



Research & Scholarship Newsletter

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Welcome!

We are continuing to evolve our monthly newsletter to communicate and celebrate research and scholarship in the College of Nursing. We hope you are enjoying this regular update highlighting the excellent and diverse work being done. Please continue to communicate with our team, sharing your news, providing photos or other items for sharing so we can acknowledge the incredible efforts being made to sustain research and scholarship in the midst of this demanding academic year.

SRNA Effie Feeny Award for Excellence in Nursing Research Award

Winner: Dr. Marcella Ogenchuk



Photo: Dr. Marcella Ogenchuk (bottom right) with community partners from Thunderchild First Nation and Dr. Rob Weiler (top left)

This year's recipient of the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses Association's Effie Feeny Award for Excellence in Nursing Research is Dr. Marcella Ogenchuk. Dr. Marcella Ogenchuk is passionate about primary health care as she integrates clinical practice with teaching and scholarly activities. Dr. Ogenchuk is engaged in interdisciplinary work with: Indigenous

communities about oral health; and, school communities about substance use education and early intervention. This has facilitated the co-creation of pathways for enhancing the health and well-being of children, adolescents, families and communities.

Dr. Ogenchuk's program of research is based upon creating meaningful community connections as she engages with students shaping the next generation of nursing scholars. Community-based research projects, quality improvement strategies, and program evaluation have been used to create capacity and facilitate sustainable change. This type of community partnered work takes extraordinary commitment and collaborative skill, trust must be built and people and community needs prioritized over research need.

The College of Nursing has identified Community-Engaged Health as one of our signature research foci, and we are so pleased to be able to celebrate the leadership and success of Dr. Ogenchuk in this area.

Sustaining Research and Scholarly Work during a Pandemic

Maintaining research and scholarly work during the pandemic can be difficult. Regardless of project stage or status of funding, current public health orders can make it difficult to reach out to community partners, build networks, complete data collection and knowledge translation activities. There are additional resources and supports available at the University to ensure that your work can continue.

One such resource is the Canada Research Continuity Emergency Fund (CRCEF), provided by the Government of Canada to support extraordinary incremental costs associated with maintaining essential research-related commitments during the COVID-19 pandemic and then ramping-up to full research activities as physical distancing measures are eased and research activities can resume. Stage 3 and Stage 4 applications are now open to University of Saskatchewan (USask) researchers. The deadline to submit your application is November 16, 2020. More information can be found [here](#).

Celebrating Nursing Research Success!

BE WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS

In the News...

Maclean's 2021 Rankings for Canada's best university nursing programs: The USask College of Nursing climbed the Maclean's rankings this year, jumping five spots from 19 to 14! Program reputation increased from 19 to 16 and research reputation increased from 19 to 13. More information [here](#).

USask Research Teams Awarded \$400,000 for COVID-19 Mental Health Projects: Two USask-led research teams have been awarded a total of \$345,064 in federal funding to expand the reach of innovative digital technology projects aimed at meeting mental health needs of people coping with physical distancing and isolation during the COVID-19 pandemic. Congratulations to Drs. Tracie Risling, Lorraine Holtslander, and Shelley Peacock! More information [here](#) and [here](#).

Graduate Students Receive a Number of Awards: Three College of Nursing graduate students have recently received funding to develop their research. Congratulations to Lindsey Vold, Kerry Marshall, and Shannon Hyslop! More information [here](#).

A selection of peer-reviewed journal articles indexed in Scopus from 2020:

- Compton, R.M., Olirus Owilli, A., Caine, V. and 5 more (...) (2020). Home First: Exploring the Impact of Community-based Home Care for Older Adults and Their Family Caregivers. *Canadian Journal on Aging*, 39(3) 432-442.
- Li, H., Bowen, A., Bowen, R. and 3 more (...) (2020). Mood instability across the perinatal period: A cross-sectional and longitudinal study. *Journal of Affective Disorders*, 26, 415-23.
- Alebel, A., Wagnew, F., Petrucka, P. and 10 more (...) (2020). Neonatal mortality in the neonatal intensive care unit of Debre Markos referral hospital, Northwest Ethiopia: A prospective cohort study. *BMC Pediatrics*, 20(1).
- Ketema, D.B., Leshargie, C.T., Kibret, G.D. and 3 more (...) (2020). Effects of maternal education on birth preparedness and complication readiness among Ethiopian pregnant women: A systematic review and meta-analysis. *BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth*, 20(1).
- Shiferaw, W.S., Akalu, T.Y., Petrucka, P.M. and 2 more (...) (2020). Risk factors of erectile dysfunction among diabetes patients in Africa: A systematic review and meta-analysis. *Journal of Clinical and Translational Endocrinology*, 21.
- Brown, J., McDonald, M., Besse, C. and 4 more (...) (2020). Anxiety, mental illness, learning disabilities, and learning accommodation use: A cross-sectional study. *Journal of Professional Nursing*.
- Risling, T.L., Risling, D.E. (2020). Advancing nursing participation in user-centred design. *Journal of Research in Nursing*, 25(3) 226-238.
- Nguemo Djiometio, J.B., Buzuayew, A., Nelson, L.E. and 4 more (...) (2020). A scoping review of the prevalence of use of substance among African, Caribbean, and Black (ACB) people in Canada. *Journal of Substance Use*.
- Shiferaw, W.S., Aynalem, Y.A., Akalu, T.Y. and 1 more (...) (2020). Surgical site infection and its associated factors in Ethiopia: A systematic review and meta-analysis. *BMC Surgery*, 20(1).
- Battisti, N.M.L., Mislant, A.R., Cooper, L. and 20 more (...) (2020). Adapting care for older cancer patients during the COVID-19 pandemic: Recommendations from the International Society of Geriatric Oncology (SIOG) COVID-19 Working Group. *Journal of Geriatric Oncology*.

Thank you to the following faculty for their participation in the USask Internal Review process for the CIHR Project competition!

- **Spring 2020:** Dr. Holly Graham, Dr. Pammla Petrucka
- **Fall 2020:** Dr. Angela Bowen, Dr. Holly Graham

Do you have a research and scholarly work-related story, activity, or event that you would like profiled in our upcoming newsletters? We want to hear from you! Contact Robin for more information.

Stay Connected!

Want to keep on top of upcoming funding opportunities?

Consider joining the USask Health Science and/or Social Science [listserv](#)!

Want to know more about upcoming training opportunities?

- ✓ Check out the Saskatchewan Centre for Patient-Oriented Research (SCPOR) [Events Calendar](#).
- ✓ Find upcoming and archived CIHR Webinars [here](#)!
- ✓ Join a [CIHR SPOR Network](#)!
- ✓ Find out more about the [CIHR IIPH Indigenous Mentorship Network Program](#)!

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Important Dates:

Upcoming Events

Nov 6: [USask Indigenous Research Workshop](#)

Nov 16-18: [Saskatchewan Health Research Showcase](#) (virtual conference)

Nov 17: [College of Medicine Balance and Belonging Series](#) – Dr. Mahadeo Sukhai

Nov 18: [SCPOR Virtual Speed Networking Event](#)

Upcoming Grant Competitions

[SSHRC Insight Development Grant](#)

Nov 10: Submit NOI for USask IR

Jan 20: Submit to UnivRS

Feb 2: Submit to Web-Based Forms

[USask International Research Collaborations Proposals](#)

Nov 16: Submit to College Nursing Research Support Unit for signature

Nov 20: Application due to International Office

[USask CRCEF Funding \(Stage 3 & 4\)](#)

Nov 16: Submit to funder

[SHRF Solutions: Innovate & Impact](#)

Nov 16: Submit to UnivRS

Nov 26: Submit to SHRF RMS

[CIHR Fellowship](#)

Nov 19: Submit to UnivRS

Dec 1: Submit to ResearchNet

[Jim Pattison Children's Hospital Foundation Research Grant](#)

Nov 19: Eligibility Check due

Jan 11: Submit to UnivRS

Jan 21: Submit to SHRF RMS

[USask FMHRN Community Partnership Grant](#)

Nov 30: Submit to funder

[RUHF Research Grant](#)

Jan 4: Submit to UnivRS

Jan 14: Submit to funder

Interested in learning more about any of the above opportunities? Contact Robin for details.

College of Nursing Activities

NURS 990 Sessions

Term 1: Every Wednesday from 12:00 – 12:50 p.m. via WebEx. Watch your email for details!

NEW Research Connections Events:

Watch your calendars for this exciting opportunity to learn more about the research and scholarly work taking place in the College of Nursing!