2018 FHS Research Plenary Awards Reception

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

Wednesday, May 30

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2018 FHS Research Plenary Award Winners

**Graduate Student Leadership Award**
Puja Bagri
Jasmeet Chagger
Maneet Chahal
Sujane Kandasamy
Ahmed Negm
Ayesha Siddiqua
Michael Wong

**Postdoctoral Fellow Leadership Award**
Jocelyn Wessels

**Postdoctoral Fellow International Trainee Award for Excellence**
Manali Mukherjee

**Postdoctoral Fellow Outstanding Achievement Award**
Syed Qadri

**Graduate Student International Trainee Award for Excellence**
Michael Kalu
Claudia Marcela Velez

**Graduate Student Innovation and Entrepreneurship Award**
Daniel Pearson Hirdes
Christina Prevett

**Postdoctoral Fellow Publication Award**
Manali Mukherjee

**Graduate Student Publication Award**
Rashik Ahmed
Stephen Boulton
Sujane Kandasamy
Ahmed Negm
Karen Wong Riff
Amy Wright

**Graduate Student Teaching Assistant Excellence Award**
Brittany Duggan
Shaanattonie Henry
Yasmeen Mezil
Kiho Son
Tamana Yousof

**Graduate Student Diversity Award**
Joycelyne Efua Ewusie
Shaanattonie Henry

**HSGSF Excellence in Open Communication and Collaboration Award**
Stephen Boulton
Ahmed Negm
Carmina Angelica Perez Romero
Harman Sandhu
Stephanie Zubriski

**HSGSF Excellence in Graduate Student Supervision Award**
Gail Gauvreau
Jan Willem Gorter
Sharon Kaasalainen
Monica Maly
Andrew G. McArthur
Meredith Vanstone

**HSGSF Excellence in Graduate Teaching Award**
Patricia Strachan

**Indigenous Students Health Sciences Award for Graduate Performance & Community Leadership**
Rachel Bomberry
Danielle Bourque
Samantha Maas-Crowell
GRADUATE PROGRAM AWARDS

Faculty of Health Sciences Graduate Programs Outstanding Achievement Awards

- Shana Aadi Shaya, Medical Sciences
- Kristina Adera, Global Health
- Rashik Ahmed, Biochemistry
- Nicole Amodeo, Occupational Therapy
- Maryann Ashley, Occupational Therapy
- Ahmed Ayyash, Medical Sciences
- Puja Bagri, Medical Sciences
- Robert Ballagh, Medical Sciences
- Amy Bartholomew, Nursing
- Madison Beatty, Medical Sciences
- Emilie Belley-Cote, Health Research Methodology
- Emily Block, Health Science Education
- Justin Brunet, Medical Sciences
- Kelly Bruton, Medical Sciences
- Cathy Cao, Medical Sciences
- Jia (Lily) Cao, Physiotherapy
- Yaping Chang, Health Research Methodology
- Dingran Chang, Biochemistry
- Silvana Choo, Rehabilitation Sciences
- Samantha Coleman, Medical Sciences
- Ying Dai, Medical Sciences
- Laura Davey, Health Science Education
- Nicole Day, Nursing
- Thiliini Delungahawatta, Medical Sciences
- Avram Denburg, Health Policy
- Danielle Denwood, Global Health
- Riddhi Desai, Medical Sciences
- Kristen Dickhout, Physiotherapy
- Laura Donahoe, Health Science Education
- Emmanuelle Duceppe, Health Research Methodology
- Brittany Duggan, Medical Sciences
- Cassandra Eby, Global Health
- Efeoghen Ekp erigin, Global Health
- Luna ElDakiky, Medical Sciences
- Joycelyne Ewusie, Health Research Methodology
- Jennifer Fazzari, Medical Sciences
- Ivan Florez, Health Research Methodology
- Simona Gabriele, Medical Sciences
- Robert Gale, Biochemistry
- Anna Garnett, Nursing
- Amanda Garvin, Physiotherapy
- Molly Gingrich, Medical Sciences
- Yan Gu, Medical Sciences
- William Gwynne, Medical Sciences
- Vanessa Ha, Health Research Methodology
- Jillian Halladay, Health Research Methodology
- David Hare, Medical Sciences
- Heather Heipel, Health Science Education
- Carolyn Hill, Nursing
- Abby Hurd, Physiotherapy
- Angela Huynh, Medical Sciences
- Chitmandeep Josan, Medical Sciences
- Anne Kang, Public Health
- Richa Karkee, Global Health
- Marya Kayyal, Medical Sciences
- Victoria Krasovska, Medical Sciences
- Sai Sakktee Krisna, Medical Sciences
- Vickie Kwan, Biochemistry
- Hei Lam, Medical Sciences
- Natalia Lapinskaya, Neuroscience
- Vivian Lau, Biochemistry
- Alex Leatherdale, Medical Sciences
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- Jonsson Liu, Biomedical Discovery & Commercialization
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Katrina Aguiar  Rehabilitation Sciences  
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Ahmad Almawi  Biochemistry  
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Valentina Antonipillai  Health Policy  
Leili Aslostovar  Biochemistry  
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Victor Gordon Jan’s Graduate Scholarship in Stem Cell Research
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Michelle Kameda Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Kate Kennedy Farncombe Scholarship Fred and Helen Knight Enrichment Award
Ava Keyvani Chahi Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
Bijendra Khadka International Excellence Award
Sara Kilmury Impact Award
Vickie Kwan Impact Award
Daphnee Lamarche Fonds de recherche du Quebec - Sante (FRQS) Doctoral
Trevor Lau CGS-D
Wing Chong Lau Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Lina Liu  
International Excellence Award

Linda Liu  
Karl Freeman Award (2nd Place, MSc)

Craig Macnair  
CGS-D

CIHR DSECT Award

CIHR Travel Award - Canadian Student Health Research Forum

Sepehr Manochehry  
CGS-D

Jonathan Mapletoft  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

The Howard P. Whidden Graduate Scholarship

Phillip Marvyn  
PGS-D

Nadeem Murtaza  
Fred and Helen Knight Enrichment Award

Sid Nath  
MD/PhD CIHR Doctoral Studentship

Chen Niu  
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Alexander Oberc  
CGS-D

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Deanna Porras  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence

The Lee Neilson Roth Award

Maleeha Qazi  
CGS-D

Ophelie Quillier  
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Michael Ranieri  
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Fred and Helen Knight Enrichment Award

Ahmed Rashik  
CGS-M

Jennifer Reid  
CGS-D

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The Thomas Neilson Scholarship

The Betty Horricks Research Endowment Fund

Stefan Rentas  
Impact Award

Pat Schenck  
CGS-D

Shahbaz Shakeel  
Ontario Graduate Fellowship

Matthew Surette  
CGS-M

Nazanin Tatari  
Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence

Madeline Tong  
Karl Freeman Award (1st Place, MSc)

Damian Tran  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Carrera Tsai  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Kara Tsang  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Andrew Tupper  
Karl Freeman Award (1st Place, PhD)

Brianna Unda  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Alyssa Vito  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Sameer Zaid  
Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Ali Zhang  
Michael G. DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
**Biomedical Discovery & Commercialization**

- Thomas Burrows: Biomedical Discovery and Commercialization Graduate Scholarship
- Sawyer Karabelas-Pittman: Biomedical Discovery and Commercialization Graduate Scholarship
- Jonsson Liu: The Biogen Scholarship in Biomedical Discovery and Commercialization
- Ryan Runciman: Ontario Graduate Scholarship
- Emma Weiss: The Stewart-Anthony Family Scholarship in Biomedical Discovery and Commercialization

**Chemical Biology**

- Zainab Ahmad: Ontario Graduate Scholarship
- Sandi Azab: Chemical Biology Travel Award
- Mouhanad Babi: NSERC
- George Baidoo: International Excellence Award
- Holly Bilton: NSERC
- Vi Dang: Ontario Graduate Scholarship
- Madelaine Leung: Ontario Graduate Fellowship
- Anand Patel: NSERC
- Sarvatit Patel: Chemical Biology Travel Award
- Michelle Saoi: Ontario Graduate Fellowship
- Samantha Slikboer: Chemical Biology Travel Award
- Michael Wolfe: Ontario Graduate Scholarship
- Mai Yamamoto: International Excellence Award
- Mai Yamamoto: Chemical Biology Travel Award

**eHealth**

- Ming Li: CGS-M
- Irtaza Tahir: CGS-M
- Andrea Wurster: Ontario Graduate Scholarship

**Health Research Methodology**

- Ahmed Al-Jaishi: CGS-D
- Chloe Bedard: DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
- Emilie Belley-Cote: CIHR
- Kristen Burrows: Ontario Graduate Scholarship
- Yaping Chang: IEA
- Joanna Dionne: DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
- Emmanuelle Duceppe: CIHR
- Joycelyne Ewusie: International Excellence Award
Ivan Florez OTS
Farid Foroutan Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Naghmeh Foroutan International Excellence Award
MITACS
Vanessa Ha CGS-D
Brittany Humphries CGS-D
Sujane Kandasamy DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Kevin Kim Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Jayneelkumar Limbachia CIBC
Lyuba Lytvyn DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
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Justin Mausz Ontario Graduate Scholarship
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Rita Morassut CGS-M
Frederick Morfaw Fergus Mills Scholarship
Rebecca Morgan International Excellence Award
Gian Paolo Morgano International Excellence Award
Sergei Muratov MITACS
Yasir Rehman MITACS
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Behnam Sadeghirad MITACS
Ayesha Siddiqua Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Reed Siemieniuk Vanier
Wojciech Wiercioch Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Jacqueline Wong Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Stephen Yang CGS-M
Dena Zeraatkar CGS-D

Medical Sciences
Sam Afkhami CGS-D
Ehab Ayaub CGS-D
Puja Bagri Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Ksenia Bezverbnaya Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Jessica Breznik Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Rachel Carlisle FSORC
Steven Cass Ontario Graduate Scholarship
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Emily Day  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
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Riddhi Desai  Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Brittany Duggan  Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Jennifer Fazzari  Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Dhulfiha Gani  Ontario Graduate Fellowship

William Gwynne  Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation Doctoral Award

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Kyle Novakowski  PGS-D

Maude Perreault  Vanier

Emma Price  Eva Eugenia Lillian Cope Research Scholarship

Omar Salem  Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Bhanu Sharma  Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Randa Stringer  CGS-D

Dharneya Thayaparan  Ontario Graduate Scholarship

Robert Ungard  Michael G. DeGroote Institute for Pain Research studentship

Maryam Vaseghi-Shanjani  CGS-M

Katherine (Kuan-Wen) Wang  CGS-M

Michael Wong  Vanier

Hanyan Zou  Ontario Graduate Scholarship

**Health Science Education**

Dilshan Pieris  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Neuroscience
Krysta Andrews  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Justin Balsor  Kid’s Brain Health Travel Award
Ashley Bernardo  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Kevin Champagne-Jorgensen  DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
Rachael Horne  CGS-M
John Krzeczkowski  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
DeGroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
Natalia Lapinskaya  Ontario Graduate Fellowship
Steven Mancini  CGS-M
Vanessa Morris  Collaborative Perspectives on Addiction Travel Award
Early Career Award
Kristie Poole  CGS-D
Kathryn Reynolds  CGS-D
Chris Rowley  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Arman Shekari  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Jee Su Suh  CGS-M
CGS-M Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplements
Shawna Lee Thompson  Ontario Graduate Fellowship
Jock Cleghorn Prize
Jasmine Turna  Louis Minden Scholarship

Nursing
Alison Arden  Betty Gourlay Award for Excellence Scholarship
Emily Belita  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Emily Belita  RNFOO Award - Saint Elizabeth Community Nursing Scholarship
Marissa Bird  2018 Young Alumni Award, University of British Columbia
Ontario Graduate Scholarship
RNFOO Award - ONIG Scholarship
The Rose C. Mosgrove
Danielle Bourque
RNFOO Award - Dr. Joan Lesmond Memorial Scholarship
Patricia Burnett  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Rebekah Bushby  RNFOO Award - MCNIG Scholarship - Masters
Maneet Chahal  Mental Health Student Scholarship Award
RNFOO Award - Research in Mental Health Nursing - MHNIG
Jamie Dawdy  Michael G. Degroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
Pamela Durepos  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
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The Dr. Vivian Wood Graduate Scholarship
Anna Garnett  The Canadian Gerontological Nursing Association Beckingham Scholarship
Leanna McCallum  Dr. Marilyn A. Ray Award for Excellence in Nurse Practitioner Education and Practice
Seonhee McDermott  Mental Health Student Scholarship Award
Melissa Northwood  RNFOO Award - DNIG Research Award
Elizabeth Orr  RNFOO Award - Evelyn Cameron Memorial Bursary PedNIG
Carley Ouellette  The Dr. Vivian Wood Graduate Scholarship
Jasprit Pannag  The Ann C. Beckingham Graduate Scholarship
Tharshika Sugumaran  The Aileen McPhail Memorial Prize Graduate Scholarship
Carly Whitmore  Michael G. Degroote Doctoral Scholarship of Excellence
Amy Wright  Canadian Nurses Association Top 150 Nurses Award
  CIHR Fellowship
  RNFOO Award - Evelyn Cameron Memorial Bursary PedNIG
Marie-Lee Yous  Alzheimer’s Society Bursary Foundation Research Award
  Gerontological Nursing Association Education Scholarship
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Erin Ziegler  CIHR Hacking the Knowledge Gap in Health Research

**Occupational Therapy**
Nicole Amodeo  Outstanding Achievement Award
Maryann Ashley  The Shari Lowe Book Award
  The COTF Future Scholar Award
  Outstanding Achievement Award
Emily Bennett  The Professional Practica Prize Award
Karen Blumenstock  The Northern Studies Stream Book Award
Meredyth Bowcott  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Audrey Carter  OT Academic Scholarship
Amy Chai  CAOT Conference 2017 Travel Grant
Kaelyn Danahy  Entrance Scholarship
Margaret Flood  Entrance Scholarship
Kassi Fritz  OT Academic Scholarship
Tanya Gabriele  CAOT Conference 2017 Travel Grant
Zoe Hodgins  CAOT Conference 2017 Travel Grant
Claire Jacek  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Shannon Knutson  The Catherine Smith Spirit Award
Nathaneil Koch  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Kaitlin Lewis  Outstanding Achievement Award
Katherine Liston  Outstanding Achievement Award
Emily Malone  CAOT Conference 2017 Travel Grant
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Public Health
JadeGoodman  Ontario Graduate Scholarship
Elizabeth Kamler  James Rossiter Practicum Award
Aarani Paramalingam  James Rossiter Practicum Award
Ethan Zhang  James Rossiter Practicum Award
Andrea Ziesmann  James Rossiter Practicum Award

Rehabilitation Science
Silvana Choo  International Excellence Award
Armaghan Dabbagh  International Excellence Award
Anthony Gatti  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Janelle Gravesande  DeGroot Scholarship of Excellence  
                       The School of Rehabilitation Science Graduate Bursary  
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                       The Louis Minden Scholarship in Health Sciences Award  
Michael Kalu  MIRA Doctoral Scholarship  
                       Graduate Student International Trainee Award for Excellence  
                       Rehabilitation Science Award for Travel  
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Jennifer Kennedy  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Shereen Khattab  The School of Rehabilitation Science Graduate Bursary  
Shannon Killip  CN Graduate Scholarship  
Pamela Lahey  CGS-D  
Nicole Last  The School of Rehabilitation Science Graduate Bursary  
Rachel McLay  Rehabilitation Science Award for Travel  
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Ahmed Negm  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
                       Graduate Student Leadership Award  
                       Graduate Student Publication Award  
                       Excellence in Open Communication and Collaboration Award  
Christina Nowak  Graduate Student Innovation and Entrepreneurship Award  
Sachi OHoski  DeGroot Scholarship of Excellence  
                       The Louis Minden Scholarship in Health Sciences Award  
                       Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Olumide Olaoye  Robert S. McNamara Fellowships Program  
Michelle Phoenix  CGS-D  
                       Pursuit Award Competition  
                       FHS Award for Excellence for Thesis  
Julie Reid  Rehabilitation Science Award for Travel  
                       Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Ruheena Sangrar  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Enid Selkirk  Ontario Graduate Scholarship  
Jenna Smith  CIHR Fellowship Award  
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Josie Szatmari  Dr. Ian and Shirley Rowe scholarship  
Stephanie Zubriski  Joseph Armand Bombardier Graduate Scholarship  
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Health Sciences Graduate Studies

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 inter-professional 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 centers, 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 & 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; cell and human biology; microbiology and infectious diseases; and structural biology. The graduate experience in our Department is defined by a world-class experience 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 affiliated hospitals and research institutes across the city. Our program is supported by world-class research infrastructure, allowing students to conduct research that is creative and original with unparalleled depth of discovery.

BIOMEDICAL DISCOVERY AND 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 that 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’s 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 practice as entry-level child life specialists. Stream 2 provides practicing 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 courses 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 interprofessional 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 a post degree student 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.

CLINICIAN 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, and takes a minimum of 2 years to complete. 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 large proportion of their time (e.g. 50 -75%) doing research. McMaster's Clinician Investigator Program, which is one of the largest in Canada, currently has over twenty trainees. The trainees have a broad range of clinical training (e.g. Surgery, Psychiatry; Internal Medicine; Oncology; Pediatrics) 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 among 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 Masters level graduates with high quality training and experience in the broad interdisciplinary area that spans eHealth. The program has a full-time course-based and full-time thesis-based stream 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 8-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 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 is designed specifically for health professionals who are currently employed in a clinical and/or management capacity in any healthcare sector in Canada or internationally. Students will gain the knowledge, skills and abilities necessary to excel as a middle or senior manager within both the public and private spheres of Canada’s healthcare sector.

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 & 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. Refer to the HRM website for program requirements and current event information: http://fhs.mcmaster.ca/hrm/.

HEALTH SCIENCE EDUCATION
The Master of Science in Health Science Education is designed for clinicians in the health science field who wish to strengthen their teaching abilities in their area of expertise. It is offered primarily online and offers practicing professionals and direct entry undergraduate students with opportunities to develop a comprehensive understanding evidence informed pedagogy and research principles in health science education. In particular, the Program strives to provide synthesis of core competencies in the scholarship of education with influential practical application. Students will gain the research skills, pedagogical knowledge and experiences necessary to succeed in a variety of areas of health science education and practice.

MEDICAL SCIENCES
With more than eighty faculty and one hundred and sixty 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 MINDS (McMaster Integrative Neuroscience Discovery and Study) 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 healthcare interventions and programs. The program offers 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. 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 requisite knowledge, skills, and professional behaviours to practice 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-centered 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 Masters in Physiotherapy Program is a full time 25-month program comprised of academic courses, including clinical education courses. The goal of the entry-level professional program is to prepare students to practice 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, was launched in September 2015. This program 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 produce public health professionals/researchers with skills and knowledge to address complex public health issues. The three areas of focus for the program include policy/management, environmental health and population/public health research methods. For more information please see http://fhs.mcmaster.ca/ceb/mph/

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 practicing health professionals who want advanced knowledge and opportunity to upgrade their qualifications to take on advanced practice and management roles. New for 2017-2018 is the 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 practice as entry level speech-language pathologists. The program uses a problem-based, self-directed learning philosophy. Students will complete course work and clinical practica during their two study years. The program offers students an opportunity to learn in a variety of settings, including clinics, hospitals, schools and homes. For more information, please visit http://srs-mcmaster.ca/slp-program-information/

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 in order to be eligible for academic placements across institutions. Up to 3 applicants of high academic excellence will be admitted on a yearly basis into the Faculty of Health Sciences MD/PhD program. PhD studies in this Program are available in Medical Sciences or Biochemistry & Biomedical Sciences, Health Research Methodology, Neuroscience and Biomedical Engineering.
2018 FHS Research Plenary Awards Reception

Wednesday, May 30
Jan and Mien Heersink Reading Pavilion
(Health Sciences Library, 1st floor)
4:00pm – 6:00pm

4:00pm
Awards Reception - Wine & Cheese

Welcome – Dr. Paul O’Byrne
Dean and Vice-President, Faculty of Health Sciences

Dr. Jonathan Bramson
Associate Dean of Research, Faculty of Health Sciences

Dr. Catherine Hayward
Associate Dean of Graduate Studies, Faculty of Health Sciences

4:15pm
Announcement and Awarding of 2018 FHS Research Plenary Awards