Thank you for coming to celebrate the 2019 Baylor MOAS and Moot Court Teams!

Baylor Model Organization of American States

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Tidwell 205
Eugene Scassa Mock Organization of American States (ESMOAS)

From November 14-16, 2019, the Baylor Model Organization of American States (MOAS) traveled to St. Mary’s University in San Antonio to debate policies concerning the Western Hemisphere at the annual Eugene Scassa Mock Organization of American States (ESMOAS) competition. They were joined by students from other universities in Texas, Louisiana and Mexico.

This competition marked the twenty-third anniversary of the establishment of the model and included an academic conference, a moot court competition and a simulation of the Summit of the Americas. This year, teams at the competition represented 25 of the 35 members of Organization of American States (OAS).

In the summit, Baylor students represented the countries of Perú, Colombia and Bolivia. They presented and defended resolutions that covered issues such as promoting free and fair elections, improving border security, engaging youth members in government, addressing a shrinking OAS budget, and supporting micro- and small businesses. Recent events made the positions of both Bolivia and Peru challenging in debate, but Baylor students proved equal to the challenge.

Additionally, this is the second year that Baylor has competed in the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (IACHR) Moot Court. This team consisted of one student representing the State and one student representing the Petitioner. This year’s hypothetical case was between the families of Guajillo, Ancho, and Poblano and the Republic of Charechia.