

A wide-angle photograph of the UBC campus at sunset. The image shows the modern glass-walled buildings of the UBC Library and Learning Commons, the iconic clock tower, and the surrounding greenery and water in the background under a warm, orange-hued sky.

Are you passionate about  
law and higher education?

Do you seek challenging and interesting files?

Do you want to be part of a globally influential institution that is ranked 13<sup>th</sup> out of more than 1,000 universities around the world for the global impact of its research, outreach, and stewardship, including 3<sup>rd</sup> in the world for climate action and 1<sup>st</sup> in the world for industry and innovation impact?

UBC is seeking an experienced and motivated individual to join the Office of the University Counsel (OUC):

### LEGAL COUNSEL (SOLICITOR) – 12 Month Term

UBC is recognized as a top employer. With over 70,000 students, almost 19,000 employees, and an annual operating budget of \$3.4 billion, UBC provides a rich and complex environment in which to pursue a career. The OUC is responsible for managing all of UBC's legal affairs (with the exception of labour and employment matters) and provides a supportive and collegial work environment. The OUC is seeking a highly qualified individual to serve as Legal Counsel for a 12-month term. This individual will provide legal advice and services to UBC, focusing primarily on solicitor's work.

#### The successful candidate will:

- provide legal advice and services on a range of legal issues directly to faculties and administrative units (except with respect to labour and employment matters);
- negotiate, draft, and review a broad range of legal documentation, including agreements to which UBC is a party, with a view to ensuring consistency in external dealings and compatibility with UBC's policies and objectives;
- approve indemnities as authorized by the Ministry of Finance;
- coordinate the development and review of internal regulatory instruments issued by the Board of Governors and Responsible Executives;
- identify and recommend procedures and practices to protect UBC from undue liability;
- subject to the approval of the University Counsel, retain, instruct, and supervise external legal counsel on behalf of UBC; and
- participate in the provision of training and other education-oriented initiatives on legal issues affecting UBC.

#### The ideal candidate must:

- be a member in good standing of the Law Society of British Columbia;
- have a law degree and broad-based experience as a practising lawyer, preferably including 5 years of solicitor's experience;
- have a strong grounding in corporate law, commercial transactions, contract drafting and interpretation, and regulatory drafting and interpretation;
- have strong analytical skills, including the ability to work from first principles in the absence of precedents;
- have strong interpersonal skills, including the ability to relate well with faculty, staff, and students;
- be an effective presenter and negotiator;
- have the demonstrated ability to exercise judgement, tact, and discretion;
- have extremely effective oral and written communications skills;
- have the ability to simultaneously manage a diverse range of complex projects and activities;
- be willing to respect diverse perspectives, including perspectives in conflict with one's own; and
- be committed to enhancing one's own awareness, knowledge and skills related to equity, diversity and inclusion.

Full job description is available online. If you wish to be part of an exciting learning environment at one of Canada's most respected universities, please apply online at [UBC/Staffjobs](https://www.ubc.ca/staffjobs).

Only those applicants selected for interviews will be contacted.