

Post-doctoral Fellow(s)

The new-established Centre for Maritime Law (CML) at the Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore, focuses broadly on international trade, transport and shipping law related issues. It produces research and hosts events of scholarly value to academics, professionals, and government institutions with the objective of enhancing the development of maritime law in Singapore, the region, and further afield. The Centre will move into its own designated research facility in the Faculty of Law during the first quarter of 2017.

The Director of CML is Professor Stephen Girvin and the Deputy-Director is Associate Professor Paul Myburgh. The successful applicant will join our current Post-doctoral fellow, Dr Wang Feng.

Having made a number of new appointments in the past six months, the Centre is now inviting further applications from suitable candidates in the field of maritime law for Post-Doctoral Fellowship position(s) commencing in AY2017-2018.

Successful applicants will commence their Fellowships at a date to be arranged and will conclude them one year later, subject to the possibility of renewal for an additional year.

Benefits

The position(s) will carry the following benefits:

1. Employment on a full-time contract at NUS Law for one year, renewable for a second year, subject to satisfactory performance.
2. A fixed remuneration package of **S\$78,000**. This all-in sum is inclusive of stipends for housing and living expenses.
3. Reimbursement of a return **economy class** airfare (by the most economical and direct route) up to a maximum of S\$2,000 to and from Singapore (for foreign applicants).
4. Eligibility to apply for research and conference fund allowances from CML to support attendance at academic conferences and to conduct field research, where required.
5. Allocation of a lockable workstation within the Centre for Maritime Law.
6. The opportunity to present their research in seminars hosted by CML or by the Faculty of Law.

Duties

The duties associated with the position(s) are as follows:

1. Subject to the standard NUS terms as to annual leave, Fellows will be expected to be in residence throughout the term of their appointment.
2. Fellows will be expected to conduct research during the term of their appointment. Such research may include, but is not limited to, the writing of articles for publication in refereed journals, contributing to book chapters in edited collections, and preparing a monograph or other book for publication.
3. Fellows will be expected to assist in the organization of colloquia, seminars, or other events for CML, as assigned by the Director of CML.
4. The successful candidate will also be required to present his or her research and to participate in and contribute to CML seminars or reading groups.

Selection criteria

The selection committee will consider the following criteria in making an appointment for the position of Post-Doctoral Fellow at CML:

1. The applicant must be of exceptional calibre, either (i) have already attained a doctoral degree in maritime law or (ii) have completed the examination for and been recommended for the award of a doctoral degree in maritime law. In the latter case, written assurance is required from the applicant's supervisor that the doctoral degree has been recommended for award by the awarding institution.

Kindly note that successful candidates must hold a doctoral degree in maritime law by the date of assumption of duty.

2. The principal selection criterion will be the applicant's potential for excellence in research and the proposed programme of research of the applicant. An existing record of publication in relevant journals or participation in research projects are examples of evidence of such potential.
3. Applications are sought from those with interests in any branch of commercial maritime or shipping law or admiralty law or marine insurance law, including the international sale of goods carried by sea, maritime conflict of laws, maritime dispute resolution, and offshore oil and gas law.
4. The candidate should be exceptionally organized and have an eye for detail. A strong command of the English language is absolutely essential.

Application procedure

Applications should be sent by email to lawresearchappt@nus.edu.sg. These must comprise:

1. Covering letter

This should, *inter alia*, explain the reason for your interest in the position.

2. Application form

The downloaded application form should be completed and submitted together with the other required documents. We regret that incomplete applications will not be considered. You are also required to enclose a copy of your Doctoral Certificate (if applicable) or status Letter with your application.

Applicants may download the application form [HERE](#).

3. Curriculum Vitae

A detailed curriculum vitae should be submitted containing complete and detailed information on academic institutions, honours, awards, all publications to date, and all professional experience (current and previous, including dates of employment and job descriptions).

4. Writing sample

As the successful applicant is expected to develop his or her own research agenda, to publishable standard, a writing sample (which may be work, ideally on some aspect of maritime law) must be included with the application. The sample **must** be submitted in Word format only.

5. Research Proposal

A detailed research proposal outlining the research plans for the next year including the expected results of the work, and the projected contribution to the field of inquiry should be submitted.

6. Letters of Recommendation

The application must be supported by two references from **academic referees**. Applicants should arrange for their referees to send their references to the address below by the closing date.

7. Submission of Application Materials

All correspondence should be addressed to:

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National University of Singapore

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Singapore 259776

Email: lawresearchappt@nus.edu.sg

8. Closing Date

The closing date for the receipt of applications and references is **30 December 2016**. Late applications will not be considered.

9. Shortlisting and Interview

Shortlisted applicants should expect to be interviewed in Singapore (local applicants) or via Skype (foreign applicants) by the end of **January 2017**. All applicants will be notified within two months from the closing date on the status of their application.