

The Philip C. Jessup Moot court was one of the most rewarding challenges that we have ever undertaken. From day one, the idea of the moot court appealed to us. From forming a team of comrades and receiving the problem question, to creating an environment of learning and co-operation in order to best solve the problem at hand. Many competitions will state that it is not the result; rather it is the taking part. However, with the Jessup Moot, this is the truth. From writing the memorials together and researching legal sources before the Christmas period to practicing our advocacy skills in the month of January, the skills which one learns from the moot court journey are skills which will stick with us for the rest of our lives. The Jessup Moot court has given us the confidence to stand in front of expert professors and judges and articulate our point without hesitation. Moreover this competition is a chance of a lifetime to practice the theory you learnt at university. If you are reading this and are considering taking part in the Jessup Moot, then we would highly recommend that you go and speak with Professor Markus Krajewski. His support and encouragement is a great help throughout the competition. You can also be assured that upon taking on the task of entering the Jessup, you will be provided with excellent coaches from Professor Krajewski's Lehrstuhl. The support and hardwork, which these coaches provide is of great assistance and makes the moot court an even more enjoyable experience and contributes to the atmosphere of learning that one experiences throughout the Jessup Moot. Our team was a very international one -German/Irish/Spanish and French- and this internationalism embodied the spirit of the United Nations, which lies at the heart of this competition. Taking part in the Jessup Moot Court is something that we will remember for the rest of our lives; no matter where our legal career takes us and indeed wherever our lives take us. During one of his speeches, the host of the Jessup Moot Court Competition in Trier said that if one day our career leads us to a very important pleading or presentation, the experience we had in Trier will come automatically to mind and will help us to come through it. We are sure he is right because this opportunity to plead before eminent jurists is really memorable and enriching. The memories, friendships and skills acquired during the course of the competition continue to be with you, long after the competition has ended. Take a chance, take part and do yourself and your University proud.

2014 Jessup Moot Court Team