2020 FHS Graduate Plenary Awards

A Celebration of Research and Professional Excellence

Celebrating Excellence
in the areas of graduate student and postdoctoral fellow health science research

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The Health Sciences Graduate Studies office would also like to thank everyone who volunteered to judge poster and oral presentations.
2020 FHS Graduate Plenary Award Winners

Graduate Student Diversity Award
Sayem Borhan

Graduate Student International Trainee Award for Excellence
Xiaotian Ju

Graduate Student Leadership Award
Valentina Antonipillai
Kate Kennedy
John Vrbensky

Graduate Student Publication Award
Sayem Borhan
Sarah Daisy Kosa
Vincent Huynh
Manisha Pawha
John Vrbensky

Graduate Student Teaching Assistant Excellence Award
Sayem Borhan
Monica De Paoli
Bhavya Singh
Nizanin Tatari

Postdoctoral Fellow Publication Award
Taiane de Azevedo Cardoso

Postdoctoral Fellow Leadership Award
David Speicher

Postdoctoral Fellow Outstanding Achievement Award
Bianca Pfaffenseller

HSGSF Excellence in Open Communication and Collaboration Award
Sayem Borhan
Rosa Stalteri

HSGSF Impact Award
Gautham Krishnaraj
Ricky Lali

HSGSF Excellence in Graduate Student Supervision Award
Wael C. Hanna
Sandra Monterio

FHSPDA Excellence in PDF Supervision Award
Diana Sherifali

Indigenous Students Health Sciences Award for Graduate Performance & Community Leadership
Brittany Lickers
GRADUATE PROGRAM AWARDS

Faculty of Health Sciences Graduate Programs
Outstanding Achievement Awards

Ashley Adile
Shehryar Ahmad
Alessandra Andreacchi
Valentina Antonipillai
Jessica Bartozko
Leshawn Benedict
Jacqueline Cadete
Kevin Champagne-Jorgensen
Nicholas Chonis
Isabella Churchill
Elizabeth Culp
Kendra Dempsey
Gurleen Dhalwal
Pallavi Dutta
Sophiya Garasia
Elena Gatto
Grace Graffham
Elizabeth Green
Anisa Hajizadeh
Warren Hemstra
Alison Hock
Vincent Huynh
Nicole Jacobs
Alanna Jakovljevic
Bismah Jameel
Patricia Julian
Jennifer Klowak
Joshua Koenig
Brittany Kok
S. Daisy Kosa
John Krzeczkowski
Ann Le
Viorica Lefter
Anna Leonova
Brian Leung
Kelsea Levesque
Lin Li
Andrea Lyle
Rebecca Mann
Biochemistry
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Public Health
Health Policy
Health Research Methodology
Global Health
Physiotherapy
Neuroscience
Biomedical Discovery & Commercialization
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Health Management
Nursing
ChildLife & Pediatric Psychosocial Care
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Muhib Masur
Joshua McGrath
William McIntyre
Jeffrey McLean
Caitlin Meanwell
Purva Mehta
Natalija Milkova
Alanna Miller
Richard Noel
Kenneth Noguchi
Miney Paquette
Maham Pervez
Dilshan Pieris
Camille Poulin
Sophie Poznanski
Jennifer Reid
Meaghan Reitzel
Kathleen Rickaby
Benjamen Rudy-Kaitlin Schnurr
Allison Schweitzer
Dayton Shaw
Laura Sheehan
Natasha Sneldrove
Taylor Sparring
Kerrie Sullivan
Katelyn Sushko
Kylie Teggart
Vithveya Thanabalan
Caressa Tsai
Lana Vedelago
Bridget Ventri
Andreanna Wassef
Sera Whitelaw
Kelsey Yang
Erica Yeo
Emma Yu
Marco Zaccagnini
Sandy Zakaria
Rehabilitation Sciences
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Biomedical Engineering
2019-2020 External and Internal Award Holders

**Biochemistry**

Shehryar Ahmad  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Rashik Ahmed  
CIHR CGS-D

Basma Ahmed  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Sarah Asbury  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Kaushal Baid  
GSA Travel Assistance Grant

David Bakhshinyan  
The Lorne F. Lambier, O.C. Scholarship

The Lee Neilson Roth Award

Christian Bellissimo  
CIHR CGS-D

Emily Bordeleau  
CIHR CGS-D

Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence

Laura Bowie  
Impact Award

Chad Brown  
Michael G. DeGroote Institute for Pain Research and Care Graduate Studentship

Nathan Bullen  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Linsdey Carfrae  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Leon Chalil  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Mach-Gaensslen Summer Student Grant

Elizabeth Chau  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Karl Freeman Award (2nd Place)

Tony Chen  
Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence

Chirayu Chokshi  
Fred and Helen Knight Enrichment Award

Michael Chong  
CIHR CGS-D

Sommer Chou  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Felix Croteau  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Elizabeth Culp  
VANIER - CIHR

Karl Freeman Award (1st Place)

Nader El-Sayes  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Rabia Fatima  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Katherine Graham CIHR CGS-M
Allison Guitor CIHR CGS-D
Mathusan Gunabalasingam CIHR CGS-M
Amelia Guo Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Dirk Hackenberger Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Bushra Ilyas Impact Award
Patrycja Jazweic The Thomas Neilson Scholarship
Fred and Helen Knight Enrichment Award
Kate Kennedy Farncombe Scholarship
Ava Keyvani Chahi CIHR CGS-D
Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
Bijendra Khadka Fred and Helen Knight Enrichment Award
Timothy Klein NSERC CGS-D
Karl Freeman Award (2nd Place, MSc)
Kristina Klobucar CIHR CGS-D
Victoria Leon Guerrero Globalink MITACS
Craig MacNair CIHR CGS-D
Impact Award
Tetyana Murdza NSERC CGS-M
Paul Naphtali Cystic Fibrosis Canada
Sophie Ngana MD/PhD CIHR Award
Spencer Norman NSERC CGS-M
Kim Pho Farncombe Scholarship
Deanna Porras Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
The Betty Horricks Research Endowment Fund
Shuwen Qian Ontario Trillium Scholarship
Ken Rachwalski Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Jennifer Reid CIHR CGS-D
Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
Caitlyn Rotondo Fred and Helen Knight Enrichment Award
Emmanuel Sakarya Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Evan Shepherdson Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Hannah Stacey
CIHR CGS-M
Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence

Celeste Suart
Fred and Helen Knight Enrichment Award
Karl Freeman Award (1st Place, MSc)

Matthew Surette
NSERC CGS-D

Saad Syed
VANIER - CIHR

Amanda Tajik
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Nazanin Tatari
Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence

Caressa Tsai
CIHR CGS-D

Kara Tsang
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Andrew Tupper
Fred and Helen Knight Enrichment Award

Sean Vandersluis
Jan's Graduate Scholarship in Stem Cell Research

Alyssa Vito
VANIER - CIHR
Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
Louis Minden Scholarship

Joshua Xu
CIHR CGS-D
Mach-Gaensslen Summer Student Grant
Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence

Erica Yeo
CIHR CGS-M

Ali Zhang
CIHR CGS-D
Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
The W.E. Rawls Memorial Scholarship

Xueli Zhao
China Scholarship Council

Haley Zubyk
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Hamdi Abdo
BDC Program Scholarship

Julia Avolio
BDC Program Scholarship

Gurleen Dhaliwal
BDC Program Scholarship

Tali Fedorovsky
BDC Program Scholarship

Sarah Hordienko
BDC Program Scholarship

Sonia Igboanugo
BDC Program Scholarship

Melanie Keshishi
BDC Program Scholarship
Brandon Law  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Benjamin Merrick  
BDC Program Scholarship

Sally Min  
BDC Program Scholarship

Vivian Vuong  
BDC Program Scholarship

Emma Yu  
MBDC Travel Internship Scholarship

**Biomedical Engineering**

Michael Zon  
NSERC CGS-D

**Chemical Biology**

Sandi Azab  
The Gregory Bahun Award for Excellence-Chemistry

Derek Chan  
Chemical Biology Travel Award

Monica De Paoli  
Chemical Biology Travel Award

Vincent Huynh  
NSERC PGS-D

Alexa Mainguy  
NSERC CGS-M

Sarvatit Patel  
E.G. Brooman Bursary in Chemistry

Rowan Swann  
Ontario Graduate Fellowship

Kevin Wyszatko  
The Allan Jackson Ontario Graduate Scholarship

**Child Life and Pediatric Psychosocial Care**

Melissa Dodaro  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

**Global Health**

Abdullah Al Hamadi  
GSA Bursary

Leshawn Benedict  
GSA Travel Award (Fall 2019)

Sophie Campbell  
Global Experience Award

Angela (En Chi) Chen  
GSA Travel Award (Fall 2019)

Hanna Chidwick  
Global Experience Award

Ankita Datar  
Global Experience Award

MITACS Globalinks Research Award
Alana Ferguson  Global Experience Award
GSA Travel Award (Winter 2020)
Nabeel Mansuri  GSA Travel Award (Winter 2020)
Denise McQueen  Harvey E Longboat Scholarship
Indigenous Scholars Graduate Scholarship
Sylvia Miedinger  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Angel (Malaak) Najjar  GSA Travel Award (Winter 2020)
Muhammed Sohail Pasha  GSA Bursary
Amanda Pereira  Queen Elizabeth Scholar
Dr. John Thomas Memorial Bursary
Daniel Shane  GSA Travel Award (Winter 2020)
Dayton Shaw  GSA Travel Award (Winter 2020)
Sadia Sony  GSA Travel Award (Fall 2019)
Kristen Vieira-Lomasney  Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Health Policy
Ahmed Ali  Wilson Leadership Award
Valentina Antonipillai  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Canadian Research Data Centre Network (CRDCN)
ODPRN: Drug Policy Research 101: Student Training Program
Ahmed Belal  Graduate Students Association Bursary
Alice Cavanagh  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Cara Evans  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Sophiya Garasia  GSA Travel Award
Amina Jabbar  Ontario Graduate Fellowship
Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
Gautham Krishnaraj  Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
Derek Manis  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Manisha Pahwa  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Qi Wang  Ontario Trillium Scholarship

Health Research Methodology
Komal Aryal  CIHR CGS-M
Mahmood AminiLari  CIBC Graduate Bursaries in Breast Cancer
Jessica Bartoszko  Ontario Graduate Scholarship, Fergus Mills
Chloe Bedard  David L Sackett Scholarship
Arri Bhasin  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Asm Borhan  Ontario Graduate Scholarship, CAMOS
Hyo Suk Chin  CIHR CGS-M
Isabella Churchill  CIHR CGS-M
Peter Emary  NCMIC
Sydney George  The Dr. Jordan Page Harshman Bursary
Mahdis Kamali  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Kevin Kennedy  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Maram Khaled  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Michel Kiflen  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Kevin Kim  CIHR CGS-D
Jennifer Klowak  CIHR CGS-M
Daeria Lawson  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Amanda Lucas  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Fabrice Mowbray  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Clémence Ongolo Zogo  MHF Queen Elizabeth Scholar in Strengthening Health and Social Systems
Jacqui Powless  The Indigenous Scholars Graduate Scholarship
Indigenous Mentorship Network Scholarship
Tanmay Sharma  CIHR CGS-M
Claudia Sikorski  CIHR CGS-M
Emily Sirotich  Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Health Science Education
Bronte Johnston  Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Medical Sciences
Ahmed Al-Arnawoot  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Puja Bagri  CIHR CGS-D
Aadil Bharwani  CIHR CGS-D

The St. Joseph’s Research Institution Award Program
Kelly Bruton  The Eva Eugenia Lilian Cope Scholarship  
CIHR CGS-D  
Alexandra Bruton  Ontario Graduate Fellowship  
Jae Byun  CIHR CGS-M  
Alexandra Clarizio  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Erica De Jong  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Eric Desjardins  VANIER - CIHR  
Athan Dial  Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence  
CIHR CGS-D  
Emily Feng  CIHR CGS-M  
Robert Fisher  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Grace Grafham  CIHR CGS-M  
Jensine Grondin  CIHR CGS-M  
Jennifer (Yan) Gu  The St. Joseph’s Research Institution Award Program  
Jennifer Hanuschak  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Sabah Haq  CAG  
Joshua Koenig  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Ann Le  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Samuel Lee  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Joshua McGrath  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Sarah Medeiros  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Natalija Milkova  Ontario Graduate Fellowship  
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PGS-D  
Marisa Morrow  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Jenny Nguyen  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Maria Nguyen  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Allyssa Phelps  Doris Noftall Award  
Sophie Poznanski  VANIER - CIHR  
Alexander Qian  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Eduardo Rojas  Ontario Graduate Fellowship  
Caroline Seiler  Ontario Graduate Fellowship  
Bhanu Sharma  CIHR CGS-D  
Kanwal Singh  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
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FHS Graduate Plenary

Elizabeth Orr  
Evelyn Cameron Memorial Bursary (PedNIG)
Maternal-Child Nurses’ Interest Group PhD Scholarship

Katelyn Sushko  
Dorothy Monteith Scholarship

Marie-Lee Yous  
The Ann C. Beckingham Scholarship

**Occupational Therapy**

Aleem Ahmad  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Raza Ahsan  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Brittany Aldworth  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Laura Anderson  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Cheryl Balzer  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Lauren Bender  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Krupal Bhagat  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Lauren Cabiladas  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Melanie Carvalho  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Timothy Chan  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Judy Chang  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Farrah Chow  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Alyssa Corcoran  
OT Academic Scholarship

Marina Correia  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Kaitlin Cowper  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Justyna Cox  
The Shari Lowe Book Award

Jessica Cronk  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Kaely Danahy  
Mary Tremblay Academic Grant

Noria Deacon  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Alanah Delaney  
The Northern Studies Stream Award

Tessa Dickison  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

Victoria DiGiovanni  
CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

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Mary Tremblay Academic Grant
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Colette Li  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
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Anna Lisowska  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Mikaela Lowe  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Tori Ly  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Samantha Maas-Crowell  The Indigenous Health Brighter World Award
Laura MacDonald  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Emily MacPherson  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Humna Malik  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Saba Malik  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award  Alison Fisher-Lall Scholarship
Jessica Marques  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Samantha Mass-Crowell  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Michelle McArthur  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Caitlin Meanwell  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Larissa Nagora  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Sharmindy Nagulendran  The COTF Future Scholar Award
Laura Nelson  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Kristen Page  The Professional Practica Prize Award  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Ryanne Perinpanayagam  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Megan Piette  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Andrew Pople  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Kyra Pesterski  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Alyssa Prangley  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Parul Razdan  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Cydney Richardson  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Ashley Royale  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award  OT Academic Scholarship
Laura Ruby  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Kelly Russell  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Christable Sarkar  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Darren Schutten  CanChild Research Award
Lauren Scott  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Celine See  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Selena Singh  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Mylvne Tham  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Hannah Thompson  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Sarah Thorne  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Mara Thorsteinson  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Fathima Tuan Kichil  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Toria Vair  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Julia Wang  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Laura Babiski Bursary
Rachel Weekes  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Maggie Weir  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Alex White  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Yael Winkler  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Philip Zbozny  OSOT New Graduate Award for Leadership and Advocacy in Occupational Therapy
Alison Fisher Lall Scholarship
Tess Zehr  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award
Latifa Zerrouky  CAOT Conference 2019 Travel Award

**Physiotherapy**

Melissa Arlantico  PT Entrance Scholarship
Justis Beley  PT PASC Unit 3 Award
Michaela Bennett  PT PASC Unit 4 Award
Evelyn Burgess  PT PASC Unit 3 Award
Wesley Choy  PT Entrance Scholarship
Brandon Conforti  PT Entrance Scholarship
Amy Connell  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Natalie Constantin  PT Entrance Scholarship
Alina D’Asti  PT Entrance Scholarship
Holly Edward  PT Entrance Scholarship
Samuel Fan  PT Entrance Scholarship
Lian Finch  PT PASC Unit 1 Award
Barrett Fitzpatrick  PT Entrance Scholarship
Lily Freemark  PT PASC Unit 3 Award
Maddie Fyfe  PT PASC Unit 3 Award
                  PT Leadership Scholarship
Brooklyn Gallant  PT Entrance Scholarship
Yusra Hassan  PT PASC Unit 4 Award
                  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Allison Hock  PT PASC Unit 3 Award
                  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Mackenzie Holden  PT PASC Unit 4 Award
Curtis Hoyt  PT PASC Unit 3 Award
Chris Landa  PT PASC Unit 1 Award
Kailah Macri  PT Entrance Scholarship
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*Health Sciences Graduate Programs and Postdoctoral Studies*
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McMaster University has an outstanding national and international reputation as one of the most successful research-intensive universities. Our Graduate Programs in Health Sciences form a key component of this strength, offering excellent training and experiences in health-related research fields. Health Sciences graduate students are immersed in a culture of collaboration and interprofessional learning. The diverse opportunities in our Master’s and Doctoral programs allow students to develop the important professional skills that become the foundation for future career successes and life-long learning. Our highly talented faculty and postdoctoral fellows are from many different departments and disciplines in the University, including the teaching hospitals in Hamilton, associated research institutes and centres, and multidisciplinary training programs offered in collaboration with other Faculties. Our programs embrace a culture of innovation, collaboration, excellence in mentorship, education, and research that enables graduate students to reach their maximum potential. We invite you to explore the many opportunities available within our graduate programs.

BIOCHEMISTRY
Biochemistry and Biomedical Sciences offers leading-edge training at the MSc, PhD, and MD/PhD levels. Our program is internationally recognized and research-intensive in a variety of scientific disciplines including stem cells and cancer research, developmental biology, metabolism, microbiology and infectious diseases, and structural biology. The graduate experience in our Department is defined by world-class training in a research laboratory, the synthesis of skills in experimental design, interpretation, and scientific communication, and strong mentorship from researchers in the biomedical sciences. At the heart of our program are 125 graduate students working in labs on the McMaster campus and in affiliated hospitals and research institutes across the city. Our program is supported by a world-class research infrastructure, allowing students to conduct studies that are creative and original with unparalleled depth of discovery.

BIOMEDICAL DISCOVERY & COMMERCIALIZATION
The Master of Biomedical Discovery and Commercialization program is a one-year, course-based Master’s that provides students with the scientific and technical knowledge and understanding that underlies breakthrough discoveries in the biomedical sciences and drug discovery. The program also provides an understanding of business fundamentals that are necessary to market such discoveries. One of the most important features of the program, the integration of business and science, is achieved through the Team Project, Scholarly Paper, and two M.B.A.-level Business courses. Experiential learning is obtained through a four- to eight-month community internship that provides students with an opportunity for creative exploration of Biomedical Research and Commercialization. The internship also provides students with an invaluable opportunity to expand their professional network and to develop and refine a sound career plan.
BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING
McMaster University’s Faculties of Engineering and Health Sciences have been brought together to create a unique research and training program under the umbrella of the School of Biomedical Engineering (SBME). Improved healthcare and outcomes grounded in bioengineering require new approaches emphasizing integration and collaboration among traditional research areas. The School provides a unique collaborative environment that leverages our existing expertise in medical sciences and engineering, and links current and emerging areas of molecular, medical, and bioengineering research.

CHEMICAL BIOLOGY
Chemical biology involves the use of small molecules to affect living systems. Understanding the resultant interactions necessitates a multi-disciplinary approach that incorporates everything from synthetic and analytical chemistry to structural and molecular biology. Students are provided with research-intensive, multidisciplinary training at the interface of chemistry, biochemistry, and biology, with a primary emphasis on understanding how the chemical biology approach can be used to solve complex biological problems such as the mechanisms of disease, the regulation of biological pathways, and the roles of different biomolecules in controlling cellular function (or dysfunction).

CHILD LIFE AND PEDIATRIC PSYCHOSOCIAL CARE
The Master of Science in Child Life and Pediatric Psychosocial Care is the first program of its kind in Canada. It is a professional and practice-focused graduate degree offered through a blended delivery of online and in-class formats. Students will learn about pediatric psychosocial assessment, critically examine ethical issues, and apply theoretical knowledge and patient- and family-centred care principles to diverse pediatric clinical settings. Two streams are offered. Stream 1 provides academic and clinical training (2 internships) to prepare students with knowledge, clinical skills, and professional behaviours in their eligibility to certify and practise as entry-level child life specialists. Stream 2 provides practising health professionals with advanced practice skills in pediatric psychosocial care in a course-based format.

CLINICAL BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCES
The Clinical Behavioural Sciences Program is a Health Sciences Graduate Diploma Program. The course instructors are faculty from the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Neurosciences. The faculty are experienced clinicians with expertise in providing advanced training to professionals looking to enhance their skills. The program is designed for professionals who are working in the health services field. Courses are developed for adult learners and have an inter-professional, small-group approach. The emphasis of the program is not on new credentials or accreditation but on enhanced knowledge and skills. The program consists of formal teaching and clinical supervision in a number of course areas. Students from a variety of professional backgrounds, agencies, and hospitals study in the program, attending classes on a part-time basis while they continue in their usual employment. Students may choose to apply as post-degree students to complete a selected course, or diploma completion.

GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN CLINICAL EPIDEMIOLOGY (GDCE)
A unique option in Canada, the Graduate Diploma in Clinical Epidemiology (GDCE) is a completely online-delivered program, consisting of a harmonized package of four part-time courses that cover core topics of clinical epidemiology. GDCE builds on the strengths of the internationally respected Health Research Methods (HRM) graduate program. GDCE courses are recognized as equivalent to HRM courses on the same topics and are also taught by faculty members in the Department of Health Research Methods, Evidence, and Impact, a premier destination for graduate study and
research in clinical epidemiology. GDCE is ideal for applicants with an interest in clinical epidemiology training without the commitment of an entire MSc degree, and with the flexibility to combine study with work without the need to attend classes on campus. Graduates will gain foundational knowledge in the tenets of evidence-based medicine and a skill set applicable in clinical, policy, management, and research settings. At GDCE completion, a formal graduate diploma is awarded.

CLINICAL INVESTIGATOR PROGRAM (CIP)
The Clinician Investigator Program is a Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada Program that is designed to help train clinician investigators to launch a career as academic physicians. Trainees are physicians who are in, or have recently completed, a Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons accredited Clinical Residency Program and are also enrolled in a Faculty of Health Sciences Graduate Program, which can be a MSc or PhD. The Clinician Investigator Program supplements the research training provided by the graduate programs through monthly academic sessions, presented by established clinician investigators, that focus on topics of particular relevance to clinicians who plan to spend a proportion of their time doing research. McMaster’s Clinician Investigator Program, which is one of the largest in Canada, currently has 39 trainees. The trainees come from a variety of clinical departments and are enrolled in a number of Graduate Programs (e.g., Health Research Methodology, Medical Sciences, Health Science Education, Biochemistry and Biomedical Sciences).

eHEALTH
The MSc eHealth degree is truly interdisciplinary and based on a partnership between the Faculties of Health Sciences (Department of Health Research Methods, Evidence, and Impact) and Engineering, and the DeGroote School of Business (Information Systems area). The objective of the program is to produce Master’s-level graduates with high quality training and experience in the broad interdisciplinary area that spans eHealth. The program has full-time, course-based and full-time, thesis-based streams as well as a course-based, part-time option. The program of study emphasizes industry-relevant academic research and development. Full-time students are on campus for two semesters taking courses and then they move to an eight-month internship experience. They then return for one or two semesters to complete outstanding courses and a scholarly paper or a thesis. This training provides them with unique expertise in enabling technologies that will contribute to advances in healthcare, especially at the system level.

GLOBAL HEALTH
The Master of Science in Global Health - an innovative program that prepares graduates for careers in a globalized world - received the 2015 Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE) Panorama Award for Outstanding International Education Program (Academic category). Developed in partnership with Maastricht University in the Netherlands, the program is collaborative and interdisciplinary, integrating education and research from the Faculty of Health Sciences, the Faculty of Social Sciences, and the DeGroote School of Business, and linking with partner universities in Colombia, India, and Norway. The program’s curriculum provides students with the experience and skills that a global marketplace demands: collaboration, cross-cultural intuition, self-management, accountability, and incisive decision-making in an international context. Students are exposed to global perspectives and gain hands-on field experience in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). Faculty members teach and supervise from across the world and an international advisory board of global health experts provides strategic direction. Graduates leave the program equipped for leadership positions within key international health organizations, government and non-government agencies, and the private sector.
HEALTH MANAGEMENT
The Master of Health Management (MHM) is intended to provide regulated health professionals with a combination of core management skills (accounting, finance, marketing, human resource management, etc.) and a broad understanding of the Canadian healthcare policy development and service delivery environments (health system design, health policy analysis, and evidence-based decision making). This interdisciplinary program uses an online learning format alongside two short, onsite residency periods and attracts a diverse range of health professionals. A new full-time option has been recently added to the existing part-time learning approach for those interested in a more accelerated program.

HEALTH POLICY
McMaster University’s PhD in Health Policy prepares intellectual leaders in the field of health policy. Our interdisciplinary program is unique in Canada and draws outstanding and committed students from diverse graduate-training backgrounds, including interdisciplinary health fields, social sciences disciplines, and professional programs. The curriculum provides theory and empirical methods for framing, investigating, and answering crucial questions about health policy. Students receive general training across three field areas and specialize in one of: Health Economics; Political Studies; or Social Organization. Over 25 faculty supervisors in the Health Policy PhD Program hold appointments in departments across the University, including Health Research Methods, Evidence, and Impact; DeGroote School of Business; Economics; Family Medicine; Health Aging & Society; History; Oncology; Philosophy; Political Science; and Psychiatry & Behavioural Neuroscience. Graduates are equally well prepared for leadership positions in government, consulting, non-governmental organizations, or private industry.

HEALTH RESEARCH METHODOLOGY
The Health Research Methodology Program (HRM) offers training at the MSc and PhD level and students tailor their academic study in one of the five fields of specialization: Clinical Epidemiology, Biostatistics (PhD only), Health Services Research, Population and Public Health, and Health Technology Assessment. Students who do not wish to declare a field of specialization can take advantage of the flexibility in HRM Classic and tailor their educational plan to their own unique needs and interests. The goal of the HRM Program is to produce graduates with research methods skills that enable them to “push the boundaries of knowledge” relevant to improving clinical practice (including medical education research), strengthening health systems, and enhancing population health. The HRM Program offers an interdisciplinary educational model that draws on faculty members from numerous departments and disciplines, allowing students the unique opportunity to train with world-renowned health researchers who lead major studies based in numerous sites in Canada, North America, and beyond.

HEALTH SCIENCE EDUCATION
The Graduate Program in Health Science Education is designed for clinician-educators who wish to develop mastery in the science of teaching, learning, and health professions education. It is offered primarily online and offers practising professionals and direct-entry undergraduate students opportunities to build a comprehensive understanding of evidence-informed pedagogy and education research in professional health science disciplines. In particular, the program strives to provide synthesis of core competencies in the scholarship of education with influential practical application. Students will gain the skills, knowledge, and experiences necessary to succeed in a variety of areas of health science education and practice.
MEDICAL SCIENCES
With more than 80 faculty and 160 students, Medical Sciences is the largest graduate program in biomedical and health-related research in the Faculty of Health Sciences. Our programs are interdepartmental and interdisciplinary, ideally preparing students for future careers in biomedical and translational research. We offer MSc, PhD, and MD/PhD graduate education and training in five areas relevant to human health: Blood and Vasculature; Cancer and Genetics; Infection and Immunity; Metabolism and Nutrition; and Physiology and Pharmacology. Ongoing interactions between our basic scientists and our clinical faculty foster unique innovations providing opportunities for translational research spanning several disciplines.

NEUROSCIENCE
More than 70 faculty members from across campus have collaborated on the development of McMaster’s Neuroscience Graduate Program - a program designed to break through the conventional boundaries that inhibit leading edge, interdisciplinary research and study. The Neuroscience program covers the broadest spectrum of neuroscience: cellular and molecular; clinical and health; cognitive; computational; systems and behavioural; and neurotech. The Neuroscience Graduate Program connects students with an internationally recognized faculty of researchers and scholars, working within a closely-knit, resource-rich research environment. Current research projects within the faculty are aimed at improving human health and discovery in areas such as neural development, behavioural genetics, brain imaging, perception, pain, motor learning, vision, hearing, cancer, Alzheimer’s disease, autism, Parkinson’s disease, depression, bipolar disorder, dementia, anxiety, addiction, and more.

NURSING
The Nursing graduate program provides students with the opportunity to become advanced practice nurse and/or clinical health science investigators in nursing, contributing to the development of the theoretical basis of practice and to the development and evaluation of health care interventions and programs. Programs leading to the MSc (Course Based, Course Based Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner, and Thesis Based) and PhD, as well as a Graduate Diploma in Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner are offered. Students in the graduate program have access to the educational, research, and clinical resources of the Faculty of Health Sciences and the services of the Hamilton-Wentworth health care community.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
The Master of Science program in Occupational Therapy is a two-year, course-based Master’s degree. Our mission is to prepare graduates with the requisite knowledge, skills, and professional behaviours to practise as entry-level occupational therapists in a range of institutional and community settings throughout Canada and the international community. Students achieve an understanding of the influence of family, society, culture, and physical environments as they explore the concepts of occupation and health across the lifespan within the context of client-centred practice. Graduates are prepared to function as independent practitioners, as members of interdisciplinary teams, as critical consumers of research, as agents of change, as leaders in their profession, and as lifelong self-directed learners.
PHYSIOTHERAPY
The Master of Science in Physiotherapy is a full-time, 24-month program comprised of academic courses, including clinical education courses. The goal of the entry-level professional program is to prepare students to practise physiotherapy in a variety of roles and diverse practice environments. Through a problem-based, small-group, self-directed learning approach, students develop the: (1) knowledge, skills, and professional behaviours that prepare them for mindful, ethical practice; and, (2) ability to apply their knowledge and skills in an evidence-based way to clients, patients, systems, and organizations.

PUBLIC HEALTH
The Master of Public Health program, within the Department of Health Research Methods, Evidence, and Impact offers students core courses in foundations of population/public health practice, population/public health epidemiology, biostatistics, population/public health policy, and population/public health research methods as well as two required seminar courses and electives. Students choose either a practicum or thesis option from a menu of local public health agencies/partners and McMaster faculty interested in population/public health. The goal of the MPH program is to train public health professionals/researchers with skills and knowledge to address complex public health issues. The areas of focus for the program include policy/management and population/public health research methods.

REHABILITATION SCIENCE
The Rehabilitation Science Graduate Program offers two graduate programs that lead to either a PhD or a Master’s degree. Graduates of the PhD program will be trained as rehabilitation scientists, prepared to advance rehabilitation research and transfer new knowledge into practice and policy. Within the Master’s degree there is a thesis option and a course-based option. The thesis option offers an opportunity to assume leadership positions in the rehabilitation community and contribute to rehabilitation science research. The course-based option is designed for practising health professionals who want advanced knowledge and opportunity to upgrade their qualifications to take on advanced practice and management roles. The program also has a Dual Degree Option Doctoral and Professional Degrees, which allows learners to obtain the established Master of Science in Occupational Therapy (OT) and Doctor of Philosophy in Rehabilitation Science (RS) OR the Master of Science in Physiotherapy (PT) and Doctor of Philosophy in Rehabilitation Science (RS) in 5 years.

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY
The Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology is a 23-month, full-time, course-based professional Master’s program. It prepares students with knowledge, skills, and professional behaviours to practise as entry-level speech-language pathologists. The program uses a problem-based, self-directed learning philosophy. Students will complete course work and clinical practice during their two study years. The program offers students an opportunity to learn in a variety of settings, including clinics, hospitals, schools, and homes.

MD/PhD
The McMaster University MD/PhD Program is designed to train the next generation of clinician scientists who will pursue research as a major career priority and be at the forefront of medical research and innovation. The program has a unique integrated format during which students will complete both the MD curriculum (to be eligible for MD residency programs) and the PhD requirements of one of the seven eligible graduate programs. PhD studies in the MD/PhD Program are available in Biochemistry, Medical Sciences, Health Research Methodology, Neuroscience, Biomedical Engineering, Health Policy, and Chemical Biology.
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