

Mock Trial Team Try-Outs

- Who: Open to all 1L and 2L Students
- When: Tuesday, April 8, Wednesday, April 9 & Thursday, April 10
From 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (15 minutes time blocks)
- How: Sign up for a 15-minute time block in the Advocacy Suite to reserve your try-out time
- What: Prepare a 5-minute opening statement as attorney for the Government based solely on the case provided. The try-out will consist of you giving the opening statement in front of an audience, followed by some questions and answers. You may not add any facts to the case. You may use relevant federal statutes.

Frequently Asked Questions:

1. What is Mock Trial Team?

Mock Trial Team is the group of students who compete for Campbell Law in mock trial competitions throughout the country. During the 2024-2025 season, Campbell Law Mock Trial Team competed in Syracuse, New York; Long Island, New York; Washington, DC; Raleigh, North Carolina; Columbia, South Carolina; Charleston, South Carolina; Atlanta, Georgia; Gulfport, Florida; Nashville, Tennessee; Houston, Texas-twice; San Francisco, California; and Los Angeles, California-twice. The ability to travel and possession of REAL ID is required.

2. As a 2L, will I get to be an advocate in competition? It depends. Some competitions require both advocates and witnesses on the team. Other competitions require all team members to advocate.

So, it depends on which team(s) you are assigned to. A crucial factor is that Campbell Law plays to win. The coaches and the Director of Competitive Advocacy are always evaluating team members to determine who is excelling. Dedicated team members who excel will be placed on teams as advocates regardless of their law school class. However, all new trial team members should assume that they will be assigned the role of witness until they have gained the necessary experience and polish to move up to advocate.

3. Do I get credit for being on Mock Trial Team?

Yes. You will receive 1 credit for each competition that you compete in.

4. Can I be on the Mock Trial Team for only one semester?

No. Mock Trial Team is a full year, two-semester commitment. Anyone who quits Mock Trial Team after only one semester is barred from participating in subsequent semesters or years.