Welcome to Biology!

Dr. Gregory Owens and Dr. Nicole Templeman

Dr. Templeman’s research explores the mechanisms that influence aging and aging-related processes, using mice and nematodes as models. She comes to UVic from a recent Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship in Coleen Murphy’s lab at Princeton University.

Dr. Owens studies the evolutionary genomics of adaptation, focusing especially on sunflowers. Gregory comes to us from a Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship in Rasmus Nielsen’s lab at the University of California, Berkeley.

Welcome Gregory and Nicole!

New Biology Graduate Students

Daisy Buzzoni  
Rebecca Crawford  
Matthew Csordas  
Hailey Davies  
Annika Heimrich  
Kathleen Innes  
Viktorie Kolatkova  
Lise Nehring  
Ahalya Rajendran  
Baum lab  
Varela lab  
Baum lab  
Juanes lab  
Juanes lab  
Juanes lab  
Gawryluk lab  
Hawkins lab  
Constabel lab

Welcome New Grads!

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
Torin Halvorson Awarded a BioCan Rx Summer Studentship

Torin Halvorson, a Biology Co-op student, received one of the nine BioCan Rx 2020 Summer Studentships for his co-op work term.

BioCanRx provides students with a practical, hands-on research experience. Its goal is to inspire the next generation of highly qualified personnel to pursue research in cancer immuno-oncology. Undergraduate and college students from across Canada receive funding to conduct research with BioCanRx’s network investigators. Torin worked with Dr. Julian Lum from the Deeley Research Centre. Congratulations Torin!

Click HERE to read the full story

Congratulations to our graduate students who defended in the spring and summer 2020!

**spring graduates**
Yuriko Carrington, PhD (Ehlting lab)
Geoffrey Osgood, PhD (Baum lab)
Andrea Coulter, PhD (von Aderkas lab)

**summer graduates**
Malcolm Cowan, MSc (von Aderkas and Pearce lab)
Carmen Lea, MSc (Constabel lab)

Biology Announcements

Congratulations Dr. Louise Page!

Congratulations to Dr. Louise Page—winner of the 2020 Faculty of Science Award for Teaching Excellence.

In the words of one nominator, Louise “lives her passion for learning and teaching, and inspires everyone in her path, along the way”.

We are delighted that Louise has been recognized for her excellence in teaching and experiential learning.

Calendar

**Important Dates:**

**Wednesday, October 21st**
Senate Committee on Academic Standards meets to approve Convocation lists.

**Saturday, October 31st**
Last day for withdrawing from first term course without penalty of failure

**Friday, November 6th**
Reading Break (except Faculty of Law)

**Wednesday, November 11th**
Remembrance Day

**Sunday, November 15th**
Faculty of Graduate Studies deadline to apply to graduate for Spring Convocation

**Thursday, December 3rd**
Last day of classes in the first term for Faculty of Law

**Friday, December 4th**
National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women

**Friday, December 4th**
Last day of classes in first term for all faculties except the Faculty of Law
Volunteer Opportunity

**Learning Buddies Network**

Make a difference in your community by helping elementary students develop literacy and math skills.

Click [HERE](#) to learn how to volunteer remotely for the Learning Buddies Network.

Email: info@learningbuddiesnetwork.com
Phone: 778-706-6936

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Student Life at UVic

**Meet Me in the Quad—A UVic Student Life Podcast**

Are you a podcast listener? UVic has a new one, and it’s a must listen! “Meet Me in the Quad” is a student life podcast, where we chat with first-year professors about their online courses, and where we examine, through the eyes of current students, what online learning, living in residence and getting involved on campus look like. Season 1 is now live!

You can find *Meet Me in the Quad* on Spotify.

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ONC Webinar Series

**Fall Webinar SERIES**

Biweekly at 11am PT
7 October - 16 December 2020

Topics include earthquake preparedness, Indigenous engagement, underwater noise, expedition highlights and more.