

Faculty of Law

MAPPING THE LAW
BRIDGING WORLDS

THE MOUNTAIN (excerpts)

Who knows it only by the famous cross which bleeds
 into the fifty miles of night its light
 knows a nightscene;
 and who upon a postcard knows its shape –
 the buffalo straggled of the laurentian herd, –
 holds in his hand a postcard.

In layers of mountains the history of mankind,
 and in Mount Royal
 which daily in a streetcar I surround
 my youth, my childhood –
 the pissabed dandelion, the coolie acorn,
 green prickly husk of chestnut beneath mat of grass –
 O all the amber afternoons
 are still to be found.

Abraham Moses Klein (LL.L. 1933)

From: *A.M. Klein: Complete Poems* (1 & 2). Ed. Zailig Pollock.
 Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1990

Abraham Moses Klein Lawyer, Poet and Writer

Born in 1909 in Ratno, Ukraine, Klein arrived in Montréal as a one-year old. A graduate of our Faculty of Law in 1933, Klein also studied political science, classics and economics, and was a professor of poetry at McGill University. In 1948, his collection, *The Rocking Chair and Other Poems*, received the Governor General's Prize for Poetry. The A.M. Klein Prize is awarded every year in Quebec to honour literary excellence.

GUY
LEFEBVRE

Dean and
Professor of Law



Every decision that we make at the Université de Montréal's Faculty of Law is oriented towards promoting the intellectual growth of our students, not only to provide them with the creativity, knowledge, and interdisciplinary curiosity they will need to become responsible and remarkable jurists in the future, but also to help them become well-rounded and engaged citizens of the world.

International students play an important role at the Faculty of Law. In addition to contributing their own unique perspectives on our mixed legal system, they also help to enrich the learning process by encouraging us to imagine how the law might be applied in a more global context, and how the various laws under which we all live are inevitably influenced by their encounters with legal otherness. Furthermore, being part of a vibrant student community and living in Montréal, a dynamic cultural metropolis, ensures that lessons learned extend beyond the classroom to nourish the personal development of each student and create memories they will never forget.

As a result of the rigorous and humanistic instruction they receive at the Faculty of Law, all of our graduates begin their careers with the education, life experience and curiosity needed to blossom as professionals, in law or other fields, in any city around the world. This has been our commitment since our Faculty was founded over 125 years ago, and it will continue to be so as we prepare new generations of jurists to confidently confront the ever-evolving legal and social contexts of the future.

Choosing to study at the Faculty of Law means accepting the challenge to be a leader of tomorrow. Let the Université de Montréal faculty and staff help you achieve that potential.

UNIVERSITÉ DE MONTRÉAL: A GREAT INSTITUTION WITH WHICH TO GROW

- Ranked among the world's **top five** French-language universities and the top 100 universities in the world (Times Higher Education)
- Named the top French-language university in North America
- Offers a great campus life, with student associations and newspapers, medical and support services, sports facilities

Studying at the Université de Montréal also means benefiting from a dynamic environment designed to provide students with the **tools and resources they need to thrive and grow**. In addition to world-class libraries and bookstores, health clinics, and one of the biggest sports complexes in Québec, students also have access to cultural activities happening in our on-campus theatres, concert hall, galleries, and cinemas. At the Université de Montréal, we make sure that students always feel welcome and supported.

JEAN-FRANÇOIS
GAUDREAU-DESBIENS

Associate Dean,
Research and Communications
Professor of Law

Canada Research Chair in North American
and Comparative Juridical
and Cultural Identities



WHY STUDY AT THE UNIVERSITÉ DE MONTRÉAL'S FACULTY OF LAW?

There are many great law schools in Canada, so why choose the Université de Montréal's Faculty of Law? Of course, the vibrancy and cosmopolitan feel of Montréal – not to mention the Faculty's highly diversified student population – are important assets. However, as important as they may be to one's quality of life, they alone cannot determine the choice of an institution of higher learning, nor can the relatively low tuition fees as compared to the institutions in the rest of North America. Moreover, it is also significant that the Faculty, which stands among the very best French-speaking law schools in the world, offers graduate students a wide array of programs from which to choose, and yet this is not its most distinctive feature.

What perhaps distinguishes the Faculty of Law at the Université de Montréal most from other great law schools is a unique combination of intellectual pluralism, cutting-edge research by professors and graduate students in various fields of law, and a truly diverse cultural environment. Our professors are legal positivists *and* legal pluralists; they do law and economics *and* core contracts theory; they are theoretically inclined *and* practice-oriented; they re-imagine justice by thinking through cyberjustice, *while still* caring about more traditional forms of justice. And they do all this, and much more, in an environment that blends common law with civil law, without neglecting other non-state legal traditions, and while taking intellectual diversity and interdisciplinary research extremely seriously.

Although the Faculty offers a predominantly French-speaking environment, it concretely ensures that all students are exposed to legal thought as expressed in widely influential legal languages. In a globalized world where English is the *lingua franca*, the Faculty of Law's commitment to linguistic diversity is not merely cosmetic, for language cannot be solely understood in instrumental terms. Indeed, it gives access to a "world," i.e. to explicit and implicit cultural references that often remain unknown to non-speakers, and to intellectual networks that, in the field of law more than anywhere else, are still alive and well. Thus, while offering a genuine North American educational experience, with substantial library resources and a high ratio of student-professor interaction, the Faculty of Law does it as no one else does, for, ultimately, it is in the business of bridging worlds.



COME AND BUILD BRIDGES WITH US

A LONG HISTORY OF EXCELLENCE

Established in 1878, the Faculty of Law at the Université de Montréal has a long-standing reputation of educational excellence. We are committed to providing an innovative, well-rounded education that combines traditional inquiry with dynamic research opportunities and an **interdisciplinary approach** that helps our students become responsible and proactive citizens of the world.

As a result, our graduates and professors have been, and still are, pioneers in many fields of law, such as indigenous law, cyberspace law, and business law. Our alumni have made a significant impact on the evolution of law around the world, with positions on the Supreme Court of Canada, the United Nations, and in International Criminal Courts. They have also occupied high political positions, including Prime Minister and Governor General of Canada, and undertaken senior-level positions in major national and international companies. Some have even gone on to become well-known writers, actors, and artists.

The Faculty of Law at the Université de Montréal teaches students to anticipate change, think outside the box, and maintain a curious, investigative, and critical mind. It is this focus, coupled with our emphasis on the interplay of civil law and common law, which makes us **one of the best law schools in the world**.

BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE FACULTY OF LAW

- Welcomes international students **from countries all over the world**. Our student body represents a close-knit community providing the support that every student needs to thrive both academically and personally.
- Fosters an interdisciplinary approach in a **mixed law jurisdiction where legal pluralism is salient**. The Université de Montréal's Faculty of Law teaches both civil and common law, in an environment that encourages exchange, creativity, and the building of links with politics, economics, science, and art.
- Emphasizes a pluralist vision based on four pillars: **education, research, society, and international co-operation**. Our Faculty is committed to training future social catalysts. This goes beyond transmission of knowledge to the development of the students' analytical skills through innovative research projects and activities that encourage social engagement.
- Encourages **a global outlook**. Located in Montréal, a vibrant city where European and North American attitudes converge, the Faculty of Law welcomes visiting professors and students from various countries, organizes hundreds of seminars and conferences, and operates exchange programs with other organizations around the world.
- **Strives for excellence**. The Université de Montréal has consistently been ranked as one of Canada's top universities and always earns a spot in the prestigious QS World University Rankings. The Faculty of Law, for its part, has recently been ranked by **QS World University Rankings by Subject Social Sciences & Management – Law** as the best French-speaking law school in the world.



A PIONEER IN MANY FIELDS OF LAW



MONTRÉAL: A GREAT CITY IN WHICH TO LIVE AND STUDY



- Named as one of the **Best Student Cities in the World** by *Lonely Planet*
- Rated as one of the world's **most liveable cities** with an affordable cost of living, unparalleled cultural diversity, and award-winning design and architecture
- Ranked as one of the **safest** cities in Canada
- A great **travel hub** located in close proximity to Québec City, Ottawa, and Toronto, as well as the U.S. border with New York State and New England

The experience of studying at the Université de Montréal cannot be dissociated from that of living in Montréal, a cosmopolitan North American city with European flavour. Loved for its distinctly hybrid culture, Montréal offers a **stimulating social environment** that provides students with the life and cultural experiences they need to complement their intellectual growth.

This city has produced global talents like Arcade Fire, Cirque du Soleil, Leonard Cohen, Rufus Wainwright, and Céline Dion, and it is also home to top international festivals, museums, and dance companies. Those with classical tastes will appreciate performances by the famed Montreal Symphony Orchestra or strolling through the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, while more adventurous spirits will love the city's indie music scene, performing arts venues, and ethnic neighbourhoods.

Montréal is an ideal choice for international students wishing to have an **enriching and edifying educational experience**.



A CITY LOVED FOR ITS DISTINCTLY HYBRID CULTURE



Our alumni represent some of today's most notable leaders, occupying influential positions in a variety of traditional and alternative fields. Whether they work with international courts, transnational corporations, national governments, or local communities, jurists trained at the Université de Montréal's Faculty of Law **are contributing to the evolution of law**, helping to reinvent how law is practised, while always being made aware of the ongoing need to bridge **law and social justice**.

KIM
THÚY
LL.B. 1993

Linguistics and Translation 1990
Québec writer, born in Saigon, Vietnam



The Université de Montréal's Faculty of Law certainly taught me about law. But it also showed me how to reflect, develop a critical eye, and, above all, understand the importance of nuance and the beautiful complexity of our humanity.

Kim Thuy has earned many awards for her excellent autobiographical novel, *Ru*. This retelling of her immigration to Québec as a 10-year-old girl, having made the sea journey with other Vietnamese boat people, has won Italy's 2011 *Premio Mondello per la Multiculturalità*, the 2010 Governor General Award for Literature in Canada and France's Grand Prix RTL-Lire in 2010.

Ru has been published in more than 20 countries and has been translated into numerous other languages.

The Honourable
LOUISE
ARBOUR

C.C., G.O.Q., LL.L., with distinction, 1970

President and Chief Executive Officer,
International Crisis Group (since 2009)
UN High Commissioner for Human Rights
(2004-2008)
Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada
(1999-2004)



Although it was not apparent to me at the time, my law degree from Université de Montréal has laid the foundation for the many facets of my legal career. The ambit of the law, and the teaching of law, have evolved in leaps and bounds since, but even that long ago the mix of intellectual rigour and ethical thinking served me well in the variety of environments in which I operated. With distance – in time and space – I look back on these formative years with tremendous gratitude to those who have equipped me to be a versatile and modern lawyer.

In addition to serving as Chief Prosecutor of the U.N.'s International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda, Louise Arbour has also been the recipient of 39 honorary degrees from various universities around the world. Throughout her career, she has received numerous medals and awards, including the Franklin D. Roosevelt Freedom from Fear Award in 2000 and France's National Order of the Legion of Honour (Commander) in 2010. In March 2011, Louise Arbour was awarded the North-South Prize of the Council of Europe, alongside former Brazilian President Luis Inácio Lula da Silva, and in November 2011, was honoured with the Special Jury Prize, awarded by the Fondation Chirac.



OUR GRADUATES

MARIE-JOSÉE
CANTIN

LL.B. 2001

LL.M. (University of Southern California)

Vice President, Business Affairs
Creative Services, Technicolor, Hollywood

I feel very lucky to have found a career that perfectly dovetails with my passions and to be working in such an exciting and challenging area of expertise. The academic foundation and legal training that I received at the Université de Montréal certainly contributed to that luck. In fact, when I began my studies in the Faculty of Law, I already knew that I wanted to practise in the United States – California, in particular. I started my career in Montréal, but I soon moved to Los Angeles, where I completed my Master's degree at the University of Southern California and passed the California Bar. My lifelong love of movies, combined with a desire to support business development and create strong business relationships, is what led me away from more traditional legal careers and into the entertainment industry. My experience at the Université de Montréal gave me the skills and confidence I needed to find my true calling, to follow my goals with resolve and to creatively – even joyfully – tackle the complex legal issues that I encounter every day.

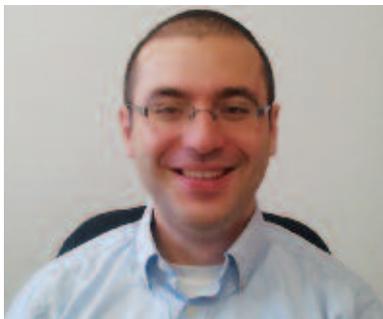
CÉDRIC
SABBAH

LL.B. 1998

LL.M. 2006

Member of the Bars of Québec (1999),
France (2000), and Israel (2008)
Legal Counsel, Department of International
Agreements and International Litigation,
Ministry of Justice, Israel

I feel privileged to have had a fruitful, rewarding, and diversified career thus far: since completing my LL.B. at the Université de Montréal, I have worked at the Supreme Court of Israel, the Université's prestigious Centre de recherche en droit public, the Department of Justice in Ottawa, and the international department of an established law firm in Israel, working on mergers and acquisitions and hi-tech and bio-tech transactions. I have now transitioned yet again, specializing in public international law in Israel's Ministry of Justice. It is with both appreciation and pride that I can attribute this career trajectory, in large part, to the education and training I received at the Université de Montréal's Faculty of Law, both at the LL.B. and LL.M. levels. I appreciated the diverse courses taught by a top-notch faculty, and the exposure to rigorous and cutting-edge research. The Université provided an environment that was simultaneously enriching and fun. Another key factor is the Faculty of Law's location: Montréal is a vibrant city that embraces multiculturalism, and the Faculty does an amazing job of harnessing that energy for the benefit of its students. To this day, I remain in touch with fellow students and former professors. I am extremely grateful to have studied at the Faculty of Law of the Université de Montréal.



OUR GRADUATES

DORIS
FARGET
France
LL.D. 2010

International indigenous and
minority rights law
Postdoctoral Fellow, McGill University



I joined the Faculty of Law at the Université de Montréal in 2007, when I began my LL.D. studies in international law, as it relates to Aboriginal peoples and minorities. My doctoral cotutelle agreement indicated that I would stay in Montréal for a period of nine months, but I very quickly decided to move to the city and complete the rest of my doctoral studies in Canada. A stimulating academic environment, exceptional student support, the emphasis on interdisciplinary studies, and an open approach to law, as well as the enthusiastic support for my own research, are the reasons that encouraged me to stay. Also, Montréal is a city built on a human scale, offering its residents a good quality of life. This city brings together urban and natural landscapes. It has a rich cultural and community life. The Faculty's motivating academic environment, the city itself, and Montréal's welcoming spirit were strong determining factors in my decision to stay.

W. COLEMAN
FOSTER II
United States
Bsc, J.D., LL.M. 2012
Licensed in Washington, D.C.



The Business Law in a Global Context LL.M. program, I have come to discover, is a formidable program of exceptional professional and intellectual value. Set in an atmosphere that seems naturally given to the internationality of our modern juridical discipline, the program is well situated in the world-class city of Montréal, and at a famed institution of higher learning, no less. Participants in the program find themselves amid a collegial milieu of law students from across the globe. In essence, the program, aside from its first-rate academic benefits, provides the opportunity to develop an international network of life-long colleagues. What is more, the program is led by a host of highly dedicated practitioners and scholars of the highest calibre, who come with a wealth of real-world experience and expertise. Many are affiliated with the area's most prestigious law firms or are seated at high-ranking levels of government, and yet graciously share their rich repositories of insight through intensive and highly interactive, practice-oriented instruction. Needless to say, as a practitioner of ten years, I entered the program with the mere hopes of expanding my substantive knowledge base and honing my professional skills; however, I have concluded feeling that I have not only enhanced my career, but also my life.

CONTRIBUTING TO THE EVOLUTION OF **LAW**



ISABELLE DUPLESSIS



AN EXCEPTIONAL FACULTY

The Faculty of Law comprises a team of dynamic professors, who are **highly committed to their students**, engaged in social debates, deeply involved in cutting-edge research, and whose publications have significantly contributed to legal scholarship in Québec, Canada, and around the world.

Covering a wide spectrum of legal expertise, our faculty shares their knowledge by promoting a multi-disciplinary bilingual learning environment that encourages **intellectual exchange**, practical problem solving, and creativity when adapting traditional inquiry to evolving and future legal questions.

WHAT OUR PROFESSORS SAY

Our faculty members speak about how law impacts society, the exciting challenges of teaching at the Université de Montréal, and the high standards of excellence set by their students.

ISABELLE DUPLESSIS

LL.D. (Université de Montréal)

LL.M. (Université de Montréal)

Researcher, *Centre de recherche
interuniversitaire sur la mondialisation
et le travail* (CRIMT)

Executive Committee Member,
*Centre d'études sur le droit international
et la mondialisation* (CÉDIM)

PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW, INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, HISTORY OF LAW AND LEGAL THEORY, INTERNATIONAL LABOUR LAW

Since I began teaching at the Faculty in 2001, my research and teaching areas have always happily coincided. Today, they comprise the history and critical theories of public international law, international labour law, international organizations operating in the United Nations system, and the international rights of women. From the beginning, teaching has played a major part in my university career and even if the transmission of knowledge is not always an easy task, I firmly believe that it is crucial to our individual as well as our collective well-being. A professor must shape and enrich the lives of her law students, without forcing them to conform or indoctrinating them. A professor must also know how to inspire students to reach deep into their intellectual resources and teach them to continue this work once out of classroom, where the doors of the brain first open.

WHAT OUR PROFESSORS SAY

VINCENT GAUTRAIS

LL.D. (Université de Montréal)
LL.M. (Université de Montréal)
Master of Law (Université de Rennes, France)

Chair in e-Security and e-Business Law



LAW AND TECHNOLOGY

The current technological revolution forces law to react and adapt to this unfettered social phenomenon. One of the courses I have the pleasure of teaching is Law and Technology, which facilitates the reconciliation of these two paradigms by drawing from the past and also looking towards the future. In addition to applying traditional legal analysis, I use blogs, Twitter and other interactive 2.0 websites to make the learning process more effective and dynamic. After all, shouldn't teaching law and technology be supported by technology?

HAN-RU ZHOU

D.Phil. (University of Oxford)
LL.M. (Harvard University)



COMMON LAW, COMPARATIVE LAW CONSTITUTIONAL LAW AND LEGAL THEORY

At the Faculty of Law, I teach public law and comparative constitutional law at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels. My teaching strives to reach a right balance between respect for tradition and the necessary need for change. In this vein, I continually encourage my students to think of law as an organic instrument tailored to the changing realities in our modern society, but without neglecting our rich historical and legal heritage. More often than not, our students prove to us that we were right in expecting much from them. In the course of our many stimulating discussions, we have the opportunity to reflect on challenging questions and problems going to the heart of our system of government. These exchanges in and outside of the classroom in turn inspire my own research projects concerning the role of the State and the nature and scope of the most fundamental constitutional principles of those legal systems based on the common law tradition.

HIGHLY COMMITTED TO THEIR STUDENTS

POST-GRADUATE STUDIES: TEACHING CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION

The Faculty of Law at the Université de Montréal offers an array of post-graduate programs to help students further develop the skills and knowledge they need to become world leaders.

Covering both **common law and civil law**, our programs serve as a springboard for intellectual mastery of the various legal systems in North America and successful professional qualification in different jurisdictions.

Students can also benefit from **scholarship and bursary opportunities**, internships and mentoring programs, and the option to do a doctoral *cotutelle* with a certain number of foreign universities.

MICROPROGRAMS

This short graduate program (9-18 credits) allows students to acquire the foundations required for a specialization or to pursue another graduate diploma. It can also provide professionals on the job market with the opportunity to enhance their skills.

POST-GRADUATE DIPLOMA (D.E.S.S.)

This graduate program (30 credits) focuses on the foundations of a specialization, as well as the integration and application of knowledge. The D.E.S.S. is designed for professionals seeking ongoing educational opportunities and those wanting a short-term specialization leading to a Master's degree.

JURIS DOCTOR (J.D.) SPECIALIZED IN NORTH AMERICAN COMMON LAW

This unique program offers jurists the opportunity to deepen their knowledge of Québec, Canadian, and American Common Law through an intensive comparative approach. Eligibility requirements must be met before students can be admitted to this demanding program of study.



INTELLECTUAL EXCHANGE



POST-GRADUATE STUDIES

LL.M. (MASTER IN LAW)

The LL.M. program requires students to explore a topic broadly related to business law, information technology law, North American common law, international law, and taxation and notarial law. To obtain their degree, students will be required to write a supervised research paper or dissertation, depending on their area of inquiry.

LL.M. options, with dissertation:

Access to justice	Financial markets law
Business law	Global justice
Business international law	Information technology law
Common law	International law
Comparative law	Labour law
Criminal law	Law and ethics
E-commerce law	Private and public law
Economic and financial regulation law	Private international law
Environmental and sustainable development law	Social law
	Transnational law

MBA WITH A SPECIALIZATION IN BUSINESS LAW

Highly regarded internationally, the MBA from HEC Montréal offers a specialization in business law taught at the Université de Montréal's Faculty of Law. The MBA seeks to transfer knowledge, develop skills, and instil ethical values that are essential to managerial functions. Students can opt for a full-time, one-year program or a part-time, three-year program.

LL.M. BUSINESS LAW IN A GLOBAL CONTEXT

Open exclusively to foreign students, this program provides advanced knowledge of North American law, comparative law, and international law and addresses the increasing complexity of law in a globalized world. Students who successfully complete this program will have gained significant analytical and research skills, and thus have better prospects for securing top-quality employment.

All courses in this program are taught in English.

LL.D. (DOCTORATE IN LAW)

Students are required to complete compulsory courses and must pass comprehensive written and oral exams before writing a thesis on the subject of their choice. They are also encouraged to undertake a joint supervision arrangement – or *cotutelle* – with an endorsed university in France, Belgium, or Germany.

POST-GRADUATE STUDIES

KAMÉLIA
KOLLI
France
LL.D. student

International transportation law
Coordinator, *Centre de droit des affaires et
du commerce international* (CDACI)

Motivated by a love of discovery and a passion for research, I decided to do my doctoral studies at the Université de Montréal based on its international reputation and the myriad opportunities it offers to young researchers. Since my arrival, I have taken advantage of many such opportunities, including the Association of Transnational Law Schools (ATLAS) program. Comprising eight cutting-edge faculties from around the world, ATLAS has helped deepen my knowledge of research methods and legal theories. This exchange program also allowed me to present my thesis project to faculty and doctoral students from around the world, and to benefit from their insightful advice, as well as to refine the essential research questions on which my thesis is built. The many activities offered to LL.D. students also provide us with opportunities to meet and have intellectual exchanges with members of the transnational academic community.

ADOLPHO PAIVA
FARIA NETTO
Brazil
LL.M. international law 2012
LL.D. student, health law



After a two-week vacation in Montréal, I fell completely in love with the city. Having had the opportunity to visit the university campus and having spoken with friends who were doing their Master's degrees here, I returned to Brazil with my decision made: I would move to Montréal and apply to a Master's program at the Université de Montréal. My experience at the University has been very enriching: an array of highly qualified and passionate professors, a highly demanding yet enjoyable academic environment, and a plethora of courses and research groups to accommodate the interests of all students and ignite their intellectual motivation. In fact, as I was completing my Master's degree in 2011, I decided to pursue my academic journey even further and applied to the LL.D. program. Having completed my first year as an LL.D. student, I can confirm that coming to live in Montréal and study at the Université de Montréal was one of the best decisions I have ever made.

PING
ZHANG
China
LL.D. student, labour law



The day I got my acceptance letter from the Université de Montréal's Faculty of Law was one of the proudest of my life. I was very excited at the prospect of studying in Montréal, the largest French-language city in North America! The Faculty of Law provides students with the best resources: a large library that includes legal documents from European countries, a team of excellent professors with a global and interdisciplinary vision of law, and a highly efficient administration that responds quickly to student needs. But most importantly, by attending the Faculty of Law at the Université de Montréal, students can develop legal knowledge in both English and French.

INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

To support our commitment to an interdisciplinary approach, the Faculty of Law at the Université de Montréal offers several learning opportunities to help students get acquainted with theoretical frameworks and creatively apply them to emerging legal challenges around the world.

- **International research groups and networks**, such as the Association of Transnational Law Schools (ATLAS), which brings together prestigious law faculties from North America, Europe, Asia, and Australia to study transnational law and good governance, offering students exciting possibilities for advanced research and in-depth study.
- **Exchange programs** of one or two semesters with one of 13 international universities, in countries such as France, China, Switzerland, Italy, Brazil and Argentina, or with a Canadian university, namely York University (Toronto), the University of British Columbia (Vancouver), or Dalhousie University (Halifax).
- **Summer courses**, given in co-operation with other universities, notably in China.
- **Internships** offered by the Legal Services Clinic enabling students to study specific legal problems or research under the supervision of professional lawyers and notaries.
- **Community programs** giving students the opportunity to help community organizations serving women, immigrants, and marginalized populations to cope with the legal aspects of important issues such as housing, health, and labour.
- **Law Without Walls**, a partially virtual academic collaboration that brings together people and institutions from around the world to confront issues, tackle legal problems, and develop the skills needed to thrive in the global legal context. Students from around the world team up with peers, mentors, and advisors to identify and creatively resolve legal problems. The Université de Montréal is the only Canadian university to participate in this innovative program.

KAMÉLIA KOLLI

AN UNLIMITED POOL OF RESOURCES

LAW LIBRARY

The Faculty of Law's library includes over 200,000 printed documents, with some 80,000 books and 1,000 periodical subscriptions. Students have full access to 74 online legal databases, the 18 other libraries on the Université de Montréal campus and Colombo, an inter-library research and loan network allowing loans of books, periodicals, and other documents from universities across Canada and around the world. The Law Library also offers students all the essential resources in common law, with a particular focus on Canadian and American law.

LEX ELECTRONICA

Online legal magazine published by CRDP that offers articles related to its three research cornerstones (www.lex-electronica.org).

REVUE JURIDIQUE THÉMIS DE L'UNIVERSITÉ DE MONTRÉAL (THÉMIS LAW JOURNAL)

Serving the Canadian, Québec, and international legal community for over 60 years, the *Revue juridique Thémis de l'Université de Montréal*, the official law review of the Faculty of Law of the Université de Montréal, publishes papers by law professors and students, as well as law practitioners, from Québec, Canada, and abroad. Its articles and columns are highly regarded and sought out, and have set a benchmark for excellence and scientific rigour. The *RJT* has earned a prestigious reputation around the world.

CYBERJUSTICE LABORATORY

A world first, the Université de Montréal's Cyberjustice Laboratory is a cutting-edge digital courtroom used to identify obstacles that hinder information technology from playing a bigger role in justice management and from facilitating access to justice. This laboratory is actively developing tools that will facilitate many aspects of mediation, arbitration, and judicial and extrajudicial conflict management. It also enables students to perfect their skills by participating in moot court events.



CRDP

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Research Chairs

LEADING THE WAY IN LEGAL RESEARCH

NURTURING THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEGAL PIONEERS

What differentiates the Faculty of Law at the Université de Montréal from other law programs is its two world-class research centres. Specializing in public law, as well as business law and international trade, respectively, these two centres help our students explore new perspectives, invent new approaches, and adapt traditional applications to new legal challenges.

- **CENTRE DE RECHERCHE EN DROIT PUBLIC (CRDP)**

For more than 50 years, this public law research centre has been the most important legal research centre in Canada. The CRDP's research focuses on three main topics: law and new social relations; law and information technologies; and, law, biotechnology, and community. In fact, many of the CRDP's research projects have broken new ground, particularly in the domains of genetics law, aboriginal law, and cyberspace law.

In addition to the active participation of 15 full-time researchers and 50 students from all over the world, the CRDP also collaborates with governments, community groups and academics across Canada, the United States, and Europe and is affiliated with some 30 research centres and networks around the world.

crdp.umontreal.ca

- **CENTRE DE DROIT DES AFFAIRES ET DU COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL (CDACI)**

Since the beginning, this research centre has worked tirelessly to track major events in business and international commercial law. From research activities looking at the resolution of legal disputes to economic analysis of the law, securities law and e-business law, the CDACI continues to explore new and increasingly precise research topics, including: corporate and financial markets governance, international economic relations and the law, and law and development.

Located in the financial metropolis of Montréal, the CDACI carries out its activities in the wider French-speaking community thanks to its alliances with research centers at French universities and its recognition in North Africa. The centre also aims to build new research partnerships with foreign centers, particularly in China and South America.

cdaci.ca

OUR RESEARCH CHAIRS

The Faculty also hosts several prestigious Chairs, which strongly contribute to its intellectual and scientific dynamism, and which support a significant number of graduate students.

- *Chaire de recherche du Canada sur les identités juridiques et culturelles nord-américaines et comparées* (Canada Research Chair in North American and Comparative Legal and Cultural Identities)
- *Chaire du Notariat de l'Université de Montréal* (Notarial Chair)
- *Chaire Jean-Louis Baudouin en droit civil* (Jean-Louis Baudouin Chair in Civil Law)
- *Chaire L. R. Wilson sur le droit technologies de l'information et du commerce électronique* (R.L. Wilson Chair in e-Commerce Law and Information Technology)
- *Chaire en gouvernance et droit des affaires* (Chair in Governance and Business Law)
- *Chaire de l'Université de Montréal en droit de la sécurité et des affaires électroniques* (Chair in e-Security and e-Business Law)
- *Chaire Jean Monnet en droit de l'Union européenne* (Jean Monnet Chair in European Union Law)
- *Chaire en information juridique* (Chair in Legal Information)

STEPHANE
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Chair in Governance and Business Law



CORPORATE LAW, FINANCIAL MARKETS LAW, CORPORATE GOVERNANCE,
ECONOMIC LEGAL ANALYSIS

My interest in corporate governance began during the 1990s, while I was a Master's student. I read the "Where Were the Directors?" report, published by the Toronto Stock Exchange, and it convinced me of the importance of corporate governance to ensure prosperity. Shortly thereafter, I began working on corporate frameworks for decision making, with a particular focus on improving the process in the interest of promoting value creation. This subject, which touches on the fundamentals of corporate law and financial markets law, has remained a central focus of my work, especially with the catastrophes of the 2000s, whether it be financial fraud or the financial crisis. In parallel, as a result of my doctoral studies, I developed expertise in the regulation of financial markets, spanning matters relating to the operations that take place, the regulators that oversee them, and the infrastructure that underlies it all. All of my research work is guided by law and economics, with an approach that is both theoretical and empirical, and containing a strong dose of comparative law. Thanks to financing by granting organizations, my work has been published in North America and Europe.

HERVÉ AGBODJAN
PRINCE

LL.D. (Université Laval and
Université Montesquieu, Bordeaux IV)

LL.M. (Paris V)

LL.M. (HEI-HEP Paris)

Researcher, *Centre de droit des affaires et
du commerce international* (CDACI)



INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW

International economic relations are historically considered to involve observing a legal framework governed by public international law. Yet, for the longest time, multinational corporations, transnational companies and other profit-generating organizations have not operated along the orthodoxy outlined by this archetype. At the Université de Montréal's Faculty of Law, the teaching of international economic law goes beyond the mere "law of nations" to integrate the study of commercial and financial operations governed by private international law. As a specialist in international economic law, my teaching focuses, more specifically, on World Trade Organization law, international investment law, and financial and monetary international law, as well as competition policies. In my research, I seek to create a portrait of how law is applied today and critically evaluate issues related to the evolution of international economic law.

A STRONG DOSE OF COMPARATIVE LAW

KARIM
BENYEKHLIF
LL.D. (Université de Montréal)
LL.M. (Université de Montréal)

Director, *Centre de recherche
en droit public* (CRDP)



HUMAN RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS
JUDICIAL SYSTEM AND INTERNATIONAL LAW
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES LAW

Two themes feed my research: judicial power and privacy. Starting with these two themes, I study several questions relating to the international aspects of rights and liberties, the increasingly global nature of judicial interpretations concerning fundamental human rights, and how information technologies and communication impact the law. Privacy law constitutes an interesting avenue of study because of the various challenges posed by Web 2.0 (and information technologies in general), and because it touches on many other freedoms, all standing at the heart of the democratic ideal. At the cyberjustice laboratory, we seek to examine how information technologies can be used by the judicial system to facilitate conflict management and the use of legal information by elaborating software modules. Also, thanks to our international and multidisciplinary team (law, information science, anthropology, history, etc.), we can study trial protocols (and procedures) in order to identify obstacles preventing the judicial system from linking to the network and elaborate new procedural methods. This research is fascinating because it leads us to reflect on the cornerstones of our law by studying the historical perspectives of judicial solutions, and by projecting these perspectives into a future, interconnected world. Students play an important role on my research teams. They are given a great degree of autonomy and can create academic relationships on both the national and international scale thanks to the quality and prestige of research networks that have been cemented over many years and through many projects.

CATHERINE
PICHÉ
D.C.L. (McGill University)
LL.M. (New York University)

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en droit public* (CRDP)

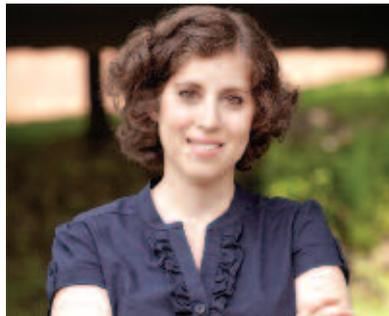


ADJECTIVAL AND PROCEDURAL LAW
CLASS ACTIONS AND ACCESS TO JUSTICE
CYBERJUSTICE

The nineteenth-century historian and philosopher Jules Michelet once wrote that “teaching is friendship.” This citation means to me that learning should be a shared experience and should involve a frank exchange of views and knowledge, allowing professors and students to get to know one another. It also means that my students will learn in a supportive atmosphere where all are encouraged to participate in discussion. More specifically, this quotation embodies the pleasure of teaching and learning procedure and evidence law both theoretically and practically, a subject matter that follows important modern debates, notably about access to justice. There is also the occasional camaraderie with my students, whom I seek to mentor in every way possible, through advice or a compassionate ear in difficult times. A special relationship is forged, as well, with those who will become research assistants and who will teach me, in turn, through their fresh perspectives on particular legal issues. A great affection has developed for this enormous institution of learning called the Université de Montréal, which is now becoming a part of my identity, and for my fellow professors at the Faculty: I have found a place I truly belong. A place where I am able to be a passionate and free thinker, with almost infinite possibilities...

REFLECTING ON THE CORNERSTONES OF **LAW**

NOURA
KARAZIVAN
LL.D. (Université de Montréal)
LL.M. (Leiden University)



PUBLIC LAW
LAW AND GEOGRAPHY
COMPARATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL LAW
IMMUNITIES AND PREROGATIVES OF THE STATE

I'm currently teaching constitutional law to first-year law students. At the beginning of each class, my students are invited to draw parallels between the topics discussed in class – whether they touch on federalism, constitutional principles, or Charter rights – and local and international news. My aim is not only to transfer knowledge to my students but also, to teach them how to ascertain, analyze, and solve complex legal issues. Whether I am in the classroom or doing research, I always try to integrate theoretical dimensions of law with practical fact patterns. My research interests include modern approaches to federalism, judicial review of Crown prerogative, and the separation of public and private law. What interests me most, however, is the way geography or the physical presence of a specific territory shapes the law. Constitutional law, seen through the prism of legal geography, is a great laboratory for testing how rules and norms vary across borders. Researching and teaching in this field allows me to question the traditional relationship between law and land, and explore alternative paradigms focusing on values such as membership, identity, or state authority.

BENOÎT
MOORE
D.É.A., Private Law (Université Paris I)
LL.M. (Université de Montréal)

Associate Dean,
Faculty Life and External Affairs
Jean-Louis Baudouin Chair in Civil Law



CONTRACT LAW, FAMILY, AND INDIVIDUALS

I teach civil law, with a focus on economic relationships created by individuals through contract or by law and on how to re-establish or improve balance in these relationships. My research looks at contract law, as well as family law and more specifically, on questions pertaining to the plurality of family models, whether they be conjugal or by filiation. Family law in Québec has undergone some radical changes in the last few years, thanks to a break with traditional referents and the addition of equality and individual freedom as basic values of that model. This research is undertaken under the auspices of the Jean-Louis Baudouin Chair in Civil Law, founded in 2006 to expand the influence of Québec civil law, to ensure the sustainability of this discipline, and to encourage future great minds to continue researching and teaching these themes. To do so, the Chair sponsors numerous scientific activities, including the "Future Researchers" conference series, which gives selected doctoral students the opportunity to present their work to the judicial and academic community.

ENCOURAGING FUTURE
GREAT MINDS

SUZANNE
LALONDE

LL.D. (University of Cambridge)

LL.B. (Queen's University)



INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW
THE ARCTIC AND MARITIME ENVIRONMENT

I have always been keenly interested in the international sphere and fundamental concepts that govern relationships between States: sovereignty, territory, and borders. When I arrived at the Faculty of Law in 1998, my research focused almost exclusively on territorial domain, but I have since discovered or developed a passion for the law of the sea. Thanks to technological advances, oceans today constitute an important reserve of resources, and, as a result, they have become the object of a great deal of competition threatening to disrupt international relations. This reality is very apparent in the Arctic region, my area of specialty, which is undergoing monumental upheavals due to climate changes around the globe. The ability of international law to address the challenges posed by maritime nationalism and over-exploitation, as well as to protect maritime environments and their biological diversity, is an endlessly fascinating topic.



A PASSION FOR LAW

SOME DISTINGUISHED GRADUATES

(Only degrees received at our Faculty of Law are mentioned)

- **Raoul Dandurand** (LL.B. 1882): President of League of Nations (1925)
- **Georges P. Vanier** (LL.B. 1911): Governor General of Canada (1959-1967), decorated for demonstrating exceptional bravery in France during the First World War, Founding Officer of the Royal 22nd Regiment
- **Gérald Fauteux** (LL.L. 1925): Supreme Court of Canada Justice (1949). One of the founders of the Faculty of Law at the University of Ottawa, he also served as Dean from 1953-1962. In 1970, Fauteux was named Chief Justice of Canada and sat on the Supreme Court for 24 years.
- **Jules Léger** (LL.L. 1936): Canadian Ambassador to London, Mexico, Italy, and France (from 1940), Governor General of Canada (1974-1979)
- **Daniel Johnson *father*** (LL.B. 1940): Prime Minister of Québec (1966-1968)
- **Alan B. Gold** (LL.L., with distinction, 1941): Chief Justice of the Québec Superior Court (1983-1992)
- **Pierre Elliott Trudeau** (LL.L., with great distinction, 1943): Prime Minister of Canada (1968-1979 and 1980-1984), and former Professor of Law at the Faculty
- **Jules Deschênes** (LL.L. 1946): Chief Justice of the Québec Superior Court (1973-1983). Deschênes was also named to the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal, created to address war crimes committed in the former Yugoslavia (1993-1997).
- **Jean Beetz** (LL.L., with distinction, 1950): Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada (1974-1988)
- **Antonio Lamer** (LL.L., with distinction, 1956): Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada (1980-1990)
- **Robert Bourassa** (LL.L., with great distinction, 1956): Prime Minister of Québec (1970-1976 and 1985-1994)
- **Alice Desjardins** (LL.L., with distinction, 1957; *doctorat honoris causa*, 2012, Université de Montréal): First woman to become a full-time professor in a Canadian Faculty of Law and the first woman nominated to the Federal Court of Appeal in 1987
- **Bernard Landry** (LL.L. 1963): Prime Minister of Québec (2001-2003)
- **Daniel Johnson *son*** (LL.L. 1966): Prime Minister of Québec (1994)
- **Nicole Duval Hesler** (LL.L., with distinction, 1967): Chief Justice of the Québec Court of Appeal and the first woman to occupy the highest post in the Québec Judiciary
- **Philippe Kirsch** (LL.L. 1969, LL.M. 1972; *doctorat honoris causa*, 2003, Université de Montréal): First President of the International Criminal Court
- **Michel Bastarache** (LL.L., with distinction, 1970; *doctorat honoris causa*, 2008, Université de Montréal): Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada (1997-2008)
- **Pierre Marc Johnson** (LL.L. 1970): Prime Minister of Québec (1985)
- **Elizabeth Corte** (LL.L., with distinction, 1972): Chief Judge of the Court of Québec
- **Elise Groulx Diggs, Ad.E.** (LL.L., with distinction, 1973): President of the International Criminal Defence Attorneys Association and founding member of the International Criminal Bar
- **Yves-Marie Morissette** (LL.L., with distinction, 1973): Judge on the Québec Court of Appeal, Dean of the Faculty of Law at McGill University (1989-1994)
- **Marie Deschamps** (LL.L., with distinction, 1974; *doctorat honoris causa*, 2008, Université de Montréal): Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada (2002-2012)
- **Gérard (Gerry) Roufs** (LL.L. 1976): Competitive sailor who beat the cross-Atlantic record three times (1986, 1988 and 1990) and won the Single-handed Trans-Atlantic Race in 1996. Roufs disappeared in 1997 during the Vendée Globe race.
- **Calin Rovinescu** (LL.L. 1978): President and C.E.O., Air Canada
- **Gilbert Rozon**: (LL.L. 1979): Founder, President and C.E.O. of Festival Juste Pour Rire (Just for Laughs Festival)
- **William A. Schabas** (LL.L. 1983, LL.M. 1990, LL.D. 1993): Former Director, Irish Centre for Human Rights, National University of Ireland
- **Guyène Beaugé** (LL.L. 1984): Québec Superior Court Judge since 2007 and the first woman of colour to sit on this tribunal
- **Pierre-Karl Péladeau** (LL.B. 1987): Canadian businessman and President and CEO of Quebecor Inc., a holdings company, Québecor Media, a major media company that operates various subsidiaries, and Sun Media Corporation