University of Calgary 3 Minute Thesis Heat winners, 2015

Congratulations to all who participated in the 2015 UCalgary3MT heats this past week! The top two winners from each heat (noted with an *) will participate in the UCalgary3MT Finals, March 24 2015, 2:30pm in Husky Oil Hall, Rozsa Centre. We invite everyone to come and watch!

HEAT #1
Kimberley Holmes, Educational Research (1st, People’s Choice)*
What is the role of mindfulness in curriculum and learning? Learning to breathe, breathing to learn. Supervisor: Dr. Veronika Bohac Clarke
David Adair, Engineering-Biomedical (2nd)*
Integrated image guidance for endoscopic sinus and skull-base surgery. Supervisor: Dr. Yves Starreveld
Lena Shulyakovskaya, Educational Research (3rd)
Why do so many millennial teachers quit? Supervisor: Dr. Sharon Friesen

HEAT #2
David Guzzardi, Medicine – Cardiovascular/Respiratory Science (1st, People’s Choice)*
Thoracic aortic aneurysms: can we diffuse a ticking time bomb? Supervisor: Dr. Paul Fedak
Elizabeth Watt, Physics & Astronomy (2nd)*
Permanent breast seed implant: Improving patient experience in early-stage breast cancer. Supervisor: Dr. Tyler Meyer
Stefano Peca, Physics & Astronomy (3rd)
Catching errors in radiation treatment for cancer. Supervisor: Dr. Wendy Smith, Dr. Derek Brown

HEAT #3
Crystal Kwan, Social Work (1st)*
Elderly, poor and facing climate disasters. Supervisor: Dr. Christine Walsh
Srimal Ranasinghe, Environmental Design (2nd)*
In good faith? ...Oil pipelines, public engagement, and trust. Supervisor: Dr. Thomas Harper
Alison Heard, Psychology (3rd)
It’s just not processing: Investigating the processing of negated content in language. Supervisor: Dr. Penny Pexman

HEAT #4
Brandon Koger, Physics and Astronomy (1st)*
Gold nanoparticle enhanced radiation therapy: A simulation study. Supervisor: Dr. Charles Kirkby
Heather Leduc-Pessah, Medicine – Neurosciences (2nd)*
Zero tolerance: Improving opioid analgesics for the treatment of chronic pain. Supervisor: Dr. Tuan Trang
Nicole Burton, Medicine – Neurosciences (3rd)
Drug dependence: A barrier between opioids and chronic pain management. Supervisor: Dr. Tuan Trang
Sagar Purkayastha, Engineering – Chemical and Petroleum (People’s Choice)
Control and optimization of steam injection for steam-assisted gravity drainage (SAGD). Supervisor: Dr. Milana Trifkovic, Dr. Ian Gates

HEAT #5
Hasti Farrokhzadeh, Engineering – Civil (1st and People’s Choice)*
Active methane biofilters: An alternative cure for climate change. Supervisor: Dr. Patrick Hettiaratchi
Eliana Elkhoury, Educational Research (2nd)*
Let’s make international professors feel at home. Supervisor: Dr. Jennifer Lock, Dr. Krista Francis
Sam Dorosz, Engineering – Biomedical (3rd)
Keeping people moving: How does lubrication help? Supervisor: Dr. Tannin Schmidt
SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship Competition Deadlines

• Richard J. Schmeelk Canada Fellowship: Deadline April 1, 2015
• Faculty of Graduate Studies Travel Award (Canadian & Permanent Resident students only): Deadline April 1, 2015
• Alberta Innovates - Health Solutions: Deadline to submit your application to AI-HS is April 1, 2015. Should you require signatures please ensure you bring your application to FGS and allow for a 24 hr processing time.

External Competition Deadlines

• SCRIPT Award: Deadline April 1, 2015
• AICF Douglas McRorie Memorial Scholarship: Deadline April 8, 2015
• Alberta Gambling Research Institute: Deadline April 10, 2015
• Dr. Karl C. Iverson Scholarship: Deadline April 22, 2015
• Canadian Japanese Mennonite Scholarship: Deadline May 1, 2015
• Canadian Derivatives Exchange Scholars Program: Deadline May 6, 2015
• Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies – Zaglembier Society Scholarship: Deadline May 15, 2015

MY GRADSKILLS

WORKSHOPS

MITACS: NETWORKING SKILLS
Mar. 25, 8:30 – 4:30pm, TFDL Gallery Hall. Register
A good network is vital to a successful career. This workshop will give you insights into how to establish and expand a stable network, both in-person and online.

MITACS: PRESENTATION SKILLS
Apr. 6, 8:30 – 4:30pm, TFDL Gallery Hall. Register
The simple truth is that people who present well in front of groups are far more likely to succeed at captivating, persuading and inspiring others, and are generally perceived as better leaders. Attend this workshop to learn how to engage an audience, persuade and motivate others, manage any fear during presentations, and authentically engage an audience.

AROUND CAMPUS

Students Helping Students
Through the Graduate Coaching Program, the SSC will connect you with a trained graduate peer who will help you with goal setting, motivation, time management, and implementing feedback. Get more information online or email wconline@ucalgary.ca

Perfect Your Pitch – Pitch Coaching Clinic
March 21 | 10:00am - 3:00pm | Blue Room, Dining Centre
Experts in the investment community will teach you how to sell your vision and give effective presentations. You will have an opportunity to practice your skills and get valuable feedback. This event is open to all UCalgary students, staff, and faculty. Register.

Summer Incubator Program at The Inc.
This program is for student entrepreneurs hoping to develop their businesses into successful ventures. It provides a four-month grant for The Inc., Innovate Calgary’s newly developed incubator space, a $1000 monthly stipend, and access to coaching and mentorship opportunities. Application deadline: April 15, 2015, noon. More information and to apply. Questions?

Frank Eyck Memorial Lecture in German History
April 22 | 6:30 - 8:30pm | Husky Oil Great Hall, Rozsa Centre
Dr. Konrad Jarasch (University of North Carolina: Chapel Hill) will deliver this year’s keynote address. Exploring Germany’s path after reunification in 1990, Dr. Jarasch’s talk, “Consequences of Unification,” will take stock of the political, economic, cultural, and social dimensions of the “new” Germany. More information.

Important Dates

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