

#### **FACULTY OF JURIDICAL SCIENCES**

# MOOT COURT EXERCISE AND INTERNSHIP (CLINICAL)

Course: BALLB, 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester

Subject code: BAL903

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#### **Moot Court Exercise and Internship**

**Objective:** The objective of having moot courts is to give the students practical tanning how the proceedings of the court takes place.

#### The Paper will have following components

- ➤ <u>Moot Court:</u> Every student may be required to do at least one moot court in a year. The moot court work will be on assigned problem.
- ➤ Observance of Trial in one case, either Civil or Criminal.
  - Students may be required to attend one trial in the course of the last year of LL.B. studies. They will maintain a record and enter the various steps observed during their attendance on different days in the court assignment.
- ➤ <u>Interviewing techniques and Pre-trial preparations and Internship diary.</u>
  - Each student will observe one interviewing session of clients at the Lawyer's Office/Legal Aid Office and record the proceedings in a diary. Each student will further observe the preparation of documents and court papers by the Advocate and the procedure for the filing of the suit/petition.
- ➤ The fourth component of this paper will be Viva Voce examination on all the above three aspects.
- > Student will be required to undertake legal awareness programme in association with N.S.S. and other authorities as directed by the Faculty.

## LECTURE 2

#### **ADVOCACY OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of teaching advocacy are to enable students:

### 1. To understand the social, legal and strategic context of the hearing or presentation (occasion of advocacy).

Content: Role of advocate, standpoint objectives or purpose of hearing alternative resolutions Evaluation of forum (status, implication) Legal significance (precedent, test case etc.) Financial considerations (including costs) Evaluation of success and failure

#### 2. To prepare a suitable plan for the occasion.

#### Content:

Identify witnesses and other evidence identify relevant facts Construct logical factual propositions evidence analysis and fact appraisal Identify legal elements Outline case presentation Identify procedural/evidential issues

#### 3. To effectively present an oral case on behalf of a client.

#### Content:

Prepare client/witnesses/tribunal for occasion introduce parties and advocates Summarise facts/law effectively and accurately organize witnesses and documents Examine witnesses in chief (leading/non leading) Effectively produce documents/exhibits Re examine witnesses when appropriate

#### 4. To effectively challenge a witness.

#### Content:

Appreciate methods/opportunities to discredit identify conflicting/prejudicial testimony effectively use questions in witness challenge identify alternative theory

Structure challenge to support theory Emphasise significant agreement with own case Manage questioning economically

#### Content:

Summarise salient testimony and construct case appreciate evidential quantum/burden Adopt style/demeanour appropriate for audience effectively engage in legal argument Balance commitment to client and objectivity persuasively and assertively pursue case

#### 5. To conclude a hearing or presentation.

#### Content:

Receive and record decision Inform tribunal of client's response/position Address forum on implications of decision Pursue consequential decisions (costs/ orders) Explain implications to client

#### 6. To practise an effective behaviour for advocacy.

#### Content:

Articulate clearly and confidently adopt appropriate stance and bearing employ a variety of oral techniques identify and observe ethical constraints

Appreciate significance of advocacy interaction understand professional and

legal requirements

7. Reflect upon 1. above and evaluate experience.