

Dean, Western Law

Western University

Founded in 1878, [Western University](#) is a leading research-intensive university whose dynamic academic community is focused on making change in the world. Located in London, Ontario, Western is a founding member of the U15 group of Canadian research universities and ranks among the top 1% of universities worldwide. With its two Affiliated University Colleges, Western serves as a hub for more than 500 international research collaborations and is home to 42,000 students (including 7,000 enrolled in graduate-level programs and more than 5,000 international students), as well as 1,500 full-time faculty and 2,500 full-time administrative staff. With more than 360,000 alumni around the globe, Western has a proud legacy of producing the next generation of leaders while maintaining a strong sense of community that lasts long after graduation.

[Western Law](#) is known for its collegial atmosphere and its inclusive student experience. In addition to its longstanding strengths in business law, Western Law boasts world-class research and academic programming in private law, international law, and legal philosophy. As the world continues to face increasingly complex challenges that will require the expertise and acumen of highly educated lawyers, Western Law's [2024-2029 Strategic Plan](#) sets the compelling vision for how the Faculty can address the multifaceted needs of society, the legal profession, and the higher education sector.

Reporting to the Provost & Vice-President (Academic), the Dean serves as the senior academic officer for Western Law, providing strategic direction, leadership in academic planning, and administrative oversight to ensure the highest standards in legal education and research.

As the ideal candidate, you are a scholar with a graduate degree at the Masters or PhD level and are appointable at the rank of Full Professor. You bring a background of teaching, research and professional experience consistent with the expectations of a dean at a world-class research university. You demonstrate dynamic financial and strategic management skills, and bring exceptional communication and interpersonal abilities as well as a creative approach to fundraising on behalf of the Faculty of Law.

You will play a crucial role in fostering an inclusive culture, mentoring the next generation of lawyers and legal professionals, and working collaboratively with a highly skilled academic and administrative team. You have a demonstrated reputation of integrity, empathy and emotional intelligence that will enable you to ethically engage with a wide range of internal and external partners.

If you are interested in helping to shape and elevate legal education at Western Law, please submit your application online at <https://boyden.thriveapp.ly/job/2576>. For more information, please contact Kathy Rahme at krahme@boyden.com.

Western 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/visible minorities, Indigenous persons, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation, and persons of any gender identity or gender expression.

Accommodations are available for applicants with disabilities throughout the recruitment process. If you are selected for an interview and require accommodation, please contact Kathy Rahme at krahme@boyden.com

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