# Law 696.xx: Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) Clinical

# Applications for 2024 Winter Term

### **Overview of Clinical Program with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC):**

# The AUC regulates the rates and facilities of electric, gas and investor-owned water utilities to protect the social, economic and environmental interests of Albertans.

This program is a 3 credit program, and will be graded on a CR/D/F basis. One student will be selected for the winter 2024 semester.

The student who completes this clinical program will gain the following opportunities:

- Practical understanding of public and administrative law principles as applied in current proceedings before the Commission;
- Understanding of the AUC's role as the regulatory body overseeing facility, rate and market related activities of provincially regulated utilities in Alberta;
- Observe Commission hearings and Alberta Court of Appeal proceedings as they occur during the semester;
- Interact directly with the Commission's lawyers and Commission Members; and
- Gain valuable work experience in a professional environment in their academic field.

The work assigned may include:

- Working on a research paper or project on matters related to the regulation of Alberta's utility sector (electricity, gas and water rates and tariffs; electricity and gas pipelines facilities; electricity and gas markets);
- Reviewing and analysing applications, evidence, hearing transcripts and legal arguments;
- Attending AUC hearings and Court of Appeal applications;
- Interacting with AUC counsel, AUC members and AUC staff;
- Miscellaneous duties as necessary.

### Prerequisites

Law 503: Administrative Law is a prerequisite or co-requisite for this clinical program and, although not required, the following courses would be beneficial: Energy Law and Oil & Gas Law.

### **Requirements:**

- Students must be enrolled in 2L or 3L at the University of Calgary's Faculty of Law.
- Applicants must have an interest in regulatory issues.

- Students must agree to confidentiality of all non-public information to which student has had access to while at the Commission.
- Students will be required to attend at the AUC's Calgary downtown office at least 6 hours per week and a total of 75 hours over the semester.

#### **Application Process:**

Students interested in this program with the AUC should submit an application package consisting of:

- Statement of Interest;
- Resume;
- Writing Sample Memo, factum or other (5 10 pages);
- Law school transcript.

Applications should be sent to the attention of Angela Gallo-Dewar: <u>agallode@ucalgary.ca</u> by **noon** on Friday, **September 29, 2023.** A short list of candidates will be selected for an interview and the successful candidate will be selected later in October.