



PETER A. ALLARD SCHOOL OF LAW

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

2026-27 Global South Visiting Scholar In-Residence Program

Call for Applications

Deadline: March 2, 2026

The Peter A. Allard School of Law at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada, situated on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) people, seeks to host an exceptional scholar from the Global South for a short-term, fully funded visiting scholar in-residence program. For the purposes of this competition, “Global South” includes all low or middle-income countries located in Africa, Asia, Central and Latin America, the Middle East, Oceania and the Caribbean.

The successful Global South Visiting Scholar (GSVS) will spend a minimum of two weeks and maximum of three months in residence at the Peter A. Allard School of Law. For this iteration of the program, the GSVS must be able to complete this opportunity between January – March 2027. In order to facilitate active participation in the Law School community, the GSVS must arrange to be in residence during Allard Law’s in the winter term (January to March 2027). As part of their visit, the GSVS is expected to give lectures, hold sessions with faculty and graduate students, and conduct independent research. The ideal candidate will be an early to mid-career scholar.

The goal of this program is to foster academic exchange, international connections, and new research directions among Allard faculty members and international partners, and to support and expand the research strengths of the Allard School of Law. The program also seeks to contribute to and strengthen the resources of international partners. Applications will only be considered from faculty currently appointed at institutions located in the Global South.

Evaluation Criteria

Applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

1. A Record of Research Excellence
 - Superior record of scholarly contributions of the nominee to their field of research. Such contributions may include publications, community-based research activities, Indigenous research collaborations, or contributions to reports or other law reform efforts, among other research contributions.
 - The extent to which the scholar has sought to meaningfully engage with the community or communities affected by their research.
 - Demonstrated capacity to shape the direction of research and thought.
2. Strength and Feasibility of the Proposed Research
 - Strength will be assessed based on the originality and significance of the proposed research.
 - Feasibility will be assessed based on the objectives and timeline of the proposed research and other activities.

3. Potential for Linkages with Allard Law

- Potential linkages with Allard Law will be assessed based on the ability for the proposed research to catalyze significant and wide-ranging scholarly discussions and intellectual engagement within the Law School.
- Before applying, applicants should make contact with one or more potential faculty members to ask whether they are willing to act as their faculty host. Send an email (including your research plan and curriculum vitae) to a faculty member working in your area and ask if they might be willing to act as your faculty sponsor. Faculty members receive many such requests, so please limit your enquiries to faculty members sharing a definite research link.

The evaluation of applications will take into consideration the constellation of factors impacting research time and activities in many Global South institutions. Applications with smaller or less developed research records will not be discounted; rather, they will be evaluated based on their potential to use the time and space at Allard Law as a Global South Visiting Scholar to develop their research.

Terms of the GSVS Program

The successful scholar will receive funding for travel to Vancouver and will be provided with accommodation on campus that includes a meal plan. They will also receive an honorarium of approximately \$10,000 CAD. Visiting scholars will have shared access to an office space at the law school, library privileges, and will have a faculty host for their visit.

Application Instructions

Applications must include:

1. Completed application form (attached, pages 3 and 4).
2. Curriculum vitae.
3. Cover letter that describes the candidate's scholarly record and objectives in visiting the Allard School of Law, and that identifies two possible faculty hosts from the faculty at the Law School (<https://allard.ubc.ca/research/research-faculty-directory>).
4. The names and contact information of two referees.

Questions about the program or application requirements should be directed by e-mail to visitingscholars@allard.ubc.ca.

Please submit completed applications in PDF by email no later than March 2, 2026 to:

Global South Visiting Scholars Program
c/o Louise Chen
Coordinator, Visiting Scholars Program
Peter A. Allard School of Law
University of British Columbia
visitingscholars@allard.ubc.ca



Global South Visiting Scholar In-Residence Application Form

Name	
Title	
Institution or Affiliation	
Address	
Email	
Phone	

Please indicate proposed dates of visit

*The minimum length of stay is two weeks. Longer visits (up to three months) are encouraged.

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1. Proposed research activities

Describe your proposed activities during residency at the Peter A. Allard School of Law and UBC
(500 words max)

2. Tentative title / subject area for faculty or public lecture

Describe your proposed faculty or public lecture (250 words max)

3. Proposed law school engagement activities

Describe how you anticipate participating in the law school community. This could include holding multiple faculty/public lectures, meeting with graduate students, presenting a paper at a faculty workshop, or teaching a JD or graduate class (500 words max)
