**International Law Moot Court Honor Society**

Chicago-Kent will send at least two teams to international competitions during the 2014-2015 academic year. The possible competitions are listed below.

**The Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition:**

Organized by the International Law Student Association, this competition attracts teams from law schools around the globe. Competitors will argue a hypothetical case before the International Court of Justice. The competition has prominently featured issues related to international border disputes, war crimes, genocide, the rights of indigenous peoples, diplomatic relations, investment and trade, and the jurisdiction of international courts. Students who are selected to participate on the Chicago-Kent Jessup Team draft two memorials (briefs) in the fall and over winter break and then argue early in the spring semester at the super-regional rounds at a location to be determined, with the possibility to advance to the international rounds held in Washington D.C. *Team size: 4-5 students*

**The Niagara International Moot Court Competition:**

This competition takes place between U.S. and Canadian law schools and also involves issues of public international law (most of the issues are relevant to U.S. Canada relations). Participating teams address a hypothetical dispute affecting the bi-lateral relationship before the International Court of Justice. Issues raised in past Niagara Competitions have often involved trade disputes under NAFTA, cross-border pollution disputes, and labor issues. Students selected to join the Niagara Team will write two briefs in the fall semester and argue in the spring in D.C. *Team Size: 2-4*

**Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court Competition:**

Administered by Washington College of Law (American University), this tri-lingual competition is based on a hypothetical case to be argued before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. Issues may include torture, terrorism, gender discrimination, indigenous rights, freedom of the press, environmental pollution, or other areas of law. The team will be assigned to represent either the accused state or the human rights commission and writes and argues for only that side. The 2014 competition will be in Washington, DC in late May. The competition usually takes place soon after Spring finals so 2Ls are preferred for this team. *Team Size: 2 students*

**Fall 2014 Tryouts:**

In order to try out for the team the ONLY requirements are:

1. You are a current J.D. student
2. You are currently enrolled in OR have completed at least one of the core International Law courses (International Law, Comparative Law, International Business Transactions, or International Trade) OR will be enrolled at the time of the competition.

**Interested LLM Students**: LLM students are welcome to participate in IMCHS tryouts, but *ONLY* with special permission from Dean Edward Harris. He can be contacted at eharris@kentlaw.edu.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO EMAIL:**

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