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PRIOR SUBMISSIONS

The subject matter of this submission is a recurring item for information at each Board meeting.

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.

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

- Katherine Bowers (Service category)
Associate Professor - Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies
Faculty of Arts
- Pieter Cullis (Research category)
Professor Emeritus, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Faculty of Medicine
- Tiffany Timbers (Teaching category)
Associate Professor of Teaching, Statistics
Faculty of Science

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS (optional reading for Governors)

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



Katherine Bowers



Associate Professor, Department of Central, Eastern
and Northern European Studies, Faculty of Arts

Award for Exemplary Service International Dostoevsky Society

Congratulations to Professor Katherine Bowers for receiving the Award for Exemplary Service from the International Dostoevsky Society, in recognition of her long-standing service to the Society. An expert in Russian literature and culture, with particular emphasis on the nineteenth century, Prof. Bowers is actively involved in Dostoevsky studies. She serves as Vice-President of the North American Dostoevsky Society and she is currently co-leading a digital humanities research project, *Digital Dostoevsky*, investigating Dostoevsky's corpus.

Prof. Bowers holds a PhD in Slavic Languages and Literatures (Northwestern, 2011). She came to UBC from the University of Cambridge where she was a postdoctoral Research Associate in the Department of Slavonic Studies and a Research Fellow at Darwin College.

Her first monograph was *Writing Fear: Russian Realism and the Gothic*, and she has co-edited four books; currently she is co-editing *The Oxford Handbook of Global Realisms*. Building on her work in affect and genre, Prof. Bowers' new book project is about environmental catastrophe, eco-anxiety, and reading climate fiction across the long nineteenth century.



Pieter Cullis



Professor Emeritus, Department of Biochemistry and
Molecular Biology, Faculty of Medicine

Appointed to the Order of British Columbia

Congratulations to Professor Emeritus Pieter Cullis who has been appointed to the Order of British Columbia, the province's highest form of recognition. Established in 1989, The Order of British Columbia recognizes those "who have served with the greatest distinction and excelled in any field of endeavour benefitting the people of the province of B.C."

Dr. Cullis is best known globally for his work on lipid-based drug-delivery systems. He is responsible for fundamental advancements in the generation, loading, and targeting of lipid nanoparticle systems for intravenous delivery of small molecule drugs, as well as genetic drugs. This work has led to five drugs that have been approved by the FDA and other regulatory bodies, one of these drugs being Comirnaty, the Pfizer/BioNTech COVID-19 mRNA vaccine. Dr. Cullis has co-founded eleven biotechnology companies, has published over 350 scientific articles, and is the inventor on over 100 patents.

Dr. Cullis holds a BSc, an MSc, and a PhD all in Physics and from UBC. He pursued postdoctoral training at the University of Oxford and the University of Utrecht before joining the UBC faculty in 1978.



Tiffany Timbers



Associate Professor of Teaching
Department of Statistics, Faculty of Science

**Early Career Educator Award
Statistical Society of Canada**

Congratulations to Professor Tiffany Timbers for being presented with the Early Career Educator Award from the Statistical Society of Canada. This award honours excellence in teaching statistics by members of the Society through commitment to evidence-based pedagogy as well as contributions to statistical education in Canada. Prof. Timbers was honoured for “her internationally recognized contributions to the fields of statistics and data science education; for her commitment to creating broadly accessible learning environments; and her clear vision, expansive knowledge, and passion for teaching data science to students from a wide variety of backgrounds.”

Prof. Timbers received her BSc in Biology from Carleton University in 2001, following which she completed a doctorate in neuroscience at UBC in 2012. After obtaining her PhD, she conducted postdoctoral research at Simon Fraser University. During this time, she taught computational skills to students and scientists through her work with Data and Software Carpentry (SFU), and computation in Physical Sciences at Quest University. She began her teaching role in UBC’s Master of Data Science program in 2016, and is the Co-Director of the Program. In these roles she teaches and develops curriculum around responsible application of data science to solve real-world problems.

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DEC 2023	ALLARD SCHOOL OF LAW	Bakan, Joel - Professor	Named a UBC Distinguished University Scholar. This prestigious distinction recognizes exceptional members of UBC faculty who have distinguished themselves as scholars in research and/or teaching and learning.
DEC 2023	APPLIED SCIENCE - Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering	Abolmaesumi, Purang - Professor	Named a UBC Distinguished University Scholar. This prestigious distinction recognizes exceptional members of UBC faculty who have distinguished themselves as scholars in research and/or teaching and learning.
DEC 2023	APPLIED SCIENCE - School of Nursing	Boschma, Geertji - Professor	Award of Recognition 2023 from the BC History of Nursing Society. This year, the BCHNS has honoured Geertje with their Award of Recognition for her dedication to nursing history, including her research program on the history of nursing and health care, her mentorship of countless students and scholars of nursing history over the years, and her leadership in numerous conference and event planning committees.
DEC 2023	APPLIED SCIENCE - Department of Chemical & Biological Engineering	Ellis, Naoko - Professor	2023 PSRI Fluidization and Fluid Particle Systems Award from the Particle Technology Forum (FPT) of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE). This award recognizes an individual's outstanding scientific/ technical research contributions with impact in the field of fluidization and fluid-particle flow systems.
DEC 2023	APPLIED SCIENCE - School of Community and Regional Planning	Kamizaki, Kuni - Assistant Professor	Janet Smith Emerging Activist-Scholar Research Award from the Urban Affairs Association. This new annual award, sponsored by The Voorhees Family and individual donors, recognizes an emerging activist scholar whose research record shows a direct relationship between activism, scholarship, and engagement with community or communities.

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DEC 2023	APPLIED SCIENCE - Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering	Rohling, Robert - Professor	Companies to Watch - Recognition Honour Roll; Life Sciences BC. Committed to innovation, Sonic Incytes Medical Corp is set to positively impact millions worldwide, while rising to the forefront of the health-tech revolution. Sonic Incytes, founded in 2017 by Dr. Tim Salcudean and Dr. Robert Rohling, is dedicated to revolutionizing patient care through accessible health-tech solutions.
DEC 2023	APPLIED SCIENCE - Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering	Salcudean, Tim - Professor	Companies to Watch - Recognition Honour Roll; Life Sciences BC. Committed to innovation, Sonic Incytes Medical Corp is set to positively impact millions worldwide, while rising to the forefront of the health-tech revolution. Sonic Incytes, founded in 2017 by Dr. Tim Salcudean and Dr. Robert Rohling, is dedicated to revolutionizing patient care through accessible health-tech solutions.
DEC 2023	APPLIED SCIENCE - Department of Chemical & Biological Engineering	Trajano, Heather - Associate Professor	Named Top 10 Under 40 by Pulp & Paper Canada for their forward-thinking initiatives and their zeal to make a lasting impression, these winners are constantly raising the bar for their peers.
DEC 2023	APPLIED SCIENCE - School of Biomedical Engineering	Zandstra, Peter- Professor & School Director	Scientific Entrepreneurship Award from Life Sciences BC in honour of a remarkable scientific entrepreneur from one of BC's research or scientific institutions for their exceptional entrepreneurial accomplishments in life sciences from April 1st, 2022, to March 31st, 2023.
DEC 2023	ARTS - Department of History and SPPGA	Cheek, Tim - Professor	Appointed a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada in recognition of field-changing research into modern Chinese intellectuals and the Chinese Communist Party.

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DEC 2023	ARTS - Department of History	Christopoulos, John - Associate Professor	Prof. Christopoulos' book, <i>Abortion in Early Modern Italy</i> , won the European Association for the History of Medicine and Health 2023 book award (https://eahmh.org/prizes/). The prize is sponsored by the Dutch Stichting Historia Medicinae and the British Wilkinson Charitable Foundation and was awarded at the Association's annual conference in Oslo in August.
DEC 2023	ARTS - Department of Geography	Hassan, Marwan - Professor	Elected as a Fellow of the American Geophysical Union "for research excellence in the dynamics of coarse-bedded rivers and sustained leadership in research collaboration across disciplines and nations".
DEC 2023	ARTS - Department of History	Loo, Tina - Professor	Has won the Canadian Historical Association's Best Article or Book Chapter Prize of the Network in Canadian History & Environment for: Colleen Campbell & Tina Loo, "Making Tracks: A Grizzly and Entangled History" in <i>Traces of the Animal Past: Methodological Challenges in Animal History</i> , ed. Jennifer Bonnell and Sean Kheraj. University of Calgary Press, 2022: 235-268.
DEC 2023	ARTS - Department of Psychology	Norenzayan, Ara - Professor	Named a UBC Distinguished University Scholar. This prestigious distinction recognizes exceptional members of UBC faculty who have distinguished themselves as scholars in research and/or teaching and learning.
DEC 2023	ARTS - Department of Psychology	Paulhus, Delroy - Emeritus Professor	SPSP 2023 Methodological Innovator Award - The award was for several innovative methodologies widely used in both personality and social psychology research.
DEC 2023	ARTS - Department of Asian Studies	Thobani, Sunera - Professor	Named a UBC Distinguished University Scholar. This prestigious distinction recognizes exceptional members of UBC faculty who have distinguished themselves as scholars in research and/or teaching and learning.

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DEC 2023	ARTS - Department of Journalism, Writing and Media	Maraj, Louis - Associate Professor	2023 New Investigator Award by the National Communication Association Critical and Cultural Studies Division. The Award honours an emerging scholar who-- within 5 years of receiving their PhD--has taken a leadership role in setting a new research agenda for critical and cultural studies, through mentorship, and through advocacy on behalf of the CCSD's interests. It thus recognizes a scholar's early career achievements in "work that scrutinizes how discourses and practices impact individuals and communities, embodies insightful interpretation, and generates productive theorizing." This is Dr. Maraj's third distinction from the Critical and Cultural Studies Division, following his 2022 Scholar-Activist Award and 2022 Outstanding Book Award.
DEC 2023	ARTS - Department of Geography	Peck, Jamie - Professor	2023 Vaudrin Lud Prize. Awarded since 1991, this international geography prize highlights colleagues whose work has had a particular impact on the discipline, its thinking and its development. It is awarded during the International Geography Festival, which is held every year in Saint-Dié des Vosges, France.
DEC 2023	ARTS - School of Music	VanHandel, Leigh - Associate Professor	Edited book "The Routledge Companion to Music Theory Pedagogy", which won the Society for Music Theory's "Outstanding Multi-Author Publication Award" in November 2022. The award is to honour distinguished multi-author collections. It's the first pedagogy-oriented scholarship to win an SMT publication award.
DEC 2023	DENTISTRY	Overall, Chris - Professor	Named a UBC Distinguished University Scholar. This prestigious distinction recognizes exceptional members of UBC faculty who have distinguished themselves as scholars in research and/or teaching and learning.

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DEC 2023	EDUCATION - School of Kinesiology	Faulkner, Guy - Professor	Elected Fellow into the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences for contributions to the promotion of health science.
DEC 2023	EDUCATION - School of Kinesiology	Puterman, Eli - Associate Professor	Elected to the Royal Society of Canada College of New Scholars. The College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists is Canada's first national system of multidisciplinary recognition for the emerging generation of Canadian intellectual leadership. It comprises a fourth entity (along with the current three Academies) within the Royal Society of Canada. The Members of the College are Canadians and Permanent Residents who, at an early stage in their career, have demonstrated a high level of achievement. The criteria for election is excellence, and membership is for seven years.
DEC 2023	EDUCATION - Department of Educational and Counselling Psychology, and Special Education	Sam, Johanna - Assistant Professor	Michael Smith Health Research BC Scholar Title: Nini nanaghintsan ?anh (is your mind tired?): The Healing Journeys of Indigenous Adolescents Navigating Pathways to Urban and Online Wellness Support.
DEC 2023	FORESTRY - Department of Forest and Conservation Sciences	Hamelin, Richard - Professor	Canadian Forestry Scientific Achievement Award. Recognizes individuals who have made innovative and outstanding achievements in forestry research in Canada.
DEC 2023	FORESTRY - Department of Wood Science and APPLIED SCIENCE - Department of Chemical & Biological Engineering	Cranston, Emily - Professor	Rutherford Memorial Medal in Chemistry. The medals are awarded for outstanding research during the formative stage of a career in any branch of physics and chemistry and in recognition of Lord Rutherford's own research carried out in Canada at a relatively young age. The Rutherford Memorial Medals were established in 1980 by the RSC in memory of Lord Rutherford of Nelson, a great scientist and a leader in nuclear research.

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DEC 2023	FORESTRY - Department of Wood Science and APPLIED SCIENCE - Department of Chemical & Biological Engineering	Cranston, Emily - Professor	Member of the College of the Royal Society of Canada. The College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists is Canada's first national system of multidisciplinary recognition for the emerging generation of Canadian intellectual leadership. The Members of the College are Canadians and Permanent Residents who, at an early stage in their career, have demonstrated a high level of achievement. The criteria for election is excellence, and membership is for seven years.
DEC 2023	FORESTRY - Department of Forest and Conservation Sciences	Hinch, Scott - Professor	Named a UBC Distinguished University Scholar. This prestigious distinction recognizes exceptional members of UBC faculty who have distinguished themselves as scholars in research and/or teaching and learning.
DEC 2023	FORESTRY - Department of Wood Science	Saddler, Jack - Professor	CFA Collaboration Award is designed to recognize groups with whom BC-SMART has shared objectives. Under Prof. Saddler's leadership of the British Columbia Sustainable Marine, Aviation, Rail and Trucking (BC-SMART) Low-Carbon Fuels Consortium, the BC SMART program has fostered key connections with different stakeholder groups along the full supply chain and facilitated meaningful conversations around made-in-Canada solutions. The program has been diligently assessing global technology development and deployment as well as policies that encourage the production and use of low-carbon fuels, such as biodiesel, renewable diesel and Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF).
DEC 2023	FORESTRY - Department of Forest and Conservation Sciences	Sunderland, Terrance (Terry) - Professor	International Forestry Achievement Award, Recognizes individuals who have made unique and outstanding contributions or achievements in international forestry and encourages excellence and cooperation in international forestry.

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DEC 2023	MEDICINE - Department of Pediatrics	Babul, Shelia - Clinical Associate Professor	Clinical Faculty Award for Excellence in Research from the University of British Columbia Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes excellence in leadership or service by clinical faculty members.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - Department of Medicine	Ballem, Penny - Clinical Professor	Appointed to the Order of British Columbia - The honour is bestowed annually in recognition of outstanding provincial, national or international impact. Dr. Ballem is recognized for her long history of health leadership, including spearheading work to improve screening procedures for HIV and other blood-transmitted diseases in the Canadian blood-transfusion system, and more recently, as the leader of B.C.'s COVID-19 vaccination program.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - Department of Physical Therapy	Boyd, Lara - Professor	Named a UBC Distinguished University Scholar. This prestigious distinction recognizes exceptional members of UBC faculty who have distinguished themselves as scholars in research and/or teaching and learning.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - School of Population and Public Health	Buxton, Jane - Professor	Appointed to the Order of British Columbia - The honour is bestowed annually in recognition of outstanding provincial, national or international impact. Dr. Buxton is recognized for her harm-reduction approach to substance use and mentoring a generation of public-health trainees.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology	Cullis, Pieter - Professor Emeritus	Appointed to the Order of British Columbia - The honour is bestowed annually in recognition of outstanding provincial, national or international impact. Dr. Cullis is recognized for his breakthrough research on lipid nanoparticle-based drug delivery systems that is being used for cancer therapies, gene therapies and vaccines.

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DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Chemistry	Bertram, Allan - Professor	Named a UBC Distinguished University Scholar. This prestigious distinction recognizes exceptional members of UBC faculty who have distinguished themselves as scholars in research and/or teaching and learning.
DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Computer Science	Clune, Jeff - Associate Professor	SIGEVO (Special Interest Group on Genetic and Evolutionary Computation) Impact award - this is a Test of Time award for papers published in the GECCO conference. Prof. Clune's paper was published in 2013, improving algorithms in designing elegant and natural robotic bodies.
DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Computer Science	Clune, Jeff - Associate Professor	NORA award - (Norwegian Artificial Intelligence Research Consortium) for Outstanding Publication of the decade - paper published in 2015, re: neural modulatory in AI.
DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Mathematics	Edelstein-Keshet, Leah - Professor	Royal Society of Canada (RSC) Fellow 2023. Fellows of the RSC are distinguished Canadians from all branches of learning who have made remarkable contributions in the arts, the humanities and the sciences, as well as in Canadian public life.
DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Chemistry	Huan, Tao - Assistant Professor	2023 Michael Smith Scholar - provides funding to support the advancement of world-class health research in the province.
DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences	Johnson, Catherine - Professor	Named a UBC Distinguished University Scholar. This prestigious distinction recognizes exceptional members of UBC faculty who have distinguished themselves as scholars in research and/or teaching and learning.
DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Computer Science	Munzner, Tamara - Professor	SIGCHI - Honourable mention for paper.

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DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Zoology	O'Connor, Mary - Professor	Named a UBC Distinguished University Scholar. This prestigious distinction recognizes exceptional members of UBC faculty who have distinguished themselves as scholars in research and/or teaching and learning.
DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Computer Science	Conati, Cristina - Professor	UBC 2022 Killam Research Prize in the Sciences category. The research awards recognize recipients who demonstrate: outstanding research and scholarly contributions relative to their peer group at a comparable career stage; research impact accounting for context of the discipline or field of study; and, national and/or international research leadership, where appropriate. Dr. Conati's research lies at the intersection of artificial intelligence, human-computer interaction and cognitive science. Her overarching goal is to support Human-AI collaboration via trustworthy AI artifacts that can understand relevant properties of their users (e.g., states, skills, needs) and personalize the interaction accordingly, in a manner that preserves transparency and user control.
DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences	Johnson, Catherine - Professor	Elected to the Royal Society of Canada (RSC). The RSC acknowledges distinguished Canadians from various fields, including the arts, humanities, sciences, and public life. Dr. Johnson's research focuses on geophysical investigations of terrestrial planets, moons, and small celestial bodies in our solar system. Her work covers magnetic fields, lithospheric structure, tectonic, magmatic, and thermal evolution of various celestial bodies, including Mercury, Mars, Earth, the Moon, Venus, Mars, and the Moon. Her lab utilizes data from samples, observatories, and satellites to study the interior structure and history of these bodies and understand how internal and external processes shape their evolution.

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DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Computer Science	Leyton-Brown, Kevin - Professor	SIG-KDD Research Track Test of Time award - given by the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) for Prof. Leyton-Brown's 2013 paper that introduced Auto-WEKA to help fine-tune machine learning algorithms and propel AutoML.
DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Computer Science	Leyton-Brown, Kevin - Professor	Royal Society of Canada Fellow, for his remarkable contributions in computer science.
DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Zoology	Srivastava, Diane - Professor	Elected as a Fellow to the Royal Society of Canada 2023. Fellows of the Royal Society of Canada are distinguished Canadians from all branches of learning who have made remarkable contributions in the arts, the humanities and the sciences, as well as in Canadian public life. Research in the Srivastava lab focuses on fundamental questions in community ecology, including those that help develop the theoretical basis of conservation. The research centres around the ecology of species diversity, in particular, how ecosystem function relates to trophic and species diversity, maintenance of local species richness, the impact of habitat on local species diversity, and how human activities affect species diversity.
DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Mathematics	van Willigenburg, Stephanie - Professor	The recipient of the 2023 Mathematics Association of America (MAA), David P. Robbins Prize. This prize is awarded every three years and honours the authors of a paper reporting on novel research in algebra, combinatorics, or discrete mathematics. Papers are judged on quality of research, clarity of exposition, and accessibility to undergraduates. Professor van Willigenburg and her collaborators are the first women to win the MAA Robbins Prize, as well, the first Canadians.

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DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Institute for the Oceans and Fisheries	Sumaila, Ussif Rashid - University Killam Professor	ALBERT I GREAT MEDAL, SCIENCE SECTION. The Science section recognizes a highly qualified researcher in the field of oceanography for lifetime achievement, specific work or an outstanding discovery.
DEC 2023	UBCO IRVING K. BARBER FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES - Department of Community, Culture and Global Studies	Armstrong, Jeannette (lax' lax' tkw) - Associate Professor	Officer of the Order of Canada - The highest degree of merit, an outstanding level of talent and service, or an exceptional contribution to Canada and humanity.
DEC 2023	UBCO IRVING K. BARBER FACULTY OF SCIENCE - Department of Biology	Bergstrom, Kirk - Assistant Professor	Michael Smith Health Research BC- 2023 Scholar - Michael Smith Health Research BC Scholar program supports early career health researchers who are building leading-edge health research programs, training the next generation of scientists and making significant contributions to their field.
DEC 2023	UBCO FACULTY OF CREATIVE AND CRITICAL STUDIES - Department of Creative Studies	Chong, Kevin - Associate Professor	The Scotiabank Giller Prize - Shortlist/Finalist - Shortlisted for the Scotiabank Giller Prize for his book "The Double Life of Benson Yu". The Giller Prize recognizes excellence in Canadian fiction. Winner to be announced Nov 13/23.
DEC 2023	UBCO IRVING K. BARBER FACULTY OF SCIENCE - Department of Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, and Statistics	Feldman, Rebecca - Assistant Professor	Michael Smith Health Research BC- 2023 Scholar - Michael Smith Health Research BC Scholar program supports early career health researchers who are building leading-edge health research programs, training the next generation of scientists and making significant contributions to their field.
DEC 2023	UBCO FACULTY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - School of Nursing	Keys, Elizabeth - Assistant Professor	Michael Smith Health Research BC- 2023 Scholar - Michael Smith Health Research BC Scholar program supports early career health researchers who are building leading-edge health research programs, training the next generation of scientists and making significant contributions to their field.

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DEC 2023	UBCO FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCES - School of Engineering	Liu, Jian - Associate Professor	Member of the College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists, Royal Society of Canada, in recognition of mid-career leaders who provide the RSC with a multigenerational capacity to help Canada and the world address major challenges and seize new opportunities including those identified in emerging fields.
DEC 2023	UBCO IRVING K. BARBER FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES - Department of Psychology	Lougheed, Jessica - Assistant Professor	Michael Smith Health Research BC- 2023 Scholar - Michael Smith Health Research BC Scholar program supports early career health researchers who are building leading-edge health research programs, training the next generation of scientists and making significant contributions to their field.
DEC 2023	UBCO FACULTY OF MEDICINE - Southern Medical Program & FACULTY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - School of Health and Exercise Sciences	Martin-Ginis, Kathleen - Professor	Royal Society of Canada Fellow - Recognition by the RSC for career achievement is the highest honour an individual can achieve in the Arts, Social Sciences and Sciences. Fellows are elected by their peers for their outstanding scholarly, scientific and artistic achievement.
DEC 2023	UBCO IRVING K. BARBER FACULTY OF SCIENCE - Department of Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, and Statistics	Rodriguez-Perez, Gema - Assistant Professor	Google Research Scholar Program - Google provides an award under the category of Software engineering and programming languages. This award provides unrestricted gifts to support research at institutions around the world, and is focused on funding world-class research conducted by early-career professors.
DEC 2023	UBCO FACULTY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - School of Nursing	Struik, Laura - Assistant Professor	Michael Smith Health Research BC- 2023 Scholar - Michael Smith Health Research BC Scholar program supports early career health researchers who are building leading-edge health research programs, training the next generation of scientists and making significant contributions to their field.

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DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - School of Population and Public Health	Koehoorn, Mieke - Professor	Award for Excellence in Mentoring Early Career Faculty from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes faculty members who have formally been identified as mentors and who exemplify a deep commitment to fostering the professional and personal development of faculty members in the early stages of their academic careers.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Orthopaedics	Reilly, Christopher - Associate Professor	Award for Excellence in Mentoring Early Career Faculty from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes faculty members who have formally been identified as mentors and who exemplify a deep commitment to fostering the professional and personal development of faculty members in the early stages of their academic careers.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Medicine	Holtz, Kaila - Clinical Assistant Professor	Clinical Faculty Award for Excellence in Clinical Teaching from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes excellence in clinical teaching by clinical faculty members.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Pediatrics	Kalaci, Odion - Clinical Instructor	Clinical Faculty Award for Excellence in Clinical Teaching from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes excellence in clinical teaching by clinical faculty members.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - Southern Medical Program	McInnes, John Gord - Clinical Associate Professor	Clinical Faculty Award for Excellence in Clinical Teaching from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes excellence in clinical teaching by clinical faculty members.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Surgery	Brown, Erin - Clinical Professor	Clinical Faculty Award for Excellence in Clinical Teaching from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes excellence in clinical teaching by clinical faculty members.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - Island Medical Program	Modi, Amita - Clinical Associate Professor	Clinical Faculty Award for Excellence in Clinical Teaching from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes excellence in clinical teaching by clinical faculty members.

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DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Orthopaedics	Vljkovic, Andrea - Clinical Associate Professor	Clinical Faculty Award for Excellence in Mentorship from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes excellence in mentorship by clinical faculty members.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Pediatrics	Patel, Mona - Clinical Associate Professor	Clinical Faculty Award for Excellence in Mentorship from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes excellence in mentorship by clinical faculty members.
DEC 2023	SAUDER SCHOOL OF BUSINESS - UBC VANCOUVER	Daniels, Michael - Assistant Professor Evans, Jon - Assistant Professor Skarlicki, Daniel - Professor	MED Evidence Based Leadership Development Award at the 83rd Annual Meeting of the Academy of Management, for their submission paper entitled "Leadership Development at UBC Sauder: Taking on the World's Grand Challenges Through Adaptive Stewardship." Their submission was chosen from nominations of leadership development programs at academic institutions around the world. The judges were seeking "a flagship program and exemplary of what the school has to offer in terms of leadership development." Programs were assessed on vision on effective leadership and leadership development, implementation of the vision within the program; and evidence supporting the effective implementation.

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DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Computer Science	Seltzer, Margo - Professor and Canada 150 Chair	Athena Lecturer Award from the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM), recognizes a notable woman researcher who has made fundamental contributions to computer science. Dr. Seltzer is being honored with this award for her decades of ground-breaking work, service and mentoring.

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DEC 2023	ALLARD SCHOOL OF LAW / SAUDER SCHOOL	Liao, Carol - Associate Professor and UBC Sauder Distinguished Fellow of Dhillon Centre for Business Ethics	Dr. Liao was named to Canada's 2024 Clean50 list, recognizing the top 50 individuals and teams in Canada who have demonstrated measurable leadership in fighting climate change and who are helping Canada transition to a low-carbon economy. Dr. Liao also received the TELUS Award for Leadership in Community Engagement, which is selected from the Clean50 Honourees. More information on both at https://allard.ubc.ca/about-us/news-and-announcements/2023/dr-carol-liao-wins-canadas-clean50-award-sustainability-thought-leadership
DEC 2023	ARTS - Department of History & School of Public Policy and Global Affairs	Tworek, Heidi - Associate Professor	Appointed by the Public Safety Minister Marco Mendicino to a two-year term on the National Expert Committee on Countering Radicalization to Violence. The committee will ensure that the Canada Centre's efforts to implement the National Strategy on Countering Radicalization to Violence will help meet the Strategy's three priorities: building, sharing and using knowledge; addressing radicalization to violence in the online space; and supporting interventions.
DEC 2023	ARTS - Department of Asian Studies / Institute for Critical Indigenous Studies	Kadir, Aynur - Assistant Professor	Luce/ACLS Early Career Fellowship in China Studies - these fellowships provide critical support for the next generation of scholars who are deepening our understanding of China's diverse cultural and political past and present. ACLS President Joy Connolly continues: "Through our fruitful partnership with the Luce Foundation, ACLS [American Council of Learned Societies] is proud to help foster a community of interdisciplinary scholars who are making vital contributions to China studies. [...] At a time when tense relations between China and the United States dominate the headlines, we believe that scholarship, which helps bring people together by freely sharing knowledge, is more important than ever."

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DEC 2023	ARTS - Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies	Bowers, Katherine - Associate Professor	At the XVIII International Dostoevsky Symposium in Nagoya, Japan in August 2023, Dr. Bowers received the Award for Exemplary Service from the International Dostoevsky Society. The award recognizes her long-standing service to the Society.
DEC 2023	ARTS - Department of Central, Eastern, and Northern European Studies	Malakaj, Ervin - Associate Professor	Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm Prize from the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), part of the German Foreign Ministry. The award is given to one senior and one early career scholar who are exemplary ambassadors for the German language. Their services in German Studies lay the groundwork for exchange and mutual understanding and sets a course for global interconnectedness. With outstanding achievements in transnational teaching and research they have decisively advanced international collaborations at their home institutions.
DEC 2023 (updated from previous list)	EDUCATION - UBC VANCOUVER - Language and Literacy Education	Gunderson, Lee - Professor	ABCDE's Education Advocate Award (Association of BC Deans of Education): "Throughout his 42-year career with UBC, Dr. Gunderson has been instrumental in developing assessment instruments and protocols and researching immigrant scholastic achievement. His prolific research and tireless work in the field has led to the development of standardized testing through the ESL Assessment Consortium and required ESL-focused courses for UBC's Teacher Candidates. The assessments are being utilized in 12 lower-mainland school districts and when immigrants first enter the country."

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DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Pediatrics	Miller, Steven - Head and Professor	James H. Graham Award of Merit - The award is given annually to a person whose outstanding career achievements reflect the aims and objectives of The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. Dr. Miller was awarded in his recognition of his contributions as a clinician, researcher, innovator and mentor.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Pediatrics	Miller, Steven - Head and Professor	Elected as a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences - Fellowship recognizes an individual's outstanding contributions and excellence of their work as a leader in Canadian health sciences.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology	Cullis, Pieter - Professor Emeritus	Bill and Marilyn Webber Lifetime Achievement Award - Recognizes extraordinary members of the Faculty of Medicine who have had sustained distinguished careers at UBC in the areas of research, teaching and service.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology	Allaire, Catherine - Clinical Professor	Clinical Faculty Award for Excellence in Leadership/Service from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes excellence in leadership or service by clinical faculty members.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Surgery	Genoway, Krista - Clinical Instructor	Clinical Faculty Award for Excellence in Advancing Equity, Diversity, and Inclusiveness from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes excellence in the area of equity, diversity and inclusion through research, teaching or service by clinical faculty members.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Radiology	Yong-Hing, Charlotte - Clinical Associate Professor	Clinical Faculty Award for Excellence in Advancing Equity, Diversity, and Inclusiveness from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes excellence in the area of equity, diversity and inclusion through research, teaching or service by clinical faculty members.

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DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Family Medicine	Markham, Ray - Clinical Professor	Award for Distinguished Service to Continuing Medical Education/Continuing Professional Development from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes substantial long-term contributions to Continuing Professional Development/Continuing Medical Education in the Faculty of Medicine.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Medical Genetics	Birch, Patricia - Clinical Associate Professor and Department Manager	Award for Innovation in Continuing Medical Education/Continuing Professional Development from the Faculty of Medicine - Recognizes outstanding innovation and/or creativity with original work in the area of Continuing Medical Education/Continuing Professional Development programming.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - School of Population and Public Health	Brauer, Michael - Professor	Elected as a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences - Fellowship recognizes an individual's outstanding contributions and excellence of their work as a leader in Canadian health sciences.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences	Gupta, Neeru - Head and Professor	Elected as a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences - Fellowship recognizes an individual's outstanding contributions and excellence of their work as a leader in Canadian health sciences.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - School of Population and Public Health	Holmes, Beverly - Adjunct Professor	Elected as a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences - Fellowship recognizes an individual's outstanding contributions and excellence of their work as a leader in Canadian health sciences.
DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology	Money, Deborah - Professor	Elected as a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences - Fellowship recognizes an individual's outstanding contributions and excellence of their work as a leader in Canadian health sciences.

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DEC 2023	MEDICINE - UBC VANCOUVER - School of Population and Public Health	Stephen, Craig - Clinical Professor	Elected as a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences - Fellowship recognizes an individual's outstanding contributions and excellence of their work as a leader in Canadian health sciences.
DEC 2023	SCIENCE - Department of Statistics	Heckman, Nancy - Emeritus Professor	Honorary Member is presented each year by the Statistical Society of Canada to honor an individual who has made exceptional contributions to the development of the statistical sciences in Canada and whose work has had a major impact in this country.
DEC 2023	APPLIED SCIENCE - UBC OKANAGAN - School of Engineering	Gargoum, Suliman - Assistant Professor	University of Alberta Alumni Innovation Award - this award recognizes an innovative program, process or product created, implemented or discovered by a University of Alberta alumnus or group of alumni. The program, process or product has significantly impacted their profession, community or society at large.