



Advocacy Club @ Law School

Trial Advocacy Boot Camp for Law Students - On Zoom

Fall 2023 - Nine x 90-minute Weekly Sessions

Starts Tuesday, October 3, from 7:00-8:30 EST

The Advocacy Club's Boot Camp presents the basic techniques of oral advocacy using experiential 'Learn by Doing'. A mix of plenary sessions to present and demonstrate the techniques and small group breakouts for the participants to practice what we preach.

This program, led by Advocacy Club member lawyers, focuses on the correlation between case analysis and execution (how to think of a case and use that thinking in interviews, examinations and argument). Gather the information, determine your goals, and devise a plan to accomplish them. These sessions improve students' performance in all their courses, not only trial advocacy.

Why sign up?

- Learn the methods of case analysis that apply to all areas of law.

- Practice advocacy techniques with feedback in a risk-free setting.
 - Establish a network of like-minded students and lawyers.
 - Learn a comprehensive approach to advocacy.
 - Get a strategic advantage over your non-member peers.
 - Gain access to the Advocacy Club as a full member.
 - The Boot Camp will take place over two months, with homework (reading, podcasts, exercises).
 - For more information and to reserve your space, contact Advocacy Club founder and senior litigator (ret'd), [John Hollander here](#).
 - Cost: None.
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The Winter 2023 AC@LS comprised 21 students from uOttawa, Lakehead and Osgoode. Read what the participants had to say:

“I just wanted to thank you for running the advocacy club! As a 1L student, learning about interviewing techniques, direct/cross examinations, and public speaking at the beginning of my law school journey was extremely useful. I’ve already been able to apply what I learned to several school assignments, and I feel well-equipped and excited to tackle my mock trial in 2L! The opportunity to network with other lawyers was also invaluable.”

Alexandra Bula, 1L, Lakehead

“This course is an incredible opportunity to extend your legal education beyond the classroom. Whether you pursue a career in litigation or not, this course teaches you

fundamental skills that will serve you in every area of practice. Through this course, I became a more confident public speaker, learned how to think clearly under pressure/on the spot, and learned (most importantly) how to get to the point. The Club is also an incredible opportunity to interact with practicing lawyers who are happy to provide invaluable advice and guidance. I would recommend this Club to anyone”.

Alexandra Weir, 1L, uOttawa

“The advocacy club training was undoubtedly a remarkable experience for me. I had the opportunity to learn from experienced lawyers and engage in practical exercises that enabled me to refine my skills. Especially the formula-based direct and cross-examination skills. I am confident that the knowledge I gained will help me greatly in my future practice as a litigator.”

Rui Zhang, 1L, uOttawa