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UTCSP Clinician Scientist Fellowship (2003):

The University of Toronto Centre for the Study of Pain is currently seeking applicants for the UTCSP Clinician-Scientist Fellowship. The Fellowship is intended for those trainees who wish to pursue a career as a clinician-scientist with both basic research in pain and in the application to clinical pain management problems. The award is for the support of an individual doing full time research. Applicants should exhibit high academic achievement, research ability or potential, excellent communication skills, and interpersonal and leadership abilities.

Value and duration:

- The value of the award will normally be \$25,000 for a period of one year. Holders of the fellowship may apply annually (competitive application) for further support up to a maximum of 4 years.
- The fellowship will normally start in July 1 or September 1

Eligibility:

- Applicants must have a professional degree (MD, DDS, B. Pharm or B.Sc.(Nursing) at the time of taking up the award.
- Applicants must be registered or plan to register in a graduate program* that requires a defended thesis in Division IV, Life Sciences, School of Graduate Studies University of Toronto, and carry out research under the supervision of a faculty member of the UTCSP.
- This award is not automatically renewed; students must apply annually to be considered for further funding.

Conditions of the Fellowship:

- You must be enrolled as a full-time student in a graduate program* in Division IV, Life Sciences, School of Graduate Studies, University of Toronto for the full duration of the award.
- You must spend at least 85% of your time on research.
- You cannot be enrolled in a qualifying or “make-up” year or be on a paid educational leave or sabbatical.
- You may accept research assistantships, part-time teaching positions, or other employment, which do not exceed a maximum of 10 hours per week on average.
- You are required to apply for salary support funding from an external agency. A copy of the front page of the application(s) must be forwarded to the UTCSP office prior to payment of the Fellowship being initiated. If external funding is obtained you must accept this funding and the Clinician-Scientist award will fund the differential to a total dependent on your qualifications and postgraduate experience and set by the UTCSP Research Committee.

Application Procedures

Deadline for application is **April 1, 2003**. **The following documents must be submitted in triplicate:**

- **Curriculum vitae including publication list, awards, name of supervisor.**

- Copies of current and previous academic program transcripts.
- A one-page summary outline of the proposed research and how this fellowship will help further the applicant's goals.
- Two letters of reference. Letters of reference should be either mailed directly to the UTCSP or included in the application package (letters should be in sealed and signed envelopes).
- A letter should be provided by the proposed supervisor stating that he/she agrees to accept the student into their lab.

Submission of applications:

Submit your application to Ms. Nancy Mitchell, University of Toronto Centre for the Study of Pain, Faculty of Dentistry, Room 374, Toronto, Ontario M5G 1G6, Tel: (416) 979-4762, Fax: (416) 979-4936, nancy.mitchell@utoronto.ca

Selection:

Applicants will be ranked and selected by the UTCSP Research Committee

* In exceptional cases an individualized training program can be set up in lieu of official registration as a student in the School of Graduate Studies. A supervisory committee would oversee the fellow's training program.

Purdue Pharma OGSST Award – 2003/2004 Competition:

The University of Toronto Centre for the Study of Pain is currently seeking applications from eligible students for the 2001/2002 Purdue Pharma OGSST Award. The applications are due no later than **April 1, 2003**. This award is open to Graduate students in the Faculty of Medicine who are studying in the area of pain and working with a member of the University of Toronto Centre for the Study of Pain. Second preference will be given to graduate students at the University of Toronto who are studying in the area of pain and working with a member of the University of Toronto Centre for the Study of Pain.

For additional information/applications, please visit the IFGA website at:

http://www.library.utoronto.ca/medicine/educational_programs/ifga/

Or contact Sheila Wolfe at sheila.wolfe@utoronto.ca, tel: 416-946-7317

UPCOMING MEETINGS/SYMPOSIUMS/LECTURES/CONFERENCES:

MUPPUT Rounds – (Multi-Professional Pain Group at the University of Toronto)

February 27, 2002 – Dr. Ze'ev Seltzer - “Is Chronic Pain a Somatosensory Epilepsy?” – Room 4279, Medical Sciences Building

April 24, 2002 – Dr. Miriam Grushka – Room 3227, Medical Sciences Building

MUPPUT is part of the education section of the University of Toronto Centre for the Study of Pain. Bi-monthly meetings are held from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. For further information, please contact Dr. Lucy Gagliese at lucia.gagliese@uhn.on.ca

Palliative Care Grand Rounds

Presented by The Temmy Latner Centre for Palliative Care and the Hospice Palliative Care Network Project (HPCNet), and the University Health Network

“Psychotrauma: Lessons for Palliative Care and Harm Reduction”

January 21, 2003

9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (coffee at 8:30 a.m.)

Presented by **Dr. Danny Brom**, Israel Center for Treatment of Psychotrauma, the Latner Institute – Sara Herzog Hospital

“Latest Advances in Palliative Care Nursing” (to be confirmed)

April 29, 2003 (tentative)

Presented by Professor Linda Kristjanson, Chair in Palliative Care, Edith Cowan University, Churchlands Campus, Faculty of Communications, Health and Science, Department of Nursing Public Health, Churchlands, West Austria

Palliative Care Grand Rounds are held at the University Health Network, Toronto General Site, Eaton North, 1st Floor, Room 429. For further information, please contact Kate Castonguay at 416-586-4800 x 6777 or by e-mail at kate.castonguay@tlcpc.org

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