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PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION COMPETITION

Client Counselling, PIL Drafting and Presentation Competition

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ABOUT VIT

Established with the aim of providing quality higher education on par with international standards, VIT persistently seeks and adopts innovative methods to consistently improve the quality of education. The campus has a cosmopolitan atmosphere with students from all corners of the globe with experienced and learned teachers to nurture students. The global standards set at VIT in the field of teaching and research forward our relentless pursuit of excellence, to the point of becoming our way of life. The highly motivated students on campus are a constant source of pride. Our Memorandum of Understanding with various international universities provides for an exchange of students and faculty, encouraging joint research projects for the mutual benefit of both universities. Many of our students, who pursue their research projects in foreign universities, bring high quality to their work and have done us proud. With steady steps, we continue our march forward.

ABOUT VIT SCHOOL OF LAW

The VIT School of Law (VITSOL), the progeny of VIT University is one of the best Law Colleges in Chennai. It entered the legal arena in 2014, aiming at high goals to be achieved. The Law School aims to impart quality legal education to equip the young minds with knowledge of law, teach them the nuances of the legal profession and make them aware of the nitty gritty of the profession. As one of the best Law Colleges in Chennai, VITSOL believes in continuous and active learning simultaneously with practical training. Legal education is not about just mastering the subject or the varied provisions of the law. It is about providing opportunities for the overall development of an individual into a legal professional. Studying law at VITSOL is a unique experience, true to its reputation as one of the best Law Colleges in Chennai. It offers the blend of all features of quality education. The Law curriculum has been structured in such a way that the students will have an opportunity to have a specialized knowledge and insight in the particular branch they are interested in along with overall knowledge in all other subjects. This gives the students an edge over similarly placed undergraduates. Research driven learning is another speciality of VIT School of Law. At VITSOL, a knowledge-oriented approach takes the lead over memory-based learning and evaluation. The course is designed to encourage the mooting abilities, oratorical skills, interpretive and analytical skills of the budding lawyers by conducting periodical Moot Court and other law centric activities. The School offers two undergraduate honours programmes viz. B.A., LL.B (Hon's) and B.B.A., LL.B (Hon's). It also offers LL.M in three branches of law - International Law and Development, Corporate Laws and Intellectual Property Laws. Further the School offers a doctoral program. All the law courses follow a carefully framed curriculum that is on par with the global standards. The school has over 1000 students across the courses. The school is run with around 30 core faculty, with a sizable number of faculty members holding doctoral degrees in various branches of law, cementing our place as one of the best Law Colleges in Chennai. To improve the advocacy skills the school runs moot court and debate societies. Through these societies various International / National level programs are conducted. The school regularly organises Moot Court Competitions, both in national and international law, National level debate competitions, International / National Conferences, Seminars and Workshops, and Legal Aid programme, positioning us among the best Law Colleges. The knowledge of teaching faculty is enhanced or updated through Faculty Development Programmes conducted periodically.

ABOUT VITSOL DEBATE SOCIETY

Debate Society is an initiative of the VIT School of Law (VITSOL) with the aim to provide recognition and support for law students who participate in legal debates. The main object of the society is to nurture a rule based debating culture among law students. Eventually, it seeks to introduce various types of debating techniques among the students such as the United States, British and Asian forms of parliamentary debate, socio-legal debate, youth parliament etc., for their benefit. Although debate society focuses primarily on issues related to law, its activities include cross-cutting issues of law from the perspective of cultural, law and economic, law and political standpoints. This society encourages the students' participation by conducting frequent internal debate leagues. It acts as a platform for young lawyers who are interested in debating events conducted by various institutions, by hosting intramural competitions and providing expert coaching on the same by involving the best debaters in training them. The society also plans to conduct future national and international debate competitions. It gives cutting-edge infrastructure to the students to create a constructive environment that trains them to meet the required skills in the real world.

Schedule

Themes : administrative law, environmental law, constitutional law, health policy and family law

Event	Time
Inauguration Ceremony	9.30 am – 10.30 am
Client Counselling	10.30am- 11.30am
Drafting	11.30 am- 1:30 pm
Lunch	1.30 pm - 2:30 pm
Presentation	2:30 pm – 4.30pm
Valedictory	4.30pm – 5.30pm

EVENT DATE
April 7, 2023

RULES AND REGULATIONS

General Rules:
Ø The medium of communication shall be English.
Ø The event is for Law Students pursuing Undergraduate Programs.
Ø All required materials must be brought by the participants themselves. No reference material shall be provided.
Ø The organizers' decision shall be final on all matters.
Ø The event shall consist of 3 rounds: Client Counselling, PIL Drafting and Presentation.
Ø Each team shall consist of not more than 2 participants.
Ø Both team members shall be from the same institution.
Ø There is no limit to the number of teams from each institution.
Ø Participants shall have to select one theme from the given list of themes from which the PIL will be drafted.
Ø The dress code for the event shall be formals (preferably court attire). Blazers are mandatory.
Ø No institutional emblems/indicators are permitted in participants' clothing.
Ø No accommodation shall be provided by the organizers.
Ø Themes of the competition :

Themes:
Ø administrative law
Ø environmental law
Ø constitutional law
Ø health policy
Ø family law

Round 1: Client Counselling
Ø Each team shall be assigned a client and a problem matching their theme
Ø The client shall present a statement of facts
Ø Participants shall then be allowed to interact with the client for 5 minutes
Ø The Client shall have the right to reserve their answer
Ø The use of internet is prohibited

Round 2: Drafting the PIL
Ø Participants shall be given a total of 2 hours and 15 minutes to draft the relevant public interest litigation of which the first 15 minutes shall be used exclusively to retrieve material from the internet, following which the use of internet is strictly forbidden
Ø Participants may use any resources available at their disposal for the drafting.
Ø Any other textbooks, reference books, and printed or digital material are allowed as long as they are brought by the participants.
Ø Communication of any kind with such as with other participants is strictly forbidden.
Ø The PIL must be type-written and conveyed to the organizers as a soft-copy in PDF format only.

Round 3: Presentation of PIL
Ø Participants shall be required to present their PIL for a maximum time of 10 minutes including time taken to answer questions from the judges.
Ø The use of internet is prohibited
Ø The presentation can be done by one of the two team members or by both.
Ø The split of material to be presented by both members is up to the participant's discretion

We cordially invite all students to participate in the event!
Interested students may fill out the registration form by scanning the QR Code on or before 1st April 2023
Convenor : Dr. M S Soundara Pandian Dean, VIT School of Law

Kindly contact our student coordinators for any clarifications.

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Note: The organizers of the events reserve the right to change the rules any time before the commencement of the event. The same shall be orally announced before the commencement of the event

WINNERS WILL RECEIVE 1 MONTH INTERNSHIPS IN AMIKUS QRIAE!!

Registration fee - 1000/- per Team

Scan for registering