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BORA LASKIN
Faculty of
Law

Director of Indigenous Relations **Two-Year contract (renewable)**

The Bora Laskin Faculty of Law is seeking applications for this newly approved position, which is integral to our operations and will serve to enhance communications with our Indigenous community partners, and provide support for Indigenous recruitment efforts, admissions, and retention. The creation of this position is in direct response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's call to action #28.

Reporting to the Dean, the successful candidate will develop and deliver an operational plan that will detail the components necessary to implement:

- 1) Lead and advise on a program of outreach and engagement of prospective Indigenous (Status, Non-status, Métis and Inuit) students, communities and organizations;
- 2) Recruitment, admissions, and retention strategies for Indigenous students;
- 3) Coordinate the Aboriginal Perspectives course and/or similar courses with relevant sessions and protocol for course participants, and provide instruction as necessary;
- 4) Providing timely, meaningful and culturally relevant support to Indigenous students enrolled in the Bora Laskin Faculty of Law, including assisting with legal placements and career services;
- 5) Relationship building with Indigenous community partners and assisting with legal initiatives and events on Indigenous topics; and
- 6) Assisting course instructors with developing Indigenous content for their courses.

The individual will work closely with the Dean, the Office of Admissions and Recruitment, the Office of Aboriginal Initiatives and the Bora Laskin Faculty of Law Indigenous Advisory Committee in developing and implementing the operational plan.

Qualifications:

- This position requires someone with a JD or LL.B. degree. The ideal candidate will have:
- Membership in the Law Society of Upper Canada (licensed to practise law in Ontario);
- Must have strong knowledge of Indigenous cultures, communities, customs, practices, and communication styles. Demonstrated knowledge of an Indigenous language considered to be an asset.
- Highly developed organizational, administrative and interpersonal skills;
- Experience with post-secondary administration or program development would be an asset;
- Experience with Indigenous community outreach, recruitment initiatives and retention practices would be an asset; and
- Ability to build and sustain positive work relationships with academic and other administrative units.

This position is an initial two-year full-time contract with potential for renewal and is subject to budgetary approval. Salary is commensurate with experience. If you are interested in applying, please submit your curriculum vitae and cover letter outlining your experience to:

Dean Angelique EagleWoman
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The deadline for applications is June 30, 2016. If you have questions about this position, please feel free to contact, Karen Drake, Assistant Professor, Chair of the Appointments Committee at kdrake@lakeheadu.ca.

Lakehead University is committed to creating a diverse and inclusive environment and welcomes applications from all qualified individuals including women, members of visible minorities, Aboriginal persons and persons with disabilities. We appreciate your interest; however, only those selected for an interview will be notified.