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Arnold & Blema Steinberg Post-Doctoral Fellowships in International Migration Law and Policy

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

The vision and generosity of the Steinberg Foundation is at the heart of this new and exciting Fellowship opportunity. The Centre for Human Rights & Legal Pluralism of the Faculty of Law at McGill University is delighted to be able to offer two Postdoctoral Research Fellowships beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year.

The Postdoctoral Research Fellowships will be funded by the Arnold and Blema Steinberg Foundation and the appointment(s) shall be for an initial duration of one year with a possibility of renewal for one more year. The Postdoctoral Fellow(s) will work as part of a research team in collaboration with the Oppenheimer Chair in Public International Law and the Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism (CHRLP) under the leadership and supervision of Professor François Crépeau, Professor at the Faculty of Law, Director of the Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism, and the U.N. Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Migrants.

A principal objective of the Postdoctoral Research Fellowship program is to train the next generation of International Migration Law specialists interested in pursuing careers in Migration Law. Accordingly, in addition to completing a major research project, successful candidates, as members of the CHRLP team, will be strongly encouraged to participate in the relevant activities of the CHRLP and Oppenheimer Chair initiatives.

ABOUT THE CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND LEGAL PLURALISM:

Now in our tenth year, the McGill Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism is a focal point for innovative legal and interdisciplinary research, dialogue, and outreach on human rights and legal pluralism. The Centre's mission is to provide students, professors and the larger community with a locus of intellectual and physical resources for engaging critically with how law impacts upon some of the most compelling social problems of our modern era.

ABOUT FRANCOIS CRÉPEAU:

François Crépeau is Full Professor and holds the Hans and Tamar Oppenheimer Chair in Public International Law, at the Faculty of Law of McGill University. He has been appointed United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Migrants in 2011. He is a fellow of the Royal Society of Canada. In August 2015, he became Director of McGill's Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism for a three-year mandate.

The focus of his current research includes migration control mechanisms, the rights of foreigners, the interface between security and migration, and the interface between the Rule of Law and globalization.

Full bio: https://www.mcgill.ca/law/about/profs/crepeau-francois

REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants must hold a doctoral degree in law obtained within the last five years. The ideal candidate must have a solid track record of original research, a high level of proficiency in English, and must propose a research project with a clear focus on migration, mobility, or refugee-related issues.

The criteria for selection are as follows:

- originality, quality, and relevance of the project to contemporary global issues of migration and mobility.
- ability demonstrated by the candidate to conduct legal research and perform other academic tasks substantiated by the candidate's previous track record of original research and publications.
- availability and willingness of the candidate to participate actively in the academic life of the Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism, including a commitment to be physically present in Montreal during the tenure of the postdoctoral fellowship.
- the candidate's desire and preparedness to pursue a career in human rights law and/or migration law, refugee law, and migration policy.
- practical or professional experience in working with migrants and refugees is considered as an asset.

APPLICATION DEADLINE AND PROCEDURE:

The deadline for receiving applications is **30 April 2016 at 11:59 pm, Eastern Standard Time (Montreal time).** The review of applications will commence immediately thereafter and continue until the position(s) is (are) filled. This full-time position will begin on 1 September 2016 and will last until 31 August 2017. The selected candidates will receive a Fellowship of the value of 50,000 Canadian Dollars per annum.

Applications are to be submitted electronically to the attention of the selection committee (see email address below). Applicants must submit a cover letter, a curriculum vitae, a research proposal (maximum four pages), a transcript of postgraduate (doctoral) studies, and one or more writing samples (from peer-reviewed publications, if possible). Applicants should also name three referees who may be invited by the CHRLP to send letters of reference.

For more information about the Fellowships, please contact migration.law@mcgill.ca.