2023 University of Alberta Graduate Student Teaching Awards





2023 GRADUATE STUDENT TEACHING AWARD RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

There is a universal understanding of what makes a great teacher – no matter which student you ask, they can all identify a teacher who has had an impact on their learning. Sometimes teachers leave a lasting and pivotal impression on their students by motivating lifelong learning, sparking a passion, developing a culture of compassion, and enriching their lives. Here at the University of Alberta graduate student instructors, whether they serve as teaching assistants or principal instructors, develop some of the strongest connections with our students. Graduate students serve as role models, inspire and shape innovative teaching practices, and add to the transformative undergraduate student experience. They do so at a time when teaching and learning on campus have undergone a tremendous evolution over the past few years in response to Covid; the need to address equity, diversity and inclusion; to Indigenize and decolonize courses and pedagogical practices; and as well a comprehensive restructuring of the institution itself. We would like to take this opportunity to recognize the talent, dedication, and inspiration all graduate students have provided during this time. We especially want to acknowledge those graduate students who have been identified by their faculties for their exceptional contributions to teaching and learning.

Faculty of Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences

Anissa Armet (Agriculture, Food, and Nutritional Sciences)	2022
Karen Fraser (Human Ecology)	2022
Bingxin Hai (Agriculture, Food, and Nutritional Sciences)	2020
Elena Kosareva (Human Ecology)	2020, 2021
Camila Marcolla (Agriculture, Food, and Nutritional Sciences	2021

Faculty of Arts

Megan Aiken (Political Science)	2020
Anna Antonova (Modern Languages and Cultural Studies)	2020
Danielle Brown (Philosophy)	2020
Max Dickeson (English and Film Studies)	2022
Kyung Eun (English and Film Studies)	2021
Brandi Goddard (Art and Design)	2022
Yaghma Kaby (English and Film Studies)	2022
Emrah Keskin (Political Science)	2020
Will Kujala (Political Science)	2020
Vicki Kwon (Art and Design)	2022
Wenzhu Li (East Asian Studies)	2020
Taro Okamura (Philosophy)	2022
Jennifer Quist (Modern Languages and Cultural Studies)	2022
Abigail Ameley Quaye (Drama)	2021
Ashley Sims (History, Classics and Religion)	2022
Allan Wright (Interdisciplinary Studies)	2020

Alberta School of Business

Natalie Bolen 2022 Leyuan Xie 2021 Weisu Yu 2020

Faculty of Education

Lauren Alston (Educational Psychology)2022Jennifer Burton (Elementary Education)2022Darcy Courtland (Elementary Education)2021Katherine Koskie (Secondary Education)2020, 2021Megan Tipler (Secondary Education)2022

Faculty of Engineering

Chemical and Materials Engineering

Bhubesh Murugappan Balasubramaniam	2021
Sarupa Debnath	2022
Sanjula Kammammettu	2022
Roshni Sajiv Kumar	2021
Karthik Srinivasan	2022
Jose Carlos Velasco Calderon	2021
Kosala Waduthanthri	2020

Civil and Environmental Engineering

Fatima Alsakka	2021
Tae Hyun (Calvin) Chung	2022
Nathalia Coutu Machado	2020
Eric Duong	2022
Vahab Esmaeili	2020
Farshad Kamran	2020
Salam Khalife	2022
Seyed Mohammad Mirsoleimani Azizi	2022
Khaled Mohamad	2022
Serhii Naumets	2021
Inshik Park	2020
Elyar Pourrahimian	2021
Mohamed Saleh	2021
Kevin Wallin	2021
Fan Wu	2022

Faculty of Engineering

Electrical and Computer Engineering

Mojtaba Akbari	2020
Bitan Banerjee	2022
Shyama Gandhi	2022
Nan Jiang	2022
Mahyar Ghavami Khabir	2020
Bahareh Lashkari	2021
James Maldaner	2021
Neda Mazloum	2020, 2022
Muhammad Awais Rafique	2021
Navid Shabanikia	2020
Samin Ebrahim Sorkhabi	2021

Mechanical Engineering

Reza Azadi	2021
Maha Ead	2021
Tim Gadzella	2022
Alireza Gharahi	2020
Aminreza Khandan	2021
Kineshta Pillay	2022
Khashayar Rahnamaybahambary	2022
Yeganeh Saffar	2021
Saman Sayahlatifi	2022
Antonio Schiavone	2021
Caitlyn Shum	2022
Weilin Yang	2022
Zahra Zaiemyekeh	2021

Faculty of Kinesiology, Sport, and Recreation

Dallas Ansell	2021
Joao Falk Neto	2021
Miranda Kimber	2020
Jessica Leverett	2022
Rayna Sharma	2022
Robert Vranich	2020

Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry

Nafiseh Ghobakhloo (Medical Microbiology and Immunology) 2020, 2021, 2022

Faculty of Native Studies

Jeanine Leblanc 2020, 2021, 2022

Faculty of Nursing

Sobia Idrees 2022 Lindsay (Margaret) Komar 2020 Danielle Lysak 2021

Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences

Malaz Yousef 2022

School of Public Health

Breanne Aylward 2021 Hector Villarroel Ocando 2022

Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine

Alyson Kwok 2020 Youran Lin 2022 Carlee Wilson 2021

Campus Saint-Jean

Leticia Nadler Gomez 2022

Faculty of Science

Biological Sciences		Chemistry	
Hussain Al-Rikabi	2021	Mohamad Al-jabiri	2020
Montana Bobinski	2021	Janelle Bykowski	2022
Jose Correa Ramos	2022	Kleinberg Fernandez	2020
Erin Cox	2021	Brandon Frenette	2022
Rim Daher	2021	Alex Gzyl	2020
Meghan Dueck	2020	Arsh Hazrah	2022
Sabrina Fox	2022	Yuxuan Hou	2020
Aaron Fox	2022	Haley Hunter	2020
Veronika Franzova	2022	Trevor Johnson	2021
Sujani Gomes	2020	Mohammed Jomaa	2022
Mariah Hermary	2020	Karen Kanemaru	2022
Nora Hussain	2022	Nick Kissoon	2022
Camille Jodouin	2021	Brittney Klein	2021
Reema Joshi	2022	Martin Lessard	2022
Ibrahim Khodabocus	2020	Guojie Li	2021
Laura Manerus	2021	Bruno Luppi	2021
Jenelle McCuaig	2022	Kelli McCord	2021
Ehsan Misaghi	2022	Wesley McNutt	2020
Antonia Musso	2020	Dundappa Mumbaraddi	2021
Gavin Neil	2021	Thuy Nguyen	2020
Sienna Overduin	2021	Kevin O'Connor	2022
Marta Ruest	2021	Shyam Parshotam	2020
Amoolya Sai Dwijesha	2022	Craig Peeples	2021
Karson Sudlow	2022	Ashley Ponich	2022
		Mostafa Radwan	2020
Computing Science		Max Loebel Roson	2022
Computing Science		Jason Rygus	2021
Laura Petrich	2021	Emily Schmidt	2022
Reyhaneh Ababzadeh	2021	Minh Tang Duc Hoang	2021
Vlad Tkachuk	2021	Kieran Tarazona	2021
VIAU I KACIIUK	ZUZZ	Alyx Thiessen	2020
		Tayla Van Oers	2021
		Shuce Zhang	2020

Faculty of Science

Earth and Atmospheric Sciences

Alejandro Alvarez	2022
Jackson Barrier	2021
Connor Bax	2022
Casey Buchanan	2021
Serhiy Buryak	2020
Scott Cocker	2022
Brette Harris	2020
Jordan Harvey	2020
Kira Holland	2021
Jordan Koop	2021
Michelle Landry	2022
Cody Lazowski	2022
Nooshin Mashhad	2022
Benjamin Neil	2020
Avni Patel	2021
Martin Schwangler	2020
Claudia Selles	2021
Kasia Staniszewska	2020

Mathematics and Statistical Sciences

Katie Burak	2021
Brandon Gill	2022
Zach Goldthorpe	2022
Raphael Huwyler	2022
Bryan Kettle	2022
Wenyu Liu	2022
Achintya Raya Polavarapu	2022
Devon Stockall	2022
Tomasz Szczepanski	2022

Physics

Harrisen Corbould	2022
Soumen Deb	2020
Stephen Fahlman	2021
Harold Flohr	2022
Carter Garrah	2022
Charles Jensen	2022
Guangdong Liu	2021
James Maldaner	2021
Tanisha Mehreen	2021
William Morrish	2020
Hannah Parry	2021
Jennifer Peterson	2022
David Purschke	2020
Alejandro Salazar Lobos	2020
Howe Simpson	2021

Psychology

Brittany Fedor	2020, 2021
Yunzhu Ouyang	2022
Cassandra Wilkinson	2021