNCITRAL, CISG, UNIDROIT, ICC, IBA, Choice of Law, Unification of Law.