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Libin Cardiovascular Institute Summer Studentship in Women's Cardiovascular Health Terms of Reference

Background	<p>The Women's Cardiovascular Health Initiative of the Libin Cardiovascular Institute is dedicated to transforming women's heart health across the life cycle by improving clinical care, research, education, and community outreach.</p> <p>Our Vision: We aim to be a globally recognized center of excellence in women's cardiovascular health care delivery, research, education, and knowledge translation.</p> <p>Our Mission: To save women's lives through the prevention and treatment of cardiovascular disease.</p> <p>The Libin Summer Studentship in Women's Cardiovascular Health was created with the intention of addressing the under-representation of women in research which has led to delays in discovery and effective translation into clinical practice. Consequently, women with heart disease are under-recognized, under-diagnosed, and under-treated.</p>
Purpose of the Studentship	<p>To support research training for exceptional undergraduate students working in the area of women's cardiovascular health. The studentship will be undertaken at the University of Calgary.</p>
Studentship Value	<p>\$7,500 covered by the Women's Cardiovascular Health Initiative of the Libin Cardiovascular Institute.</p>
Number of Studentships	<p>Determined annually by the Women's Cardiovascular Health Initiative of the Libin Cardiovascular Institute.</p>
Studentship Duration	<p>The studentship is tenable for a minimum of 3 months and a maximum of 4 months.</p>
Financial Administration	<p>Funds may only be used for studentship stipend and may not be used for travel, relocation or other purposes. Any costs associated with studentship, other than studentship stipend, must be borne by the relevant program, or the supervisor.</p> <p>Should there be no candidate that fulfills all the eligibility requirements, the available funding may be carried over by the Libin Cardiovascular Institute for subsequent years.</p>
Studentship Administration	<p>Oversight for the review and payment of the Libin Cardiovascular Institute Summer Studentship in Women's Cardiovascular Health will be administered on behalf of the Libin Cardiovascular Institute by the Office for Undergraduate Health and Science Education in the Cumming School of Medicine, in accordance with university regulations and processes.</p>
Studentship Committee	<p>A Studentship Committee will be convened at least annually by the Education Director, Libin Cardiovascular Institute. Committee members shall include, but are not limited to:</p>

- Education Director, Libin Cardiovascular Institute
- Education Lead, Women’s Cardiovascular Health Initiative of Libin Cardiovascular Institute
- Education Coordinator, Libin Cardiovascular Institute

The Studentship Committee will be responsible for:

- Final consideration and selection of studentship candidates in alignment with the selection process outlined below

Selection Process

Eligibility: Candidates applying for this studentship must fulfill the following criteria:

- Be enrolled as a full-time student in an undergraduate program at the University of Calgary at the time of the application.
- Students who plan to graduate in June are Not eligible for this studentship.
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 in current program.
- Undertaking research that is related to women’s cardiovascular health and relevant to the Libin Cardiovascular Institute.
- Supervisor must be a full member of the Libin Cardiovascular Institute.
- Students funded by LCI are required to attend the LCI Summer Student Research Day in August and present their research or provide a valid reason if unable to participate.

Criteria: The following criteria will be considered during the selection process:

- Quality of the proposal
- Creativity of research question/methodology
- Potential benefit to student
- Relevant experience

Application Process

Potential candidates apply through the University’s online application system by the deadline established annually. Application to the Libin Cardiovascular Institute Summer Studentship in Women’s Cardiovascular Health and its review will be through the University of Calgary Consolidated Summer Studentship application portal and aligned with the annual application and review cycle for all summer studentship programs. The Cumming School of Medicine lead for this is the Associate Dean, Undergraduate Health and Science Education.

Recognition

The studentship will be recognized wherever it appears in print as the “Libin Cardiovascular Institute Summer Studentship in Women’s Cardiovascular Health”.

Agreed



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