Canada Research Chair Tier 1 in Clean Arctic Shipping

The Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University, invites highly qualified applicants for nomination for a Tier 1 Canada Research Chair (CRC) in “Clean Arctic Shipping” at the rank of Associate or Full Professor. The proposed chair will become a member of Schulich Law’s Marine and Environmental Law Institute (www.dal.ca/melaw). Applicants must have a background in maritime law, ocean law, or a related field in the Arctic context. Expertise or interest in Canadian or international law as it relates to Indigenous peoples, or in Inuit law, is an asset.

The Opportunity
As the Tier 1 CRC in Clean Arctic Shipping, the successful candidate will establish a strong externally funded research program, supervise graduate student research, participate in service activities at the faculty level and beyond, and foster collaborations both within and outside of Dalhousie. They will join a team at the Marine and Environmental Law Institute leading research on the governance of Arctic shipping through the Qanittaq Clean Arctic Shipping Initiative (www.qanittaq.ca), a Canada First Research Excellence Fund-supported project co-led by Memorial University of Newfoundland and the Inuit Circumpolar Council. The project aims to address and respond to the increase in Arctic shipping and related environmental impacts affecting Arctic communities, and to support Inuit communities’ needs for safe and cost-efficient shipping.

Applicants for the Tier 1 CRC in Clean Arctic Shipping must provide evidence of demonstrated excellence in and commitment to research and mentorship, and a strong interest in teaching. In their application materials they will propose an original and innovative research program of high quality that aligns with Dalhousie’s Strategic Research Direction and assists the Qanittaq Clean Arctic Shipping project. The successful candidate will have a substantial record of professional experience in maritime law, ocean law, or a related field in the Arctic context. Expertise or interest in Canadian or international law as it relates to Indigenous peoples, or in Inuit law, is an asset.

We welcome both national and international candidates with legal or social science scholarly expertise. Applicants will be expected to have a graduate degree in law or a related field. Experience working with or for Arctic Indigenous organizations or communities is an asset. Dalhousie recognizes that career paths can be diverse and that career interruptions may occur. Applicants are encouraged to include, in their
cover letter, an explanation of non-traditional career paths as well as the impact that any career interruptions may have had on their record of research achievement.

**Dalhousie University**
Dalhousie is the leading graduate and research university of Atlantic Canada, with more than 20,000 students, including 3,500 in graduate programs, from 115 countries. It is located in Kjipuktuk (Halifax), the major centre in the scenic Atlantic region and a city widely known for its high quality of life. Dalhousie University is located on the traditional and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people, Mi'kma'ki. We are committed to fostering a collegial culture grounded in diversity and inclusiveness. We envision a Canada where Indigenous and non-Indigenous governments and governing institutions and organizations work together to advance the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action.

**The Schulich School of Law**
The Schulich School of Law is a vibrant, collegial, and close-knit community of faculty and students from around the world. We live the Weldon Tradition of unselfish public service – of giving back and making the world a better place. We embrace the interdisciplinary opportunity of working in a university, and we are conscious of the difference we can make to reconciliation with Indigenous peoples, law reform, adjudication, legal service, and community engagement at home and around the world. For further information about the Schulich School of Law and Dalhousie, see [www.dal.ca/law](http://www.dal.ca/law).

**The Canada Research Chair Program**
The CRC program was established by the Canadian Federal Government with the aim of attracting outstanding researchers to the Canadian university system. A Tier 1 CRC Chair is tenable for a period of seven years and is renewable once. It is awarded to outstanding researchers acknowledged by their peers as leaders in their fields. Nominees for Tier 1 Chair positions must be full professors or associate professors who are expected to be promoted to the full professor level within one or two years of the nomination. Alternatively, if nominees come from outside the academic sector, they must possess the necessary qualifications to be appointed at these levels. Please see the CRC website ([www.chairs.gc.ca](http://www.chairs.gc.ca)) for more information on eligibility.
How to Apply
Complete applications will include (i.) a cover letter, (ii.) a curriculum vitae, (iii.) a statement of an innovative and original research plan, (iv.) a statement of mentoring and teaching vision, and (v.) the names and contact information for three confidential referees, at least one of whom is ideally an academic referee.

Application materials must be submitted via https://dal.peopleadmin.ca/postings/15703. The evaluation of applications will commence on April 25, 2024 and will continue until the position is filled. (To ensure consideration of your application, please be sure to submit it by the deadline above.) Please note that the offer of this tenure-stream position may be conditional on a successful Tier 1 Canada Research Chair application. The anticipated start date is no later than July 1, 2025.

Dalhousie University commits to achieving inclusive excellence through continually championing equity, diversity, inclusion, and accessibility. In keeping with the principles of employment equity and the CRC program’s equity targets, this position is designated to candidates who self-identify in one or more of the following groups: Indigenous women, Indigenous gender minorities, racialized women, or racialized gender minorities. All such qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Please see https://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/program-programme/equity-equite/faqs-questions_frequentes-eng.aspx#3a for the CRC Program’s definitions of these groups. Should you have any questions about your potential eligibility for this position, we strongly encourage you to reach out to lawdean@dal.ca. Please note that to be eligible for this position, you must self-identify through the application process as belonging to one or more of the groups mentioned here.

For further information about this position, please contact lawdean@dal.ca. If you require any support for the purpose of accommodation, such as technical aids or alternative arrangements, please contact us to let us know of these needs and how we can be of assistance. Dalhousie University is committed to ensuring all candidates have full, fair, and equitable participation in the hiring process. Our complete Accommodation Policy can be viewed here.