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Full Professor

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Fields of Expertise

- International commercial transactions
- Transport law
- Business law
- Good governance

Biography

Guy Lefebvre has been in detachment from the Faculty of Law as the Université de Montréal's Vice Rector since 2014. After a term as Vice Rector of International Affairs and Francophonie, he was named Vice Rector of International Affairs, Francophonie, Philanthropy and Graduate Relations on June 1, 2015. He is a recognized authority in the field of international commercial transactions. His research focuses primarily on the emergence of norms and standards, including commercial practices. Professor Lefebvre is the author of numerous books, chapters and articles, all of which have significantly contributed to the advancement of knowledge in this field. His work has been published in French, English, Portuguese and Mandarin. He has been Co-director of the Sino-Canadian Research Centre at China University of Political Science and Law (CUPL) in Beijing since 2013. In 1997, he founded the Faculty of Law's *Centre de droit des affaires et du commerce international* (CDACI) and remained responsible for it until 2005. He has also organized and participated in multiple conferences in North America, Europe, Africa, Asia, Central America and South America. In addition, he was President of the Canadian Association of Law Teachers' business law division from 1997-2000.

A devoted teacher, he has been invited to lecture at several foreign universities, including universities in France, Macao, Costa Rica, China, Tunisia and Brazil. He has also supervised the graduate research of several students hailing from a range of countries. In 2006 he founded the first Master's Degree in Law in Canada that uniquely caters for international students.

Professor Lefebvre is actively involved in various international projects relating to his field of expertise and to the education sector. He regularly acts as expert in matters pertaining to international contracts for different national and international organisations. He was a member of the Canadian delegation to the working group on international arbitration and conciliation of the UN Commission for international commercial law. He also formed part of this Commission in his capacity as Canadian representative. He is corresponding member for the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT), as well as for the Institute of International Transport Law (IDIT). He has served on a number of Canadian committees on the implementation of international conventions. In addition, he has participated in judicial cooperation projects in both China and Morocco. He has presided over the Evaluation Committee of the Faculty of Law of the University of Macao and the Faculty of Law of the University of Costa Rica has accredited him with expert status. Professor Lefebvre has furthermore developed partnership agreements between his Faculty and those of universities across the world.

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Guy Lefebvre has been very actively involved in the administration of the Faculty of Law, where he was Dean from 2012 to 2014. Over the course of his preceding term as Associate Dean (2012 to 2014) he was responsible for academic development, graduate studies and research, development and international relations.

He has received numerous awards and distinctions. In 2010, he received the prestigious Paul-André Crépeau Medal of the Canadian Bar Association for his contribution to the development of various international aspects of business law in Canada. A year later he was awarded the CUPL Medal of Merit for his exceptional contribution to developing relations with this university, as well as the advancement of knowledge in the sphere of international commercial transactions between Canada and China. In the same year he was named a Fellow of the Institute of Law of the China Academy of Social Science and *The Gazette* recognized his work in China. In 2012, he was appointed an Adjunct Professor at the University of Macao and in 2013 an honorary member of the Henri Capitant Association of Cambodia. The following year he was awarded the Université de Montréal's award for excellence in teaching for the internationalization of study programs at the Faculty of Law – the first time that this prize was awarded. According to a 2014 study undertaken by the University's *Bureau des relations publiques et de communications* he was also considered to be one of the University's researchers with the most frequented publications in French and English electronic format. Finally, he was appointed a lifetime Honorary Professor at the East China University of Political Science and Law of Shanghai in 2014.

Professor Lefebvre is a member of the *Barreau du Québec* and formerly completed his studies at the Université de Montréal and at University College London.

Courses lectured

- DRT 6468 – International Commercial Contracts: Masters
- DRT 6465 – Research Workshop
- DRT 6965 – Quebecois and Canadian Business Law

Courses lectured in 2015/16

n/a

Education

- LL.M. – International Business Law (University College London)
- LL.M. (Université de Montréal)
- *Barreau du Québec*
- LL.L. (Université de Montréal)

Select English Publications

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10. LEFEBVRE, Guy, *Le projet préliminaire de la CNUDCI et la responsabilité du transporteur de marchandises par mer : périple difficile ou échouement?*, *Revue juridique Thémis*, vol. 37, 2003, p. 429-472.
11. LEFEBVRE, Guy et JIAO, Jie, *Les Principes d'UNIDROIT et le droit chinois : convergence et dissonance*, *Revue juridique Thémis*, 2002, p. 519-537.
12. LEFEBVRE, Guy, *L'utilisation des termes de commerce dans la vente internationale de marchandises : la prudence s'impose ...*, *Revue juridique Thémis*, 2001, vol. 35, p. 453-462.
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