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UBC Distinguished University Scholar

Congratulations to UBC Nursing Director and Professor [Dr. Elizabeth Saewyc](#) on being named one of UBC's 2021 Distinguished University Scholars.

The [Distinguished University Scholar](#) program recognizes members of UBC Faculty who have distinguished themselves as exceptional scholars. The 5-year award is conferred by the UBC President on the recommendation of the adjudication panel. Dr. Saewyc will retain the title of Distinguished University Scholar for the duration of her tenure at UBC.

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CRiHHI

**Critical Research in Health
and Healthcare Inequities**

Collective Nursing Scholarship Towards Social Justice

The UBC School of Nursing [CRiHHI](#) research unit is hosting its first seminar in 2021 as a virtual event.

The roundtable discussion hosted by [Dr. Colleen Varcoe](#) (see full [program](#)) will centre on the theme of *Collective Nursing Scholarship Towards Social Justice*.

Date: **May 12, 2021**

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Nursing Gala 2021

You're invited to the 2021 Virtual UBC Nursing Awards Gala. The 2021 UBC School of Nursing awardees are:

- Caryn Dooner
- Lynne Palmer
- Marilyn "Marnie" Wood
- Jacqueline Lum
- Dr. Diane Wozny
- Rajwinder "Raj" Kaur
- Kathy Paradis

Date: **May 13, 2021**

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Towards a Coalition on Action Against Indigenous Specific Racism in Health Care

Hosted by the BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres, in partnership with Safespace Networks and San'yas Indigenous Cultural Safety Training

This online conference will discuss action towards creating a safe health care system for Indigenous people.

Save the Date: **June 1, 2021**

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Getting upstream to prevent male suicide

The [UBC Reducing Male Suicide Research Excellence Cluster](#) presents: *Getting upstream to prevent male suicide*. Join this conversation facilitated by [Dr. John Oliffe](#), professor and Canada Research Chair in Men's Health Promotion.

Date: **June 16, 2021**

[To Register](#)



Open Educational Resources (OER) Champion

UBC Nursing associate professor [Dr. Suzanne Campbell](#) has been named an Open Educational Resources (OER) Champion by [Open UBC](#) and the [Alma Mater Society of UBC](#).

Dr. Suzanne Campbell is an early adopter of innovative teaching methodologies, including simulations and open practices. An enthusiastic instructor [who] believes in making education accessible, she is working on an open educational resource for lactation education.

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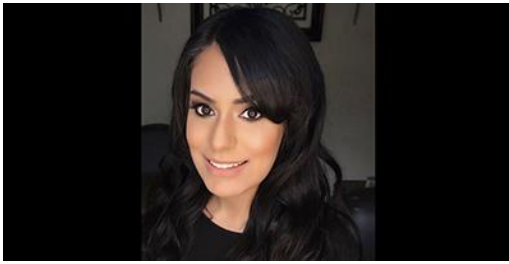
Federal Funding for EQUIP Pathways Announced

UBC Nursing professor [Dr. Colleen Varcoe](#) was featured in a joint government announcement of funding for the “Supporting Pathways to Care for People Who Use Drugs” and the “Substance Use and Addictions Program”.

Dr. Varcoe's team received \$1M to support the project, *Equipping Health Care to Tackle Stigma, Discrimination, and Inequity*.

See the [Pathways Project](#) brief for details on how researchers are equipping health care to tackle discrimination and inequity.

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CIHR Doctoral Award

Congratulations to UBC Nursing doctoral student Manpreet Thandi on being awarded a 3-year Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) doctoral award for her proposal titled, *Implementing a Frailty Severity Scale using Primary Care Electronic Medical Record Data in Canada*. Her supervisor is [Dr. Sabrina Wong](#).

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TUTOR-PHC Award

Congratulations to UBC Nursing doctoral student Innocent Ndateba on being selected for the Transdisciplinary Understanding and Training on Research - Primary Health Care (TUTOR-PHC) program for his project on *Implementation and Impact of Team-based care on chronic disease management in primary care settings in British Columbia, Canada*. His supervisor is [Dr. Sabrina Wong](#).

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UBC Killam Graduate Teaching Assistant Award

Congratulations to UBC School of Nursing's doctoral student, [Elizabeth Straus](#) on being honoured with a Killam Graduate Teaching Assistant Award. As a senior teaching assistant, Elizabeth worked closely with [Dr. Fuchsia Howard](#) to develop and coordinate the TA Support program in Nursing.

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UBC Public Scholar Initiative Award

Congratulations to doctoral student [Kelsey Timler](#) on receiving a [UBC Public Scholar Initiative Award](#) for her proposal, *Strengthening Foodways and Legal Traditions for Wellbeing Through a Participatory Gardening and Culinary Program with Justice-Involved Indigenous Women*. Her supervisors are [Dr. Helen Brown](#) and Dr. Val Napoleon.

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UBC NP Priya Bains

Join UBC Nurse Practitioner Priya Bains on the UBC Men's Health Research program mini-interview series to learn more about her scoping review on, "*Screening Older Adult Men for Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm: A Scoping Review*" and her experience as a new NP.

Check out other interviews in the series:

- [Dr. Ingrid Handlovsky](#)
- [Alyssa Laserson, NP](#)

[Watch Now](#)



Tracy Truant, PhD'18

UBC Nursing alumna Dr. Tracy Truant played a leading role in the development of cancer nursing in BC, Canada, and internationally.

To sustain Tracy's passion for nurturing strong future leaders in cancer nursing, Tracy's family has established a [Tracy Truant Memorial Fund](#) to support nursing graduate students to build a career in cancer research.

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New APSC Research Partnership Portal

New Graduate Awards Webpage Launched

The UBC School of Nursing website now features a graduate awards competition page with details of active competitions adjudicated through the UBC Nursing Graduate Awards Committee.

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The APSC Research and Partnerships team recently launched a new site to highlight new research Initiatives and Researcher Profiles. See the featured UBC Nursing profiles:

- [Fuchsia Howard](#)
- [Emily Jenkins](#)
- [Manon Ranger](#)
- [Sabrina Wong](#)

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Recently Funded Research

From Kindergarten to Post-Secondary: Exploring the Educational Journeys of Students with Disabilities

SSHRC Insight Grant (\$277,878)

- PI: [Dr. Jennifer Baumbusch](#)

Co-investigate robotic-assisted virtual care for older people with dementia

Vancouver Foundation: Participatory Action Research Grant (\$300,000)

- PI: [Dr. Lillian Hung](#)

Building supportive social networks to advance the mental health of women affected by violence in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside

Vancouver Foundation: Participatory Action Research Grant (\$298,685)

- PI: [Dr. Vicky Bungay](#)

Advancing new partnerships in gender-based violence across the lifespan

[UBC CUES Explore fund](#)

- Community Partner: Pauline Kelly-Brandes, Central Okanagan Elizabeth Fry Society
- UBC Partner: [Dr. Victoria Bungay](#), UBC School of Nursing

Peer Advocacy Navigator Expansion Project

[UBC CUES Sustain fund](#)

- Community Partner: Laura Shaver, BC Association of People on Opioid Maintenance (BCAPOM) and Vancouver Area Network of Drug Users (VANDU)
- UBC Partner: [Cheyenne Johnson](#), BC Centre on Substance Use and UBC School of Nursing

PUBLICATIONS

** denotes UBC Nursing trainees & alumni*

[Fifteen-year trends in self-reported racism and link with health and well-being of African Canadian adolescents: a secondary data analysis](#)

International Journal for Equity in Health

Helen Okoye*, [Elizabeth Saewyc](#)

[Barriers to Equity in Cancer Survivorship Care: Perspectives of Cancer Survivors and System Stakeholders](#)

Global Qualitative Nursing Research

Tracy Truant*, [Leah Lambert](#), [Sally Thorne](#)

["Stigma is where the harm comes from": Exploring expectations and lived experiences of hepatitis C virus post-treatment trajectories among people who inject drugs](#)

International Journal on Drug Policy

Trevor Goodyear*, [Helen Brown](#), [Annette Browne](#), P. Hoong, L. Ti, R. Knight

“They want you to kill your inner queer but somehow leave the human alive”: Delineating the impacts of sexual orientation and gender identity and expression change efforts

Journal of Sex Research

Trevor Goodyear*, D. Kinitz, E. Dromer, D. Gesink, Olivier Ferlatte, R. Knight, T. Salway

Creativity in a COVID-19 Virtual Learning Space

Quality Advancement in Nursing Education

[Kathy O'Flynn-Magee](#), Elizabeth Straus*, Aneet Dhaliwal*, Samantha-Ruth Chande*, Batool Alreffi*, Prabhjot Randhawa*, Yenlinh Chung*, Salwa Khader*

Scaling Up Patient-Centered Interdisciplinary Care for Multimorbidity: A Pragmatic Mixed-Methods Randomized Controlled Trial

Annals of Family Medicine

M. Fortin, M. Stewart, P. Ngangue, J. Almirall, M. Bélanger, J. Brown, M. Couture, F. Gallagher, A. Katz, C. Loignon, B. Ryan, T. Sampalli, [Sabrina Wong](#), M. Zwarenstein

Patient-centred innovation for multimorbidity care: a mixed-methods, randomised trial and qualitative study of the patients' experience

British Journal of General Practice

M. Stewart, M. Fortin, J. Brown, B. Ryan, P. Pariser, J. Charles, T. Pham, P. Boeckxstaens, S. Reichert, GY Zou, O. Bhattacharya, A. Katz, H. Piccinini-Vallis, T. Sampalli, [Sabrina Wong](#), M. Zwarenstein

Identifying heart failure in patients with chronic obstructive lung disease through the Canadian Primary Care Sentinel Surveillance Network in British Columbia: a case derivation study

CMAJ Open

R. Vijh., [Sabrina Wong](#), M. Grandy, S. Peterson, Allison Ezzat, A. Gibb, N. Hawkins

MEDIA COVERAGE

COVID has taken a devastating toll on Canada's nurses. But the pandemic offers a chance to heal a broken system

Professor [Elsie Tan](#), associate director of undergrad programs at UBC's School of Nursing, was quoted about the increase in the number of applications for the 2021-22 academic year. Many applicants cited the pandemic as their reason for wanting to join the profession.

[Globe and Mail](#)

Future nurses, doctors want lessons from pandemic to create better health-care system

[Dr. Elizabeth Saewyc](#), director of the University of British Columbia's school of nursing, said a number of applicants over the last year have mentioned the pandemic motivated them to take on the challenges of a job that could have them saving lives.

[National Post](#), The Canadian Press via [CP24](#), [Global](#), [CTV](#), [National Post](#), [The Star](#), [Toronto Sun](#), [CityNews](#), [Breakfast Television](#), [Winnipeg Free Press](#), [Ottawa Citizen](#), [Calgary Herald](#), [News 1130](#), [The Province](#), [Pique](#), [Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows News](#), [Langley Advance Times](#), [Times Colonist](#), [Victoria News](#), [CHEK News](#), [Castanet](#), [Kelowna Now](#), [MSN](#)

B.C.'s commitment to long-term care beds in budget falls short, critic says

UBC Nursing professor [Dr. Jennifer Baumbusch](#) says the pandemic has shown that congregate living, such as care homes, creates risks for older people. She added that we need to engage older people and their caregivers in creating a new system of seniors care in B.C.

[Globe & Mail](#)

Closure of two long-term care homes in West Van signal seniors housing crisis

UBC Nursing professor [Dr. Jennifer Baumbusch](#) gave comments about bed shortages and how older long-term care homes were built in a different era when the residents had less complex needs.

[North Shore News](#)

Suicidal thoughts remain high among Canadians during pandemic

Research led by UBC and the Canadian Mental Health Association shows that the pandemic continues to take a toll on Canadians' mental health.

UBC nursing professor [Dr. Emily Jenkins](#) and Dr. Anne Gadermann, a professor at UBC's school of population and public health, were quoted.

[Financial Post](#), [Radio Canada](#), [Le Soleil](#), [Kamloops This Week](#), [Orillia Matters](#), [Barrie Today](#), Glacier Media via [Business in Vancouver](#), [Pique](#), [Squamish Chief](#), [Prince George Citizen](#), [Prince George Citizen](#)

B.C. suicide rate declined 26 per cent in first eight months of COVID pandemic

It is not uncommon for suicide rates to decrease in the face of challenging situations, only to be followed by an uptick later, said [Dr. Emily Jenkins](#), an assistant professor in UBC's School of Nursing.

[Vancouver Sun](#)

COVID-19 survey shows almost 8 out of 10 adults are worried, bored, stressed, lonely or sad

UBC Nursing professor [Dr. Emily Jenkins](#) says it is not uncommon for suicide rates to decrease in the face of challenging situations, only to be followed by an uptick later.

[UBC News](#), Postmedia via [Vancouver Sun](#), [The Province](#)

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