



DEAN, FACULTY OF LAW

The University of Alberta invites applications and nominations for the position of Dean of the Faculty of Law, with the appointment to be effective July 2009.

The University of Alberta in Edmonton is one of the top 100 public teaching and research universities in the world serving some 37,000 students with more than 14,000 faculty and staff. Founded a century ago, the university has an annual budget in excess of \$1 billion and attracts more than \$490 million in external research funding. It offers close to 400 undergraduate and graduate programs in 18 faculties.

The Faculty of Law at the University of Alberta is in the midst of a vigorous program of Faculty renewal and expansion that has seen the addition of 16 professors to Faculty ranks since 2003. Founded in 1912, it is Western Canada's oldest law school and serves the profession and broader community by being a centre of excellence in the advancement, dissemination and application of legal knowledge. The Faculty is proud of its tradition of excellence, the distinction of its academic program and the success and contributions of its graduates. The Faculty offers LLB, LLM and PhD degrees as well as joint LLB/JD (with the University of Colorado) and LLM/MBA degrees to more than 500 undergraduate and graduate students. Also housed within the Faculty of Law are the Alberta Law Reform Institute, the Canadian Forum on Civil Justice, the Centre for Constitutional Studies, and the Health Law Institute. Further information about the Faculty can be found at <http://www.law.ualberta.ca>

The Faculty is excited about its future and looks ahead to selecting a dean who understands the Faculty, its vision, mission, and need for collegial processes, and who is ready to take these to heart, making them a personal passion. This dean will be seen to raise the profile of the Faculty, within the University, locally, nationally, and globally. This dean will have significant influence in attracting more high-quality academics, researchers, administrators, support staff, and students. He or she will be recognized as an influential, effective senior University administrator, joining others in leading the University as it moves forward to its goal of being ranked in the top 20 publicly funded universities in the world by 2020.

The Dean is responsible to the Provost and Vice-President (Academic) for the supervision and administration of all activities of the Faculty, including the budget. In addition to possessing a Law degree preferably at the graduate level, candidates should possess wide-ranging expertise and skills, including: proven leadership and administrative abilities; strong academic qualifications; a demonstrated record of achievement in teaching and research; and experience in, or an understanding of, the importance of fund raising and external relations.

The review of applications will begin in November 2008. Documentation including a letter of introduction, curriculum vitae, and the names of five references (who will not be contacted without consent of the applicant) should be submitted in confidence to:

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The University of Alberta hires on the basis of merit. We are committed to the principle of equity in employment. We welcome diversity and encourage applications from all qualified women and men, including persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities, and Aboriginal persons.