

ABOUT THE INSTITUTION

Gujarat National Law University (GNLU), Gandhinagar, India is a University established by the Government of the State of Gujarat under the Gujarat National Law University Act, 2003. This University is based in the capital city of Gujarat i.e. Gandhinagar, about 10 kilometres north to the Ahmedabad metropolis. The GNLU Act 2003 proclaims that GNLU, "shall be to advance and disseminate learning and knowledge of law and legal processes and their role in national development: to develop in the students and the research scholars sense of responsibility to serve society in the field of law by developing skills in regard to advocacy, legal services, legislation, parliamentary practice, law reforms and such other matters; to make law and legal processes efficient instruments of social development; and to promote inter-disciplinary study of law in relation to management, technology, international cooperation and development." GNLU also offers LL.M, Ph.D, and part-time and distance Certificate and PG Diploma courses in law and related fields. The Institution is headed by Director Dr. Bimal N. Patel who is a scholar and academician of international law and diplomacy.

ABOUT THE CLUB

LexTech—GNLU Science Technology and Law Club (hereinafter referred to as LexTech) is a joint initiative of the faculty and students of Science and Technology. Being one of the first National Law Universities in India to acknowledge the necessity of scientific temperament in the legal scenario, GNLU students under the convenorship of Dr. Thomas Mathew along with Dr. Bindu Vijay and Ms. Heena Goswami have come up with this novel idea to promote scientific thinking in legal arena and to bridge the gap between scientific advancements and legal lag.

ABOUT THE COMPETITION

3rd LexTech Law & Technology Essay Writing Competition, 2018 seeks to address the emerging scientific/technological issues and impact of these on various legal philosophies. We hope to answer the questions of compatibility and conflict between science and the law in present and times to come. While sciences deracinate the accepted beliefs and practices on the basis of its logical conclusions of hypothesis, Law does the same by means of reason derived from the basic human virtues, with individuals or society as its reference point. The main objective of the Competition is to initiate an intellectual churning process for realizing the nexus between law and technology. It endeavours to encourage and promote creative, logical thinking and knowledge of legal and scientific understanding and research amongst students. The criteria for the award shall be lucidity, understanding, novelty, and coherence of thought process. GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION

1. Essays must not be longer than 3,000 words. It must be accompanied by an abstract of not more than 300 words. The abstract will be used by the jury to make a pre-selection.
2. All submissions must be in Times New Roman, 12 Font Size, 1.5 Line Spacing and Headings/Titles must be in Capital.
3. Quotes and references must be clearly marked throughout the essay (preferably in italics) and properly cited. Any method of citation can be followed but is required to be consistent throughout the text.
4. Submissions can only be made online, in English. All submissions are to be electronically mailed ONLY to lextech@gnlu.ac.in
5. Entries will be accepted only in MS WORD or PDF format.
6. The identity of the author is not allowed to be indicated anywhere in the text. References to

specific individuals, firms, or schools, which might reveal the author's identity are strongly discouraged and shall be liable to be disqualified without any refund of the registration fees.

7. Entries should be accompanied by a cover page with the author/s name, mailing address, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail address; name, address of the institution where the student is enrolled, year of study.

8. Word count is required to be mentioned on the cover page.

9. All participants must include the registration form provided herewith. The form should be signed by the participant/s.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Last date of submission has been extended to the 10th of April 2018. Any entry after the prescribed date shall not be entertained.

2. Each participant may submit entries in more than one theme, but only one submission per theme is allowed. In case of multiple entries by a single individual/duo, registration fees shall be charged per person per entry.

3. Joint Authorship not exceeding two persons is allowed.

4. Entries without the Registration Fees shall be automatically disqualified.

5. All submissions must be original. No previously published material or material under consideration in any other publication would be accepted. Any form of plagiarism will result in automatic disqualification. Please note that all essays will be screened with specialized software to verify plagiarism.

6. LexTech reserves the right to publish and/or to make available to the public the winning submissions.

7. LexTech reserves the right to modify the format and content of the submissions for publication purposes.

8. The decision of the Jury shall be final and will not be subject to an appeal.

9. LexTech shall take no responsibility in any matter arising out of any dispute as regards the authenticity of the submitted work. For further information, please contact: Email: lextech@gnlu.ac.in

COMPETITION REGISTRATION FEES

Indian Nationals: Rs. 200 INR

Other SAARC Nationals: Rs. 500 INR

Others: \$ 20 USD

IMPORTANT DATES

Register expression of interest: 01st March, 2018

Payment of registration fees: 01st March, 2018

Submission of Complete essay: 31st March, 2018

LINK FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeIkV4_dL9S4vszVe2Gp5nfaQgUldXiseGfBKxyDczK2LG_sg/viewform

PAYMENT OF REGISTRATION FEES

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