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2013 Gairdner Week Lecture

Developing new Treatments for chronic lung disease

Date: October 16, 2013

Time: 4:30 pm

Location: Room 5110, Dickson Building

Speaker: Dr. Jim Hogg, Professor Emeritus of Pathology at the University of British Columbia (UBC)
Dr. Hogg is the 2013 Canada Gairdner Wightman Laureate. He earned his medical degree from the University of Manitoba and a Ph.D. in Experimental Medicine from McGill University in Montreal and completed residency training in Anatomic Pathology at the Massachusetts General Hospital and McGill University. He maintains an active Research program focused on the inflammatory process in the lung with particular reference to the structure and function of the lungs in COPD.

For information contact: (902) 494-1459 or mary.ann.robinson@dal.ca

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Making Research Accessible

Date: October 17, 2013

In this event, hosted by the Children and Youth in Challenging Contexts Institute, we will look at various types of knowledge mobilization, including journal articles, conference presentations, posters, policy briefs, and media reports.

Public Lecture

10am - 12pm, Tupper Theatre C

FREE lecture with the clear language guru, Matthew Shulman. This lecture will help researchers, graduate students, project managers and anyone else who shares their research with various audiences.

Clear Writing Workshop

1 - 5pm, MacDonald Building Room D413

This is an excellent FREE training opportunity for graduate students. In this workshop, participants will: learn the theory of clear language and design practice clear language techniques develop a draft Research Summary from real academic research.

Please RSVP via email to: cyc@dal.ca

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PATHway to Health

A North End Community Engagement Event

Date: October 17, 2013

Time: 6 – 8 pm

Location: North Branch Library, Large Auditorium

The purpose of the event, hosted by Dr. Ingrid Waldron, is to engage persons of African descent in the North End (residents, business owners, service providers etc.) in discussions on their health using the People Assessing Their Health (PATH) process. PATH is a community engagement approach that engages community members in discussions on what makes and keeps people healthy in their community. It also provides community members with an opportunity to discuss their vision for a healthy community.

Refreshments (finger food/appetizers) will be provided by Twila Bailey's Catering Service.
Entertainment will be provided by Verena Rizg.

For more Information: Shelina Gordon at gordonsm@dal.ca

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Global & Community Health Conference for Medical and Dental Students

Date: October 19, 2013

Location: Massachusetts Medical Society Headquarters, Waltham, MA.

This year's conference for medical and dental students interested in global health and "local global" community health will be a full-day event with workshops and lectures on careers in global and community health. The program will also provide opportunities to network with physicians, residents and students currently involved in international and community health work.

For more Information: <http://bit.ly/15ElyHn>

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Health Systems Strengthening: Improving Governance & Ensuring Equity

Certificate Course

Dates: October 21 - 25, 2013

Location: Ottawa, Canada

The Centre for Global Health (University of Ottawa), Carleton University and the Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute of Basel are combining forces and faculty to offer a timely and dynamic, problem-based learning experience in a one week certificate course prior to the 20th Canadian Conference on Global Health.

The objective of the course is for students to acquire practical foundations in health system strengthening by:

- Understanding current dynamics and trends in global health and global health governance
- Understanding how these dynamics play out in local national health systems
- Developing strategies for how to navigate in this changing scene in support of health systems and policy strengthening

For more Information: <http://www.ghd-net.org/HSS>

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Advocates in Global Health Certificate

Orientation Session: Oct 22 @ 5 - 7 pm

Location: Tupper 2L7

This session is intended for those students participating in the Advocates in Global Health Certificate program and will introduce them to the program framework and expected outcomes. There will be a discussion on the parameters of global health and students will work to categorize global health themes and create a working definition of Global Health.

For more Information: gho@dal.ca

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2013 Qualitative Health Research Conference

Conference Dates: October 27 – 29, 2013

Pre-Conference Workshop Day: October 26, 2013

Location: Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel, Halifax, NS, Canada

QHR is the premier international and interdisciplinary conference for the dissemination and discussion of developments in qualitative health research. Attended annually by over 250 delegates from all over the world, the QHR Conference features keynote addresses, panel discussions, symposia & oral presentations on 'state of the art' work from international researchers and opportunities to learn and consolidate skills at workshops. We are excited to announce that QHR 2013 will take place in the lovely city of Halifax, Nova Scotia! This is the first time the Maritimes will be the host to QHR and IIQM is pleased to show off this lovely part of Canada to all our delegates!

For more information: <http://bit.ly/12hrs1p>

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Canadian Conference on Global Health

Global Health in 2013: Are We Having an Impact?

Dates: October 27 – 29, 2013

Location: Ottawa, Canada

Since 2000 the MDGs have provided a well-publicized focus on eight health and development goals. However, missing from these goals are other important global health challenges including mental health, non-communicable disease and disabilities. Important global health issues including equity and health-system strengthening have received too little attention. Planning for the Post 2015 Agenda is underway, and it is critical that the global health community works to ensure that health stays in the agenda, while being integrated into future sustainable development strategies. We will be examining the impact of MDGs and other current initiatives, and the potential impact of future initiatives.

For more information: <http://www.ccgh-csih.ca/csih2013/index.php>

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AFMC Public Health Learning Tools Challenge

Deadline for Expression of Interest: October 30, 2013

Want to make an impact towards a healthier future for all?

The Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada (AFMC) invites all students and residents in ANY health profession in Canada to submit a cartoon, video, game or other creative teaching tool that addresses a key area of public health or preventive medicine.

The completed learning tool must be received by Friday, January 31, 2014

For more information: www.afmc.ca/publichealth

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Grand Challenges India: Achieving Healthy Growth through Agriculture & Nutrition

Submission Deadline: October 31, 2013

The Department of Biotechnology (DBT) under the Ministry of Science and Technology of the Government of India and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation in collaboration with India's Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC) have launched Grand Challenge India, a partnership framework for joint programs. This partnership aims to support initiatives that could dramatically change the health and development landscape in India and leverage Indian innovations to support other countries facing similar challenges. The partnership identifies the following priorities for cooperation:

- Reduction of maternal and child mortality and morbidity
- Scientific and technical solutions for infectious diseases
- Strengthening India's scientific translation capacity
- Scientific and technical advances related to agriculture and

- Scientific advancement in food and nutrition.

For more Information: http://www.grandchallenges.org/GrantOpportunities/Pages/GCIndia_healthygrowth.aspx
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Nurturing Maternal & Child Health: University Seminar Series

Aga Khan Foundation Canada (AKFC) & International Development Research Centre (IDRC) Partnership

Date: November 5, 2013

Location: Dalhousie University

Speakers: *Sisawo Konteh*, Director of Outreach Services for Aga Khan Health Services, Tanzania (AKHST).
Umaira Ansari, Research Associate and Communications Coordinator for the Nigerian Evidence-based Health System Initiative (NEHSI)

AKFC started its University Seminar Series in 2001 with the goal of engaging students from all fields of study in discussions and workshops on key development issues and providing them with an opportunity to gain a practical understanding of the challenges involved in designing and implementing projects in the field. By increasing their awareness of their role as “global citizens,” AKFC hopes to help bridge the divide between the developed and developing worlds. Building on the success of this series, IDRC and AKFC are collaborating to expand its reach and impact across Canada. The focus this year is on maternal and child health.

For more Information: <http://akfc.ca/events.html>

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Global Health Summer Programs

Info Night: November 6, 2013

Time: 5 – 6 pm

Location: Tupper 2L7

Are you interested in participating in an international Global Health elective? The Global Health Office offers two non-credit, four-week summer programs in The Gambia, and Tanzania for students in Med 1, Med 2, Pharmacy (third year), Dentistry and Nursing (second or third year). We will be hosting an information session for you to learn about the program details as well as the application process and deadlines. Come with your questions and chat with past participants. All students are welcome.

Application Deadline: November 22, 2013 @ 4pm

Tentative Program Dates: 5 weeks beginning in early July 2014 (TBC)

For more Information: <http://bit.ly/LkapR3>

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Faculty Development Session: Community Engagement 101

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Time: 21 – 1 pm

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Facilitator: Shawna O’Hearn, Director, Global Health Dalhousie University

This is the first of three (3) sessions that will focus on community engagement and health advocacy.

By the end of the session, participants will be able to:

- Describe the importance of Community Engagement in an academic environment
- Identify what Community Engagement is and what it is not within a social accountability framework
- Explain spectrum of engagement and how it applies within your teaching and planning
- Consider their own program and setting, identify factors, which may facilitate or hinder their ability to implement community engagement
- Begin to describe the benefits of investing in your community through Community Engagement

Key Competencies: Health Advocate 2.2 - Identify opportunities for advocacy, health promotion and disease prevention in the communities that they serve and respond appropriately.

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Call for Proposals: CUGH 5th Annual Global Health Conference

Universities 2.0: Advancing the Global Health Agenda in the Post-MDG Era

Panel Proposals Deadline: November 8, 2013

Abstract Proposals Deadline: December 15, 2013

Conference Dates: May 10-12, 2014

Location: Washington, DC

CUGH's Fifth Annual Global Health Conference will tackle the challenge of where the international community will go after the 2015 deadline of the Millennium Development Goals. Proposals for panels and abstracts in all areas of global health are welcome.

To submit a proposal: <http://bit.ly/17SBwxj>

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Part-Time Research Assistant: Knowledge Translation & Exchange

Application Deadline: Tuesday, November 12 (or until a suitable candidate is found)

Position Term: December 1, 2013 – February 23, 2014 (14 weeks)

Project: Sexually Transmitted Infections Research Network

Hours: 10hrs/week (flexibility required)

Rate of Pay: \$20-25 per hours (rate based on experience and qualifications)

The Sexually Transmitted Infections Research Network (STIRN) is a response to the changing face of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) in Nova Scotia. The project's goal is to build an inter-sectoral network of researchers, doctors, public health authorities, and community-based organizations (CBOs) to identify the most pressing concerns for STI prevention in the province and develop appropriate interventions that involve collaboration between groups.

How to Apply: Send a cover letter and curriculum vitae by e-mail to: Dr. Jacqueline Gahagan, Professor of Health Promotion – Jacqueline.Gahagan@dal.ca; and Kirk Furlotte, Research Manager of the Gender and Health Promotion Studies Unit – gahps@dal.ca

For more information: <http://dal.ca/gahps>

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CBIE 2013 Conference

Education for a Better World: Our Global Social Responsibility

Dates: November 17 – 20, 2013

Location: Vancouver, BC

The Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE) invites you to attend their 47th annual conference. This year's conference will discuss issues such as:

- How can we ensure that the education we provide supports the well-being of societies?
- How can we help develop global citizens who can shape a sustainable future?
- How can we make global learning a reality for our students, our institutions, ourselves?

For more information: <http://www.cbie-bcei.ca/events/2013-annual-conference/>

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Faculty Development Session: Creating & Using a Community Engagement Toolbox

Date: November 21, 2013

Time: 12 – 1 pm

Location: Halifax = G-36, Tupper Link Saint John = Room 218 Moncton = Room 1711 Fredericton = Room 220 Miramichi = Room 3111 Distributed via Videoconference

Facilitator: Shawna O’Hearn, Director, Global Health Dalhousie University

This is the second of three (3) sessions that will focus on community engagement and health advocacy.

By the end of the session, participants will be able to:

- Identify what should be in a toolbox and how to create one
- Describe the importance of understanding community communication preferences
- Consider strategies on how to identify target audiences
- Begin to select the right tools as part of a community engagement initiative

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Registration is required, please email: FacDev@dal.ca

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First Annual NSGA Benefit Concert

Date: November 27, 2013

Time: 7 pm

Location: Rebecca Cohn Theatre, University Ave, Halifax NS

Please join us for the first annual Nova Scotia Gambia Association (NSGA) Benefit Concert at the Rebecca Cohn. The organizers are planning quite a show featuring Dave Gunning and opening act Adam Crossley. More details to follow.

Tickets: \$35, through Rebecca Cohn box office or the info@novascotiagambia.ca

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Certificate in Global Health Health Systems in a Global Context

Registration Deadline: Monday December 9, 2013 @ 4pm

Session Dates: Tuesdays January 7 – April 1, 2014

Time: 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Location: TBD

Have you been involved in global health and want to know more about funders, WHO, UN and their connection to your work? The Global Health Office invites you to register for the first global health certificate at Dalhousie. This innovative course will examine major health-related challenges in resource-constrained communities and how solutions are being developed to address these challenges. Sessions will involve presentations from global health experts on topics including global health systems, global health governance, communicable and non-communicable diseases and social determinants of health. Participants will analyze a variety of health priorities across different populations, cultural settings and health through case studies and discussion. The course will interest health professionals, residents, faculty, policy makers, and students who want to explore the multi-facets of global health and future directions in this field. Participants who want to receive a certificate must attend 9 of 12 classes and complete an assignment.

Don't miss the chance to be part of this innovative new certificate – space is limited!

Registration fee: \$100 (Payment can be made by credit card through the Global Health Office at 494-1965)

For more information: gho@dal.ca

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Graduate Seminar in Global Health

Date: Winter 2014

Location: Dalhousie University

Instructor: Dr. Robert Huish, IDS

This course is open to all faculties and will critically explore how global health ethics are shaped by growing social and economic inequalities and discover the action that can be taken to make a world of difference.

For more Information: huish@dal.ca or <http://bit.ly/19QI9SA>

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GHO Blog: Healthy Water, Healthy People in the Gambia

Blog by Samantha Romkey, Dalhousie Nursing Class of 2014

Every summer Dalhousie medical, nursing and pharmacy students participate in the Global Health Office Summer Programs. These programs are offered through our partners in Tanzania and the Gambia and allow Dalhousie students to practice health care delivery in diverse settings. In July 2013 Dalhousie Nursing student, Samantha Romkey participated in the Global Health Office Summer Program in the Gambia. Samantha shares her blog with us.

To read the full post: <https://blogs.dal.ca/globalhealth/>

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