CIHR Dr. James Rossiter MPH Practicum Award

Please note:

- Approximate value is $2500.
- International student, unfortunately, are not eligible for this award (this is a CIHR stipulation). International students are eligible for support from FHS to compensate, and no application is required.
- This is a merit-based award and successful applicants would be able to list this award on their resumes.
- Students that apply for this award and are not successful are still eligible for support from FHS (your CIHR application will be used).
- Students who have secured financial support from their practicum site, or those who have funding from additional sources such as Janes Corbett, Mowafaghian, QE2 and/or other Tri-council funds are eligible to apply for the CIHR funding but priority will be given to those students without any funds.

To apply go to https://gradawards.sfu.ca/ and log-in using your SFU computing ID and password. Paper/email applications will not be accepted.

The following are required in your application:

1. A one-page summary of how you qualify for this award.
   (Label attached file as: <Surname_Rossiter Award_summary>)

To assist you in preparing this summary, please note that the purpose of this practicum award program is to strengthen public health capacity in Canada, by supporting the current and next generation of public health policy makers and practitioners. The intention of this award is to help build capacity for effective knowledge translation and use of research evidence by the public health system. CIHR has advised that we use the following evaluation criteria to assess candidates for this award:

i. **Achievements and Activities of the Candidate.**
   Include prior public health work and/or volunteer experience in a relevant public health practice or policy setting or in a health-related field; academic performance; and financial need.

ii. **Characteristics and Abilities of the Candidate.**
   Include critical thinking; independence; perseverance; originality; organizational skills; and communication skills.

iii. **Commitment to applying knowledge to improve evidence-based decision-making in public health.**
2. **A description of the practicum undertaken** (1/2 page).
   (Label attached file as: <Surname_Rossiter Award_practicum>)

3. **Two reference letters.**

   We require one letter from your preceptor and one from your supervisor. Each letter should refer to the following seven (7) dimensions of your performance: critical thinking, independence, perseverance, originality, organizational skills, communication skills, commitment to applying knowledge to improve evidence-based decision making in public health.

   We understand that your preceptor may not know you well enough to comment on each of these dimensions, however these are provided as a reference.

   Awards are adjudicated by a committee in the Faculty of Health Sciences. You will be notified by email if you are a recipient. Awards are paid into your bank account, via payroll, in September.