

# **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 Izett

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

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## **Upcoming Seminars**

**Biology** 

#### Dr. Katie Peichel

Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center Human Biology and Basic Sciences Divisions Member

University of Washingtong

"TBA"

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

### **Biochemistry Microbiology**

### Dr. Fiona Brinkman

Department of Molecular Biol- Department of Geological ogy 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

Scholarships

#### Dr. Samuel Butler

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

#### Calendar

**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: <a href="http://www.uvic.ca/ceremonies/convocation/robing/index.php">http://www.uvic.ca/ceremonies/convocation/robing/index.php</a>.

### 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: <a href="mailto:studentaffairs.uvic.ca/mentalhealth">studentaffairs.uvic.ca/mentalhealth</a>



#### **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 <a href="mailto:cfbr@uvic.ca">cfbr@uvic.ca</a> 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 an 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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