The Peter A. Allard School of Law at the University of British Columbia is undertaking an external search to recruit and nominate a Canada Research Chair (Tier 2) in International Law and/or Human Rights Law. The CRC is focused on any aspect of public or private international law or international legal theory or on human rights, which may include international human rights law; domestic human rights law; comparative human rights law; the study of national, regional and international institutions that monitor and implement human rights obligations; or human rights theory and practice.

This is a full-time tenure-track position at the rank of Full Professor, Associate Professor or Assistant Professor. In keeping with the provisions of the CRC program, candidates must normally be within 10 years of the completion of their final degree at the time of taking up the appointment. Entry level candidates will not be considered. Our preference is to appoint at the Full or Associate Professor level, although candidates with several years of full-time teaching experience and a strong research record well beyond their graduate work can be considered for appointment at the Assistant Professor level if not yet appointable at the Associate level.

The Canadian Federal Government established the CRC program (http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/home-acceuil-eng.aspx) to attract outstanding researchers to Canada’s universities. Tier 2 Canada Research Chairs are intended for exceptional emerging scholars normally fewer than 10 years from their highest degree. Applicants who are more than 10 years from having earned their highest degree and have had career breaks (maternity/parental leave, illness) may have their eligibility for a Tier 2 assessed through the program’s Tier 2 justification process. Please consult the Canada Research Chairs website (www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca) for full program details. The successful applicant will work with the Allard School of Law and the University of British Columbia in completing the nomination.

The Allard School of Law is committed to excellence in legal education and research. As part of an outstanding public university, situated on traditional ancestral and unceded Musqueam lands in one of the most open, diverse and beautiful places in the world, we offer an inspiring environment that combines rigorous professional legal education with an awareness of the role of law in society and a commitment to the rule of law and access to justice. With this appointment we seek to build on our strengths in international and human rights law.

The Allard School of Law offers varied and rigorous professional programs to a talented and diverse student body in J.D., LL.M. and Ph.D. programs. Our faculty members encourage students to develop creative and effective approaches to legal analysis and problem solving. As researchers, faculty members are engaged with academics, practitioners, and policy-makers around the globe, and are committed to ensuring that their research makes a difference. The Allard School of Law is housed in a new state-of-the-art law building designed to support teaching and research in law. More information about the Allard School of Law can be found at www.allard.ubc.ca and http://www.allard.ubc.ca/about-us/allard-school-law-strategic-plan-2016-2021.
The successful candidate will have an LLB, JD, or equivalent law degree and, absent exceptional circumstances, a completed PhD or SJD or other doctoral degree in law or a related discipline. The successful candidate will have an outstanding academic profile, including scholarly publications and research plans that demonstrate the potential to contribute to the nationally and internationally acclaimed record of research and scholarship at one of Canada’s premier law schools. In addition to developing an international research agenda, the successful candidate will be expected to be an effective teacher and mentor of JD and graduate students, to teach in the core curriculum, and to assume a leadership role within the Allard School of Law.

The appointment will commence July 1, 2018, with a competitive salary commensurate with the qualifications.

Applicants should submit:

(1) a cover letter indicating interest in this appointment at the Allard School of Law and describing:
   a. academic and research accomplishments,
   b. teaching experience and teaching interests particularly those among the courses in the Allard School of Law’s first year or upper-level required curriculum or those mentioned in the subject areas above, and
   c. institutional contributions;
(2) a curriculum vitae;
(3) law and graduate school transcripts;
(4) a research agenda for the coming 3-5 years;
(5) the names and contact information for three individuals who you have asked to submit letters of reference (applicants should contact the referees and arrange for them to send their letters directly to the Allard School of Law at appointments@allard.ubc.ca); 
(6) two representative scholarly publications (publications will not be returned); and
(7) evidence of teaching effectiveness (such as teaching evaluations).

Electronic applications are required and should be submitted to the Appointments Committee (appointments@allard.ubc.ca) by September 8, 2017. Referees should submit reference letters by the same date or as soon as possible thereafter. Unofficial academic transcripts may be submitted with the initial application, but official academic transcripts will be required before appointment. Incomplete applications may not be accepted. The Allard School of Law will continue to review applications until the position is filled.

UBC hires on the basis of merit and is strongly committed to equity and diversity within its community. We especially welcome applications from members of visible minority groups, women, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, persons of minority sexual orientations and gender identities, and others with the skills and knowledge to engage productively with diverse communities. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply.

Canada Research Chair Tier 2 details can be found at http://www.chairs.gc.ca. Canada Research Chairs are subject to review and final approval by the CRC Secretariat. CRC positions are open to individuals of any nationality. Candidates who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents will need their CRC appointment confirmed and permission to work in Canada before commencing work.