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ACHIEVEMENT CELEBRATION 2023

2023 Awards
January 1, 2023 to April 25, 2023

Dr. Birubi Biman, Associate Professor, is awarded NOSM University's Academic Leader Award.

Dr. Julie Boucher, Assistant Professor, is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Community Champion Award.

Kathryn Culliton is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Learner Scholarly Activity Award.

Dr. Hazem Elmansy, Associate Professor, is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Clinical Scholar Award.

Dr. Kirsten Jewell, Assistant Professor, is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Medical Educator Award.

Dr. Mike Kirlew, Assistant Professor, is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Honorary Alumni Award.

Dr. Lorrilee McGregor, Assistant Professor, is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Scholar Award.

Dr. Chris Meilleur, Assistant Professor, is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Community Champion Award.

Dr. Florence Morriello, Internal Medicine resident, is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Learner-Nominated Teacher Award and the 2023 PARO Excellence in Clinical Teaching Award.

Dr. Laura Noack, Assistant Professor, is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award.

Dr. Lacey Pitre, Assistant Professor, is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Clinical Teacher Award.

Dr. John Tuinema, Assistant Professor, is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Rising Star Alumni Award.

Taylor Wilkins is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Learner Peer Teaching Award.

Dr. Kaitlyn Zugic is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Learner Advocate/Leader Award.

Dr. Darryl Vance, Assistant Professor, is awarded NOSM University's 2023 Faculty Mentorship Award.

Dr. Emmanuel Abara, Associate Professor, received the 2023 Rural Heart Award from the Society of Rural Physicians of Canada (SRPC).

Dr. Cindy Blackstock, NOSM University's Chancellor, has been named a finalist for the 2023 World's Children's Prize (WCP).

Dr. Catherine Cervin, Professor, will be bestowed the title of Professor Emeritus at NOSM University's inaugural convocation on Friday, May 26, 2023.

Dr. Roderick Cheung, Assistant Professor, received the 2023 Rural Service Award from the SRPC.

Dr. Bruce Cook, Associate Professor, received the 2023 Rural Service Award from the SRPC.

Dr. Yvon Gagnon, Assistant Professor, received the 2023 Lifetime Member Award from the SRPC.

Dr. Tahereh Haji, Paediatrics resident, is the recipient of the 2023 Professional Association of Residents of Ontario (PARO) Resident Teaching Award.

Dr. William Hettenhausen, Associate Professor, received the Canadian Dental Association's Distinguished Service Award.

Sarah Hunt, medical student, is the recipient of the 2023 PARO Citizenship Award.

Sue LeBeau, Member, NOSM University Board of Governors, attained Fellowship status with the Canadian College of Health Leaders.

Joe Lipinski, NOSM University's first Director of Finance, was posthumously awarded the inaugural Administration Award by the Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada (AFMC).

Dr. Michelle Lutsch, resident, came in second place in the Resident Grand Rounds competition at the Lower and Upper Canada Anesthesia Symposium 2023.

Dr. David McLinden, Associate Professor, received the 2023 Rural Long Service Award from the SRPC.

Dr. Christopher Mushquash, Professor, was awarded the 2023 Canada Gairdner Momentum Award.

Dr. Robert Nugent, Assistant Professor, received the 2023 Lifetime Member Award and the Rural Service Award from the SRPC.

Dr. Eliseo Orrantia, Professor, received the SRPC's 2023 Rural Community Impact Award.

Dr. Martin Papineau, Assistant Professor, received the 2023 Rural Service Award from the SRPC.

Dr. August Pierik, resident, came in first place in the Resident Grand Rounds competition at the Lower and Upper Canada Anesthesia Symposium 2023.

Jamie Thompson, medical student, received the CAME 2023 Rising Star – Certificate of Excellence Award.

Idorenyin (Idy) Udoeyop received the CAME 2023 Rising Star – Certificate of Excellence Award.

Dr. Kathleen Walsh, resident, received the CAME 2023 Rising Star – Certificate of Excellence Award.

2022 Awards January 1 - December 30, 2022

Lobna Abdel-Dayem, medical student, received NOSM University's Northern Health Research Conference (NHRC) Student Oral Presentation Award for Investigating the role of Retinol Saturase in ferroptosis. (Supervisor Dr. Alex Moise)

Chelsie Baizana, medical student, is awarded the Fondation Baxter & Alma Ricard Award. This award promotes the pursuit of advanced studies by Francophone students and facilitates access for deserving students.

Dr. Hiba Al-Bayati is the recipient of NOSM University's Learner Advocate/Leader Award

Dr. Ranjit Baboolal, Assistant Professor, received the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre (TBRHSC) Professional Staff Award.

Imran Bagha, medical student, received a NHRC Student Poster Presentation Award for CPRAT: A Novel Method for Enhancing CPR. (Supervisor: Dr. Samuel Peters)

Brittany Best, NOSM University medical student, was recognized for her abstract titled Learning impact of virtual CPR education of seniors at the Canadian Association of Emergency Physicians (CAEP) Conference.

Lisa Bishop, Lecturer, is awarded the 2022 Iewirokwas Cape Award for Midwives

Dr. Cindy Blackstock, NOSM University's Chancellor and advocate for Indigenous children's rights and welfare, has received the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Gold Medal, the federal agency's highest honour. The Gold Medal is awarded to an individual whose sustained leadership, dedication, and originality of thought have inspired students and colleagues alike.

Dr. Sheena Branigan is the recipient of NOSM University's Faculty Mentorship Award.

Logan Brennan, medical student, is awarded the CFPC Medical Student Scholarship.

Dr. Teresa Bruni is awarded the Distinguished Community Paediatrician Award from the Canadian Paediatric Society.

Dr. James Chau and **Dr. Jo-Anne Clarke**, both Assistant Professors, and the North East Specialized Geriatric Centre (NESGC) were recognized by OntarioMD, a subsidiary of the Ontario Medical Association, with the 2022 Luminary Award for their response to the COVID-19 pandemic and outstanding contributions to digital health in Ontario.

Dr. Victor Clulow is named Professor Honorarius at NOSM University

Dr. Jenna Darani is awarded a Rising Star Certificates of Excellence 2022 from the Canadian Association for Medical Education (CAME)

Dr. Lily DeMiglio is the recipient of NOSM University's Learner-Nominated Teacher Award

Dr. Stacy Desilets is the recipient of both NOSM University's Academic Leader Award and the Physician Clinical Teachers' Association (PCTA) Award

Dr. Whitney Faiella, alumna, received the Trainee Excellence in Education Award from the Canadian Cardiovascular Society

Dr. Ken Foster, Assistant Professor, received the G. William N. Fitzgerald Award for excellence in rural surgery from the Canadian Association of General Surgeons at the Canadian Surgical Forum

Dr. Sarah Habinski, resident, received the Association of Chairs of Psychiatry in Canada (ACPC) Resident Research Award

Joclyn Hron, medical student, has been selected as the 2022 recipient of the Medical Student of the Year Award by the Ontario College of Family Physicians (OCFP).

Dr. Vicki Kristman is awarded \$367,200 by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)

Dr. Pawan Kumar, Associate Professor, has been awarded a Golden Heart Award from the North Bay Hospital Foundation through the impact he has had on a patient and the patient's family experience

Sebastien Labelle, medical student, is awarded the Fondation Baxter & Alma Ricard Award.

Dr. Josée Lalanne is awarded a Rising Star Certificates of Excellence 2022 from the Canadian Association for Medical Education (CAME).

Sophie Lamoureux, medical student, is awarded the Fondation Baxter & Alma Ricard Award.

Lyndon Letwin, medical student, is awarded the CAS (Canadian Anesthesiology Society) Medical Student Prize.

Drs. Marion Maar and **Maurianne Reade** are joint recipients of a \$200,000 research grant from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)

Dr. Jennifer MacMillan is awarded NOSM University's Clinical Teacher Award

Dr. David Marsh is awarded a MITACS Accelerate Grant for research, and will be used to fund Postdoctoral Fellow, Dr. Kristen Morin

Ryan McConnell, NOSM University medical student, received the CIBC Indigenous Learner Leadership Award for 2022.

Dr. Janet McElhaney, posthumously awarded the Ronald Cape Distinguished Service Award by the Canadian Geriatric Society

Taylor McGaughey, medical student, is awarded the Fondation Baxter & Alma Ricard Award.

Dr. Jennifer McPhail is awarded NOSM University's Medical Educator Award.

Allan Middleton is the recipient of NOSM University's

Learner Peer Teaching Award

Dr. Christopher Mushquash and his team received a research award of \$344,250 from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)

Dr. Adam Moir, Associate Professor, has been selected as the 2022 recipient of the OCFP Community Educator of the Year Award.

Dr. Christopher Mushquash, Professor, was part of the team awarded the 2022 Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) Clinical Section Award for Clinical Excellence for their work developing the Best Practices in Psychology Portal. The Best Practices in Psychology Portal is an online hub for psychologists and trainees in psychology across Canada. The portal connects research and practice by providing the latest evidence-based resources, information, and tools.

Dr. Kara Nadeau, resident, received a NHRC Student Oral Presentation Award for Perceptions on Prehabilitation in Northern Ontario General Surgery Patients. (Supervisor: Dr. Grace Ma)

Dr. Sarah Newbery is awarded the Canadian Association for Medical Education (CAME) Certificate of Merit, 2022

Dr. Nisha Nigil Haroon, Assistant Professor, received a distinguished alumni award from her alma mater, Trivandrum Medical College

Dr. Anjali Oberai, Associate Professor, was named the Ontario recipient of the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) Reg L. Perkin Family Physician of the Year Award and the OCFP Regional Family Physician of the Year Award for Region 1 – North East and North West. She is also the recipient of NOSM University's Community Champion Award

Dr. Robert Ohle is awarded NOSM University's Clinical Scholar Award

Brittany Pennock is awarded the Citizenship Award from the Professional Association of Residents of Ontario (PARO)

Dr. Richard Painter is the recipient of the Excellence in Clinical Teaching Award from the Professional Association of the Residents of Ontario (PARO)

Ghislaine Pilot-Attema, NOSM University staff member and PhD student, is the recipient of a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) research graduate award

Dr. Jake Pirkkanen is awarded a Rising Star Award of Excellence from the Honourable Jill Dunlop, Ontario's Minister of Colleges and Universities

Dr. Laura Power, Assistant Professor, received the Community Votes Thunder Bay - Physicians and Surgeons award

Doniya Quenneville, medical student, is awarded the CMA 150th Anniversary Award.

Nusha Ramsoondar, NOSM University medical student, received the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame (CMHF) Award for 2022

Mathieu Rheault-Henry, medical student, received a NHRC Student Poster Presentation Award for Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation Versus Sutureless Aortic Valve Replacement: Overview of the Recent Advancements in Cardiac Surgery. (Supervisor: Dr. Rony Atoui)

Dr. Scott Sellick is named Associate Professor Honorarius at NOSM University

Jenna Simpson, medical student, is the recipient of NOSM University's Learner Scholarly Activity Award

Dr. Patricia Smith is awarded up to \$274,800 in annual base funding from the Ministry of Health to support the Moving On To Being Free Program and up to \$140,000 in one-time funding to support the Moving On Intensive Smoking Cessation Program

Emma Solar, NOSM University medical student, is awarded the Ontario Medal for Good Citizenship

Connor Sonke, NOSM University medical student, is awarded a Rising Star Certificates of Excellence 2022 from the Canadian Association for Medical Education (CAME)

Dr. Sujeenthara Tharmalingam, Assistant Professor, received the René Guilbeault Research Award from NOSM University for his project entitled Rewiring DNA methylation signatures for the treatment of radiation resistant breast cancer.

Dr. Christopher Thome is honoured with a Minister's Award of Excellence in the category of Rising Star from the Honourable Jill Dunlop, Ontario's Minister of Colleges and Universities

Dr. Sarita Verma, President, Vice-Chancellor, Dean and CEO, was honoured for her commitment to outstanding humanitarian services, accomplishments and leadership in health promotion and medical education by the Sudbury Multicultural Folk Arts Association

Dr. Natstasha Wasilewski, resident, received the G. William N. Fitzgerald Award for excellence in rural surgery from the Canadian Association of General Surgeons at the Canadian Surgical Forum

Dr. Shannon Wiebe, Assistant Professor, received the Emergency Physicians of the Year award from CAEP

Tara Wilson, NOSM University medical student, received the CIBC Indigenous Learner Leadership Award for 2022.

Dr. Tian Xiao, NOSM University resident, is awarded the NOSM Resident Teaching Award from the Professional Association of the Residents of Ontario (PARO)

Dr. Barb Zelek is awarded the Rural Long Service Award from the Society of Rural Physicians of Canada (SRPC)

NOSM University is the recent recipient of the Réseau du mieux-être francophone du Nord de l'Ontario Award of Recognition honouring community partners for their contributions and efforts to improve access to, and equity of, French-language services.

NOSM University and Memorial University's Faculty of Medicine are honoured by the Society of Rural Physicians of Canada (SRPC) with the 2022 Rural Medical Education Award. This is the 11th time that NOSM has been recognized with this award

NOSM's Operation Remote Immunity Team of 60 faculty, learners and staff is awarded the Everyday Heroes Award of Excellence

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