



Research & Scholarship Newsletter

November/December 2021

Year End Message from Dr. Pammla Petrucka, Interim Associate Dean, Research & Graduate Studies

As 2021 draws to a close we could and should rejoice in the accomplishments and advances in our College's research presence through grants, publications, community outreach, and partnerships. However, in this season of sharing it is important to reflect on those who are missed, left behind, under-represented or not able to fully benefit from the promise and potential impacts of our nursing research. The greatest gift we can bring to all these populations with potential is our willingness to be inclusive and empowering through our presence and commitment.

Research Administration 101: Accessing Nursing Students as Study Participants

Studies (funded or unfunded) involving College of Nursing students as research subjects require ethical approval from the University of Saskatchewan (USask) Research Ethics Board (REB) and operational approval from the College of Nursing Research and Scholarship Committee. This approval is required for the protection of nursing students during the research project and to ensure nursing students across programs and sites are not overburdened in a manner that may impact their academic standing and performance. Approval must be in place before contacting students to participate in a research study. The steps for obtaining approval are:

1. Contact the USask OVPR Ethics Office for ethics approval. Research involving students requires ethics

Researcher Q & A Dr. Susan Fowler-Kerry



Q: Tell us three quick facts about yourself.

1. My research interests include pediatric pain and palliative care, and global issues in maternal health and child health with a specific focus on refugee health.
2. I have three Cavalier King Charles Spaniels.
3. I'm addicted to Pickle-ball!

Q: What is one thing you are most proud of that you've accomplished in your academic career?

A: I co-chaired and co-edited the WHO monograph, *Cancer Pain Relief and Palliative Care in Children*, with Dr. Patricia McGrath.

Q: Describe a current research and/or scholarly work project in three sentences or less?

A: Currently, I'm involved in a number of research projects and publications. These focus on young adults and their recollections of cancer treatment, dementia and palliative care within Indigenous communities, and adolescent reproductive health challenges in Uganda and the Philippines with international collaborators.

Q: What are some of your academic interests/aspirations?

A: I would like to build upon my program of research to develop new interdisciplinary projects and apply to CIHR.

review and approval by a Research Ethics Board (REB) before research can begin. Even if a researcher has approval from another university, USask REB approval is still required. For more information on the process and contact information of individuals in the ethics office, please click [HERE](#).

2. Submit an electronic copy of research proposal (including surveys, interview guides, etc.) and REB approval to [Raeleen Wilson](#). The College of Nursing Research and Scholarship Committee will review the information and provide operational approval or request changes to the protocol, if required. Following the review, the decision will be communicated to the researcher.

If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Raeleen Wilson.

Stay Connected!

Learn more about our Nursing Research and Scholarship? Check out our [Webpage](#) and [Research Snapshot!](#)

Keep on top of upcoming funding opportunities? Join the USask Health Science and/or Social Science [listserv!](#)

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PARTICIPANTS NEEDED FOR RESEARCH IN GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE

We are looking for volunteers to take part in a study of how people living in Saskatoon experienced the Green Network during physical distancing measures of the pandemic.

As a participant in this study, you would be asked to complete an anonymous questionnaire.

Your participation would involve one time for approximately 10 minutes.

For more information about this study, or to volunteer for this study, please contact:
Dr. Wanda Martin
College of Nursing
at
306-715-9638 or
Email: wanda.martin@usask.ca

Or go directly to this site to complete the survey
<https://www.surveymonkey.ca/r/ZJV7V6D>

This study has been approved by the University of Saskatchewan Behavioural Research Ethics Board



Celebrating Nursing Research & Scholarship Success!

BE WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS

In the News...

Saskatchewan Health Research Showcase

2021: The Saskatchewan Health Authority and the Saskatchewan Centre for Patient-Oriented Research hosted this annual event on November 16 & 18, 2021. Congratulations to our faculty – Drs. Campbell, Fowler-Kerry, Juckes, Peacock, Racine and Rohatinsky, and students – Steven Hall and Virginia Deobald that presented posters at this event! Click [here](#) to view all showcase posters.

USask Researchers Pave the Way to Accessible Health Care for Those with Inflammatory Bowel Disease:

University of Saskatchewan (USask) researchers, Dr. Noelle Rohatinsky from the College of Nursing and the Dr. Juan-Nicolás Peña-Sánchez from the College of Medicine, are collaborating to improve the virtual care experiences of patients with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) in Saskatchewan. More information available [here](#).

November in November: As November comes to a close, so does Movember! But that doesn't mean Drs. Schroder Sattar and Diane Campbell stop their prostate cancer related research. Take a look at their latest scoping review on prostate cancer [here](#).

Wrapping up Diabetes Awareness Month: Check out Dr. Shelley Spurr and Helen Tootosis discussing their diabetes research with Indigenous youth and communities in Saskatchewan on CTV Saskatoon. Click [here](#) to view the interview.

Power Conference 2021: Caring for One,

Caring for All: The Saskatchewan Union of Nurses held the 2021 Power Conference on December 1, 2021. Congratulations to Dr. Holly Graham on her Keynote Presentation, *Acknowledging and Addressing Indigenous-specific Racism in Health Care: Now What?*, and Panel Discussion, *Indigenous Health, Well-Being & Healthcare*. Congratulations to Dr. Anthony de Padua on his presentation, *Reflections of a Nurse on Cultural Safety and Humility*. Click [here](#) to view these presentations.

World AIDS Day 2021: Dr. Sithokozile Maposa shares some details about her community-based AIDS research on *FAQ on 900 CKBI* Radio in Prince Albert. More information available [here](#).

Nursing Research Spotlight

Innovations in Health Systems and Education Research



Karen Juckes BSN, MN, PhD

Assistant Professor

College of Nursing Campus: Regina, SK

My research is focused on pediatric pain management in acute care, community based chronic pain management, clinically focused interprofessional education (IPE) for undergraduate students and faculty/student support in clinical settings.

Community-Engaged Health and Nursing Research



Brenda Mishak RN (NP), PhD

Assistant Professor – Academic Programming

College of Nursing Campus: Prince Albert, SK

My areas of research include correctional nursing, homelessness and family violence. My goal is to improve access to health care services for marginalized people.

Health Equity Research



Solina Richter BNSc, BA, BCur, MCur, DCur, RN Professor

College of Nursing Campus: Saskatoon, SK

My research focuses on the social determinants of health and front line practices that protect and promote the health of low socioeconomic populations. The goal is to understand how culture, gender, ethnicity, indigenization, and neoliberalism intersect and lead to vulnerabilities and marginalization.

A selection of peer-reviewed journal articles indexed in Scopus from 2021:

- Olagunju, A.-H., Ogenchuk, M., Vassileva, J. (2021). Mobile Persuasive Application for Responsible Alcohol Use: Drivers for Use and Impact of Social Influence Strategies. Lecture Notes in Computer Science (including subseries Lecture Notes in Artificial Intelligence and Lecture Notes in Bioinformatics), 12684102-114.
- Haftom, M., Petrucka, P.M. (2021). Determinants of Face Mask Utilization to Prevent Covid-19 Pandemic among Quarantined Adults in Tigray Region, Northern Ethiopia, 2020. Clinical Nursing Research, 30(7) 1107-1112.
- Sattar, S., Haase, K.R., Bradley, C. and 10 more (...) (2021). Barriers and facilitators related to undertaking physical activities among men with prostate cancer: a scoping review. Prostate Cancer and Prostatic Diseases.
- Dagne, S., Menber, Y., Petrucka, P. and 1 more (...) (2021). Prevalence and associated factors of abdominal obesity among the adult population in Woldia town, Northeast Ethiopia, 2020: Community-based cross-sectional study. PLoS ONE, 16(3).
- Park, T., Mullins, A., Zahir, N. and 3 more (...) (2021). Domestic Violence and Immigrant Women: A Glimpse Behind a Veiled Door. Violence Against Women.
- Peacock, S., Bayly, M., Gibson, K. and 3 more (...) (2021). Development of a bereavement intervention for spousal carers of persons with dementia: The Reclaiming Yourself tool. Dementia, 20(2) 653-671.
- Fonseca, R., Carvalho, M., Querido, A. and 3 more (...) (2021). Therapeutic letters: A qualitative study exploring their influence on the hope of parents of children receiving pediatric palliative care in Portugal. Journal for Specialists in Pediatric Nursing, 26(3).
- Peternelj-Taylor, C. (2021). 2020: The Year That Was. Journal of forensic nursing, 17(1) 1-2.
- Rohatinsky, N., Boyd, I., Dickson, A. and 7 more (...) (2021). Perspectives of health care use and access to care for individuals living with inflammatory bowel disease in rural Canada. Rural and remote health, 21(2).
- Bayly, M., O'Connell, M.E., Kortzman, A. and 3 more (...) (2021). Family carers' narratives of the financial consequences of young onset dementia. Dementia.

DID YOU KNOW?

Project Management

- ✓ NURSE provides support to assist with project management!
- ✓ Do you need help identifying your project targets and creating an action plan for moving forward?
- ✓ Contact Caitlin Olason for support.



Help us Celebrate Success!

A form has been set up in Sharepoint to help us share success publicly. You can submit something for yourself or on behalf of someone else. No success is too small to submit!

[Submit a success today!](#)

Once the form is submitted, we will work with you to determine the best way (s) to communicate and celebrate the items. If a submission is received on behalf of someone else, the individual will be contacted in advance of circulating the news publicly.

Important Dates:

College of Nursing Activities

NURS 990 Sessions (12:00-12:50 pm)

January 5: TBA (Dr. Pammla Petrucka)

January 12: TBA (Laura Vogelsang)

January 19: Seeking Ethics Approval at USask (Nick Reymond)

January 26: TBA (Heather Nelson)

The above events are available to all within the College. Contact Amanda to RSVP!

Upcoming Research Events

Jan 13: The **USask CIHR Project Grant Workshop** is a great opportunity to learn more about the Project grant competition and to hear from panelists who have been successful and sat on peer review committees. This workshop takes place from 9:30 to 11 am. Register [here](#).

Jan 14: Community Health & Epidemiology will be hosting an interdisciplinary **SSHRC Insight Grants Workshop** for Community Health & Epidemiology, Nursing, and Rehabilitation Sciences will be a great opportunity to learn more about the SSHRC Insight program and connect with other health researchers undertaking SSHRC-related research. This workshop begins at 2pm (CST). Join via [WebEx](#).

Jan 25-27: Registration has opened for the **FASD Prevention Virtual Conference**! Register [here](#).

January Awareness Days

Throughout the month of January, watch the College of Nursing social media feeds for stories linked to:

- ❖ Alzheimer Awareness Month
- ❖ Bell Let's Talk Day

Follow our social media channels for more details!

[Facebook](#)

[Twitter](#)

[Instagram](#)

Contact Kylie if you have a research story that you would like to share for any upcoming awareness dates!

Upcoming Grant Competitions

Royal University Hospital Foundation Research Grant

Jan 4: Submit to UnivRS

Jan 11: Submit to funder

CIHR Planning & Dissemination Grant

Jan 7: Submit to UnivRS

Jan 18: Submit to funder (via ResearchNet)

Jim Pattison Children's Hospital Foundation Research Grant

Oct 26: Grant [Webinar](#)

Nov 19: Eligibility Check Deadline

Jan 11: Submit to UnivRS

Jan 21: Submit to funder (via SHRF RMS)

SCPOR Health Sciences Trainee Award

Jan 11: Submit to NURSE for signature

Jan 14: Submit to funder

SSHRC Insight Development Grant

Nov 29: Submit NOI to USask

Dec 10: Internal Review

Jan 21: Submit to UnivRS

Feb 2: Submit to funder (via SSHRC Web-Based Forms)

CIHR Project Grant (Spring 2022)

Dec 15: Submit NOI to USask

Jan 17: Internal Review

Feb 9: Registration Deadline

Feb 25: Submit to UnivRS

Mar 9: Submit to funder (via ResearchNet)

USask International Travel & Project Grants

Feb 18: Submit Travel grants (via UnivRS)

Feb 28: Submit Project grants (via UnivRS)

SHRF Research Connections Grant

Feb 24: Submit to UnivRS

Mar 1: Submit to funder (via SHRF RMS)

CIHR Health System Impact Fellowship

Feb 15: Submit to UnivRS

Feb 24: Submit to funder (via ResearchNet)

Contact Robin for details.