



## Child Health Awards for WACH students, supporting diversity

### Award Description

This program will provide research training awards to graduate students in the Women+ and Children's Health Sciences (WACH) program, who are from equity-deserving groups that are under-represented in child health research; AND whose research aims to improve child health.

Under-represented groups include students, who are (i) Indigenous, (ii) Black, (iii) from rural or remote communities in BC, and/or (iv) are the first generation in their family to attend University.

MSc students can receive one year of support in the amount of \$10,000 and PhD students can receive up to 4 years of support in the amount of \$10,000 per year. Students with other awards are welcome to apply. \*Guaranteed minimum stipend for awardees will be \$30,000 per year for the tenure of their award.

### Key points:

- **To encourage inclusion of under-represented groups in child health research.**
- For students, who are (i) Indigenous, (ii) Black, (iii) from rural or remote communities, and/or (iv) are first generation in their family to attend University.
- MSc and PhD students in the WACH program are eligible to apply. MSc students can receive up to 1 year of support in the amount of \$10,000; PhD students can receive up to 4 years of support in the amount of \$10,000 per year.\*
- Students who hold other awards are welcome to apply.
- Award allocation will depend upon applications received, and can not be guaranteed.

\*Guaranteed minimum stipend for awardees will be \$30,000 per year for the award term.

**Application due date:** Friday, November 3, 2023, 5:00PM

Applications should be submitted to the WACH program at [wach.program@ubc.ca](mailto:wach.program@ubc.ca)

**Notice of decision:** Friday, December 1, 2023

**Award start date:** Monday, January 1, 2024

### Evaluation criteria and weighting:

- CCV and personal statement (40%)
- Project description, application to child health, and incorporation of EDI considerations (40%)
- Letters of support (20%)

If you have any questions or require clarification, please contact Laura Sly at

[laurasly@mail.ubc.ca](mailto:laurasly@mail.ubc.ca)

**Applications will include:**

**1. Demographic data**

Name:

Student number:

Email address:

Start date in program (month-day-year):

Expected graduation date (month-day-year):

I acknowledge that the information provided is accurate and complete.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor:

Supervisor's email address:

I acknowledge that I have reviewed this application and, if awarded, will top up the student's annual stipend to a minimum of \$30,000 per year for the duration of the award.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's CCV**, CIHR Biosketch format (3 page recommended)

**Personal statement** (text entry box below, equivalent to 1 page, 12 point Calibri font, 1 inch margins)

Please describe:

- i. how do you meet the criteria for this award
- ii. how will this award support your professional development/  
professional development plan, individual development plan (IDP)
- iii. your mentorship plan, supports in place to ensure your success

- 2. Project description** (text entry box below , 1 page, 12 point Calibri font, 1 inch margins)  
- Include background, rationale, hypothesis, aims, results (or expected results), impact, and knowledge mobilization

**Child health** (text entry box below, ½ page, 12 point Calibri font, 1 inch margins)

- How will your work impact child health in Canada and/or globally?

**Equity, diversity and inclusion** (text entry box below , ½ page, 12 point Calibri font, 1 inch margins)

- How will you address EDI considerations in your own research and in knowledge mobilization of that work. Please include sex and gender as well as your community and community(-ies) appropriate to your research.

### **3. Letters of support (3)**

Letters of support are required from:

- i. An arm's length referee
- ii. Mentor (other than your supervisor or co-supervisor)
- iii. Community member

Letters may include the applicant's accomplishments but should be forward thinking to include how the applicant will benefit from receiving award, how the award will enable their success, and how the award will benefit their equity-deserving community.

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