



Department of Biology

April 20, 2022

UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

2022 Biology Graduate Symposium

The 2022 UVic Biology Graduate Student Symposium was held in person on April 7th and 8th. The event was a huge success thanks to collaboration among more than 30 graduate students on the organizing team. Graduate student presenters were cheered on by fellow students, faculty, and the public while sharing their current research along themes of Ecology and Evolution, Neuroscience, Cell and Molecular Biology, Forest Biology, and Marine Biology.

PhD Category

1. Harley Gordon (Forest Biology)
2. Viktorie Kolatkova (Marine Biology)
3. Shea Wyatt (Marine Biology)

MSc Category

1. Matthew Csordas (Marine Biology)
2. Hayley Barnes (Neuroscience, Cell, and Molecular Biology)
3. Kathleen Innes (Marine Biology)

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Biology Seminars

Biology

Laura Hanson

PhD Exit Seminar

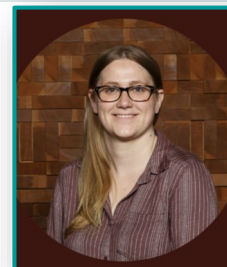
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“Mechanisms and circuitry underlying direction selectivity in the mouse retina”

MSB 150

3:30 pm

Supervisor: Dr. Gautam Awatramani



Calendar

Important Dates:

Friday, April 29

Examinations end for all faculties

2022/2023 Official academic year begins

Wednesday, May 4th

May-August courses begin for all faculties

Friday, May 6th

Senate meets

Monday, May 9th

May and May-June courses begin

Monday, May 16th

Last day for Faculty of Law course changes

Tuesday, May 17th

Last day for graduate students to register in a personal leave in summer

Monday, May 23rd

Victoria Day

Thursday, May 26th

Senate Committee on Academic Standards meets to approve Convocation lists

Tuesday, May 31st

Fees deadlines for summer. See undergraduate and graduate add and drop dates for standard summer courses



Biology Announcements

Congratulations to Biology Graduate Students who successfully defended in April, 2022

Camille Giuliano MSc

“Holocene Fire Regimes And Links To Climate And Vegetation History On Pender Island, British Columbia, Canada”

Supervisor: Dr. Terri Lacourse



Laura Hanson PhD

“Mechanisms and circuitry underlying direction selectivity in the mouse retina”

Supervisor: Dr. Gautam Awatramani



Lia Chalifour PhD

“Nearshore habitat use, estuarine residency, and conservation priorities for Pacific Salmon in the Fraser River, British Columbia”

Supervisor: Dr. Julia Baum



Biology Announcements

Biology Graduate Students Upcoming oral examinations

Yalin Liu MSc

"CRISPR/Cas9 Mutation of MYB134 and MYB115 To Study Regulation and Functions of Proanthocyanidins in Poplar Roots"

Supervisor: Dr. Peter Constabel

Monday April 25th

1:00 PM

CLE B007



If you have stories or announcements that you would like to share in the Biology newsletter, please email: Jennie Bartosik at biology@uvic.ca or Laura Alcaraz-Sehn at bioclerk@uvic.ca



UVic Announcements

UVic Library Faculty and Instructors Newsletter

[The UVic Library Faculty and Instructors Newsletter April](#) edition is available now and you can find some of the following information: Decolonizing descriptions, Reduced author processing charges, Students save money with eBooks, Altmetric Explorer and more.

[Archives](#)

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Improve your quantitative skills

Adjunct Assistant Professor Andrew Edwards has recently co-authored an e-book with Drs. Kim Cuddington and Brian Ingalls (University of Waterloo) titled "Building Skills in Quantitative Biology", freely available at <https://www.quantitative-biology.ca/>

It is aimed at biology students and professionals who want to improve their quantitative and computational skills. There are five independent modules, covering GitHub, R Markdown, machine learning, multivariate analysis, and optimization. It was developed with a commitment to web accessibility to be available to as many learners as possible.

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