

INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW ARBITRATION MOOT COMPETITION (IMLAM)

Oral Rounds at University of Sydney, 5-10 July 2026 (exact dates tbc)

The International Maritime Law Arbitration Moot (IMLAM) Competition requires students to deal with a fictional dispute concerning commercial maritime law and international commercial arbitration. Students prepare both claimant and respondent memoranda to present submissions before an arbitral tribunal during the oral component of the competition.

NUS Law has regularly participated in the IMLAM since its inception in 2000. Our teams have won the competition five times (in 2000, 2001, 2010, 2015, and 2017) and were runner-up four times (in 2004, 2013, 2022, and 2025). NUS Law hosted the competition in 2004, 2011, and 2017 (under the auspices of the Centre for Maritime Law (CML)). In 2024, the NUS team reached the quarter-finals and was the joint winner of the Best Memo Prize, winning the Young's List Prize. In 2025, the NUS team was the first runner-up, winning the prize sponsored by the London Maritime Arbitrators Association (LMAA). Team member Lin Jiasheng (JD), won the award for the Best Speaker in the General Rounds, sponsored by Colin Biggers & Paisley. The webpage for the competition last July (including the Moot problem) may be found at <https://www.sydney.edu.au/law/industry-and-community/international-maritime-law-arbitrationmoot.html>.

The team will be supported by the team coach, **Mr Dedi Affandi Ahmad** ('10), an equity partner at Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP (also a member of the 2010 winning team), and the Faculty's mootings and other resources. The team will also be allocated workspace in Blk B.

Team members will be awarded 4-units for their written memoranda for the moot (by way of LL4203 International Moots and Other Competitions in Semester II). Students selected for the team will be registered for this elective.

Eligibility

Full time NUS Law undergraduates and JD students who have taken/intend to take one of *Carriage of Goods by Sea, Admiralty Law & Practice, Charterparties, International Commercial Arbitration, Law of Marine Insurance, or Maritime Law*.

Financial Support

- Economy return flights (by the most economical route) to Sydney, Australia
- Accommodation in Sydney
- Moot registration fee
- Miscellaneous items (stationery, binding, photocopying, couriering)

Application

Please submit the following via email to cml@nus.edu.sg with subject: IMLAM 2026 by **Monday, 1 September 2025, 12.00nn**.

- Your CV with all your grades at NUS Law to date, your current courses, and those which you intend to register for in Semester II,
- a cover letter explaining why you are applying and why you believe you should be selected for the team.

Shortlisted students will be interviewed for a position on the team on Saturday, 6 September 2025 from 10.00am.

