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**Funding Opportunities and Awards**

**Parkinson’s Foundation Summer Student Fellowship**

**Deadline: Dec 2, 2019**

The Summer Student Fellowship supports undergraduate and medical students in their pursuit of Parkinson’s-related summer research projects. Awardees must identify and work under the supervision of a mentor who is an expert in the Parkinson’s community. The summer fellowship is offered for 10 weeks of clinical or laboratory work with a stipend of $4,000. Upon completion of the project, fellows are invited to apply for up to $1,000 in travel funds to attend a related scientific conference to present their research. [Check the website hyperlinked above for more information on application materials.](http://www.med.ubc.ca/srn)

**ASH Physician-Scientist Career Development Award**

**Deadline: Jan 15, 2020**

The American Society of Hematology (ASH) is offering the Physician-Scientist Career Development Award as an opportunity for medical students to gain experience in hematology research by immersing themselves in a fulltime, yearlong laboratory, translational, or clinical investigation under the mentorship of an ASH member. The award amount total is $42,000 which includes a stipend, allowance for supplies, insurance/educational expenses and meeting attendance.

The award is for a one-year period, generally July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Applicants must be in years 1–3, obtain the necessary permission to take leave from their MD training program, and be an active member of ASH or have a membership application pending. MD-PhD students are not eligible. Visit the website for additional information and application guidelines.

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**Funding Reminders**

- [CHS Summer Studentships in Inherited Bleeding Disorders Research](http://www.med.ubc.ca/srn) – Nov 15, 2019
- [ASH Minority Medical Student Award Program](http://www.med.ubc.ca/srn) – REQUEST A MENTOR: Nov 15, 2019; APPLICATION: Jan 15, 2020
- [3M National Student Fellowship](http://www.med.ubc.ca/srn) – Jan 31, 2020

For additional funding opportunities visit: [http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/funding/](http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/funding/).

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**Upcoming Events**

**C2E2 2019 Annual Lecture**

**Date: Nov 14, 2019; 3:00-4:30pm**

Location: Room 1020, Diamond Health Care Centre (2775 Laurel St., Vancouver)

Health systems worldwide face a common policy challenge: how to deliver high quality care at affordable cost in an equitable way. However, despite persistent attempts at improvement, stasis appears pervasive in many systems. Over the last 25 years there has been in many cases a failure to adapt to emerging health needs and priorities within health systems in Canada. This provides a strong policy rationale to search for alternative strategies that might produce much-needed reforms. Within the natural laboratory Canada provides, the VCH research team has assessed both convergences and divergences in the strategies adopted in various provinces. The team’s interest in this research is to explore the transformative capacity of provincial health systems focusing on three questions: Where have provincial governments invested their reform efforts in the last 20 years? What strategies have they employed? What lessons can reformers draw from these experiences?
This talk will provide students, teachers, and researchers with an overview of this work and offer insight for the BC health system. Register for this session via the hyperlink above.

SEMINAR SERIES: MD/PhD “Building Bridges” Seminar Series – ALL ARE WELCOME
Date: Oct 28, 2019; 6:00-7:00pm
Location: Latham Hall, Medical Student Alumni Centre (12th Avenue & Heather Street, Vancouver)

This seminar series aims to illustrate the relationship that exists between clinical practice and medical research, allowing MD/PhD and other interested students to hear about different career tracks and various ways to combine clinical and research work. In addition to speaking about their active research, the invited speakers discuss their experiences and training backgrounds, share their advice with prospective clinician-scientists, and give their opinions on career development options for clinician-scientists. The seminar will be presented by David Twa, an MD/PhD student furthering cancer research under the supervision of Dr. Christian Steidl. All faculty, clinical investigator trainees, and students in the Faculty of Medicine are invited. We also welcome other members in the UBC community to join us. Check out the website hyperlinked above for more information and descriptions of previous sessions.

VCHRI Commercialization Speaker Series: Dr. Patrick McNees
Date: Nov 7, 2019; 11:00am-12:00pm
Location: Lecture Theatre, Rm. 1020, Diamond Health Care Centre (2775 Laurel St., Vancouver) or via videoconference

This is the first presentation of the Commercialization Speaker Series designed to support and engage faculty, staff and trainees to enhance their knowledge of commercialization pathways for health research. This series will focus on the commercialization process from discovery and intellectual property to venture financing and marketing strategies. In this workshop you will learn to articulate the discovery to market vs. need to market strategies and the implications of various forms of dilutive and non-dilutive capital formation and deployment. Please register via the hyperlink above.

CONFERENCE: Rural Conference Sponsorship Opportunities
Deadline: Dec 31, 2019

The Rural Education Action Plan (REAP) sponsors UBC medical students and family medicine residents to attend national and provincial rurally-focused medical conferences each year. Medical students are awarded up to $1,200 for travel and accommodation expenses plus conference registration to attend either RCCbc’s Rural Health Conference or SRPC’s Rural & Remote Medicine Course. For more information and to apply please check out the hyperlink above.

Event Reminders
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Free Prior Informed Consent: Concept, Practice, Promise, and Perils? – Oct 25, 2019; 12:30-2:00pm
Earl W Davie Research Symposium – REGISTRATION CLOSED; EVENT: Nov 13, 2019
CONFERENCE: Western Student and Resident Medical Research Forum – Jan 23-25, 2020
For additional event listing visit: http://www.med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/stay-connected/
Additional Research and Scholarship Opportunities & Resources

**Free (to you) Statistics Consulting for MD Students**

**Deadline: Oct 31, 2019**

The FoM Office of Research is pleased to announce a new pilot program aimed at providing statistical consultation services to **MD students** undertaking research and scholarly projects. This pilot funding program will provide successful MD student applicants with a one-hour statistical consultation with UBC’s Applied Statistics and Data Science Group. The consultation will be followed by a summary report of the consultants’ recommendations.

We anticipate being able to fund ~50 consultations in total. **Please see the above hyperlink for submission instructions and full eligibility and application procedures, including a link to the online application form.**

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**Health Talks Student Contest**

**Deadline: Nov 12, 2019**

**Event date: Feb 25, 2020**

Health Talks is an evening event where eight speakers will share their hopes using the PechaKucha 20x20 presentation style, which means that they show 20 images for 20 seconds each while they’re talking. It’s a great way for audience members to hear new perspectives about our health care system. **The contest is open to all BC elementary, high school, post-secondary, and medical school students.** The winner will be 1 of 8 speakers to deliver a PechaKucha presentation at Health Talks and receive one complimentary registration to the Quality Forum (valued at over $400). **Apply via the hyperlink above.**

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Reminders

**How to Find a Research Supervisor**

Find additional information and resources on the Student Research website: [http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/](http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/)