



**PDAD&C #86**

**To:** Faculty, Students, and Staff, Faculty of Law  
Principals, Deans, Academic Directors and Chairs

**From:** Cheryl Regehr, Vice-President & Provost

**Date:** May 23, 2019

**Re:** **Reappointment of Professor Edward Iacobucci as Dean, Faculty of Law (PDAD&C #86)**

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I am delighted to announce that the Agenda Committee of Academic Board has approved the reappointment of Professor Edward Iacobucci as Dean of the Faculty of Law for a second term from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2024.

The Faculty of Law has benefited greatly from Professor Iacobucci's leadership. As Dean, he has made academic excellence, student wellness, and collaboration the focus of his tenure. Professor Iacobucci's key accomplishments include a highly successful fundraising campaign centred around student financial aid; creating increased opportunities for students to take research-oriented seminars with faculty members; and growing the Faculty's one-of-a-kind Global Professional Master of Laws (GPLLM) program.

Professor Iacobucci has been a champion for student issues in particular: for example, he has created an embedded counselling service at the Faculty, developed new accessibility resources, supported the Indigenization of student spaces within the Faculty, and has significantly increased student financial aid. Under Professor Iacobucci's guidance, the new Jackman Law Building opened its doors in 2016, offering students collaborative study spaces, technologically advanced classrooms, and warm architectural design that ties the heritage building of Flavelle House together with the new facilities. As Dean, Professor Iacobucci has been praised by faculty, staff, and students for his effective leadership style, open communication, and collegial approach to challenging issues.

Prior to becoming Dean, Professor Iacobucci served as Associate Dean Research and the Osler Chair in Business Law. He has a lengthy history of service to the University and the community through various administrative and leadership appointments, including being an active member of the U of T Governing Council, a C.D. Howe Institute Fellow-in-Residence, and an active member of the Canadian Law and Economics Association. Professor Iacobucci also contributes significantly to the scholarly and teaching excellence of the Faculty in the areas of corporate law, competition law, and law and economics more generally.

Professor Iacobucci's exceptional leadership, passion for excellence, and keen administrative insight will be key to the Faculty's continued success in the years ahead. Please join me in congratulating Professor Iacobucci on his reappointment.