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New Grad Student Society: Children & Youth in Challenging Contexts

Are you a graduate student doing research with children and youth?

Join the New CYCC (Children and Youth in Challenging Contexts) Grad Student Society

The CYCC Society is a community of graduate students- both here at Dal and across the country- who are doing research with vulnerable & at-risk children and youth. The purpose of this community will be give grad students the opportunity to meet professors, access extra training and resources, and network with other students- both here at Dal and across the country.

For more Information: Emily.zinck@dal.ca

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Call for Applications: CSIH MentorNet Program

Application Deadline: September 30, 2013

The Canadian Society for International Health (CSIH) is seeking students and mentors for this program that will connect students and young professionals (SYPs) interested in global health with experienced professionals in the field. Mentors are partnered with a SYP interested in their area of work. Pairs maintain monthly correspondence with an expected time commitment of 1-5 hours per month for a period of a year.

Benefits to the students and young professionals:

- Opportunity to create relationships with leading professionals in area of interest
- Chance to discuss career aspirations
- · Opportunity to enhance understanding of current global health issues

Benefits to mentors:

- Opportunity to share your passion with the next generation of globally-minded citizens
- Opportunity to get a fresh take on current global health challenges from eager young minds
- Chance to support and shape the next cohort of global health leaders

For more Information: http://www.csih.org/en/about/job-opportunities/mentornet/

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Call for Abstracts: Geneva Health Forum 2014

Global Health: Interconnected Challenges, Integrated Solutions

Abstract Deadline: September 30, 2013 **Forum Dates:** April 15 – 17, 2014 **Location:** Geneva. Switzerland

The Geneva Health Forum (GHF) is a global health conference coupled with an interactive, web based platform (the Global Health Forum Platform), which bring together multi-sectoral representation of global health players including frontliners, catalysts, researchers and policymakers. Drawing on testimonies and field work from participants, the GHF aims to promote critical reflections and constructive debates on contemporary global health issues, thus infusing policy formulation with ground reality. The GHF is a joint initiative launched by the University Hospitals of Geneva and the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Geneva in partnership with leading Swiss public institutions engaged in Global Health and the major international organizations and institutions active in health in Geneva and around the world.

For more Information: http://ghf.globalhealthforum.net/overview/#.Ufp8SG3Nl8F

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Call for Nominations: 2014 Canada Gairdner Global Health Award

Submission Deadline: October 1, 2013

The Canada Gairdner Global Health Award is an annual award of \$100,000 (CDN) given to an individual scientist who has made "major scientific advances in any one of the four areas of basic science, clinical science or population or environmental health that have or have the potential to make a significant impact on health outcomes in the developing world". Nominations must be accurate, detailed, current, complete and with supporting letters reflecting the nominee's accomplishments.

For more Information: http://www.gairdner.org/content/selection-process

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Student Opportunity: Outreach Assistant, Global Health Office

Application Deadline: October 4, 2013 @ 4pm **Location:** Global Health Office, Halifax NS

The Global Health Office is recruiting a student for part time employment. Major responsibilities will include assisting with the office outreach and social media (bi-weekly bulletin, facebook, twitter, event planning) as well as the coordination of our programs. The ideal candidate will be organized, self-motivated and have good writing skills with experience with social media.

Employment Dates: October 15, 2013 to March 31, 2014

Hours: 10 hours per week

Salary: \$10 - \$12 per hour (dependent upon education and experience)

For more Information or to submit a CV: gho@dal.ca

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Mi'kmaq History Month

Date: October, 2013

Treaty Day, (October 1st) marks the beginning of Mi'kmaq History Month in Nova Scotia as proclaimed in 1993 by then Premier John Savage and Mi'kmaq Grand Chief Ben Sylliboy. Its purpose is to promote public awareness about the Mi'kmaw culture and heritage for all citizens of Nova Scotia. Numerous events are organized throughout the month in recognition of Mi'kmaq History Month.

September 30, 2013

- 2 pm UNSI 44th General Assembly, Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel
- 7:30 pm Cultural Showcase, Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel

October 1, 2013

- 10 am Treaty Day Church Services, St. Mary's Basilica, Spring Garden Rd.
- 11:15 am Veterans Parade of Honour & Flag Raising, Grand Parade Square
- 12 pm Mi'kmag Gathering Feast & Award Ceremony, World Trade & Convention Centre

October 2, 2013

• 11:30 am Dalhousie 4th Annual Mawio'mi, Dalhousie Quad and Studley Gym, 1-902-494-847

October 2 - 3, 2013

• Dalhousie hosts the National Indigenous Health Sciences Circle Roundtable (Aboriginal Coordinators from Canadian Medical Schools)

For more Information: deborah@mikmaq-assoc.ca

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Workshops on Health Effects of Toxic Sites in Mi'kmaq & Black Communities in Nova Scotia

Date: October 5, 2013 **Time:** 12 – 5 pm

Location: North Preston Recreation Centre

Hostess: Denise Allen **Entertainment:** Cindy Cain

The purpose of these workshops is to engage community members in a dialogue about the impact of toxic waste dump sites/industries on community health and well-being. A video documentary and workshop report will be the main outcomes from the workshops. Additional meetings will be held in Yarmouth and Membertou (details to

follow)
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Call for Applications: Local Global Health Elective

Application Deadline: October 7, 2013

Are you a Med 1 or Med 2 student looking for a Global Health elective in Canada? We're looking for students who want to learn more about Global Health issues at home to participate in this unique elective. The Local Global Health Elective is a half-year elective which complements family medicine placements with community and social service organization placements. The program aims to help students develop a broad understanding of the health of socially marginalized communities and the services available to address the needs of the people they serve. Placements are available in both Halifax and Saint John.

For more Information: http://gho.medicine.dal.ca/dalhousie-students/dalhousie-summer.htm#SA LGHE

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Call for Applications: Advocates in Global Health Certificate

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Orientation Session: TBD

This certificate program is open to all students in the Faculties of Medicine, the Health Professions and Dentistry. With leadership and guidance from the Global Health Office, students will fulfill self-directed program modules over two (2) years in the areas of:

- Knowledge
- Professional Development
- Public Engagement

Participants will attend "Skill Building Sessions"; workshops that focus on contextualizing global health education and learning. Students will develop a deep understanding of health inequity, as well as the political, cultural, economic and social factors that contribute to poor health.

For more Information: http://gho.medicine.dal.ca/dalhousie-students/dalhousie-summer.htm#SA AGHP

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Global Health Journal Club: Ethical Photography

Smile! You are in a research project: What are the questions to consider when taking photos for research in a low resource setting?

Date: October 10, 2013

Time: 12 – 1 pm

Location: Halifax: Tupper B-A3 (tupper basement), DMNB: rm 218

Facilitator: Dr. Dan Boudreau, MD CFP (EM)

Images are an important and powerful tool for research, education and advocacy initiatives. In this session Dr. Boudreau will lead a discussion on the positive and negative impacts of photography and how to think ethnically and responsibly when taking and using photos.

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For a copy of the article: gho@dal.ca

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Special Event: The Soldier & The Doctor

Date: October 10, 2013

Time: 7 pm

Location: McInnes Room, Student Union Building, Dalhousie University **Featured Speakers:** LGen (ret'd) Roméo Dallaire and Dr. James Orbinski

Tickets: Students \$17.00, Regular: \$30.00

The Roméo Dallaire Child Soldier Initiative invites you to join us for a panel discussion with internationally renowned humanitarians, LGen (ret'd) Roméo Dallaire and Dr. James Orbinski titled, The Soldier and The Doctor: Discussing the Evolution of the Humanitarian Frontline. This panel discussion will be presented along with the film screening of "They Fight Like Soldiers Die Like Children" and a special poetry presentation by El Jones, Halifax Poet Laureate. This event is in support of ongoing work for The Roméo Dallaire Child Soldiers Initiative.

For more Information: info@childsoldiers.org

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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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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 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. Verena will also be hosting the event.

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

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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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/12hrslp

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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:

- 1. Reduction of maternal and child mortality and morbidity
- 2. Scientific and technical solutions for infectious diseases
- 3. Strengthening India's scientific translation capacity
- 4. Scientific and technical advances related to agriculture and
- 5. 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

Date: November 7, 2013

Time: 12 – 1 pm Location: TBD

Do you hear about community engagement and wonder what does this mean in the Faculty of Medicine? Three sessions are planned for November and December to allow faculty to learn about community engagement, applying it within your work, exploring some of the tools as well as looking at a specific example of service learning.

Join us for these workshops being coordinated through CME's Faculty Development from 12-1

Community Engagement 101

November 7, 2013

Creating and using a community engagement toolbox

November 21, 2013

Service Learning 101: Bringing students and communities together

December 5, 2013

For more Information: gho@dal.ca

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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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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: Collaborative Learning in Tanzania

Blog Series by Luke Wiseman, Dalhousie Pharmacy student class of 2014

Some of the clinical skills and knowledge that I gained during this elective included interprofessionalism, how to improve medication adherence, how culture and socio-economic factors can influence someone's health and the care they receive, patient counseling, and knowledge on HIV/AIDS and opportunistic infections. "I learned that the people are the experience; they help shape your thoughts and feelings about everything in this world."...

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