



**PETER A. ALLARD
SCHOOL OF LAW**

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

2024-2025 UPPER YEAR MOOTS INFO SESSION

WHY MOOT?



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- Develop Practical Legal Skills: Intensive training in legal research, written and oral advocacy
- Mentorship and Support: Learn from esteemed faculty and legal practitioners
- Build a Legal Network: Travel to other provinces or countries to meet and compete against other law schools' moot teams
- Practice Teamwork Skills: Work with other Allard Law students to represent your client



EXPERIENTIAL REQUIREMENT



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All JD students must complete **one (1) experiential course or program** prior to graduation. This is met in second or third year through the completion of either:

Credit-bearing
clinical program

Upper-year
moot

Course approved as
meeting the
Experiential
requirement

COURSE PLANNING



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- Credit Cap: Students are limited to 20 credits of clinical and upper-year mooting credits
 - UY Moots range from 3-5 credits
 - Clinics range from 6-15 credits
- Compatibility w/ Clinic: some clinics and moots cannot be taken within the same term, or within the same year
- Pre or co-requisite courses: some moots have pre or co-requisite courses



Allard Law Upper Year Moot webpage

2024-2025 MOOTS*



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- Adam F. Fanaki Competition Law Moot
- British Columbia Law Schools Competitive Moot
- Canadian Corporate/Securities Law Competition
- Donald G.H. Bowman National Tax Moot
- Gale Cup Moot Competition
- Jessup International Law Moot Competition
- Julius Alexander Isaac Moot
- Kawaskimhon: Aboriginal Rights Moot
- Laskin Moot
- National Labour Arbitration Competition
- Peter Burns Moot, Western Canada Moot, Sopinka Cup Moot
- Wilson Moot

**This list is not finalized. Updates will be posted to the Moots webpage.*



APPLICATION PROCESS



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- Students must apply to participate in an upper year moot
- Deadline to Apply: 11:59pm, May 20, 2024
- Apply by completing 2 actions by the deadline:
 - For each moot, prepare your application materials according to the moot's application fact sheet and submit it on ACE
 - Fill out the Mandatory Moot Application Online Survey
 - Do this last!
 - Do this once!



APPLICATION MATERIALS



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- Review the relevant Application Fact Sheet to determine what you need to prepare in your application materials
- Try-Outs: 7 minute presentation on a specified topic in front of 1 or more judges
 - Calendly sign-up link and try out schedule will be posted on the UY Moots webpage (link goes live at 12:30pm, March 1)
 - You only need to try out once. Your tryout is recorded. You do not need to try out separately for each moot.



HOW TO PREPARE FOR TRYOUT



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- Consider both sides of the argument
- Take the time to develop your argument
- Do not focus on legal research – do not bring in written materials for the judges to review
- Practice, practice, practice and don't sweat the small stuff!



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



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- Are the Moots hard? How much work is it really?
- How Important are Grades?
- How competitive is the application process?
- Do the rankings matter?
- Can I participate in more than 1 moot?



Q&A AND TAKEAWAYS



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1. Check out the Allard Law Upper Year Moots webpage for more information
2. Chat with upper year students – pick up from or email Barbara for student directory
3. Book an appt with me or Kaila for individual course advising:
[Calendly.com/allardsao](https://calendly.com/allardsao)



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