



KILLAM AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN MENTORING

Complete list of previous award winners:

Competition	Award Winner	Department	Notes
Fall 2004	Joan Anderson	School of Nursing	joint award
Fall 2004	George McWhirter	Theatre, Film and Creative Writing	joint award
Fall 2005	Derek Gregory	Geography	joint award
Fall 2005	William Milsom	Zoology	joint award
Fall 2006	T. Andrew Black	Faculty of Land and Food Systems	
Fall 2007	Geraldine Pratt	Geography	
Fall 2008	Rita Irwin	Curriculum and Pedagogy	
Fall 2009	John Grace	Chemical and Biological Engineering	
Fall 2010	Akram Alfantazi	Materials Engineering	mid-career award
Fall 2010	Robert Hancock	Microbiology and Immunology	joint award in the senior category
Fall 2010	Dolph Schluter	Zoology	joint award in the senior category
Fall 2011	Adlai Fisher	Sauder School of Business	mid-career award
Fall 2011	Michael Fryzuk	Chemistry	joint award in the senior category
Fall 2011	Brian McIlroy	Theatre and Film	joint award in the senior category
Fall 2012	Carl Leggo	Language and Literacy Education	senior award
Fall 2012	Mark MacLachlan	Chemistry	joint award in the mid-career category
Fall 2012	Joanna McGrenere	Computer Science	joint award in the mid-career category

Citations of recent award winners:

ADLAI FISHER

Dr. Adlai Fisher, A.E. Hall Chair in Finance at the Sauder School of Business and a member of faculty since 2000, is highly admired as a mentor by both his many graduate students and colleagues. Dr. Fisher's students expressed gratitude for his appreciation of their individual needs, his inspirational and constructive nurture of their ideas and scholarship, and his help in developing their full potential both professionally and personally. His door is always open and he is renowned for the encouragement he provides and his ongoing assistance in securing successful placements in the finance industry and leading university departments.



MICHAEL FRYZUK

Dr. Michael Fryzuk came to UBC in 1979 and served as Head of the Department of Chemistry and Associate Dean of Science. Throughout he supervised a remarkable cohort of graduate students, many of whom won distinction in academic or industrial research. Dr. Fryzuk's students praise his sensitivity to their individual needs and his commitment to fostering their creativity, scholarly rigour, scientific integrity, and professional growth. One, now a highly respected professor of chemistry, referred to his time in Dr. Fryzuk's group as "life-altering", while others commended his constant encouragement, generosity, insight, and ongoing help in the development of their careers.

BRIAN MCILROY

Dr. Brian McIlroy was appointed to the Department of Theatre and Film in 1989 and has played a vital role in establishing its highly respected Film Studies program. Exemplifying his mentorship, Dr. McIlroy inaugurated *Cinephile*, a film journal edited and published by students working under his supervision. The numerous graduates concur in their high praise of his unstinting commitment to their critical and creative learning, personal growth and professional success. In their words, he is a "wonderful mentor", ever "kind and supportive", who in enabling them to achieve their intellectual and career goals "has shown great respect, patience and conviviality."

CARL LEGGO

Dr. Carl Leggo is considered by colleagues and graduate students, "simply superior at graduate mentoring". He joined the Department of Language and Literacy Education in 1990 and has supervised a remarkable cohort of doctoral and masters students [236 total supervised and co-supervised]. He is lauded for his "critical compassion", "wisdom" and unstinting dedication to his mentees' intellectual development and personal well-being. A distinguished scholar and poet, Dr. Leggo encourages his students to develop innovative approaches to research and publication because he "engages, listens closely and deeply, and enters into a dialogue at the end of which new pathways and possibilities most often emerge."

MARK MACLACHLAN

Since joining the Department of Chemistry in 2001, Dr. Mark MacLachlan has established a dynamic research program that has nurtured and a remarkable cadre of graduate and postgraduate scholars. Those he has supervised – many of whom now hold significant academic and professional posts – praise Dr. MacLachlan's "enthusiasm and vigor," his effective guidance of their research, encouragement of "learning through self-direction and self-discovery," and "faith in their ability to generate ideas." Alongside scientific and scholarly inspiration, stands his availability, timely communication, "caring" mentorship and strategic advocacy for each student's professional advancement well beyond graduation.

JOANNA MCGRENERE

Dedicated to the intellectual growth and personal well-being of her many graduate students, Dr. Joanna McGrenere joined the Department of Computer Science in 2002. She is highly respected as a graduate mentor by students and colleagues alike, particularly for the way in which she prioritizes graduate supervision. One complimented "Joanna's outstanding ability to create positive relationships and constructive interactions in which she enables research excellence." Another recalled how "all feedback, even criticism, is provided in a respectful, non-confrontational manner, giving students the scaffolding necessary for them to take ownership of their progress."