

## ALSA CHAMPIONSHIP SELECTION POLICY 2010

### General

1. The President, Vice President (Education) and Competitions Officers of the Blackstone Society (**Committee**) will nominate competitors to compete in the Australian Law Students' Association Annual Conference Championships (**ALSA Championships**). The selection of competitors to compete in the ALSA Championships will be made in accordance with this Policy.
2. Sections 3 to 20 of this Policy are subject to the following considerations:
  - a) Competitors must be enrolled in a Bachelor of Laws degree at the University of Western Australia at the time of competition;
  - b) Competitors must be Financial Ordinary Members of the Blackstone Society;
  - c) Competitors must be willing and able to attend the ALSA Annual Conference to be held in Adelaide from Monday 12 July and Sunday 18 July 2010;
  - d) The Committee may refuse to nominate a student or team where the Competitions Officers are satisfied that that student or team is liable for disqualification in accordance with section 1 of the Competitions Disqualification Policy;
  - e) Where no student fulfils the criteria set out in sections 3 to 20 of this Policy, the Committee may, subject to this section, nominate such other student(s) as the Committee considers appropriate or desirable.

### Bachelor of Law Enrolment Requirements

1. All students must be enrolled in at least 24 credit points of a Bachelor of Laws degree, during the 2010 academic year, in order to be eligible to compete in the ALSA Championships.

### Paper Presentation Championship

1. The Committee will nominate one student to compete in the Paper Presentation Championship.
  2. The Committee will nominate, in order of preference:
    - a) the winner of the Blake Dawson Student Paper Competition 2010;
    - b) the competitor who has obtained the next highest final score in the Blake Dawson Student Paper Competition 2010.
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**Mooting Championship**

1. The Committee will nominate a team comprising three students to compete in the Mooting Championship.
2. The Committee will advertise that the Committee is accepting expressions of interest from students to compete in the Mooting Championship.
3. All students who have qualified for the Semi Finals of the Mallesons Stephen Jaques Open Mooting Competition 2010 will be deemed to have expressed their interest in selection to compete in the Mooting Championship.
4. In nominating students, the Committee will have regard to:
  - a) whether students have previously participated in the Mooting Championship;
  - b) students' performance in the Grand Final of the Mallesons Stephen Jaques Open Mooting Competition 2009;
  - c) the results obtained by students in the Rounds I, II and Quarter Final of the Mallesons Stephen Jaques Open Mooting Competition 2010;
  - d) students' participation and performance in the Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition; and
  - e) students' previous record and success in Blackstone Society mooting competitions.

**Witness Examination Championship**

1. The Committee will nominate one student to compete in the Witness Examination Championship.
2. The Committee will nominate, in order of preference:
  - a) the highest-scoring member of the winning team of the Clayton Utz Trial Advocacy Competition 2010;
  - b) the second member of the winning team of the Clayton Utz Trial Advocacy Competition 2010;
  - c) the highest scoring member of the runner-up team of the Clayton Utz Trial Advocacy Competition 2010.

**Negotiation Championship**

1. The Committee will nominate a team comprising two students to compete in the Negotiation Championship.
2. The Committee will advertise that the Committee is accepting applications from students to compete in the Negotiation Championship.

3. All teams that qualified for the Grand Final of the Negotiation and Mediation Competition 2009 will be deemed to have applied for selection to compete in the Negotiation Championship.
4. In nominating a team, the Committee will have regard to:
  - a) team members' performance in the Grand Final of the Negotiation and Mediation Competition 2009;
  - b) team members' performance in the Negotiation and Mediation Competition 2009;
  - c) team members' previous record and success in mooting competitions.

### **Client Interview Championship**

1. The Committee will nominate a team comprising two students to compete in the Client Interview Championship.
2. The Committee will nominate, in order of preference:
  - a) the winning team of the Freehills Client Interview Competition 2010;
  - b) the runner-up team of the Freehills Client Interview Competition 2010; or
  - c) another team that has qualified for the Semi-Finals of the Freehills Client Interview Competition 2010, having regard to:
    - i) the results obtained by teams in the Rounds I and II of the Freehills Client Interview Competition 2010; and
    - ii) the teams' previous record and success in negotiation competitions.

### **International Humanitarian Law Mooting Competition**

1. The Committee will nominate a team comprising two students to compete in the International Humanitarian Law Mooting Competition.
2. The Committee will advertise that the Committee is accepting applications from students to compete in the International Humanitarian Law Mooting Competition.
3. All teams that qualified for the Grand Final of the International Humanitarian Law Moot Competition 2009 will be deemed to have applied for selection to compete in the Red Cross International Humanitarian Law Mooting Competition.
4. In nominating a team, the Committee will have regard to:
  - a) team members' performance in the International Humanitarian Law Moot Competition 2009;
  - b) team members' participation and performance in the Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition;
  - c) team members' previous record and success in mooting competitions; and

- d) team members' knowledge and experience in the area of international humanitarian law.

### **Interpretation**

1. All questions concerning the interpretation of this Policy must be submitted to the Committee for determination.
2. The Committee may at any time determine such amendments or additions to this Policy or other measures as may be necessary or convenient for the efficient organisation, administration or conduct of the competitions.
3. All determinations made by the Committee in accordance with this Policy will be final and conclusive and binding on all students.

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