Happy New Year from the Centre for Youth and Society
Wishing our readers good health, happiness, and success in the coming year and always. We are grateful for all who make up this incredible community.

Spring 2019 CFYS Student Award Applications Due February 1
The Centre for Youth and Society is pleased to announce that we are now accepting applications for the Spring 2019 Student Awards. Awards include the Freya Milne Memorial Award (supports a community-event, workshop, or youth-led project), the Mary Catherine and Gloria Marshall Award (supports graduate student research), the Myer Horowitz Award (supports conference presentations on youth related-research or community-based research on youth), and the Roy Watson Traffic Safety Award (research award). Students interested by the community-based research awards are invited to the CFYS Learning Event: How to Apply for CFYS Awards on January 9, 2019 (3:00pm – 4:30pm). The deadline for applications is February 1, 2019 at 5:00pm.
More information

CFYS Events at IdeaFest 2019 – Save the Date!
The Centre for Youth and Society is eagerly anticipating IdeaFest 2019. IdeaFest is the University of Victoria’s week-long festival of research, art, and innovation which features numerous events and a comprehensive range of topics. The events are open to the public, and very well-attended. In the 2019 festival, CFYS will host two events. On Monday, March 4 (6:00pm to 8:00pm), we will propose a panel discussion on cannabis use among youth. Then, on Saturday, March 9 (1:00pm to 4:00pm), a panel
discussion brings together refugee youth, diverse professionals and UVic experts to share experiences and insights on refugee youth in Canada, and identify challenges and opportunities for the future. Planning is currently underway, stay tuned for more information!

Research Assistant Positions with CFYS
The Centre for Youth and Society will be offering research assistant positions in Spring 2019. Advanced skills in social media, web design, and/or Adobe InDesign will be considered as assets. Contact cfysassistant@uvic.ca for more information.

Job and volunteer opportunities

Local Coordinator (Youth Exchange Program) – YMCA of Greater Toronto
The YMCA Summer Work Student Exchange is a national exchange program coordinated by the YMCA and funded by the Department of Canadian Heritage. Local Coordinators promote the program to youth and community organizations, while also securing host and job placements for them (March-May). Then they will interview, select and prepare the outbound youth participants (May-June). Finally, they will plan and deliver a full program of activities during the exchange, and support the inbound youth participants (July-August). Local Coordinators must be full-time post-secondary students.
Location: Victoria, BC
Deadline: January 11, 2019
More information

Steering Committee Members for Youth Participatory Budgeting – City of Victoria and City of Victoria Youth Council
The City of Victoria and the City of Victoria Youth Council are seeking 12 volunteers to serve on the Participatory Budgeting Steering Committee for 2019. The focus will be on empowering the Victoria community to allocate up to $60,000 in funding for projects or events that benefit youth in the City of Victoria.
Location: Victoria, BC
Deadline: January 11, 2019
More information

Child and Youth Support Worker – WSÁNEĆ School Board
The Child & Youth Support Worker works under the direction of the Principal and in consultation with case planning, and intervention for students at risk or experiencing severe social, emotional behavioral, mental and/or developmental disorders and/or difficulties. As a member of the School Based Team, the CYS worker will also liaise with parents and community agencies to facilitate access to services and ensure ongoing communication with schools in order that students may take full advantage of the instructional program and available resources.
Location: Brentwood Bay, BC
Deadline: Until filled
More information

Youth and Family Counsellor, Victoria Youth Program for Enhanced Recovery (VYPER) – Boys and Girls Club of Greater Victoria
The Victoria Youth Program for Enhanced Recovery is recruiting an additional Youth and Family Counsellor to join their team. The position requires a well-organized motivated individual with an outgoing disposition who shares a passion for working with youth and families seeking support to address problematic substance use. The Youth and Family Counsellor will work in a small team to provide intensive programming with youth affected by substance use and, who are seeking to engage in personal change.

Location: Victoria, BC  
Deadline: Until filled

Coordinator – Royal Oak Neighbourhood House
The Coordinator will be required to manage and maintain all operations at the Royal Oak Neighbourhood House in accordance with guidelines set out by Saanich Neighbourhood Place. The position requires a well-organized motivated individual with an outgoing disposition who enjoys building stakeholder relations.

Location: Victoria, BC  
Deadline: Until filled

For more job listings and volunteer opportunities:
UVic Learning in Motion  
UVic Careers  
WorkBC  
Volunteer Victoria

Workshops

Community Building 2.0 for Youth Workers – Hype Planning Committee
In this workshop you will learn what community building is all about! From the basics to some deeper questions we will learn and share together in this interactive workshop that role models how to build community and engage youth and community members. You will walk away feeling inspired and ready to implement strategies learned participating in Community Building 2.0.

Location: Quadra Village Community Centre, 901 Kings Road, Victoria, BC  
Date: January 18, 2019 (9:00am – 1:00pm)

Youth Work Method: Youth Voice – Youth Program Quality Initiative (YPQI)
Research shows that quality programs incorporate youth input at both activity and organizational levels. This workshop will emphasize the importance of offering real choices and meaningful participation to youth, and nurturing youth leadership. Recommended strategies are divided into opportunities and support. Please note that these categories are not entirely separate. In fact, providing opportunities without supports are not likely to be successful. But meaningful opportunities for voice coupled with strong support can result in benefits for youth, programs and communities. This interactive workshop is focused on providing youth with meaningful choice within activities and opportunities for youth input within the program itself.

Location: Threshold Housing Society, 1524 Fort Street, Victoria, BC
Date: January 24, 2019 (9:30am – 12:00pm)  
More information

**Events and conferences**

**Teaching and Learning Two-Spirit: Decolonizing Gender Diversity Education – Chair in Transgender Studies**
Free public talk with Kyle Shaughnessy, Fellow Recipient of Dalhousie University. Kyle is a Two-Spirit, trans person of mixed Indigenous (Dene) and European ancestry. He is a social worker and writer originally from the Northwest Territories and rural BC with a strong background in public speaking, education, community building, and youth advocacy. Kyle is currently completing his MSW at Dalhousie University, focusing his thesis work on Two-Spirit pedagogy, and works at Trans Care BC as the Education Lead for Indigenous Communities and Children, Youth & Families.  
Location: Cornett A317, UVic  
Date: January 11, 2019 (12:30pm – 2:00pm)  
More information

**Lansdowne Lecture: Nava Ashraf on ‘Human Nature and Human Development’**
Dr. Nava Ashraf is Professor of Economics and Director of Research of the Marshall Institute at the London School of Economics and Political Science. Her research combines psychology and economics, using both lab and field experiments to test insights from behavioural economics in the context of development projects in the Philippines, Kenya and Zambia.  
Location: DTB A110, UVic  
Date: January 23, 2019 (7:00pm)  
More information

**8th Annual E-Mental Health Conference – University of British Columbia, University of Toronto, & Mental Health Commission of Canada**
The Addictions and Concurrent Disorders Research group in the UBC Department of Psychiatry presents a two day conference called “New Generations, New Services: Shifting Mental Health to the Digital Age”, with the goal of highlighting research and interventions related to e-mental health. Keynote speakers include Maree Teesson and Tom Insel.  
Location: Vancouver, BC  
Date: February 1 – 2, 2019  
More information

**Strengthening Our Relations: Restoring Family within Community – Vancouver Aboriginal Child and Family Services Society Conference**
VACFSS is a non-profit society whose vision is “A balanced and harmonious Aboriginal Community.” The conference will showcase innovative, culturally-based ways to support our Indigenous children and families through restorative child welfare practice. It will provide a unique opportunity for service providers, Indigenous communities, government, and academia to come together to explore ways to improve outcomes for Indigenous children and families. VACFSS is honoured to host the internationally celebrated former Lieutenant Governor, Honourable Steven Point, and Dr. Gwen Point respected Stó:lō
leaders, mentors, and cultural advisors, and renowned expert on addictions, child development and trauma, Dr. Gabor Maté, as their keynote speakers.

Location: Vancouver, BC
Date: February 27 – 28, 2019
More information

8th International Conference on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder
This advanced level conference/meeting continues to bring together global experts from multiple disciplines to share international research. From the pure science, to prevention, diagnosis and intervention across the lifespan, the conference will address the implications of this research and promote scientific/community collaboration.

Location: Vancouver, BC
Date: March 6 – 9, 2019
More information

The 51st Banff International Conference on Behavioural Science School Mental Health
The 51st annual Banff International Conference on Behavioural Science will highlight both the challenges and opportunities of school mental health, with an emphasis on identifying practical implications for mental health professionals, educators and administrators, and researchers. The conference is geared towards professionals who are planning, implementing, and evaluating mental health services for students in elementary and secondary schools, as well as community partners who support this work.

Location: Banff, AB
Date: March 17 – 20, 2019
More information

2019 Biennial Meeting – Society for Research in Child Development
Through its biennial meetings—which draw attendees from 53 countries throughout the world—and publishing efforts, SRCD strives to meet the goal of understanding child development through research while serving as a network and forum for its members and attendees. Members and attendees include professionals and graduate students in psychology, human development, family studies, education, public policy, sociology, social work, psychiatry, pediatrics, and public health.

Location: Baltimore, MD, USA
Date: March 21 – 23, 2019
More information

8th International Meeting on Indigenous Child Heath – Canadian Paediatric Society
Designed for community members, researchers, academics, and clinicians, the International Meeting on Indigenous Child Health is only conference dedicated to the health and well-being of First Nations, Inuit, Métis, American Indian, Alaska Native and other Indigenous children and youth in North America and around the world. The 2019 conference features leaders in Indigenous health discussing some of the most pressing issues currently facing children and youth.

Location: Calgary, AB
Date: March 22 – 24, 2019
More information
Families in Canada 2019 Conference
This is more than just a conference. It’s a national, pan-Canadian catalytic event where individuals and organizations that study, serve and support families will focus on this year’s theme – THINK BIG: How can we use “Big Data” to inform and inspire big ideas to have a big impact on family well-being in Canada? – to create a Family Well-Being Index, Family Researchers Network, Social Policy Monitor and more!
Location: Ottawa, ON (Co-hosted by university partners across the country)
Date: March 27 – 28, 2019
More information

Present your research
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The Addictions and Concurrent Disorders Research group in the UBC Department of Psychiatry presents a two day conference called “New Generations, New Services: Shifting Mental Health to the Digital Age”. Poster abstract submissions are encouraged from all attending members, including academics, professionals, students, and individuals with lived experience.
Location: Vancouver, BC
Dates: February 1 – 2, 2019
Submission deadline: January 11, 2019
More information

North American Refugee Health Conference – University of Toronto
The North American Refugee Health Conference (NARHC) is the largest global clinical refugee health conference. It is recognized as the premier conference for those who work with refugee populations. Health professionals and experts from many disciplines, will meet to discuss best practices and challenges faced in the optimal care of the refugee patient population throughout their journey from predisposition before and during flight, to time in a refugee camp and subsequent migration or resettlement.
Location: Toronto, ON
Date: June 14 – 16, 2019
Submission deadline: January 14, 2019
More information

Weaving Perspectives: Challenging Ourselves and Others through Storytelling and Narratives – Ontario Association of Child and Youth Care
The OACYC June 2019 Weaving Perspectives: Challenging Ourselves and Others through Storytelling and Narratives Conference is hosted on the traditional territory of the Michi Saagiig in Nogojiwanong (Peterborough), Fleming College, Sutherland Campus. Weaving Perspectives seeks to partner with Indigenous Traditional Knowledge Holders and non-Indigenous practitioners to deepen understanding and ways of knowing relevant to working alongside young peoples and families in Child and Youth Care (CYC) practice.
Location: Nogojiwanong (Peterborough), ON
Date: June 5 – 7, 2019
Submission deadline: January 30, 2019
More information

80th Annual Canadian Psychological Association National Convention
Join the CPA and more than 1,800 of your peers and colleagues from coast to coast, at Canada’s largest learning, sharing and networking event dedicated to those engaged in the science, practice and education of psychology in Canada – The CPA National Convention and CPA Marketplace trade show.
Location: Vancouver, BC
Date: May 31 – June 2, 2019
Submission deadline: January 31, 2019
More information

5th International Conference on Youth Mental Health (IAYMH 2019)
The conference will connect young people, their families, practitioners, researchers, policymakers, and many more who are passionate about driving a unified effort to create global and lasting change across the youth mental health sector.
Location: Brisbane, Australia
Dates: October 26 – 28, 2019
Submission deadline: February 28, 2019
More information

4th Biennial Children and Childhoods Conference
Building on a successful legacy, the Children and Childhoods Conference invites papers that theoretically and empirically engage with a broad range of disciplines reflecting the diverse nature of contemporary childhood studies.
Location: University of Suffolk, United Kingdom
Dates: July 16 – 17, 2019
Submission deadline: March 15, 2019
More information

Funding opportunities
Please note: the internal deadline to submit an application to the Director of CFYS is one week prior to the submission date listed below.

SSHRC Connection Grants
These grants support events and outreach activities geared toward short-term, targeted knowledge mobilization initiatives. These events and activities represent opportunities to exchange knowledge and to engage on research issues of value to those participating.
Application deadlines: February 1, May 1, and August 1, 2019
More information

Spencer Foundation Small Research Grant
Supports education research projects with budgets of $50,000 or less. In keeping with the Spencer Foundation’s mission, this program aims to fund academic work that will contribute to the improvement of education, broadly conceived.
Application deadlines: February 1, May 1, August 1, November 1
More information

**CIHR Project Grant**
The Project Grant program is designed to capture ideas with the greatest potential for important advances in fundamental or applied health-related knowledge, health care, health systems, and/or health outcomes by supporting projects with a specific purpose and a defined endpoint. The best ideas may stem from new, incremental, innovative, and/or high-risk lines of inquiry or knowledge translation approaches.
Registration deadline: February 6, 2019
Application deadline: March 6, 2019
More information

**SSHRC Partnership Engage Grants**
They provide short-term and timely support for partnered research activities that will inform decision-making at a single partner organization from the public, private or not-for-profit sector. The small-scale, stakeholder-driven partnerships supported through the Partnership Engage Grants are meant to respond to immediate needs and time constraints facing organizations in non-academic sectors.
Application deadlines: March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15, 2019
More information

For more funding opportunities:
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- [Mitacs](#)
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