

# Student Research News e-bulletin

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## Funding Opportunities and Awards

### [ASH Physician-Scientist Career Development Award](#)

**Deadline: Sept 30, 2014**

The American Society of Hematology's Physician-Scientist Career Development Award is a new opportunity for **medical students** to gain experience in hematology research and to learn more about the specialty by immersing themselves in a yearlong laboratory, translational, or clinical investigation under the mentorship of an ASH member. Through this award, recipients will be granted \$42,000 to cover their living expenses, research allowance and supplies, insurance and educational expenses, as well as attendance at an ASH annual meeting. The award is for a one-year period, generally July 1 through June 30. Among other requirements, eligible applicants must:

- Be a medical student member of ASH enrolled in a US or Canadian medical school
- Be between 1st & 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2nd & 3rd or 3rd & 4th year of medical school when the research is done.
- Not be currently enrolled in a combined MD-PhD program.
- Be planning an investigative career in laboratory, translational or clinical hematology research.

For additional information and eligibility requirements please visit the website (hyperlinked above).

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## Funding Reminders

[ASN Foundation for Kidney Research Student Scholar Grant](#) – Sept 5, 2014

[RHSRN BC Conference Travel Bursary application](#) – ongoing

[Mitacs Globalink Research Award \(Travel to conduct research\)](#) – ongoing

For additional funding opportunities visit: <http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/funding/>.

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### Upcoming Events

#### [Engaging with Nature for Mental Health: Research & Practice](#)

**Date: June 23, 2014; 12:00-1:00 pm**

Location: Room D308, SHY Building, BC Women's Hospital

**Learning Objectives:** Engaging with plants and nature as an evidence-based healthcare practice; Horticultural therapy methods for enhancing patients' mental health outcomes and substance use outcomes; Examples of therapeutic food gardens and programs.

Speaker: **Shelagh Smith, HTR, MAECC** is a Registered Horticultural Therapist who shares her passion for gardening and nature to improve people's health, happiness and productivity. Over the last twenty years, she has developed and facilitated horticultural therapy programs for a variety of participant groups, including seniors and people with disabilities, street-involved youth living in Vancouver's downtown eastside, people with mental health issues, and healthcare providers. She teaches and presents about the evidence-based benefits of engaging with everyday nature and she trains budding horticultural therapists. Shelagh is a Journeyman Landscape Gardener, holds a certificate in counseling skills, and has a Master of Arts degree in Environmental Education and Communication.

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#### [Communicating Science to Trainees and the Public](#)

**Date: July 10, 2014; 8:00-9:00 am**

Location: New Lecture Theatre, Level 1 Providence Building, St. Paul's Hospital; VC to Paetzold HEC Auditorium, JPP-VGH

The Institute for Heart and Lung Health's Joint Rounds presents *Communicating Science to Trainees and the Public* with speaker Dr. Jennifer Grady, Senior Scientist at the BC Centre for Disease Control and Assistant Professor at the UBC School of Population and Public Health. Dr. Grady is a passionate science communicator involved in a number of science media projects, including regular appearances on CBC's *The Nature of Things* and a reoccurring guest host role on Discovery Channel's *Daily Planet*. This talk is open to all.

**Abstract:** Effective communication is one of those skills that can make or break a scholar. Whether it's presenting research to your peers or the public, writing a convincing grant proposal, or speaking to the media, throughout your academic career you'll be called upon time and time again to explain your work and why it's important. In this talk I'll cover some of the reasons why it's vital for us academics to be able to communicate well, as well as some practical advice for improving your communication skills when giving a talk or speaking to the media.

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### Event Reminders

Laboratory and Workplace Safety Training – see June 6<sup>th</sup> edition for details

[10<sup>th</sup> D. Harold Copp Lecture](#) – June 24, 2014; 4:00-5:00 pm

[UBC Animal Care Committee – Drop-in session](#) – June 25, 2014; 9:00-11:00 am

CONFERENCE: [Federation of Medical Women of Canada](#) – Abstracts: July 25<sup>th</sup>; Event: Sept 19-21, 2014

[Clinical Research Ethics Board Office Drop-In Sessions](#) – Every 2nd & 4th Monday of the month

For additional event listing visit: <http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/events/>.

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### Ongoing Seminar Series

Please follow this [link](#) for a list of ongoing events and seminar series that may be of interest to MD undergraduate students.

[MD/PhD Building Bridges Seminar Series](#)

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### Additional Research and Scholarship Opportunities & Resources

#### Reminders

[High Impact Publications E-Newsletter](#)

[University of Alberta Health Sciences Journal – Call for submissions](#) – Deadline: July 1, 2014

[CFRI Research Education Video Library](#)

Additional research and scholarship information and resources are available on the Student Research website: <http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/>.

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