

Department of Biology Newsletter

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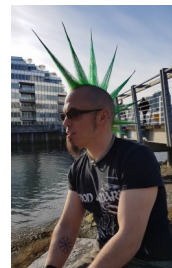
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Congratulations 2018 Faculty of Science Award Winners!!

The Department of Biology congratulates Dr. Greg Beaulieu and Mike Delsey, winners of the Faculty of Science Awards for Teaching Excellence and Staff Excellence, respectively. These awards recognize exceptional people for their outstanding contributions to the Department and Faculty. The awards will be presented officially at the Faculty of Science Awards Ceremony in the fall.



Dr. Greg Beaulieu
Faculty of Science Award for
Teaching Excellence



Mike Delsey
Faculty of Science Award for
Staff Excellence

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Biology Grad Wins Jubilee Medal



Congratulations to Lauren Wotton, Biology BSc and winner of the University of Victoria Jubilee Medal for Science!

Lauren is graduating with the highest possible grade point average of 9 out of 9. In addition to the Jubilee Medal, Lauren has received a UVic Excellence Scholarship, as well as the B. W. Pearce Science Scholarship, the Dr. Valentine Guy Criswick Scholarship, the Edythe Hembroff-Schleicher Scholarship and the Mrs. Annie Greskiw Scholarship in Pre-Medical Studies. Lauren also received a Canadian Society for Mucopolysaccharide and Related Diseases Summer Research Grant, and she is spending the summer working in the Choy lab.

In addition to her studies, Lauren is a dedicated volunteer. She gives her time to a number of sports organizations, including the BC Winter Games, Operation Trackshoes, and Just for Kicks - a soccer program for people with disabilities. Lauren's career goal is to work in a medical laboratory, ideally as a pathologist. She will take a year to spend time with family and to travel before pursuing medicine or other post graduate studies. Congratulations Lauren!

Calendar

Important Dates Summer Months:

Monday-Friday, June 11-15

Friday, June 29

Sunday, July 1

Monday-Tuesday, July 2-3

Wednesday, July 4

Sunday, July 15

Thursday, July 26

Friday, July 27

Friday, Monday and Tuesday, July 27, 30, 31

Spring Convocation

May-June and June courses end

Canada Day

Reading Break May-August sections only

July and July-August courses begin

Deadline to apply to graduate for Fall Convocation (all faculties)

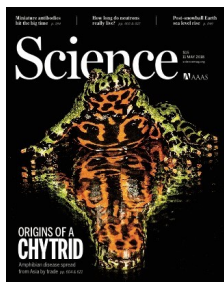
July courses end

August courses begin

Supplemental and deferred examinations for Winter Session 2017-2018
(except for Business courses)



Biology Announcements



Publication

Congratulations to Dr. Will Hintz, a co-author on a research article published in *Science* on May 11, 2018. The article, titled "Recent Asian origin of chytrid fungi causing global amphibian declines" includes data collected by Dr. Hintz and Department of Biology students on the Malaysia Tropical Field Ecology course.

Click [here](#) to read the article.

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.

BIOL 184	Evolution & Biodiversity	34-38 lab sections
BIOL 215	Ecology	11-12 lab sections
BIOL 225	Principles of Cell Biology	19-22 lab sections
BIOL 311/EOS311	Oceanography	4 lab sections
BIOL 321	Invertebrates	5 lab sections
BIOL 325	Tree Biology	1 lab section
BIOL 345	Animal Behaviour	5-6 lab sections
BIOL 365	Animal Physiology	7-8 lab sections
BIOL 409B	Experimental Neurobiology	1-2 positions
BIOL 448	Neuroethology	1-2 positions for tutorials
BIOL 461	Fisheries Ecology	0.5 position for tutorial

BIOL 184 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.

Job Opportunities for Graduate Students

Tutors Needed

Positions: Tutors

Hourly rate: \$25.00 (Graduate Students)

Closing date: Posting will remain open until positions are filled



Do you enjoy helping students to create meaningful learning opportunities?

Are you interested in getting paid to expand your teaching dossier? Would you like to develop your network by connecting with other emerging scholars? If yes, then we'd like to hear from you.

The UVic Learning Assistance Program (LAP) is looking for graduate-level tutors to work one-on-one with students in specific course areas. We are looking for tutors with expertise in their fields including but not limited to: concepts and theories related to the discipline, area-specific methodologies, knowledge of disciplinary conventions and expectations, and experience serving students in post-secondary learning environments.

Duties and responsibilities:

- Assist students in applying newly learned strategies and skills to their academic coursework
- Deliver a service that emphasizes the students' strengths and accomplishments and positions the student as the expert in their own learning
- Help students develop positive attitudes about learning and confidence in their ability to learn
- Connect students with appropriate academic resources or referrals
- Attend bi-weekly training and maintain consistent contact with LAP supervisors
- Provide regular, consistent one-on-one appointments
- Support the academic standards of UVic
- Maintain the confidentiality of personal and institutional information

How to apply:

1. Application package must include a cover letter, resume, and reference list
2. Files must be titled according to the following conventions
YourLastNameYourFirstName_Subject_TypeOfDocument
(e.g. CarereTia_BIO_CoverLetter, CarereTia_BIO_Resume, and CarereTia_BIO_References)
3. Cover letter must include answers to the following questions:
 - *What is your interest in this position?
 - *What UVic courses are you interested in tutoring? Please look at the UVic 2018-19 course calendar for course codes and include all that apply – e.g. CHEM 100, 102, 222, 231, etc. (<https://web.uvic.ca/calendar2018-09/courses/>).
 - *What other UVic courses are you interested in and able to tutor? For example, are you a BIOL major interested in tutoring BIOL but also speak Spanish and can tutor SPAN 100 A and B? Are you a STATS major with an ability to tutor all 1st and 2nd year math courses?
 - *How many hours per week will you be available to work? Our minimum requirement is 6 hours per week.
4. Provide 2-3 references and include the following information:
 - *Name
 - *Relationship to you (e.g. PhD or TA supervisor)
 - *Phone number
 - *Email address
5. Email application package to learning@uvic.ca with the subject title: **Tutoring at the CAL**

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.

Next meet up is June 28 at 7:00 pm at the [BOARD GAME café](#)

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.

Society for Developmental Biology 77th Annual Meeting

The Society for Developmental Biology 77th annual meeting will be held July 20-24 in Portland, Oregon at the Marriott Downtown Waterfront. SDB President, John Wallingford, has put together an exciting and diverse program.

The meeting will start with the Presidential Symposium on Friday, July 20 at 5:00 pm, and end with the Awards/Closing Banquet on Monday, July 23 beginning at 7:00 pm.

Membership questions: SDB members should contact the SDB office at sdb@sdbonline.org or call 301-634-7815.

For more information visit [SDB 77th annual meeting](#)



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