

m) Centres for International Business Studies

External Affairs and International Trade Canada sponsors Centres for International Business Studies at Canadian universities. The objective of the program is to encourage the development of research and studies in the field of international business in order to improve managerial capabilities in that field. There are now seven centres: Dalhousie University (Halifax, Nova Scotia), Hautes Etudes Commerciales (Montreal, Quebec), the University of Western Ontario (London, Ontario), the University of British Columbia (Vancouver, British Columbia), the University of Manitoba (Winnipeg, Manitoba), the University of Saskatchewan (Saskatoon, Saskatchewan) and the University of Alberta (Edmonton, Alberta). The centres are located in the business faculties of the individual universities.

The eighth centre, the Centre for Trade Policy and Law, is a joint project of the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs (Carleton University) and the Faculty of Law at the University of Ottawa. This Centre focuses on the trade policy and trade law aspects of international business.

In addition to focusing on international business, each centre is encouraged to examine the particular business and academic needs of the communities of the region in which it is situated. The centres have three main purposes; 1) to provide Canadian business with a pool of graduates with a knowledge and understanding of international business issues, 2) to provide current Canadian business management with programs to update their skills and knowledge in the international business field, and 3) to undertake research on subjects in the international business.

In addition to annual grants to support the work of the centres, some of the centres have fellowship programs to assist graduate students.

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