

Colin Macleod: Biographical sketch and statement of candidacy

I am a full professor with a joint appointment in Philosophy (3/4) and Law (1/4). I joined UVic in 1998 and I served as Chair of the Philosophy Department for 10 years (until 2022). In my role as Chair, I worked closely with three different Deans and one Acting Dean. Throughout my career, I have participated actively in various facets of university governance (e.g., senior appointment committees, special advisory roles, program development, and public outreach). In addition to my record of administrative contributions, I am a successful and productive researcher in the field of contemporary moral and political philosophy. I have a strong commitment to facilitating and celebrating the research and teaching excellence of my colleagues in the university. Recognition and support of the vital work done by administrative staff is also important to me. I understand the diverse kinds of research conducted by faculty and the importance of recognizing the different kinds of support that different researchers require. My background and experience give me a good understanding of the responsibilities of the Dean, the challenges that a new Dean will face, and the qualities needed to be successful in the role.