The Allard School of Law is one of Canada’s leading law schools, with a global influence. Innovative researchers, inspiring teachers, and outstanding graduates have established our national reputation and international reach. Located in beautiful Vancouver, British Columbia, we are committed to being one of the world’s great centres for legal education and research.

Welcome to the Allard School of Law.
Every year we attract some of the brightest minds across the country and around the globe. Why do these individuals choose the Allard School of Law? Because the Allard School of Law provides the opportunity to learn and teach at one of the most beautiful campuses in the world while joining a community that has produced outstanding scholarship with local, national and global impact.

This is an exciting time to be considering a legal career. The national and world economies are becoming increasingly interconnected by complex rules for governing matters that range from international trade to human rights, while new methods of commerce and advances in science and biotechnology challenge traditional legal categories and policies. Our faculty, students and graduates look forward to taking leadership roles in responding to these global challenges while also helping shape the future of our society.

Legal education is, for many of us, a life-changing experience. As you contemplate this adventure, I stand along with all the Allard School of Law faculty, staff, students and alumni, ready to support your learning and your ambitions for the future.

I look forward to the opportunity to meet you in person.

Catherine Dauvergne
Dean and Professor

It is a great privilege to serve as the eighth Dean of the Peter A. Allard School of Law at the University of British Columbia.”
Complete the online application form at https://apps.allard.ubc.ca and submit the following materials:

1. PERSONAL STATEMENT
2. OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS
3. LSAT FILE NUMBER
4. + ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS that may apply to your specific situation

Deadline to apply for first-year students is December 1.

If you’re applying to an upper year, the deadline to apply is April 30.

Admission Requirements

REGULAR APPLICANTS
Regular applicants must have the following to be eligible for selection:

- undergraduate degree from a university, or
- completed three years (minimum 90 credits) from a university, 30 credits of which must be at the upper level

DISCRETIONARY APPLICANTS
Because of special factors in life, you may not satisfy one or more of the requirements for regular applicants, but may have other relevant achievements and experience. The Admissions Committee has the discretion to respond to this type of situation by taking into account factors such as disability or special needs, financial disadvantage, membership in a historically disadvantaged group, and any other factors that the applicant wishes the Admissions Committee to consider.

INDIGENOUS LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM
If you are of First Nations, Métis, or Inuit ancestry and have demonstrable Indigenous community connections, you may apply in the Indigenous category.

TO LEARN MORE, CONTACT: ilsp@allard.ubc.ca

JD/MBA PROGRAM
Applicants interested in this four-year joint program are required to apply to both the Allard School of Law and the Sauder School of Business. You may indicate your desire to be considered for this joint program on your application form. Scores from both the LSAT and GMAT are required.

FOR MORE DETAILS, VISIT: allard.ubc.ca/JDadmissions

Student Ambassadors
Student Ambassadors are current JD students who are here to let you know what life is like as a student at the Allard School of Law. Reach out to them with your questions and if you’d like a tour of Allard Hall, at ambassadors@allard.ubc.ca.
YOUR FIRST YEAR WILL CONSIST OF A COMMON CURRICULUM, INCLUDING:
- Canadian Constitutional Law
- Contracts
- Criminal Law and Procedure
- Legal Research and Writing
- Property Law
- Public Law
- Torts
- Transnational Law

PARTICIPATING IN A COMPETITIVE MOOT COURT IS OPEN TO SECOND AND THIRD YEAR STUDENTS AND IS AN EXCITING WAY TO PUT YOUR NEW KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS TO THE TEST! SOME MOOTS INCLUDE:
- Bowman National Tax Moot
- Jessup International Law Moot
- Kawaskimhon National Aboriginal Moot

MANY STUDENTS COMPLETE AN ACADEMIC SPECIALIZATION OR CONCENTRATION, SUCH AS:
- Business Law Concentration
- Specialization in Aboriginal Law
- Specialization in Environmental and Natural Resource Law
- Specialization in Law and Social Justice

WE ALSO OFFER NUMEROUS CLINICS AND EXTERNSHIPS TO GIVE YOU REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE:
- Business Law Clinic
- Criminal Clinic
- Indigenous Community Legal Clinic
- UBC Innocence Project
- International Justice and Human Rights Clinic
- Judicial Externship
- Law Student’s Legal Advice Program
- RISE Women’s Legal Centre

WE HAVE PARTNERSHIPS TO ALLOW FOR INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES WITH:
- University of Hong Kong
- University of Hawaii
- Melbourne Law School

LEARN MORE: allard.ubc.ca/international-opportunities

“I chose the Allard School of Law for its renowned faculty, its wide array of courses, and for the multitude of experiential learning opportunities. The Allard School of Law has yet to disappoint!”
Your Professors

At the Allard School of Law, your professors are experts in a wide range of areas within the law and are dedicated to helping you explore what motivated you to come to Allard Hall.

One of those faculty members is Bruce MacDougall.

Bruce MacDougall
PhD, Associate Professor

JOINED ALLARD SCHOOL OF LAW: 1988

OTHER ROLES: Associate Dean, Academic Affairs

AREA OF RESEARCH INTEREST: Law of obligations, sexual orientation and the law, commercial transactions

“There is a profound respect for intellectual inquiry that has been at the Allard School of Law for decades, allowing each scholar to pursue new avenues of research, which, as an academic, I truly value. As an instructor, I enjoy the intellectual enthusiasm and curiosity of our students and their confidence to challenge my own views and knowledge. Each year new students reinvigorate our halls and classrooms and ensure vibrancy and energy always remains within Allard Hall.”

Student Support

We’re here to support you throughout your studies at the Allard School of Law.

From feeling at home within the corridors of Allard Hall to finding a summer job, we’re here to help.

LEARN MORE:
allard.ubc.ca/student-support

Orientation

Orientation takes place the last week of August and prepares you for what to expect in your first year of law school. It’s also a great way to meet fellow 1Ls (students in the first year of the JD program), staff who are here to support you and senior students.

VISIT:
blogs.ubc.ca/orientation2017

Academic Success & Peer Tutor Program

This program matches first-year students with upper-year student volunteers who provide guidance on study skills, learning strategies, and exam-writing tips.

Career Services Office

The Career Services Office in Allard Hall is here to help you with your career. With three dedicated staff to assist you, we offer one-on-one counseling, professional development workshops, recruitment and networking events, a resource library and online career portal. We also have a Public Interest Coordinator to specifically help students who are interested in a public interest law career, or work in a non-profit organization.

LEARN MORE:
allard.ubc.ca/career-services

Law Library at Allard Hall

The Law Library is located on three floors of Allard Hall. It supports the study, reference and research needs of the Faculty. The Library houses a comprehensive research collection with legal materials acquired from the major common law jurisdiction of the world, as well as materials of other selected jurisdictions. As we are part of the UBC Library System, you can access materials across campus or through our connection with the Canadian academic law libraries.

LEARN MORE:
law.library.ubc.ca

On-Campus Services

As a student at the Allard School of Law, you have access to the many support services at UBC. This includes, but is not limited to:

• Counselling Services
• Financial Advising through UBC’s Enrollment Services Professionals (ESP’s)
• Health Services
• UBC First Nation House of Learning
Community
At the Allard School of Law you’re part of a vibrant community within Allard Hall and across the UBC campus. There are numerous ways to get involved. Here are just a few:

Student Clubs & Organizations
There are many opportunities to get involved in student clubs and organizations. Whether it is the Asia Pacific Law Club, Environmental Law Club, or Women’s Caucus, you’re sure to find something to match your interests.

The Law Students’ Legal Advice Program
This student-run organization provides free legal advice to those who would not otherwise be able to afford it. It is the largest provider of free legal services in BC and advises 5,000 clients each year at clinics located throughout the Lower Mainland.

Academic Publications
The UBC Law Review and The Canadian Journal of Family Law are journals produced by the Allard School of Law to which students can contribute.

Student Government
The Allard Law Students’ Society and the Indigenous Law Students Association are two forms of student governance you can be involved with. Learn more at allardlss.com and ubcindigenous.com.

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Discover Vancouver

Vancouver has:
- 230 PARKS
- 10 OCEAN SIDE BEACHES
- 22 KM OF SEAWALL
- 23 PUBLIC LIBRARIES

DESTINATIONS SUCH AS:
- Granville Island, Stanley Park, Grouse Mountain,
- Gastown, Capilano Suspension Bridge,
- and more!

Vancouver is:
- 50 KM FROM THE US BORDER
- 81 KM FROM VANCOUVER ISLAND
- 121 KM FROM WHISTLER, BC
- 230 KM FROM SEATTLE, WA

Our stunning Vancouver campus is situated in a park-like setting of over 1,000 hectares across a forested peninsula overlooking the Pacific Ocean and Coast Mountains. The University is easily accessible by public transit.

Home Sweet Home

You can choose to live in residence at UBC or find housing in Vancouver. Either way, UBC has resources to help you find your new home.

LEARN MORE: vancouver.housing.ubc.ca

Consistently rated one of the best places in the world to live, Vancouver offers wonderful balance between bustling city life and the great outdoors. Bordered by mountains and beaches, Vancouver is a city of energy and new ideas.

Studies show that the amount of information that you can retain through experiential learning is exceptional. Students are interacting with alumni; they’re interacting with those in the legal profession… It really is a tremendous opportunity.

Nikos Harris
Instructor & Director of Experiential Learning

AWARDS:
- Killam Prize for Teaching Excellence (2008)
Finances
Each year we distribute over $800,000 to incoming and current students in recognition of their achievements as well as to those who demonstrate financial need.

Tuition for one year at the Allard School of Law:

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All accepted applicants are automatically considered for entrance scholarships based on academic merit.

Student fees are approximately $880 per year.

JD books costs approximately $1,600 for first year and $1,400 annually in your second and third years.

For more information: allard.ubc.ca/finances

Questions?
If you have questions about tuition or funding your studies, we have a designated team of Enrollment Service Professionals (ESP) available to assist you with any financial related questions. Contact them at es.lawsupport.ca.

For more information: allard.ubc.ca/finances

Alumni
The Allard School of Law has educated generations of outstanding leaders who have made their mark in a broad range of spheres, from the legal profession and the judiciary to business, government and academia.

Our alumni not only excel in their professions, they are contributing to their communities, working in diverse ways to improve the world around them and create a more just and equitable society.

Notable alumni include:
Chief Justices of the Supreme Court,
Prime Minister of Canada, ambassadors and diplomats, Attorney Generals of Canada, government leaders and many others.

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Frequently Asked Questions

1. HOW MANY STUDENTS ARE ACCEPTED? HOW MANY APPLICATIONS DO YOU RECEIVE?
The Allard School of Law will admit 180 students to first year law. Generally, we receive in excess of 1,500 applications. Typically we make 340+ offers to fill the 180 positions.

2. WHAT UNDERGRADUATE COURSES SHOULD I TAKE TO ENSURE I GET INTO THE ALLARD SCHOOL OF LAW?
There is no specific educational background that will guarantee admission into the Allard School of Law. Instead, we suggest that you study in a field that you are interested in, and one in which you will excel. The majority of applicants have a B.A., but we accept applicants from a variety of programs including Architecture, Criminology, Forestry, Commerce, Science, International Relations, Engineering, etc.

3. HOW MANY CREDITS DO I NEED TO BE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY IN THE REGULAR CATEGORY?
To be eligible to apply, prospective students must:
+ Have obtained an undergraduate degree in an approved course of studies from an approved university. Diploma or Certificate programs are ineligible; or
+ Have successfully completed the first three years (minimum 90 credits) or more of an approved course of studies leading to an undergraduate degree at an approved university. A full complement of third year level courses must be completed by the end of the Spring Semester. Applicants completing the third year at the time of the application deadline are eligible under this second option; however, an offer of acceptance will be conditional on the maintenance of the academic average obtained in the first two years of studies. The third year of studies must be completed by the end of the Spring Semester of the year of admission (Spring Semester runs from January to April.)

4. DO YOU LOOK AT ALL MY MARKS? DO YOU ELIMINATE ANY CREDITS?
When calculating your GPA, we consider all completed courses leading to your first undergraduate degree. However, we do exclude 12 of your worst credits if you have a four-year degree. Generally, this is the equivalent of four semester-long courses, or two year-long courses. If you are in your third year when you apply, we will exclude 6 of your worst credits. Please note that if you are currently enrolled in your final year, these final-year courses will not be included in the calculation of your GPA.

5. DOES APPLYING EARLY INCREASE MY CHANCE OF RECEIVING AN OFFER?
If we receive a file that is complete and is highly competitive, an offer could be given as early as November. However, we honour the December deadline as well as the February writing of the LSAT. Therefore, we cannot and do not fill all our spots early. Applying early does not increase an applicant’s chance of being given an offer, but it does allow us to begin evaluation as soon as possible.

6. MY MARKS ARE GIVEN ON A 4.33 SCALE OR 4.0 SCALE. HOW DO YOU CONVERT THEM?
We use the same conversion scale used by the UBC Registrar’s Office. On that scale, 4.0 is an 86%, 3.7 is an 80%, 3.0 is a 73%, 2.0 is a 60%.

7. DO YOU HAVE AN EXCHANGE PROGRAM?
Yes! We have an exchange program. Please see the UBC Go Global website. For information: students.ubc.ca/about-student-services/go-global

8. DO YOU OFFER TOURS OF THE LAW SCHOOL?
Our Allard School of Law Student Ambassadors are available to offer tours to prospective and admitted students. To book a tour email: ambassadors@allard.ubc.ca

9. CAN I DEFER MY STUDIES FOR A YEAR?
We generally only offer deferrals in extenuating circumstances (e.g., medical or compassionate reasons). An applicant wishing to defer their studies should contact the admissions office outlining the reasons for which they are requesting a deferral.

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One of the most rewarding things about the Allard School of Law is the sense of community. There are ample opportunities to immerse yourself, whether through clubs, committees, teams, moots, or clinics. Whatever appeals to you!”
Stay Connected

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