The Department of Biology congratulates Dr. Julia Baum on being awarded a coveted 2018 E.W.R. Steacie Memorial Fellowship from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada.

Calendar

**Important Dates:**

**Monday, May 14**
- May and May–June courses begin. Last day for course changes (Faculty of Law only)

**Monday, May 21**
- Victoria Day

**Thursday, May 24**
- Senate Committee on Academic Standards meets to approve convocation lists

**Thursday, May 31**
- Fees deadlines for summer
  (see [Add and Drop Dates for Standard Summer Courses](#))

Biology Announcements

Congratulations to Biology Senior Lab Instructor Alicia Rippington on the birth of her baby boy. Mother and son are doing well.

Graduate Student Morgan Black (Juanes Lab) and Jesse MacLeod were married April 1, 2018 in Victoria, BC.

Morgan is also the recipient of the Margaret McWilliams Pre-Doctoral Fellowship for $11,000 from the Canadian Federation of University Women. This fellowship is awarded to a woman in a doctoral program in Canada or abroad.

Congratulations on your wedding and your award, Morgan!!

Congratulations to Biology Graduate Student Will Duguid (Juanes Lab) on the birth of his son, James.

UVic Women in Science

**Women in Science**

UVic Women in Science is a club with the purpose to connect and support female graduate and undergraduate students pursuing STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) fields. Through newsletters, social events, guest lectures and professional development seminars, this network is open to all genders and persons who want to contribute to the success of these women. Membership offers a variety of resources that aim to support and enable members to form relationships with peers, professors, and industry professionals.

Visit: [UVic Women in Science](#) for more information on events, interviews, resources and community.

If you have stories or announcements that would like to share for the Biology newsletter, please email Chantal Laliberté at biology@uvic.ca or Laura Alcaraz-Sehn at bioclerk@uvic.ca.
Job Opportunities

Lab Instructor Positions Fall 2018

The lab instructor positions for the September - December term of the 2018-19 Winter session are posted on the Biology website.
The following is a list of lab instructor positions available at the moment. The number of positions is subject to enrollment and/or course cancellation.

- **Biol184** Evolution & Biodiversity 34-38 lab sections
- **Biol215** Ecology 11-12 lab sections
- **Biol225** Principles of Cell Biology 19-22 lab sections
- **Biol311/EOS311** Oceanography 4 lab sections
- **Biol321** Invertebrates 5 lab sections
- **Biol325** Tree Biology 1 lab section
- **Biol345** Animal Behaviour 5-6 lab sections
- **Biol365** Animal Physiology 7-8 lab sections
- **Biol409B** Experimental Neurobiology 1-2 positions
- **Biol448** Neuroethology 1-2 positions for tutorials
- **Biol461** Fisheries Ecology 0.5 position for tutorial
- **Biol184** Scientific Assistant technical support - paid by timesheet approximately 50-60 hrs/term

Please see the postings for more details and for the CUPE4163 application form.
The closing date for applications is Sunday July 15, 2018.

UVic Announcements

UVic Scuba Diving Club

This is a club organized by students, for students. You must be a full time student at the University of Victoria or a Vikes Recreation member to be eligible to become a member.

Click here to find out how to join the club.

UVic In-course Scholarships

The UVic online application for in-course scholarships for students currently attending UVic is open until May 31. To view the list of awards and specific requirements visit:
https://www.uvic.ca/registrar/safa/in-course-scholarships/application/index.php

How to apply:
- Go to MyPage, click on Finances
- Awards and Financial Aid
- Apply for Awards
- Winter Session
- In-Course and then follow the application portal.

For more information on how to apply go to https://www.uvic.ca/registrar/safa/in-course-scholarships/apply/index.php

Questions can be directed to awrds1@uvic.ca or awards3@uvic.ca
Two Research Papers on the Negative Impact of Cell Phone Use on Students

Science Direct
Mobile phone multitasking is widely considered to be a major source of distraction in academic performance. This paper attempts to review the emerging literature by focusing on three questions concerning the influence of mobile phone multitasking on academic performance:
A) How does mobile phone multitasking impair learning? B) Why does mobile phone use impair learning? C) How to prevent from mobile phone distraction?

Does multitasking with mobile phones affect learning? A review
Quan Chen, Zheng Yan

International Journal of Educational Technology in Higher Education
Media multitasking, using two or more medias concurrently, prevails among adolescents and emerging adults. The inherent mental habits of media multitasking – dividing attention, switching attention, and maintaining multiple trains of thought – have significant implications and consequences for students’ academic performance.
The goal of this review is to synthesize research on the impacts of media multitasking on academic performance.

Efficient, helpful, or distracting? A literature review of media multitasking in relation to academic performance
Kaitlyn E. May, Anastasia D. Elder