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<b>Department</b>	Faculty of Law
<b>Institution</b>	University of Manitoba Winnipeg, Manitoba
<b>Date Posted</b>	Jul. 22, 2024
<b>Application Deadline</b>	Open until filled
<b>Position Start Date</b>	Jul. 1, 2025
<b>Job Categories</b>	Professor
<b>Academic Field(s)</b>	International Law

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**Job Description**

**University of Manitoba**  
**Faculty of Law**

**Full Professor & Asper Chair of International Trade Law & Business Transactions**  
**Position #35300/35301**

The Faculty of Law at the University of Manitoba invites applications from legal scholars for a full-time probationary (tenure track) or tenured position at the rank of full Professor who will also be appointed for an initial and renewable 5-year term as the “Asper Chair in International Business and Trade Law.” This position will be appointed in the Faculty of Law for the purpose of teaching, studying and researching in the area of international trade law and international business transactions. The hiring committee welcomes applications from tenured full Professors or Associate Professors or equivalent appointments meeting the qualifications outlined below.

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housed in one of Canada's top research universities. It is western Canada's oldest law school. The city of Winnipeg is culturally rich and diverse, steeped in the arts, and has long-standing and deep connections with Indigenous Nations.

The successful candidate will contribute to teaching, research, and pedagogical development.

### **Areas of teaching and research interest**

The Faculty welcomes applications from all candidates with demonstrated excellence in teaching and research. We especially invite applications from those with interests in international trade law and international business transactions. Topics of interest may include international economic law, international monetary law, financial regulation, intellectual property, international commercial dispute resolution, international development, investment law, international competition law, telecommunications law, international tax law, environmental law and/or sustainable development, sovereign debt and restructuring, business & human rights, and business, law & technology (e.g. supply chain and artificial intelligence).

Candidates should express whether they are also able to contribute to the private law curriculum and business & human rights curriculum across the JD (Juris Doctor), Masters of Law (LLM) and Master of Human Rights (MHR) programs. The successful applicant will develop a focused research program preferably intersecting with or complementing their teaching duties. The position is expected to commence on July 1, 2025, or on a date mutually agreed upon. Salary will be commensurate with experience and qualifications. The successful candidate will contribute to teaching, service, research, and pedagogical development.

In addition, the successful candidate, as Chair, will serve on the Business Program Advisory Committee along with other faculty members to manage the budget of the business programs across the Asper Chair and Desautels Centre for Private Enterprise and the Law portfolios.

### **Responsibilities include the ability to:**

- Conduct research in the areas articulated above and teaching courses, seminars, and developing programs in the areas of international trade law and international business transactions;
- Teach in the private law core of the JD curriculum;
- Potential to teach elective and graduate programs related to the areas articulated above;
- Supervise and advise graduate students' research;
- Engage in service work in the Faculty, University, or broader practice/professional community;
- Advance the mission of the Asper Chair including developing a digital knowledge presence in the area, developing connections with the business school, raising the profile of the program through

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arranging conferences & speakers (and other opportunities), enhancing clinical programming in the area; and

- Contribute to a collegial work environment where equity, diversity, inclusion, accessibility, freedom of inquiry, respectful environment, and Indigenous legal traditions/orders are valued in light of the [Calls to Action](#)

### **Qualifications**

The successful applicant will have:

- an LLB or J.D. (Juris Doctor).;
- an LLM (or cognate graduate degree); and
- a PhD or doctoral equivalent in law or cognate discipline. Demonstrated excellence in teaching and research/writing/policy work may be considered in lieu of doctoral studies.
- A C.V. suitable for appointment as a tenured full Professor at the University of Manitoba at the Faculty of Law

### **Assets**

- Significant academic or related experience including demonstrated achievement in the fields of international trade law and international business transactions
- Significant teaching or equivalent experience; and
- Significant history of publications/writing/policy work in international trade law and international business transactions

### **Abilities:**

- Teaching excellence;
- Research excellence;
- Collegiality;
- Ability to effectively communicate with adult learners;
- Ability to instruct in the areas described above or alternatively other related areas that make key contributions to the Law School;
- Ability to incorporate the Calls to Action in teaching or developing courses;
- Ability to work effectively and respectfully with Administration, Instructors, Professors and Support Staff; and
- Potential to contribute to administrative and committee work in an academic environment, including curricular proposals and work pertaining to academic innovation.

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**Application process:**

Candidates should submit electronic application packages to: Faculty of Law Hiring Committee, c/o [lawdean@umanitoba.ca](mailto:lawdean@umanitoba.ca). The hiring committee will begin reviewing applications starting **November 1, 2024**. Review of applications will begin thereafter until filled.

**Applications must include:**

- a cover letter;
- a curriculum vitae;
- a research statement (maximum 750 words);
- a statement of teaching philosophy (maximum 500 words);
- evidence of teaching achievement, which may include course evaluations or testimonials;
- evidence of research excellence, including sample publications, policy writing or other written work;
- an optional personal statement (maximum 500 words), which provides an opportunity for a candidate to demonstrate a commitment to excellence in research and education as demonstrated through lived experiences and equity as relevant to the application;
- copies of official transcripts from your JD, other degrees, graduate degrees/certificates, and any other relevant credentials; and
- three reference letters, including preferably two from an academic institution, sent directly to [lawdean@umanitoba.ca](mailto:lawdean@umanitoba.ca) by the referee.

Questions can be directed to [lawdean@umanitoba.ca](mailto:lawdean@umanitoba.ca).

The University of Manitoba is committed to the principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion and to promoting opportunities in hiring, promotion and tenure (where applicable) for systemically marginalized groups who have been excluded from full participation at the University and the larger community including Indigenous Peoples, women, racialized persons, persons with disabilities and those who identify as 2SLGBTQIA+ (Two Spirit, lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, questioning, intersex, asexual and other diverse sexual identities). All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.

If you require accommodation supports during the recruitment process, please contact [UM.Accommodation@umanitoba.ca](mailto:UM.Accommodation@umanitoba.ca) or 204-474-7195. Please note this contact information is for accommodation reasons only.

Application materials, including letters of reference, will be handled in accordance with the protection of

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privacy provision of *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*(Manitoba). Please note that curricula vitae and other documentation may be provided to participating members of the search process.

**Contact Information**

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

**Contact**

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