

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT - CASSELS BROCK CHAIR IN MINING LAW AND FINANCE

The Faculty of Law at the University of Western Ontario invites applications for the Cassels Brock Chair in Mining Law and Finance. This endowed position is funded by a donation by Cassels Brock and Blackwell LLP, in the interests of promoting high-quality academic programming in the field. The Chair will conduct research and teaching related to the Canadian and global mining industry, including issues of sustainability, finance, environmental regulation, and relationships with Indigenous peoples.

The Appointment may be a probationary (tenure-track) appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor or a tenured appointment at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor, depending on qualifications and experience. Candidates may also be considered for a Limited Term appointment, with rank to be determined by qualifications and experience. The position is available to begin on July 1, 2023, although alternate start dates may be arranged. The term for the Chair is five years, renewable.

Qualified applicants must have a JD, LLB, or equivalent degree, as well as a relevant advanced graduate degree or equivalent. Candidates considered for a probationary appointment must have a superior academic record and a demonstrated record of, or a strong potential for, excellence in scholarly research and teaching. In addition, they should have the ability and willingness to contribute to the intellectual and scholarly life of the faculty community and to the University more generally. Candidates considered for appointment with tenure must have an outstanding academic record with a strong record of publications in academic outlets and significant experience in teaching. Limited Term candidates should have some advanced education in law or a significant record of successful practice in fields relevant to mining law.

Western Law has a robust mining law program, including a suite of academic courses and experiential learning opportunities. For many years, we have welcomed internationally renowned scholars, practitioners, developers, government regulators, and NGO and Indigenous leaders to educate our students about important considerations at every stage of the mining cycle. Our students have multiple opportunities to interact with industry leaders and to engage in interdisciplinary projects with students in other Faculties. Most recently, Western Law students were part of an interdisciplinary team exploring potential options for asteroid mining as part of the Khepri Asteroid Mining Mission. Western Law is a member of The Foundation for Natural Resources and Energy Law and has an active presence at the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada (PDAC) Convention.

The successful candidate will be expected to teach and mentor undergraduate and graduate law students, establish a productive research program, and provide leadership in the Faculty of Law on programs related to mining law and finance. The successful candidate will also have opportunities to develop interdisciplinary projects with colleagues in other academic units, including Earth Science, Geography, Indigenous Studies, and the Ivey School of Business, as well as collaborations with the mining industry.

Western Law has long been an innovator in legal education and offers an unparalleled student experience. Our signature small group program, January Intensive Period, clinical and advocacy programs, and broad curriculum give our students many opportunities to explore their interests and further their professional aspirations. Our faculty are leading scholars with a wide range of research interests and methodological approaches to the study of law, and include multiple teaching award winners. We are committed to providing a rigorous, engaging, and supportive learning environment. More information about Western Law can be found at www.law.uwo.ca.

Western University delivers an academic experience second to none. Western challenges the best and brightest faculty, staff, and students to commit to the highest global standards. Our research excellence expands knowledge and drives discovery with real-world application. Western attracts individuals with a broad worldview, seeking to study, influence, and lead in the international community. Since 1878, the Western experience has combined academic excellence with

life-long opportunities for intellectual, social, and cultural growth in order to better serve our communities. Information about Western can be found at <u>www.uwo.ca</u> and information about the city of London is available at <u>www.ledc.com</u>.

Applicants are asked to submit a completed Application Form (available at <u>http://www.uwo.ca/facultyrelations/faculty/Application-FullTime-Faculty-Position-Form.pdf</u>) along with the following materials:

- a cover letter identifying their areas of interest in research and teaching, and their experience with and commitment to institutional service;
- a detailed *curriculum vitae*;
- a copy of JD, LLB, and graduate transcripts for all degrees obtained since 2016;
- a research agenda (discussing prior and prospective research) of no more than 5 pages;
- a teaching statement (discussing teaching philosophy, teaching interests, and teaching experience (if applicable)) of approximately 2-3 pages; and
- two sample publications (or other writing samples, such as a dissertation chapter).

Electronic applications are preferred and can be submitted to <u>lawdean@uwo.ca</u> or mailed to: Dean Erika Chamberlain, Faculty of Law, Western University, London, Ontario, N6A 3K7. Entry-level applicants (i.e., those who have not previously held a full-time faculty position) should also arrange for three confidential letters of academic reference to be submitted electronically to <u>lawdean@uwo.ca</u> or mailed to Dean Erika Chamberlain at the above address. Applicants who currently hold faculty positions may wish to contact Dean Erika Chamberlain at <u>echambe@uwo.ca</u> in confidence.

Review of applications will begin on October 14, 2022, and applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Effective September 7, 2021, all employees and visitors to campus are to required to comply with Western's COVID Vaccination Policy (<u>https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/policies_procedures/section3/mapp311_covid19.pdf</u>).

Positions are subject to budget approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communication skills in English. The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Western is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, members of racialized groups, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation, and persons of any gender identity or gender expression.

In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

Accommodations are available for applicants with disabilities throughout the recruitment process. If you require accommodations for interviews or other meetings, please contact Dean Chamberlain's Assistant, Nanette Love at <u>nlove@uwo.ca</u> or by phone at (519) 661-2111 ext. 88442.

Western University is located on the traditional territories of the Anishinaabek, Haudenosaunee, Lūnaapéewak, and Chonnonton Nations, on lands connected with the London Township and Sombra Treaties of 1796 and the Dish with One Spoon Covenant Wampum. This land continues to be home to diverse Indigenous Peoples (First Nations, Métis, and Inuit) whom we recognize as contemporary stewards of the land and vital contributors to our society.