



Department of Biology

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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!



Dr. Gregory Owens



Dr. Nicole Templeman

New Biology Graduate Students

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

Welcome New Grads!

If you have stories or announcements that would like to share for the Biology newsletter, please email:

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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



Biology Announcements

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

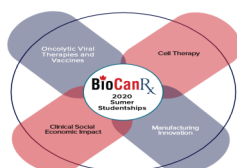
Congratulations to our graduate students who defended in the spring and summer 2020!

spring graduates

Yuriko Carrington, PhD (Ehltig 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)



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.

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

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.



ONC Webinar Series

A poster for the Ocean Networks Canada Fall Webinar Series. The background is a dark blue image of a whale's tail breaching the ocean. In the top left corner is the 'OCEAN NETWORKS CANADA' logo. The text 'Fall Webinar SERIES' is prominently displayed in white. A blue box on the right contains the text 'Biweekly at 11 am PT' and '7 October - 16 December 2020'. Below this box, the text reads: 'Topics include earthquake preparedness, Indigenous engagement, underwater noise, expedition highlights and more.'

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