

**Media Advisory
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Humber hosts 2015 Paralegal Cup

Toronto, November 17, 2015 – Humber College is hosting the third annual Paralegal Cup – the only intercollegiate mooting competition exclusive to paralegal students in Ontario.

Mooting, a popular form of mock legal argumentation at law schools, involves two student teams identifying and addressing legal issues in a selected case. Drawing on their advocacy, research and writing skills, teams present ten-minute oral submissions before a panel of judges.

“The Paralegal Cup strengthens students’ advocacy and critical thinking skills. It gives them the opportunity to argue complex pieces of law in a learning environment, while interacting with senior mentors from the legal community,” said Madeline Williams, Paralegal Cup Coordinator, Steering Committee member and Humber Paralegal Degree Student. “The calibre of participating students is strong. Many put in long hours preparing for the event and capitalize on their chance to demonstrate their abilities in front of industry professionals.”

Day one of the competition features four rounds of student team submissions along with industry and professional networking opportunities. The top eight teams advance to day two, with the winning team awarded the Paralegal Cup.

For more information about the 2015 Paralegal Cup, visit paralegalcup.ca

Event	Third Annual Paralegal Cup
When	Saturday November 21 – Sunday November 22, 2015 8am - 4 pm Banquet Ceremony – 6:30pm – 8:30pm (Tickets available)
Where	Humber College Lakeshore Campus – Lakeshore Commons (Building L) – various rooms 3199 Lake Shore Blvd. West http://www.humber.ca/contact-us/maps
Interview/Photo Op	Humber Paralegal students and faculty, Other participating Ontario colleges, Members of the Law Society of Ontario

About Humber College Institute of Technology & Advanced Learning

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Fact Sheet

- The Paralegal Cup 2015 theme is **'Professionalism and Civility'**
- The competition will occur over two days, beginning on Saturday, November 21 and Sunday, November 22 at Humber College, Lakeshore Campus. The event includes the competition, the finals, banquet and awards ceremony.
 - On Saturday, the rounds start at 9:15am and run throughout the day. Dinner will be served from 6:30pm - 8:30pm.
 - On Sunday, the quarterfinals start at 9:00am. The final round starts at 1:00pm with the weekend's awards being distributed at 2:30pm.
- The institutions that will be attending the event include Algonquin Career Academy, Canadian Business College, Centennial College, Humber College, Mohawk College and Seneca College.
- There will be a total of 16 teams, an increase of 4 teams from 2014.
- This year's hashtag for the Paralegal Cup is **#2015PCM**
- Follow us on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram at Paralegal Cup for event updates
- Special guests judges and speaker include:
 - Robert Lapper, CEO of the Law Society of Upper Canada
 - Raj Anand – LSUC Bencher, Partner at WeirFoulds
 - David Wright, LSUC Tribunal Chair, HRTO Adjudicator
 - Kiran Gill – Keynote Speaker, Associate, Member of the Lawrences Litigation Group
- Over 40 Humber College students have volunteered for this event from various programs, one being the Paralegal Degree Program.
- The paralegal student Steering Committee reached out to local high school students, who are interested in pursuing a career in law, to assist with the event.
- The paralegal student Steering Committee has once again started an IndieGoGo page to broaden community support, [Paralegal Mooting Cup 2015](#)
- Presenting Partners for 2015 include Humber College, Ontario and the Paralegal Association
- Community Partners include: uLaw Practice, PREP Network, Paula Stamp and Accident Resolution Group, Austin Mateka Design, Emond Publications, Get Legal, Ross and McBride LLP, Integro insurance, Corsetti Paralegal and Sterling Capital
- Paralegal Cup 2015 photos can be found via 2015 Paralegal Cup Flickr account, Instagram, Website or contact Kavelle Deonanan, Event Coordinator and Community Liaison at kavelle.deonanan@humber.ca