LIMITED TERM APPOINTMENT - DIRECTOR OF CLINICS AND PRACTICAL SKILLS

The Faculty of Law at Western University invites applications for a Director of Clinics and Practical Skills. This three-year Limited Term faculty position, with the possibility of renewal, will be at the rank of Assistant Professor, and will be an important role in the ongoing development of our JD clinical and academic programming.

The Faculty welcomes applications from lawyers with a broad range of practice and teaching experience. Applicants must have a JD or LLB, and be licensed to practice Law in a Canadian common law jurisdiction. A graduate degree in Law or another discipline is also an asset. Candidates should have a demonstrated record of, or demonstrated potential for, excellence in classroom and/or clinical teaching, and should be capable of supervising student work on legal files. Practice experience in one of criminal, family, or civil litigation is preferred. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Candidates should be prepared to develop and implement a vision for clinical and experiential legal education at Western Law, and to collaborate with full-time faculty to integrate experiential education into the broader JD curriculum. They should have the ability and willingness to contribute to the academic life of the Faculty and to the University more generally, and to build Western Law’s relationships with community partners in London and the surrounding area. The Director will be expected to teach clinical and/or more traditional academic courses, provide strategic direction for Western Law’s clinics, and work with funding partners including Legal Aid Ontario.

Western Law has long been an innovator in legal education and offers an unparalleled student experience. We pride ourselves on engaged student learning, including through our signature first-year small group program and meaningful faculty/student interaction. The Faculty currently has six clinical education programs: Community Legal Services (our primary Legal Aid clinic), the Western Business Law Clinic, Sport Solution (a partnership with AthletesCAN), the Dispute Resolution Centre, the Western Law Intellectual Property and Innovation Law Clinic, and a branch of Pro Bono Students Canada. We have also been expanding experiential learning opportunities in the form of externships, skills-related courses and modules, and capstone courses.

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 www.uwo.ca and information about the city of London is available at www.ledc.com.

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

- a cover letter identifying their interest in and visions for clinical and experiential legal education, including relevant experience and publications;
- a detailed curriculum vitae;
• a copy of JD, LLB, and graduate transcripts for all degrees obtained since 2017; and
• a list of three referees who can be contacted if the candidate is recommended for appointment.

Electronic applications are preferred and can be submitted to lawdean@uwo.ca or mailed to: Dean Erika Chamberlain, Faculty of Law, Western University, London, Ontario, N6A 3K7.

Review of applications will begin on June 12, 2022, and will continue until the position is filled. The appointment is expected to commence by July 1, 2022.

Effective September 7, 2021, all employees and visitors to campus are required to comply with Western’s COVID-19 Vaccination Policy.

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/visible minorities, Aboriginal persons, 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 nlove@uwo.ca or by phone at (519) 661-2111 ext. 88442.

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