

The Program in Clinical Psychology Award for Excellence in Clinical Supervision

1. The Award

The purpose of the Award for Excellence in Clinical Supervision is to recognize psychologists who have made a significant career contribution to the professional training of University of Calgary clinical psychology graduate students during the past year. Two awards will be given annually, one to a supervisor in a child/adolescent-oriented placement and one in an adult placement. Nominations for the award may be made for any registered psychologist involved in practicum training in any of the practicum sites associated with the Program in Clinical Psychology at the University of Calgary.

2. Selection Criteria

Clinical supervision requires a complex set of skills. An outstanding clinical supervisor has an appreciation of the needs of a developing clinician, is a role model, and a mentor. The Award will celebrate a clinical supervisor who:

- Demonstrates a scientist-practitioner philosophy of training.
- Demonstrates the highest standards of ethical and professional behavior.
- Is available to students and taken an active interest in the process of training.
- Evaluates a student's progress in relation to his/her developmental stage of training.
- Has excellent communication skills and consistently provides sufficient and valuable feedback, including noting areas for improvement.
- Fosters and facilitates students' growth as independent practitioners and shows a genuine commitment to students' welfare.
- Number of previous nominations.
- Amount of supervision.

3. Awards Committee

The members of the Awards Committee shall be:

- The Practicum/Internship Coordinator for the Program in Clinical Psychology (Chair).
- The Director of Training for the Program in Clinical Psychology or his/her designate.
- The student representative to Program Council. In the event that he/she has nominated a potential recipient of the award and has a conflict of interest, an alternate will be chosen by program students.

4. Nomination Procedure

A nomination for the award may be made by any graduate student in the Program in Clinical Psychology. Students may nominate either a current or a past supervisor who has supervised their clinical work in the past year. Nominations will be solicited by the Practicum/Internship Coordinator in late June with a closing date of **July 31st**. Nominations should be in the form of a letter to the Awards Committee. The letter should state the dates

of the practicum experience and should clearly specify the reasons and concise details in support of the nomination, with relevant examples. Please send the letter to the Practicum/Internship Coordinator.

5. End-of-the-Year Reception

A reception will be held in the fall of each year to thank the many Psychologists in the community who make significant contributions to the Program in Clinical Psychology. It will provide an opportunity for faculty and students in the program to meet and socialize with these individuals. At this time, the recipients of the Awards for Excellence in Clinical Supervision will be recognized. The nominating students will present their respective recipients with a plaque honoring his/her excellence in training.

Previous Award Winners

- 2006 Dr. D. Dobson
- 2007 Dr. G. Belsher
- 2008 Dr. C. Candido and Dr. M. Wong
- 2009 Dr. Patrick Lynch
- 2010 Dr. Allan Mandel
- 2011 Dr. Teresita José
- 2012 Dr. Ryan Day and Dr. Melanie Loomer
- 2013 Dr. Kasia Galperyn and Dr. Stewart Longman
- 2014 Dr. Jo Ann Telfer and Dr. Carol Brewis
- 2015 Dr. Patricia Ebert and Dr. Colleen Miller
- 2016 CBT Subgroup of the Outpatient Mental Health Program: Dr. Barb Backs-Dermott, Dr. Gayle Belsher, Dr. Deb Dobson, Dr. Michael Enman, Dr. Darlene Foucault, Dr. Jennifer Garinger-Orwin, and Dr. Kerry Mothersill
- 2017 Dr. Taryn Bemister / Dr. Kasia Galperyn and Dr. Jonathan Stea