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THE GUIDE TO

JOINING GW MOCK TRIAL

Wondering what steps you need to take to join GW Mock Trial?
Wonder no further.

**ALL ABOUT** 

INFO SESSIONS

How many do you need to attend? When will they be?

WHAT'S IN A
TRYOUT PACKET

Find our everything you need to be ready for your tryout.

The answers to the questions you were thinking about.

#### **FALL 2023**

### How do I join?



#### 1 Attend an info session

You only need to attend one. In-person and virtual options.

You'll receive your tryout packet and get access to the tryout form, and schedule your tryout time slot.

#### 2 Fill out our tryout form

Tell us about yourself! Don't forget to submit a professional headshot or photo of yourself.

#### 3 Attend your tryout

Show up for your tryout. Memorization required, in-person only.

2023–2024 Tryouts are Sep. 8, Sep. 9, Sep. 10.

#### 4 Await results

Decision emails sent on Monday, Sep. 11.

We aren't looking for people who are already good at Mock Trial. We are looking for potential.

It's easy for us to teach you how to write a direct-examination or how to impeach a witness. It's a lot harder for us to teach you how to appear confident, how to speak with presence, or how to be charismatic. These are the qualities that we want to see in your tryout.

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Established nearly three decades ago, GW Mock Trial is one of America's oldest and most successful undergraduate mock trial programs. Competing at the highest level, we stand among only three other programs with consecutive appearances in the National Championship final round.

#### **ALL ABOUT INFO SESSIONS**

Our info sessions will be held inperson and online via Zoom, and you only need to attend one.

At the end, you'll choose a tryout timeslot and receive all your tryout materials.

You **must** attend an info session to tryout.

#### **FALL 2023 INFO SESSIONS**

Aug. 28, 5 PM (Virtual)

Aug. 29, 5 PM (USC 307)

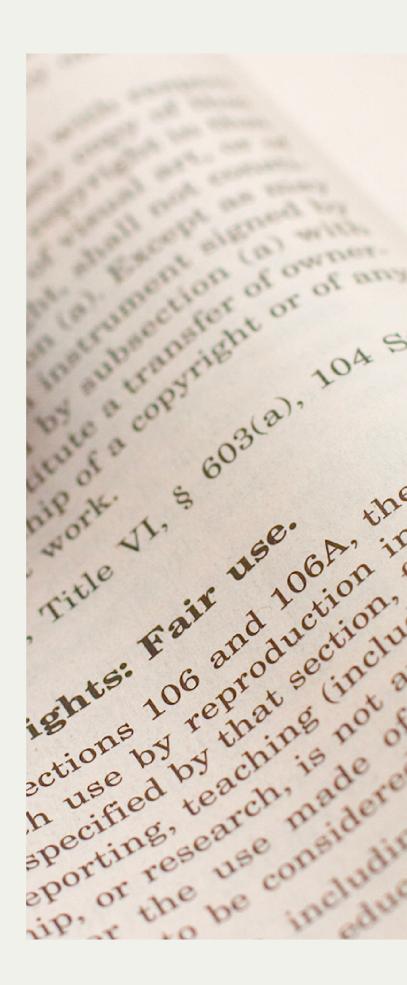
Aug. 30, 5 PM (USC 307)

Aug. 31, 7 PM (Virtual)

Sep. 1, 5 PM (USC 307)

Sep. 2, 5 PM (USC 307)

Zoom links for virtual sessions will be posted on our Instagram story (@gwtrial) the day of the session.





#### WHAT'S IN A TRYOUT PACKET?

## SPEECH, ARGUMENT & CHILDREN'S BOOK

## 3 PORTIONS

Everyone must prepare all 3 portions. Even if you will only be an attorney or a witness on a team, we want to see your full potential. You may perform the 3 portions in any order at your tryout!

#### **SPEECH**

Memorize and deliver one speech during our tryout. We will provide you with different speeches, you will get to choose any one of them!

#### CHILDREN'S BOOK

During your tryout, you will choose from a selection of children's books that we'll provide. You will perform a theatrical reading of your selected book. You will NOT have the ability to memorize or prepare beforehand!

#### **ARGUMENT**

Pick one side of a two-sided argument from our list of topics and spend two minutes convincing us of your position. Be prepared to answer questions about your position!