

## DEAN OF SCIENCE HONOURS LIST

To be on the Dean of Science Honours List, students must have a cumulative average of 80.0% over all 4 years of the OD program.

Lindsay Baldock	Rebecca Kolbenson	Nikolas Pilecki
Michelle Baron	Andrea Kozma	Chelsea Poncsak
Amanda Brown	Andrea Lasby	Jeannette Pontiero
Krystal Chan	Alexa Lavigne	Teresa Poon
Cassandra Chung	Amy Law	Beth Schellenberg
Sydney Davidson	Rebecca Lawn	Kassandra Shaw
Sameer Dedhar	Kelly Sung Hee Lee	Megan Sipprell
Kevin Dodgson	Victor Lee	Joshua Smith
Carmen Dumalo	Amy Leung	Jenna Snow
Christopher Fitzpatrick	Julia Levesque	Jason Stein
Rachel Gardiner	Lucia Li	Jennifer Swyers
Chelsea Gerlitz	Andrew Liang	Gregory Thompson
Andrea Guerrette	Amy Luu	Jeffrey Thompson
Pardie Hamboyan	Austin Ly	Tonia To
Katherine Harris	Darren MacLean	Vanessa Varriano
Matthew Harrison	Jessica Melville	Jason Wan
Meghan Hildebrand	Jay Mithani	Juliane Watson
Rachel Hurst	Sean Moir	Jessica Witzel
Kristel Jefferies	Christina Morettin	Michael Woods
Katherine Jones	John-Paul Muggeridge	Vincent Wu
Elizabeth Kao	Tiffany Nazareth	Mike Yang
Erin Kelly	Justine Pazur	Alexander Yowakim
Lisa Kirkpatrick	Michael Pedersen	Natalie Zagordo
Amanda Klassen	Shannon Pennifold	

## GRADUATES IN VISION SCIENCE

MSc	PhD
Rajkumar Nallour	Subam Basuthkar Sundar Rao
Raveendran	Kathryn Dumbleton
Kalpana Rose	Kevin vanDoorn
Thanh Tran	
Peng Zhang	

## PROGRAM - WEDNESDAY JUNE 12TH, 2013

7:00 p.m. » **Optometry Awards Ceremony** Introduction -  
Dr. Debbie Jones, Interim Associate Director, Academics & Research

### Addresses

Dr. Paul Murphy, Director, School of Optometry & Vision Science,  
University of Waterloo  
Dr. Christian Casanova, Director, l'École d'optométrie de l'Université  
de Montréal  
Dr. Lil Linton, President, Canadian Association of Optometrists

### Award Presentations

Dr. Debbie Jones, Interim Associate Director  
Dr. Barbara Robinson, Awards Officer

8:00 p.m. » **Reception and Refreshments** - COETF Student Commons, First Floor

8:00 p.m. » **Informal Tours of the Optometry Building**

## THURSDAY JUNE 13TH, 2013

2:30 p.m. » **Convocation Begins**

## GRADUATES - DOCTOR OF OPTOMETRY JUNE 13TH, 2013

Ahmed, Sameen » Milton, ON	Medina, Ekaterina » Edmonton, AB
Baldock, Lindsay » Regina SK	Melville, Jessica » Waterloo, ON
Baron, Michelle » Thornhill, ON	Mishra, Rekha » Halifax, NS
Brown, Amanda » Fredericton, NB	Mithani, Jay » Mississauga, ON
Chan, Krystal » Markham, ON	Mobini, Niloufar » Vancouver, BC
Chowdhury, Rubana » Toronto, ON	Mohamed, Marlon » Brampton, ON
Chung, Cassandra » Toronto, ON	Moir, Sean » Calgary, AB
Davidson, Sydney » Moncton, NB	Morettin, Christina » Nobleton, ON
Dedhar, Sameer » Ottawa, ON	Muggeridge, John-Paul » Kanata, ON
Dodgson, Kevin » Toronto, ON	Nazareth, Tiffany » Brampton, ON
Dumalo, Carmen » North Vancouver, BC	Nhan, Helen » Windsor, ON
Field, Johnathan » Burlington, ON	O'Connor, Dayna » Cornwall, ON
Fitzpatrick, Christopher » Fredericton, NB	Paquette, Mark » Victoria, BC
Gardiner, Rachel » St John's, NL	Pazur, Justine » Tecumseh, ON
Gerlitz, Chelsea » Calgary, AB	Pedersen, Michael » Edmonton, AB
Gorcharan, Chandra » Winnipeg, MB	Pennifold, Shannon » Red Deer, AB
Guerrette, A. Nadine » Ottawa, ON	Pilecki, Nikolas » London, ON
Guo, Ruo Mu » Toronto, ON	Polczynski, Alexander John » Brooks, AB
Hamboyan, Pardie » Toronto, ON	Poncsak, Chelsea » Regina, SK
Harris, Katherine » Fraser Lake, BC	Pontiero, Jeannette » King City, ON
Harrison, Matthew » Kitchener, ON	Poon, Teresa » Markham, ON
Hildebrand, Meghan » Delta, BC	Schellenberg, Beth » Halifax, NS
Hoang, Steven » Calgary, AB	Schneider, Sam » Regina, SK
Hurst, Rachel » Kingston, ON	Shaw, Kassandra » Moosomin, SK
Jefferies, Kristel » Guelph, ON	Sipprell, Megan » Quispamsis, NB
Jones, Katherine » Guelph, ON	Smith, Amy » Calgary, AB
Kao, Elizabeth » Toronto, ON	Smith, Joshua » Bathurst, NB
Kelly, Erin » Kanata, ON	Snow, Jenna » Bedford, NS
Kennedy, Laura » Simpson, SK	Stein, Jason » London, ON
Kirkpatrick, Lisa » Saskatoon, SK	Swyers Jennifer » Logy Bay, NL
Klassen, Amanda » Kitchener, ON	Thompson, Gregory » Brampton, ON
Kolbenson, Rebecca » Saskatoon, SK	Thompson, Jeffrey » Charlottetown, PE
Kozma, Andrea » Grimsby, ON	To, Tonia » Markham, ON
Laforge, Philip » Saskatoon, SK	Varriano, Vanessa » London, ON
Lasby, Andrea » Calgary, AB	Wan, Jason » Edmonton, AB
Lavigne, Alexa » Whitby, ON	Watson, Juliane Marie » Whitecourt, AB
Law, Amy » Thornhill, ON	Witzel, Jessica » Saskatoon, SK
Lawn, Rebecca » Regina, SK	Woods, Michael » Fonthill, ON
Lee, Kelly Sung Hee » Calgary, AB	Wu, Vincent » Toronto, ON
Lee, Victor » Thornhill, ON	Yang, Mike » Waterloo, ON
Leung, Amy » Calgary, AB	Yowakim, Alexander » Gatineau, QC
Levesque, Julia » Sudbury, ON	Zagordo, Natalie » Sault Ste Marie, ON
Li, Luica » Richmond, BC	
Liang, Andrew » Toronto, ON	
Luu, Amy » Mississauga, ON	
Ly, Austin » North York, ON	
MacLean, Darren » Halifax, NS	
McIntosh, Stephen » St Andrew's West, ON	



## SCHOOL OF OPTOMETRY & VISION SCIENCE

### GRADUATION AWARDS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12TH, 2013

7:00 p.m.

Barbara and Jacob Sivak  
Lecture Theatre

Optometry Building,  
Room 347

Convocation Ceremony  
Thursday, June 13th, 2013

2:30 p.m.

Physical Activities Complex

# The School of Optometry & Vision Science, University of Waterloo, is pleased to announce the following awards and prizes to the graduating class of 2013

**THE COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRISTS OF ONTARIO GENERAL PROFICIENCY MEDAL** is awarded to the student with the highest academic standing.  
**Julia Levesque**

**THE CANADIAN CONTACT LENS SOCIETY PRIZE** recognizes proficiency in the theoretical and clinical application of contact lenses. The prize was established by Canadian Optometrists specializing in contact lens care.  
**Juliane Watson**

**THE J.C. THOMPSON MEMORIAL PRIZE FOR OPTOMETRY** was established by the Optometric Alumni Association of the College of Optometry of Ontario in honour of Dean J.C. Thompson. The award is given to the student who ranked highest in the clinical optometry courses. Dean Thompson was the first Dean of the College of Optometry when it was established in 1925 and held the position until 1948. He was highly regarded by all students as their mentor and friend.  
**Justine Pazur**

**THE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF OPTOMETRISTS AWARD OF MERIT** recognizes professionalism and effective leadership in student organizations.  
**Andrea Lasby**

**ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF OPTOMETRISTS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PATIENT MANAGEMENT** is awarded for professionalism and excellence in patient care.  
**Katherine Jones**

**ABBOTT MEDICAL OPTICS GENERAL PROFICIENCY AWARDS** are awarded by Abbott Medical Optics to the two students with the highest academic standing in their class.  
First Prize: **Julia Levesque**  
Second Prize: **Amy Luu**

**ALCON AWARD FOR ACHIEVEMENT IN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY** is presented to a graduating optometry student who received the highest grade in Ocular Physiology and Anatomy.  
**Jessica Melville**

**ALCON CASE REPORT AWARD** is given by Alcon Laboratories, Inc. to the student who submits the best case report from the School of Optometry & Vision Science.  
**Gregory Thompson**

**DR. IRVING BAKER EXCELLENCE IN CLINICAL OPTOMETRY SCHOLARSHIP** has been established by the College of Optometrists of Ontario to recognize Dr. Baker's significant Contribution to the public of Ontario through the guidance and development of the profession of optometry. He was the clinic director for the School of Optometry in Toronto and later became the first full time registrar for the College in 1967. He continued in this role until his retirement in 1997 but remained keenly interested in the clinical practice of the profession throughout his career.  
**Andrea Lasby**

**A.W. COLE AWARD FOR CLINICAL EXCELLENCE** was established by the A.W. Cole family in honour of their father. Dr. Cole was an optometrist from Woodstock, Ontario. He was active in both civic government and optometric organizations. As a member of the Ontario Board of Examiners in Optometry, he was involved in the establishment of the Optometry Program at the University of Waterloo. The award is given for outstanding clinical proficiency.  
**Darren MacLean**

**COOPERVISION CONTACT LENS AWARD** is presented by CooperVision, Canada, Inc. in recognition of excellence in contact lens care.  
**Chelsea Gerlitz**

**COVD AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN VISION THERAPY** is awarded by the College of Optometrists in Vision Development to the student who has demonstrated strong interest and clinical skills in the area of vision therapy.  
**Pardie Hamboyan**

**ESCHENBACH LOW VISION STUDENT AWARD** is presented by Eschenbach to recognize the skills and achievements of a student who has shown an aptitude and interest in the field of low vision.  
**Kristel Jefferies**

**ESSILOR AWARD FOR ACADEMIC AND CLINICAL EXCELLENCE IN OPTICS** is awarded by Essilor Canada, Ltd. to the student with an excellent academic standing in the area of Geometric and Clinical Optics.  
**Julia Levesque**

**WILLIAM FEINBLOOM LOW VISION AWARD** was established by Designs for Vision, Inc. in honour of Dr. William Feinbloom. The award is given to the student who has shown excellence in low vision care. Dr. Feinbloom practiced optometry in New York City. He is known internationally for his work in the development of contact lenses and low vision care.  
**Jason Stein**

**FYIDOCTORS CLINICAL LEADERSHIP AWARD** is awarded annually to a 4th year student who has demonstrated excellence and leadership in the provision of patient care in the clinic and during externships. Recipients will have expressed shared values with FYi's business model, have excelled in clinical education and have shown potential to be leaders in the profession of optometry.  
**Kristel Jefferies**

**GOOD-LITE PEDIATRIC OPTOMETRY AWARD**  
This award is given to a 4th year student who demonstrated outstanding clinical aptitude and interest in Pediatric and Special Needs Optometry.  
**Kelly Sung Hee Lee**

**GPLI CLINICAL EXCELLENCE AWARD** is presented to a fourth year student in recognition of outstanding knowledge regarding RGP contact lenses.  
**Andrea Lasby**

**DR. MICHAEL GUTWEIN MEMORIAL AWARD** was established by classmates and friends in memory of Michael Gutwein. This award is given to the student who has consistently reminded classmates that the Optometry Program involved more than just academics. Dr. Gutwein was from Kingsville, Ontario and graduated in 1987.  
**Christopher Fitzpatrick**

**DR. MARGARET HANSEN DES GROSEILLIERS AWARD** is presented annually to an optometry student demonstrating exceptional leadership skills. Dr. Hansen des Groseilliers has been a leader for Optometry at a local, provincial and national level, the latter culminating in her serving as the first female President of CAO.  
**Steven Hoang**

**THE VINKO AND IVA JURICIC AWARD** for Perseverance is to honour a fourth year optometry student who has overcome challenges during their optometry studies. It was created by Dr. Ana Juricic (Optometry Class of 1996) and Dr. Zora Juricic (Optometry Class of 2005) to honour the hard work and diligence their parents endured to educate all three of their children, including Dr. Pasko Juricic (Dentistry Class of 1992).  
**Alexander Polczynski**

**O.S.I. AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PRACTICE MANAGEMENT** is presented by Optometric Services Inc. to a student who has demonstrated competent leadership in the areas of professionalism and communication as well as academic excellence.  
**Joshua Smith**

**PRIZE FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN OCULAR PHARMACOLOGY** honours the student who has demonstrated an outstanding performance in Ocular Pharmacology. Initial funding for the prize was initiated by Dan Andrews, MD, of the University of Waterloo Health and Safety Department. One of his patients, who wanted to quit smoking, donated the money for the prize instead of buying cigarettes.  
**Amy Luu**

**RACH MEMORIAL AWARD** was established in memory of Rachel Ann Cecilia Higgins who lost her battle with cancer during her 3rd year at the School of Optometry. Rachel was an inspiration to many. This award is created to honour individuals who have demonstrated undefeatable courage, strength, perseverance and determination, while confronting the significant challenges in their lives. Dr. Rachel Ann Cecilia Higgins was such a person.  
**Andria Tinkham**

**DR. KAREN TOMPA NOWY MEMORIAL AWARD** has been established to honour Karen for her dedication and compassion as a clinician, educator, daughter and friend. Dr. Tompa Nowy is remembered for her passion toward patient care, her dedication to teaching, her energy and giving spirit. She was committed to providing the best possible care to her patients and ensuring their overall well-being. The recipients of this prestigious award have shown exceptional care and concern for their patients, have advocated for advanced eye care treatments and/or have taken steps to improve the overall health and well-being of their patient(s) during the clinical education portion of the optometry program.  
**Rebecca Kolbenson**

**THE AOF AWARD OF EXCELLENCE IN CONTACT LENS PATIENT CARE** is provided by The American Optometric Foundation with support by The Vision Care Institute, a division of Johnson & Johnson, in recognition of excellence in contact lens care.  
**Andrea Lasby**

**DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD**  
Dr. Thomas Freddo

**DISTINGUISHED CLINICAL INSTRUCTOR AWARD**  
Dr. Dan Hayhoe

**DISTINGUISHED LAB INSTRUCTOR AWARD**  
Anne Weber

**DISTINGUISHED TEACHING ASSISTANT AWARD**  
Kevin vanDoorn