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<b>SUBJECT</b>	NOTABLE DISTINCTIONS
<b>SUBMITTED TO</b>	PEOPLE, COMMUNITY AND INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE
<b>MEETING DATE</b>	April 8, 2021
<b>SESSION CLASSIFICATION</b>	OPEN
<b>ACTION REQUESTED</b>	No decision requested: for information
<b>SUBMISSION DATE</b>	March 15, 2021
<b>LEAD EXECUTIVE</b>	Andrew Szeri, Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Vancouver
<b>SUPPORTED BY</b>	Lesley Cormack, Deputy Vice-Chancellor & Principal, UBC Okanagan Ananya Mukherjee Reed, Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Okanagan Phil Barker, Vice-Principal Research, UBC Okanagan Gail Murphy, Vice-President Research and Innovation

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#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At every meeting, the Board receives a list of recent notable distinctions and recognitions that have been received by UBC faculty members -- for their teaching, scholarly accomplishments and community service -- ranging from very prestigious national and international awards to significant internal awards at UBC. In addition, the Board receives profiles of three of these award winners. For this April meeting, the profiles focus on UBC Okanagan faculty.

UBC faculty profiled at this meeting and on the Board of Governors website:

- Teaching Category  
Isaac Li, Assistant Professor  
Irving K. Barber Faculty of Science, Department of Chemistry
- Research category  
Katrina Plamondon, Assistant Professor  
Faculty of Health and Social Development, School of Nursing
- Service category  
Kathleen Martin Ginis, Professor  
Faculty of Health and Social Development, School of Health and Exercise Sciences  
Faculty of Medicine, Southern Medical Program

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#### SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

1. Profiles of the above scholars
2. List of Notable Distinctions: \*Research \*Teaching \*Service



# Katrina Plamondon



Assistant Professor  
Faculty of Health and Social Development,  
School of Nursing

## **Nursing Awards of Excellence**

Katrina Plamondon was awarded the 2020 Nursing Awards of Excellence, honouring exceptional individuals who have demonstrated excellence in nursing practice, including ‘rising stars’ in the profession, lifetime achievement, research, advocacy, innovation, education and leadership. Katrina was distinguished for excellence in advancing nursing knowledge and research.

Her research focuses on health equity and inclusion and has far-reaching impact. She has received three prestigious awards from Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), the Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research Scholar (2020) and the Frederick Banting and Charles Best Canada Graduate Scholar award. In addition, she was recognized by UBC Okanagan as Doctoral Student Researcher of the Year (2019). Researching “knowledge translation science”, she uses dialogue, art and strategic analysis to explore issues of health equity, particularly among indigenous peoples.

Katrina Plamondon is a proud PhD graduate of UBC Okanagan. She obtained her MSc from the University of Saskatchewan and a Bachelor of Nursing from the University of Calgary.



# Isaac Li



Assistant Professor  
Faculty of Science, Department of Chemistry

Isaac Li is an Assistant Professor in UBCO's Department of Chemistry and recipient of the Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research (MSFHR) Scholar Award for significant contributions in his field. Li was also recognized for the Curricular Innovation Award which supports faculty members developing innovative approaches to teaching and learning.

Li studies biophysics at the single-molecule and single-cell levels and is particularly interested in developing tools to understand how cells physically interact with each other and the environment. The long-term goal of Li's research program is to gain mechanistic understandings of mechanobiology processes in disease pathology and develop novel biomedical and biophysical methods for disease diagnosis and treatment.

Isaac Li and Robert Godin are leading a curriculum innovation project in creative scientific instrument building for an enriched student experience. The project aims to develop the first course in the Irving K. Barber faculty of Science based on constructivism, where students are actively involved in the physical process of constructing knowledge and skills.

Li holds a Postdoc from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Center for the Physics of Living Cells. He earned his PhD, MSc and BSc from the University of Toronto.



# Kathleen Martin Ginis



Professor

Faculty of Medicine Southern Medical Program and  
Faculty of Health and Social Development,  
School of Health and Exercise Sciences  
Director, Centre for Chronic Disease Prevention and  
Management

Professor Kathleen Martin Ginis received the Canadian Society for Psychomotor Learning and Sport Psychology (SCAPPS) Brawley & Elliott Award for Excellence in Supervision & Mentorship. The award recognizes outstanding individuals who have provided exceptional supervision and mentorship to SCAPPS trainees.

Martin-Ginis was recently a top-three finalist for the SSHRC impact connection award which facilitates the exchange of research knowledge. She is the founding director of SCI Action Canada, working to advance physical activity participation in people living with spinal cord injury and also the Principal Investigator of the Canadian Disability Participation Project. She has a profound commitment to knowledge translation and is renowned for evidence-based, best-practices to improve health and well-being among people with disabilities. Her efforts help provide tools and resources for adults with physical disabilities.

Professor Martin Ginis earned her PhD in Kinesiology at the University of Waterloo and postdoctoral training at Wake Forest University. She completed her BSc in Psychology at the University of Toronto.

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APR 2021	APPLIED SCIENCE - UBCO School of Engineering	Golorin, Kevin - Assistant Professor	Named one of two Canadian finalists for the Blue Sky Young Researchers and Innovation Award. The award was created by the International Council of Forest & Paper Associations to honour young researchers who are advancing the global bioeconomy while sustaining the natural environment. Of the 21 international finalists, three will be chosen as winners during the ICFPA's CEO Global Roundtable at the end of April.
APR 2021	ARTS - Geography	Peck, Jamie - Professor	Named on the Global Highly Cited Researchers 2020 List by the Clarivate Analytics. The list recognizes researchers whose work has been highly influential, and widely cited, in their field within the past 10 years – recognizing a longstanding contribution to their specialization. Prof. Peck is among 32 scholars from UBC who are named on this year's list.
APR 2021	ARTS - Geography	Wynn, Graeme - Professor Emeritus	Best Edited Collection in Canadian Studies awarded by the Canadian Studies Network (CSN). This prize is awarded annually for an outstanding scholarly, edited collection of articles on a Canadian subject that best advances our knowledge and understanding of Canada and Canadian Studies. It recognises the fact that much important work in the interdisciplinary field of Canadian Studies appears in the form of edited collections. This prize is intended to recognize work written by members of the CSN.

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APR 2021	ARTS - Geography	Moore, Dan - Professor	2020 C.J. Westerman Memorial Award from Engineers & Geoscientists BC. The President's Awards are British Columbia's top awards for professional engineers and professional geoscientists and have been developed to recognize the exemplary and outstanding professional, technical, and community contributions made by members of Engineers and Geoscientists British Columbia.
APR 2021	ARTS - Geography	Arefin, Mohammed Rafi - Assistant Professor	Named a 2021-22 Wall Scholar. Recipients will spend a year in residence at the Institute focusing on the theme of Complex Systems. The 2021-2022 Wall Scholar cohort will explore novel ways to integrate and enrich our knowledge of dynamic systems and how we can bring about positive change within them.
APR 2021	ARTS - History	Loo, Tina - Professor	Named a University Killam Professor. The University Killam Professorship is the highest honour that UBC can confer on a faculty member, and recognizes exceptional teachers and researchers who are leaders in their fields, and who have received international recognition for their talents and efforts.
APR 2021	ARTS - Institute for Resources, Environment and Sustainability	Wittman, Hannah - Professor	Named a 2021-22 Wall Scholar. Recipients will spend a year in residence at the Institute focusing on the theme of Complex Systems. The 2021-2022 Wall Scholar cohort will explore novel ways to integrate and enrich our knowledge of dynamic systems and how we can bring about positive change within them.

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APR 2021	ARTS - Theatre & Film	Scholte, Tom - Professor	Named a 2021-22 Wall Scholar. Recipients will spend a year in residence at the Institute focusing on the theme of Complex Systems. The 2021-2022 Wall Scholar cohort will explore novel ways to integrate and enrich our knowledge of dynamic systems and how we can bring about positive change within them.
APR 2021	EDUCATION - English Language and Literatures	Hunt, Dallas - Assistant Professor	Named a 2021-22 Wall Scholar. Recipients will spend a year in residence at the Institute focusing on the theme of Complex Systems. The 2021-2022 Wall Scholar cohort will explore novel ways to integrate and enrich our knowledge of dynamic systems and how we can bring about positive change within them.
APR 2021	EDUCATION - Language & Literacy Education	Norton, Bonny - Professor	Named a University Killam Professor. The University Killam Professorship is the highest honour that UBC can confer on a faculty member, and recognizes exceptional teachers and researchers who are leaders in their fields, and who have received international recognition for their talents and efforts.
APR 2021	EDUCATION - Language and Literacy Education	Henry, Annette - Professor	Named a 2021-22 Wall Scholar. Recipients will spend a year in residence at the Institute focusing on the theme of Complex Systems. The 2021-2022 Wall Scholar cohort will explore novel ways to integrate and enrich our knowledge of dynamic systems and how we can bring about positive change within them.

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APR 2021	LAW - Peter A. Allard School of Law	Hastie, Bethany - Assistant Professor	Named a 2021-22 Wall Scholar. Recipients will spend a year in residence at the Institute focusing on the theme of Complex Systems. The 2021-2022 Wall Scholar cohort will explore novel ways to integrate and enrich our knowledge of dynamic systems and how we can bring about positive change within them.
APR 2021	MEDICINE - Physical Therapy	Eng, Janice - Professor	Named a University Killam Professor. The University Killam Professorship is the highest honour that UBC can confer on a faculty member, and recognizes exceptional teachers and researchers who are leaders in their fields, and who have received international recognition for their talents and efforts. Awarded by the University of British Columbia in recognition of Dr. Eng's exceptional commitment to teaching and her outstanding contributions to stroke recovery research.
APR 2021	MEDICINE - Orthopaedics and ICORD	Shadgan, Babak - Assistant Professor	Awarded Fellowship with the International Society for Optics and Photonics (SPIE) honouring Members of distinction who have made significant scientific and technical contributions in the multidisciplinary fields of optics, photonics. This award acknowledges Dr. Shadgan's scientific contributions in the design and development of advanced wearable and implantable optical sensors.
APR 2021	MEDICINE - Cellular & Physiological Sciences	Krebs, Claudia - Professor	Elected a Fellow of the American Association for Anatomy (AAA), in recognition of Dr. Krebs' outstanding contributions to the anatomical sciences and her dedication to scientific excellence.



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APR 2021	MEDICINE - Cellular & Physiological Sciences	Vogl, Wayne - Professor	Received the Henry Gray Scientific Achievement Award - Awarded by the American Association for Anatomy, recognizing Dr. Vogl's meritorious contributions to and achievements in anatomical sciences.
APR 2021	SCIENCE - Institute for the Oceans and Fisheries	Sumaila, Rashid - Professor	Named a University Killam Professor. The University Killam Professorship is the highest honour that UBC can confer on a faculty member, and recognizes exceptional teachers and researchers who are leaders in their fields, and who have received international recognition for their talents and efforts. Prof. Sumaila is one of the world's most innovative researchers on the future of the oceans.
APR 2021	SCIENCE - Botany & Forest and Conservation Sciences	Davies, Jonathan - Professor	Named a 2021-22 Wall Scholar. Recipients will spend a year in residence at the Institute focusing on the theme of Complex Systems. The 2021-2022 Wall Scholar cohort will explore novel ways to integrate and enrich our knowledge of dynamic systems and how we can bring about positive change within them.
APR 2021	SCIENCE - Mathematics	Duc, Dao Khanh - Assistant Professor	Named a 2021-22 Wall Scholar. Recipients will spend a year in residence at the Institute focusing on the theme of Complex Systems. The 2021-2022 Wall Scholar cohort will explore novel ways to integrate and enrich our knowledge of dynamic systems and how we can bring about positive change within them.
APR 2021	SCIENCE - Mathematics	Robeva, Elina - Assistant Professor	Awarded the 2020 UBC/PIMS Mathematical Sciences Young Faculty Award. The prize recognizes exceptional achievement in the mathematical sciences.

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APR 2021	SCIENCE - Microbiology & Immunology	Tropini, Carolina - Assistant Professor	Named an Allen Distinguished Investigator, Paul Allen Frontiers Group, "The Allen Distinguished Investigator program supports early-stage research with the potential to reinvent entire fields". Achievement: This award was granted for investigating distinct immune-metabolic niches in inflammatory bowel disease patients.
APR 2021	SCIENCE - Statistics	Cohen Freue, Gabriela - Associate Professor	Received a Canadian Statistical Sciences Institute (CANSSI) Collaborative Research Team award to co-lead a collaborative research project called <i>Improving robust high-dimensional causal inference and prediction modelling</i> .
APR 2021	SCIENCE - Statistics	Welch, William - Professor	Received a Canadian Statistical Sciences Institute (CANSSI) Collaborative Research Team award to co-lead a collaborative research project called <i>Statistical machine learning with functional data for assessment of landscape vulnerability to climate change and land cover development</i> .
APR 2021	SCIENCE - Zoology	Matthews, Benjamin - Assistant Professor	Awarded a 2021 Sloan Research Fellowship in Neuroscience by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. The Sloan Research Fellowship Program recognizes and rewards outstanding early-career faculty who have the potential to revolutionize their fields of study. These 128 early-career scholars represent the most promising scientific researchers working today. Their achievements and potential place them among the next generation of scientific leaders in the U.S. and Canada.

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APR 2021	SCIENCE - Zoology and IOF	Pauly, Daniel - Professor	Named a 2020 Thomson-Reuters Highly Cited Researcher from Clarivate Analytics. This award recognizing the true pioneers in their fields over the last decade, demonstrated by the production of multiple highly-cited papers that rank in the top 1% by citations for field and year in the Web of Science™.
APR 2021	SCIENCE - Zoology and IOF	Pauly, Daniel - Professor	Awarded the Beverton Medal for 2021 by the Fisheries Society of the British Isles in recognition of his ground-breaking research and lifelong contribution to the study of fish and fisheries science. The Beverton Medal is FSBI's most senior award and highest honour.
APR 2021	SCIENCE - Zoology	Schluter, Dolph - Professor	Named a University Killam Professor. The University Killam Professorship is the highest honour that UBC can confer on a faculty member, and recognizes exceptional teachers and researchers who are leaders in their fields, and who have received international recognition for their talents and efforts.
APR 2021	SCIENCE - Earth, Ocean & Atmospheric Sciences	Weis, Dominique - Professor	Named a University Killam Professor. The University Killam Professorship is the highest honour that UBC can confer on a faculty member, and recognizes exceptional teachers and researchers who are leaders in their fields, and who have received international recognition for their talents and efforts.
APR 2021	APPLIED SCIENCE - School of Engineering (UBCO)	Cheng, Julian - Professor	Awarded UBC Okanagan Researcher of the Year (NSERC category). Official announcement in March 2021. The award acknowledges a faculty member who has made a significant contribution to research during their time at UBC Okanagan.

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APR 2021	HEALTH & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - School of Nursing (UBCO)	Kurtz, Donna - Associate Professor	Honoured with a 2020 Nursing Award of Excellence. The award recognizes demonstrated excellence in nursing practice, including 'rising stars' in the profession, lifetime achievement, research, advocacy, innovation, education and leadership. Honoured for excellence in advancing nursing knowledge and research.
APR 2021	HEALTH & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - School of Health and Exercise Sciences (UBCO)	Little, Jonathan - Associate Professor	Received the Canadian Society for Exercise Physiology(CSEP) Young Investigator Award (YIA); presented annually to an outstanding CSEP member who received the PhD or MD degree within the past 10 years. Awarded to an exceptional member who has demonstrated evidence of a sustainable program of research funding beyond the first grant cycle, publications in peer-reviewed journals that establish the candidate as an independent scientist, and evidence of training of highly qualified personnel. The individual must be acknowledged to have an excellent reputation throughout Canada and to have achieved notable international recognition.
APR 2021	HEALTH & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - School of Health and Exercise Sciences (UBCO)	Martin Ginis, Kathleen - Professor	Top three finalist category for the SSHRC Impact Connection Award which recognizes an outstanding SSHRC-funded initiative that facilitates the flow and exchange of research knowledge within and/or beyond the social sciences and humanities research community.
APR 2021	HEALTH & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - School of Nursing (UBCO)	Plamondon, Katrina - Assistant Professor	Honoured with a 2020 Nursing Award of Excellence. The award recognizes demonstrated excellence in nursing practice, including 'rising stars' in the profession, lifetime achievement, research, advocacy, innovation, education and leadership. Honoured for excellence in advancing nursing knowledge and research.

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APR 2021	DENTISTRY - Oral Health Sciences	Manso, Adriana - Associate Professor	Awarded the ACFD "W.W. Wood Award for Excellence in Dental Education" from the Association of Canadian Faculties of Dentistry, in recognition of Dr. Manso's excellence in teaching and leadership in dental education. ( <a href="https://acfd.ca/about-acfd/awards/ww-wood-award/">https://acfd.ca/about-acfd/awards/ww-wood-award/</a> )
APR 2021	EDUCATION - Language and Literacy Education / ARTS - iSchool	Shoemaker, Kathryn - Adjunct Professor	Mary Sue Stephenson Award for Excellence in Adjunct Teaching. This award recognizes the adjunct instructor who received the highest and most positive student evaluations for a course taught in the preceding academic year. This distinction acknowledges the impact of adjunct professors on the community and was given to Prof. Shoemaker based on her glowing student evaluations this past year.
APR 2021	EDUCATION - Educational and Counselling Psychology, and Special Education	Glidden-Tracey, Cynthia - Assistant Professor of Teaching	Selected to feature on Catalyst Series (Body and Mind episode), Arizona Public Broadcast System. Minute 11:38 into this video: ( <a href="https://azpbs.org/catalyst/2020/12/catalyst-304-body-and-mind/">https://azpbs.org/catalyst/2020/12/catalyst-304-body-and-mind/</a> ).
APR 2021	MEDICINE - Medicine	Cuncic, Cary - Clinical Assistant Professor / Associate Director of Years 3 and 4	2021 Canadian Association for Medical Education Certificate of Merit Award - awarded in recognition of an individual's commitment to medical education in Canadian medical schools.
APR 2021	MEDICINE - Medicine	Nair, Parvathy - Clinical Associate Professor	2021 Canadian Association for Medical Education Certificate of Merit Award - awarded in recognition of an individual's commitment to medical education in Canadian medical schools.
APR 2021	MEDICINE - Family Practice	van der Goes, Theresa - Assessment Director, Family Medicine Postgraduate Program	2021 Canadian Association for Medical Education Certificate of Merit Award - awarded in recognition of an individual's commitment to medical education in Canadian medical schools.

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APR 2021	MEDICINE - Family Practice	Norman, Wendy - Associate Professor	Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada Mentorship Award - Awarded in recognition of an outstanding commitment to mentoring at a national level.
APR 2021	APPLIED SCIENCE (UBC OKANAGAN) - School of Engineering	Shirazi, Mehran - Lecturer	Canadian Federation of Engineering Students Association Appreciation Award. The annual award recognizes staff or faculty at member institutions for significant contributions to their community of engineering students.

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APR 2021	ALLARD SCHOOL OF LAW	Liao, Carol - Associate Professor	2021 Influential Women in Business Award, from Business in Vancouver. ( <a href="https://biv.com/article/2021/02/biv-announces-2021-influential-women-business-award-winners">https://biv.com/article/2021/02/biv-announces-2021-influential-women-business-award-winners</a> ).
APR 2021	APPLIED SCIENCE - Mining Engineering	Himmelright, Justin - Adjunct Professor	Association of Mineral Exploration's (AME's) 2020 Robert R. Hedley Award for excellence in social and environmental responsibility. Prof. Himmelright has shown leadership in putting social and environmental values up front through the launch of the Skeena Tahltan Mentorship Program, his advocacy of the BC Regional Mining Alliance, and the development of a UBC graduate level course: "Mining and Indigenous Peoples of Canada."
APR 2021	APPLIED SCIENCE - Mechanical Engineering	Olson, James - Professor & Dean of the Faculty of Applied Science	Elected Fellow of the Canadian Society of Senior Engineers in recognition of his outstanding service to the profession and /or Canada.
APR 2021	APPLIED SCIENCE - Nursing	Lambert, Leah - Clinical Assistant Professor	Appointed as Executive Director and Senior Scientist of Nursing and Allied Health Research and Knowledge Translation at BC Cancer.
APR 2021	ARTS - School of Information	Lemieux, Victoria - Associate Professor	The 29th annual RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards; award received in the Social Entrepreneurship category.
APR 2021	MEDICINE - Family Practice	Ali, Tahmeena - Clinical Instructor	2020 Canada's Family Physicians of the Year – Reg L. Perkin Award - Awarded by the College of Family Physicians of Canada in recognition of the exceptional care Dr. Ali provided to her patients and the contributions she has made to the health and well-being of her community.
APR 2021	MEDICINE - Family Practice	Madill, Melanie - Clinical Assistant Professor	2020 CFPC/CPA Collaborative Mental Health Care Award - Awarded by the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) and the Canadian Psychiatric Association (CPA) in recognition of Dr. Madill's outstanding contributions in improving access to effective mental health care in Canada.

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APR 2021	MEDICINE - Radiology	Gordon, Paula - Clinical Professor	2020 Prix d'Excellence - Specialist of the Year Award - Awarded by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada in recognition of Dr. Gordon's significant contributions in providing outstanding care to her patients and the community in which she practices.
APR 2021	PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES	Wilbur, Kerry - Associate Professor	Wellspring Leadership Award from the Canadian Foundation for Pharmacy.
APR 2021	SCIENCE - Botany	Couch, Brett - Associate Professor of Teaching	Department of Botany service award for faculty. This award recognizes Dr. Couch's outstanding support for the Department of Botany and the Faculty of Science in multiple areas of occupational health and safety, in providing sensible, safe and realistic solutions to problems in this area.
APR 2021	SCIENCE - Microbiology & Immunology	Smith, Karen - Lecturer	UBC Science Excellence in Service Award, recognizes those who have made an outstanding service contribution and/or have had significant positive impact on the Faculty of Science.
APR 2021	SCIENCE - Zoology	Shadwick, Robert - Professor	US Antarctic Service Medal by the United States Department of Defense for serving as an instructor on a training course at the U.S. National Science Foundation's McMurdo Antarctic Research Station, located on Ross Island, Antarctica (78deg S) for 4 weeks in 2018. This is a service award from the US Armed Forces that may be awarded to civilians or citizens of a foreign nation who participate in a U.S. Antarctic expedition on the continent at the invitation of a participating U.S. agency.