



GRANT PROPOSAL FOR THE INTERNATIONAL ROUNDS OF JESSUP 2025

UFBA team for the international rounds of the 2025 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

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Introduction

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The Center for International Legal **Competitions (NCI)** is a project of the Faculty of Law of the Federal University of Bahia (UFBA) dedicated to training students to take in simulated international part court competitions (moot courts) in which students exercise skills in argumentation, writing and legal analysis in practical scenarios.

Within the NCI, the **Public International Law sub-nucleus**, established in 2014, stands out as the first of its kind, and has **won multiple awards and merit titles** <u>over the last 10 years</u>.

Participation in moot courts encourages law students to develop soft skills such as effective communication, teamwork and time management. In these simulations, students face challenges that require in-depth legal research, logical argumentation and critical thinking, developing their ability to analyze and interpret laws and jurisprudence.



In 2025, the team from the Federal University of Bahia won the right to **represent Bahia and Brazil in Washington, D.C.**, for the international rounds of the oldest and most prestigious moot court competition in the world. This achievement, in addition to being a great academic recognition, reinforces the excellence of the state's students and their ability to perform at a high level on the global stage.

By means of this letter, we request financial support to enable the team to participate in the United States, in order to provide <u>international visibility</u> both for UFBA and for the legal and educational performance of the State of Bahia and Brazil.

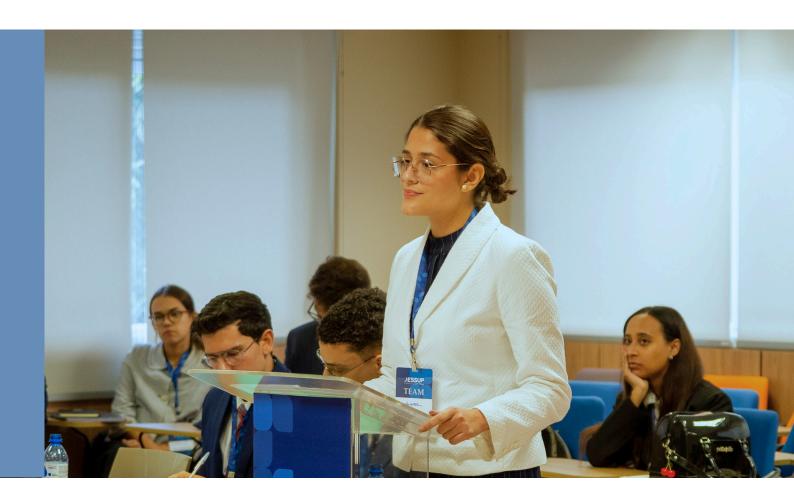




The "Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition"

The Public International Law sub-center focuses on annual participation in the **Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition.**

The Philip C. Jessup is the largest moot court competition in the world, with national rounds and an international phase in Washington D.C., United States, in which qualified teams from all countries participate. The team qualified for the international rounds among 14 other teams from all over the country, representing Bahia and Brazil on the international legal stage with excellence.



The case in question

Every year, the Phillip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition presents a dispute between **two countries before the International Court of Justice**, addressing relevant and current issues in Public International Law. The contestants have to **prepare and defend complex arguments before a panel of expert judges**, who will judge them on the quality of their arguments and oratory.

In 2025, the competition addresses the following topics: (I) the Court's exercise of jurisdiction in the face of a treaty's temporal compromissory clause; (II) the immunity of a government agent; (III) the fixing of maritime boundaries for territorial preservation in the face of coastal erosion due to climate change; and (IV) the method of identifying an effective ruler and the possibility of waiving the immunity of government property.

Our results

After an **excellent performance** in the national rounds, held at the Brazilian Institute of Education, Development and Research (IDP) in Brasilia, the UFBA team won the following awards:

- → Finalists;
- Runners-up;
- 2nd place Best Memorial;
- And place Best Oralist (Andressa Scheible);
- 5th place Best Oralist (Pedro Blagojevic);
- **9th place Best Oralist** (Isabele Guimarães);

Furthermore, we have been a team marked by **constancy and tradition for more than 10 years**. The UFBA's historical accolades, as shown on the right, are a testament to the company's commitment to excellence:

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Historical results

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→	2015/2016	 Semi-finalist in the oral phase (national stage); 1st place - Best Oralist: Felipe Miranda (national stage). 1st place - Best Memorial (national stage);
\rightarrow	2016/2017	 Semi-finalist in the oral stage (national stage); 2nd place - Best Memorial (national stage); 2nd place - Best Oralist: Filipe Costa (national stage); 4th place - Best Oralist: Gabriel Dinis (national stage).
→	2017/2018	 Finalist in the oral phase (national stage); 1st place - Best Memorial (national stage); 5th place - Best Oralist: Thais Adileu (national stage); 6th place - Best Oralist: Ana Luiza Castro (national stage); 10th place - Best Oralist: Gabriel de Jesus (national stage).
\rightarrow	2018/2019	 Champions of the national stage of the Phillip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition; Winners of the Brazil-Canada Friendship Cup; 3rd place - Best Memorial (national stage); 9th place - Best Oralist: Ana Luiza Castro (national stage); 33rd Best Team in the international stage.
→	2021/2022	 Semi-finalist in the oral phase (national stage); 2nd place - Best Oralist: Hugo Figueirôa (national stage); 111th place - Best Oralist in the Preliminary Phase (international stage); 4th place - Best Oralist: Bárbara Castro (national stage); 120th place - Best Oralist of the Preliminary Phase (international stage); 5th place - Best Oralist: Maria Júlia Magalhães (national stage); 107th place - Best Oralist in the Advanced Phase (international stage) 8th place - Best Oralist: Kristiane França (national stage); 121st place - Best Oralist in the Advanced Phase (international stage);
\rightarrow	2023/2024	 Semi-finalist in the oral stage (national stage); 1st place - Best Memorial (national stage); 4th place - Best Oralist: Anna Carolina Freitas (national stage); 4th place - Best World Memorial (Hardy C. Dillard Award) (international stage);

Our coaches

Our team relies on trained legal professionals who act as coaches, guiding the drafting of briefs and oratory training. The coaches are present at the competitions, coordinating the team and extracting the best performance from the competitors.



João Glicério

Lawyer and adjunct professor at the Faculty of Law of the Federal University of Bahia, João Glicério has been an advisor to the NCI since it was founded by the Public International Law sub-nucleus.

Hugo Figueirôa

Lawyer and Master of Laws, Hugo Figueirôa competed in Jessup for UFBA. He was a semi-finalist in the 2021/2022 edition and was ranked as the 2nd Best Oralist in the country. He has been coaching the sub-nucleus for 3 years.





Felipe Brito

Lawyer and master's student in Constitutional Law at UFBA, Felipe Brito was national champion of the 2018/2019 edition and ranked 1st Best Oralist nationally. He has been coaching the sub-nucleus for 2 years.

Beatriz Faria

Lawyer and Master's student in Public International Law at the University of Leiden, she was world champion in the International Criminal Court Moot Court Competition and guides the distance learning sub-nucleus.





Rafaela Lâmego

Lawyer, Rafaela Lâmego was world champion in the International Criminal Court Moot Court Competition, the largest international criminal law competition in the world, and was awarded a prize in the Hours of Crisis Competition.

Sponsorship history

These victories were only possible thanks to the support of all those who helped us get this far. These are some of the sponsors who have contributed to our journey:







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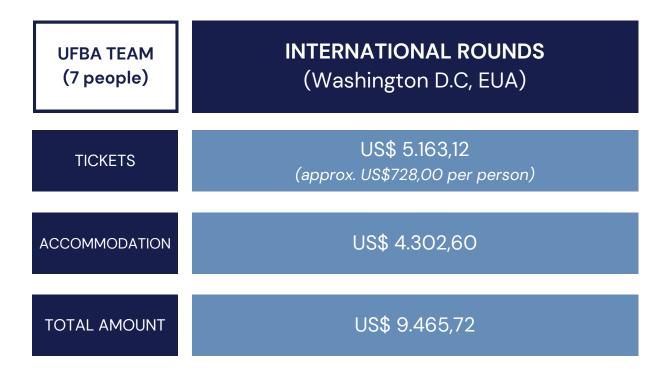






Schedule of costs

The team consists of **5** students, **3** speakers and **2** researchers, as well as two coaches. <u>It is imperative that all members be</u> <u>present at the face-to-face phase of the competition</u>. Sponsorship is therefore essential if we are to continue to make the project viable and represent the university internationally.



Sponsorship plans

Choosing to sponsor our team is a direct contribution to achieving our significant results and training future lawyers. The money raised will be used to pay for the team's travel and cover essential competition expenses. The following sponsorship plans are available:

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GOLD MEMBERSHIP PLAN	 US\$ 870,00 All the above benefits; Exclusive and personalized post by the sponsor on Instagram, promoting their services and professional performance;
DIAMOND MEMBERSHIP PLAN	 US\$ 1.725,00 All the previous benefits; EXCLUSIVE video of the team promoting the sponsor on the Instagram feed;

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