



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Clinician Scholar Program (CSP) | Department of Family Practice Application Form

Do you have an idea for how to improve practice, health care delivery or any aspect of community-based primary healthcare?

Then the UBC Clinician Scholar Program may be for you!

We will help you to arrange your idea into an answerable question, and then to design and perform the research to answer your question.

The UBC Department of Family Practice is pleased to offer two-year, part-time, Clinician Scholar positions for family physicians in family practice scholarship starting July 1, each year. The Clinician Scholar Program is one of seven across Canada. These positions are Category 1, Enhanced Skills residency positions, accredited by the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC).

Objectives:

- To support the development and enhancement of core scholarship skills
- To cultivate scholarship within family medicine
- To contribute to the knowledge base of family practice and primary health care
- To engage practicing family physicians in conducting scholarly work
- To foster innovative, interdisciplinary, community-based scholarship

Eligibility and Selection Process:

Applicants must be British Columbia family physicians who have experience in practice and wish to begin community-based primary healthcare scholarship within their practice.

- The applicant must be eligible for or hold a full unrestricted license to practice medicine by the CPSBC.
- The applicant will be a member or an applicant for membership in the College of Family Physicians of Canada.
- The applicant lives and works in the province of British Columbia, or a current resident in a BC program.
- Previous Clinician Scholars are not eligible to re-apply for funding.
- Applicants who are enrolled in residency programs or graduate (e.g., Master's) courses concurrent to their planned enrollment in the CSP will not be eligible for admission. If you have questions about your eligibility, please contact: barbara.harris@ubc.ca

Amount of Awards:

Approximately \$60,000 per successful candidate is available over two years. Applicants are encouraged to plan a two-year timeframe for completion of the program.

Deliverables:

Clinician Scholars are required to dedicate 50% of their time to the CSP to meet these deliverables:

1. Participate in the program content commitments (approximately 17 hours a week).
2. Participate in scheduled one-hour weekly program video conferences. In these meetings, Clinician Scholars will: present their work-in-progress for peer mentoring and discussion, participate in research skill development seminars, peer reviewing, presentations, and monthly Department of Family Practice Research Rounds.
3. Meet with the Program Director two times per year.
4. Participate in workshops and retreats: two one-day research skills workshops per year, and the annual Spring Writing Retreat Weekend. Participation in the Spring Writing Retreat weekend prior to the start of the program is strongly recommended.
5. Present your scholarly activities at conferences such as the Family Medicine Forum (FMF), the North American Primary Care Research Group (NAPCRG), and the Department of Family Practice Research Rounds.
6. Submit monthly progress reports, an annual comprehensive progress report and evaluation, and an annual Supervisor Evaluation Form.
7. Ensure your faculty mentor submits their annual Clinician Scholar Evaluation Form.
8. Network and collaborate with other Clinician Scholars and Faculty Scholars.
9. Submit a scholarly manuscript to a peer-reviewed journal prior to program completion.

Program Structure:

1. Clinician Scholars work with their identified Family Practice faculty member mentor. The CSP Mentorship Agreement guides the level and type of support the Clinician Scholar will receive. This is a requirement to apply to the CSP. A list of potential mentors can be found on: <https://research.familymed.ubc.ca/research/researchers/> Please contact the CSP Office if you need to be connected to a potential mentor.
2. Overall facilitation of the program is the responsibility of the CSP Director, with the oversight and guidance of the CSP Steering Committee.
3. The CSP is a component of the Enhanced Skills Residency training of the UBC Faculty of Medicine, Department of Family Practice Postgraduate Training, and is a Category 1 Accredited Program of the College of Family Physicians of Canada.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

APPLICATION DEADLINE: **11:59 pm, November 30th**

Application packages must be received by 11:59 pm on November 30 via email to barbara.harris@ubc.ca. Applications must be submitted on the CSP Application Form which follows.

***ALL APPLICATION COMPONENTS must be received by the deadline.
No materials received after the deadline will be considered.***

The following information will help applicants develop their proposals and will guide the review of applications.

Application Essay:

1. **Scholarly interest idea or question:** Describe your interest in a scholarly activity, including the field and idea of interest and, if ready, your draft research question(s). Describe the relevance of your scholar idea/question to the advancement of family medicine, primary health care, health care delivery, health professional education, or the health of communities or populations. **(500 words or less)**
2. **How does scholarship fit with your career and future plans? (500 words or less)**
 - a. How do you envision the CSP contributing to your current career advancement and networks?
 - b. What would you offer to the Clinician Scholar Program?

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

Scholarly Interest:

- Creativity, importance and likely impact of scholarship idea.
- Relevance to the advancement of family medicine, primary health care, health care delivery, health professional education, or the health of communities or populations.

Has a mentor in the Department of Family Practice (DFP) been identified?

- A current list of Faculty Researchers (with profiles and research interests) in the DFP can be found on the [DFP website page](#) or on [Research Gate](#).
- Clinicians are encouraged to connect with mentors who are engaged as part of an active research team or Centre of Research.

Applicant's Background:

- Applicant demonstrates how the proposed study and CSP training will impact his/her future career and skills development.
- Applicant demonstrates how the proposed scholarly inquiry will impact his/her patients or community

- Supporting documents are complete:
 - CV (use CV template below or attach [Common CV](#)), scholarly activities described, and the impact the proposed project will have on patients and/or community is well articulated.
 - One (1) letter of reference from a referee other than designated mentor.
 - One (1) signed CSP Mentorship Agreement indicating DFP faculty member mentor and the level and type of support the applicant will receive during the program



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Scholarship Idea Title:

Provide a short summary of your idea for a scholarship question or project using simple language (max. 100 words):

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name and Title:

Address:

City and Postal Code:

Phone No:

Fax No:

Email address:

Date of Birth:

**Medical School & Year of
Graduation:**

**Residency School & Year of
Graduation:**

**Date of membership or
application for membership
in the College of Family
Physicians of Canada:**

**Name of Family Practice
faculty
mentor:**

Email and phone number for Family Practice faculty mentor:	
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Clinician Scholar Program (CSP) Application Form - CV Template (complete section below or append Common CV or UBC Standard CV)

Name and Title:	
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Academic Training Background
Please indicate all university degrees obtained and those in progress (where applicable), starting with the most recent. Also indicate research training.

Degree Name/Training	Academic Institution	Supervisor (If applicable)	Year Received (year)

Work Experience:

Position	Organization or Department and Faculty/School	Start Date mm/yr	End Date mm/yr

Presentations, Awards, Distinctions, Publications:
Please indicate **recent** invited and guest presentations, awards or distinctions, abstracts, and publications.

Describe your previous scholar experiences and/or other relevant experience that relates to your application.

Summarize how your CSP training or scholarly endeavours will impact your career. (500 words)

Summarize how your CSP project will impact your patients and communities in which you practice. (500 words)

List other collaborators (if applicable)

Clinician Scholar Program (CSP) Application Checklist:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant lives and works in the province of British Columbia, or a current resident in a BC program.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete Clinician Scholar Application Form
<input type="checkbox"/>	Append 500 word Essay – Scholarly Interest Idea or Question
<input type="checkbox"/>	Append 500 word Essay – How does scholarship fit with your career?
<input type="checkbox"/>	Identify and arrange for one Faculty Researcher from the Department of Family Practice to act as Primary Research Mentor.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Append signed CSP Mentorship Agreement indicating the level and type of support you will receive during the program
<input type="checkbox"/>	One (1) Letter of Reference from a referee other than the designated mentor
<input type="checkbox"/>	Application package emailed or post/courier stamped by 11:59 pm, November 30th.

Send completed applications to the Clinician Scholar Program Office by email. Application deadline: 11:59 pm, November 30th

ALL APPLICATION COMPONENTS must be received by the deadline. NO materials received after the deadline will be considered.

Email:

Submit your application as one PDF file to barbara.harris@ubc.ca with the title "CSP APP - LASTNAME"

For further information:

Contact the CSP Coordinator:

Email: barbara.harris@ubc.ca