Department of Biology Newsletter

Friday, October 3, 2014

UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

Congratulations to Undergraduate Students

The Department of Biology would like to congratulate the Undergraduate Students who were awarded a 2014-15 Undergraduate In-course Scholarship

- Felix Beaudry
- Eleanor Brouard-John
- Emily Campbell
- Philip Chkipov
- Lindsay Dealy
- Logan Godin
- Nova Hanson
- Robert Izetti
- Alexandra Jamieson
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- Curtis Martin
- Julie Munich
- Emma Polle
- Justin Shaible

B.W. Pearse Science Scholarship - Biology
Thetis Park Nature Sanctuary Association
Harper Scholarship - Biology
Eric Ashby Memorial Prize in Biology
Maud Leveson-Gower Scholarship
Sheila Calvert Memorial Scholarship
Charles Guiguet Book Prize
Harper Scholarship - Biology
Amelia Leith Memorial Scholarship
Victoria Rhododendron Society Pioneer Scholarship
Allen P. James Scholarship
Ian and Joyce McTaggart-Cowan Scholarship
Chapman Memorial Scholarship
John J. Dobrocky Scholarship

Upcoming Seminars

**Biology**

Dr. Katie Peichel
Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center Human Biology and Basic Sciences Divisions Member
University of Washington

“TBA”

Friday, October 17, 2014 at 2:30 pm CUN 146

**Biochemistry Microbiology**

Dr. Fiona Brinkman
Department of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry, Simon Fraser University

“Omic analyses aiding more holistic, sustainable infectious disease control and environmental monitoring”

Friday, October 10, 2014 at 1:30 pm ECS 124

**School of Earth and Ocean Sciences**

Dr. Samuel Butler
Department of Geological Sciences, University of Saskatchewan

“Shear-induced porosity bands and their implications for melt transport in Earth’s upper mantle”

Tuesday, October 7, 2014 at 3:00 pm ELL 062

**Biology**

Fabio De Leo Cabrera
Ocean Networks Canada Society
University of Victoria

“TBA”

Friday, October 31, 2014 at 2:30 pm CUN 146
**Important Dates:**

- **Friday, October 3**
  - Senate meets

- **Tuesday, October 7**
  - Last day for 50% reduction of tuition fees for standard courses. 100% tuition fees will be assessed for courses dropped after this date

- **Monday, October 13**
  - Thanksgiving Day

**Biology Co-op**

Education/Interpretive
Friday October 3, 2:30 to 4:30 pm Elliott 160

**Call for Volunteers**

**Fall Convocation**
The Ceremonies and Events office is seeking volunteers to assist with various roles. If you are interested in volunteering, please review the information about the volunteer roles and complete the online Attendance and Ticket Request Form at: http://www.uvic.ca/ceremonies/convocation/robing/index.php.

**Conferences/Sessions**

**Student Mental Health Strategy Launch Event**
Students, staff and faculty are invited to learn about the new tools, resources and initiatives being launched to support positive student mental health.
Featured Keynote Speaker: Mark Henick, TEDx Speaker—National Youth Advocate for Mental Health and Empowerment

Wednesday, October 22, 3:00 to 4:30 pm
Bob Wright Lecture Hall Foyer (B150)  No charge—No registration (Doors open at 2:30 pm)
Post-presentation reception with light refreshments
More information available at: studentaffairs.uvic.ca/mentalhealth

**CBR PCP Lunch Session**
Fast paced, easy to understand presentations by graduate students and an excellent opportunity to meet other students involved in biomedical research.

Tuesday, November 18  at 11:00 am
ECS 660 (Engineering Computer Science)
Pizza and coffee will be provided.
Please RSVP  cbr@uvic.ca  250-472-4067
For more information go to: www.cbr.uvic.ca
Student Events

University of Victoria Sustainability Week Oct 6-10, 2014

October 6
“Could BC become a 100% renewable energy region?” Public talk featuring Guy Dauncey and other researchers on ways BC could end its addiction to fossil fuels and become 100% renewable, HHB 105, 7:00 to 9:00 pm

October 7
“Love-a-mug” Free pizza and a photo with coffee cup mascot “Cuppy” for anyone sporting their own reusable mug, 12:00 pm at The Fountain

“Campus community garden tour and fall harvest” Get a tour of the garden, find out how to get more involved and help harvest all those fall veggies, 1:00 pm Campus Community Garden

October 8
“Bike to campus day” You could win a new bike! Events include a morning celebration station at 7:30 am at The Fountain, a noon hour Cycling Skills seminar at Upper lounge in the SUB, a bike gear sale and bike repairs by donation

“Cunningham woods restoration” Join other volunteers to help keep our campus beautiful and learn the basics of restoration, meet at The Fountain, 10:00 am and 2:00 pm

October 9
“EarthFest” Hosted by the UVic Sustainability Project, a day of speakers, workshops and special events including the EcoSpeak contest and Sustainability Photo Contest winners announcement, SUB, 11:30 am to 9:00 pm

“Dodge in the dark: Here we glow again” Hosted by Vikes Nation, Ian Stewart Complex Gym, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

“Urban Farms” Public talk by local urban farmers hosted by Continuing Studies Restoration of Natural Systems Program 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

October 10
“Fall harvest local farmers and food producers. $10.00 staff/faculty, $5.00 students—please reserve a spot by contacting action@uvic.ca. Campus View Room, Cadboro Commons, 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Love-a-mug random acts of coffee
All week watch for volunteers giving out coffee/tea coupons to those using their own reusable mugs.

Don’t smash your pumpkin
Ride safe this fall and pick up helmets and lights at 25% off all week at SUBtext

For more information go to:
www.uvic.ca/sustainability
or email: action@uvic.ca
General UVic Events

Surviving Disaster
Do you ever wonder how you would respond in a disaster? Did you know there are ways we can improve our chances of survival?
Free viewing of “Surviving Disaster” a PBS documentary based on the remarkable book
The Unthinkable: Who Survives when Disaster Strikes and Why by Amanda Ripley
Learn more about how people react in disaster and how we can all do much, much better
Wednesday, October 8, 12:00 to 1:00 pm
Harry Hickman Building 110
(Bring your lunch – no registration required)
Sponsored by UVic Emergency Planning Office

Get Ready to Shake Out
Drop! Cover! Hold on!
Thursday, October 16, 2014 at 10:16 am
The Great British Columbia Shake Out
For more information go to: uvic.ca/services/emergency

Internship Opportunities and Programs

Intern with the South African Shark Conservancy – positions available!
SASC is a non-profit organisation dedicated to promoting the conservation and sustainable utilisation of marine resources through research, education and outreach. Since its inception in 2007, SASC has developed partnerships with academic and conservation organisations around the globe, and has become well-known in South Africa for its inclusive and holistic approach to conservation and management initiatives.
SASC offers interns the opportunity to become involved in a unique and exciting approach to marine conservation. Interns may be involved in field research, outreach and educational programmes as well as desktop studies and organisational development projects. Our research and outreach projects are specifically designed to promote a well-rounded approach to conservation, working with various fishing sectors, research institutes and governmental organisations. We are looking for interns with a biological background or interest in shark biology and conservation for a period of one to three months. Join our internship programme and gain valuable insight into the conservation management of sharks and other living marine resources.

Visit www.sharkconservancy.org for more details about current projects and events.

For more details and an application form, please send an email to:
intern@sharkconservancy.org

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