



SGT UNIVERSITY

Shree Guru Gobind Singh Tricentenary University



1ST SGTU RANKA NATIONAL TRIAL ADVOCACY COMPETITION 2024

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ABOUT SGT UNIVERSITY

SGT University is nationally renowned for its leadership in Medical and Health Sciences. It established the Faculty of Law in 2014 to promote profound scholarship and enlighten research in law, to provide the highest quality professional legal education to face the new challenges and dimensions of the internationalization of the legal profession. The vision of the SGT University is to be "recognized nationally and globally for excellence in clinical legal education, community-based outreach programs, socially relevant research and for honing up Lawyering, Arbitration, Mediation and Client Counseling Skills". An abode for continual activity and unrelenting vitality, SGT University offers a wide array of academic and extracurricular opportunities, making every day a potential adventure for the students. The SGT University is Accredited with Grade A+ by NAAC.



ABOUT FACULTY OF LAW

The Faculty of Law was established in 2014 at SGT University. It has statutory recognition from The Bar Council of India and the Government of Haryana. The Faculty was established to aid the students with education on Legislative Law and provide an academically rich environment. The Faculty of Law prepares the students to be broad-minded and hardworking legal practitioners and compete with the best on national and international platforms.

The Faculty of Law at SGT University is one of the best colleges in Delhi NCR for Law courses. They provide nearly five courses, including UG, PG, and PhD in Law Courses. The Faculty of Law at SGT University is based on the core values of Dedication, Honesty, Integrity, Respect, Selflessness and Sincerity. They provide the highest quality professional legal education to equip Indian students for transnational practice and to face globalisation challenges.



Glimpse of Past Event



ABOUT RANKA CHARITABLE TRUST

The Trust was set up by Late Dr. N. M. Ranka, Senior Advocate in the year 1960 Major activities undertaken by the Trust are as follows:

To promote the GANDHIAN PHILOSOPHY and to motivate the citizens, students, teachers, judicial officers, lawyers and litigants, the Trust has Installed 4 statues of Mahatma Gandhi all over India at various premises including at High Courts of Rajasthan, Orissa, Kerala, Karnataka & Gauhati, District Courts, Central Jails, Universities and Colleges.

The Trust has adopted the Government Upper Primary School, Ramnagariya, Jaipur wherein approximately around 200 students from the lowest strata of society are getting free education with boarding facilities. The Trust in order to promote tax education and awareness, gives RANKA BEST TAX CONFERENCE AWARD under the banner of All India Federation of Tax Practitioners, Mumbai to deserving Tax Bar Associations.

The Trust is publishing books. Such books are freely distributed all over India. Till now more than 25,000 copies have been distributed. The Trust has pioneered the Moot Court Competitions in Jaipur and more than 20 competitions have been organized in collaboration with University Five Year Law College, University Law College and many other recognised institutions.

The trust also provides scholarship to needy students and provides free medicines and food to poor patients from time to time. The Trust also grants donation to like minded Trusts carrying out works of philanthropy, education, old age homes, etc.

ABOUT THE COMPETITION

The upcoming 1st SGTU Ranka International Trial Advocacy Competition in 2024 promises to be a groundbreaking event that will bring together legal minds from across the globe to showcase their advocacy skills and legal acumen. Scheduled to take place at the esteemed SGTU Ranka University, this competition will provide a platform for law students and young legal professionals to engage in a simulated courtroom environment, honing their trial advocacy skills and gaining valuable practical experience. The competition is set to feature teams from renowned law schools and institutions, both nationally and internationally, reflecting the truly global nature of the event. Participants will have the opportunity to argue cases in front of experienced judges, emulating a real courtroom setting and allowing them to demonstrate their proficiency in various aspects of trial advocacy, including legal research, case analysis, and oral argumentation.

The competition is designed to encompass multiple rounds, each presenting a new set of challenges and legal scenarios. Teams will be tasked with preparing and presenting their cases, examining and cross-examining witnesses, and responding to unexpected developments in the courtroom. The cases are expected to be complex and multifaceted, requiring participants to navigate intricate legal issues and present compelling arguments. Distinguished legal professionals and academics are expected to serve as judges, evaluating participants based on their legal knowledge, presentation skills, and overall courtroom demeanour. The feedback provided by the judges is anticipated to contribute not only to the competitive aspect of the event but also to serve as a valuable learning experience for the participants, helping them refine their advocacy skills and deepen their understanding of legal practice. Apart from the rigorous competition, the event is expected to include various networking opportunities and panel discussions featuring prominent legal experts. Participants will have the chance to engage with experienced practitioners, gaining insights into the realities of legal practice and expanding their professional networks.

The 1st SGTU Ranka National Trial Advocacy Competition in 2024 is poised to be a pivotal event in the legal calendar, offering a unique and enriching experience for participants and spectators alike. It is anticipated to showcase the talent and dedication of emerging legal professionals while reinforcing the importance of practical skills.

Trial advocacy refers to the skills and techniques employed by attorneys during a trial to present their case effectively and persuasively. The goal of trial advocacy is to advocate for the client's position and persuade the judge and/or jury to rule in favour of that position. Here are some key aspects of trial advocacy:

Preparation:

- Thoroughly understanding the facts of the case, legal issues, and evidence is crucial.
- Developing a strong case strategy and identifying key arguments to support the client's position.

Opening Statements:

- Crafting a compelling opening statement that introduces the case, outlines key points, and sets the stage for the trial.

Direct and Cross-Examination:

- Conducting effective direct examination of witnesses to elicit favourable testimony.
- Skillfully cross-examining opposing witnesses to challenge their credibility or present a different narrative.

Evidence Presentation:

- Knowing the rules of evidence and presenting relevant and admissible evidence to support the case.
- Objecting to improper evidence presented by the opposing party.

Legal Arguments:

- Making persuasive legal arguments based on statutes, case law, and precedent.
- Responding to opposing legal arguments and challenges. And other skills as well.



DEFINITIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRIAL ADVOCACY COMPETITION

The following terms have the corresponding meanings:

“ADMINISTRATORS” means Administrators that shall be the Organizing Committee. **“COMPETITION”** means 1st SGT RANKA National Trial Advocacy Competition, 2024.

“DISQUALIFICATION” means that the team will not be allowed to participate in the competition and, therefore, shall not be awarded a Certificate of Participation or any Prize. **“JUDGE”** means any person appointed to evaluate a Participant's Memorial or Oral Pleadings.

“MOOT PROPOSITION / COMPROMISE” means the official Compromise, including the annexures as well as the evidence and testimonies of the Competition supplemented or corrected by any Compromise Clarifications or Corrections as published by the Administrators.

“MEMORIAL” means the written submission by each participating Law College / School / University submitted pursuant to the Rules of the Court.

“PENALTIES” mean Point(s) deducted for violation of any Rule by the Participants.

“PARTICIPANTS” mean student representatives from eligible Law colleges / Schools / University, recognized by the Administrators, participating in the Competition.

“RULES OF THE COURT / RULES” mean the Official Rules of the Competition and any applicable Supplementary Rules.

ELIGIBILITY

a) ELIGIBILITY

Students pursuing a 3-Year L.L.B. Degree Course or a 5-Year Integrated and LL.B. Degree Course from the colleges recognized by the Bar Council of India are eligible to participate in the competition.

b) TEAM COMPOSITION

- The maximum number of participants per team shall be restricted to 3 members wherein 2 members will be Speakers and 1 member shall be a Researcher.
- The identity of the team [name of the Law College / School / University] must not be disclosed to the Judges as well as to the other Participating Teams. Any such disclosure shall lead to disqualification.
- The substitution of any member is not allowed except with the prior approval of the Administrators.

c) LANGUAGE OF THE COMPETITION

- The competition shall be organized and conducted in the English Language.

DRESS CODE

A participant appearing as Advocates before Trial Court shall wear a black coat, white shirt, black pants, white/black salwar suit and it should be sober and dignified.

Provided that the participants are prohibited from disclosing the College Logo Or ID card in the dress.

REGISTRATION

- The Registration fee (per team) for the said competition is Rs. 6000/- (Rupees six thousand only).
- Registration fee is to be submitted through the payment gateway provided in the registration form (online payment).
- Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/4t8HogHXoz433UbH8>
- Forms received after the deadline will not be received.
- The registration fee is non-refundable.
- The registration of a team will be considered complete once the registration fees are paid and the registration form, i.e., through Google Form, with all necessary details, is received.
- No change in the names of the participants shall be permitted after the receipt of the Registration Form, except at the sole discretion of the Administrators.
- The last registration date for the said competition is 25th January 2024 till 11:59 pm.

Payment Details-

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RULES FOR THE COMPETITION

The Language of the written and oral arguments shall be in English.

The participants shall have to prepare the case for Examination in Chief and Cross Examination of witnesses from both the Prosecution & Defence side and prepare their arguments from both sides. Examination in Chief and Cross Examination shall only be conducted orally and no written submissions are required for the same.

The competition comprises of Preliminary Rounds and Advanced rounds which would include the Quarter Final Rounds, Semi-Final Rounds, and the Final Rounds

Each Team would not face the same team in the preliminary rounds, nor would the same bench judge the same team more than once in the preliminary round

MEMORIAL

- Each team must prepare memorials for the Prosecution and the Defence.
- The Cover Page of each memorial must contain the following information:
 - Name of the Competition.
 - Name of the Case [Name of the Parties].
 - Party for which the Memorial has been prepared. Name of the court where case is brought.

FORMAT OF THE MEMORIAL

- Typing of the memorial should be as per the specifications given below:
 - Paper size - A4
 - Font size – 12
 - Font type - Times New Roman Line spacing - 1.5
 - Margins - 1 inch on each side

GUIDELINES

Once submitted, memorials shall not be returned to the participants in any case, nor shall any amendment be allowed after submission of the memorials. Memorials shall be submitted in the following format and in the given sequence-

- Title page
- Table of contents
- Index of Authorities along with Bibliography
- Statement of Jurisdiction
- Statements of Facts
- Statement of Issues
- Summary of Arguments
- The Arguments Advanced
- Prayer Clause
- List of Witness
- Memorials should be typed and attached with a soft cover, in Blue Colour - Prosecution and Red colour - Defence.
- The soft copies of the memorials must be sent to ntac2024@sgtuniversity.org by 26th Jan 2024.
- The memorials should not contain the name of the participating Law College / School/ University, the name of the participants, the name of the country of the participating Law College / School / University, or any identification in any part thereof. Also, no logo or any mark of identification should be made on the memorials. Non-compliance with this rule will lead to immediate disqualification.
- Researcher's test shall be conducted



ROUNDS

- a) Competition shall run in four rounds, i.e.,
 - I) Preliminary Rounds
 - II) Quarter Finals
 - III) Semi-Finals &
 - IV) Final
- b) All the rounds except the Preliminary round shall be the Knock-Out rounds.
- c) If, in any case, ties exist, then the marks of the memorial for the Competition shall be compared to determine the ranking inter se.

WITNESSES

Witnesses will be provided by the host institution i.e. SGT UNIVERSITY.

It is mandatory for the Prosecution and the Defence to examine all the witnesses and dropping a witness will result in a loss of marks. However, the order in which witnesses are to be examined shall be determined by the concerned team taking the examination in chief.

The team conducting the examination in chief of their witnesses or the team cross-examining the witnesses will desist from arguing with the witnesses.

The teams will be provided with witnesses half an hour prior to the commencement of the trial proceedings.

TIME SCHEDULE

a) PRELIMINARY ROUNDS & QUARTERFINAL ROUD

- The total time of the Preliminary Rounds shall be 1 hour.
- Each Team will have 30 minutes to present their case.
- This time shall include the time for the Re-examination of witnesses by Prosecution and Defence, which will be allowed only on prior permission from the judges in that particular courtroom.

b) SEMI-FINAL & FINAL ROUNDS

- The maximum time for the advanced rounds is 2 hours.
- Each team will have 1 hour to present their case.
- This time shall include the time for the Re-examination of witnesses by Prosecution and Defence, which will be allowed only on prior permission from the judges in that particular courtroom.

PENALTIES

- a) Where on receipt of a complaint or otherwise Administrator has reason to believe that any participant in the Competition has been guilty of any offence or other misconduct, it shall refer the case for disposal to the organizing committee.
- b) Any Participant who withdraws from the competition at any stage, for any reason, shall be strictly punished in accordance with the declaration form signed by him/her. The registration fee shall not be refundable.

ANONYMITY

- a) Student Counsel may introduce himself/herself to the court in the usual manner and may also state their speaker code. However, the team's college name shall not be indicated to the judges at any time.
- b) All team members must refrain from disclosing the identity of their institution at any time and in any manner, during the course of their participation in the competition.
- c) However, during the course of their Oral Rounds, the speakers may state their name along with their team code; however, any reference to Caste, Creed, Religion, or Place must be restricted.
- d) Non-Compliance with this rule may result in immediate disqualification of the team.

ANONYMITY

• Winner- 35,000/- + Trophy + Certificate
• Runners up- 15,000/- + Trophy + Certificate
• Best Speaker- 7,000/- + Trophy+ Certificate
• Best Memorial- 7,000/- + Trophy+ Certificate
• Best Researcher- 7,000/- + Trophy+ Certificate

IMPORTANT DATES

- a) Registration Closing date: 25th Jan, 2024
- b) Submission of Memorial: 28th Jan, 2024
- c) Cultural Night- 3rd Feb, 2024
- d) Date of Event: 2nd Feb, 2024 - 04th Feb, 2024

IMPORTANT LINKS

- a. Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/4t8HogHXoz433UbH8>
- b. Trial Problem Link: <https://shorturl.at/kGN14>



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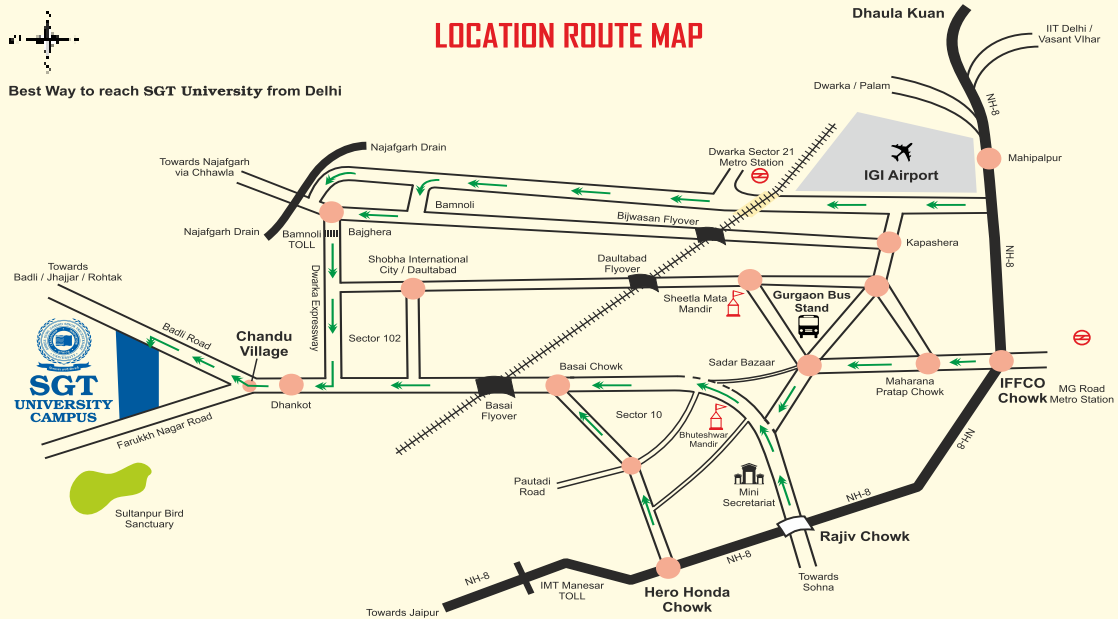
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