



CanFASD Sterling Clarren Research Award Call for Applications

Application Deadline: December 6th, 2019

Award recipient will be notified by December 20th, 2019

The 2020 CanFASD Sterling Clarren Research Award will be presented at the 9th International Research Conference on Adolescents and Adults with FASD: Review, Respond and Relate in Vancouver, BC, April 22-25, 2020. The recipient will be a Canadian Early Career Researcher or student who has completed a study that has made a substantial contribution to the FASD field. Preference will be given to work conducted in one of Canada FASD Research Network's (CanFASD) member provinces/territories (British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, New Brunswick, Northwest Territories, Nunavut, and Yukon). However, Canadian researchers conducting work in other jurisdictions may also apply. Special consideration will be given to those applicants who focus on an area identified by CanFASD as a research priority: basic biomedical, epidemiology, prevention, intervention, diagnostics, justice, child welfare, and policy (<http://www.canfasd.ca/research-priorities>). Projects must also include a knowledge translation component. Applications may be submitted by:

- A student working in the field of FASD nearing the completion of their studies, **or**
- An early career investigator (within 5 years of first Faculty appointment)

The study must be intended to integrate research, policy, and promising practices in order to improve the lives of individuals with FASD, their families, and communities through advanced knowledge and/or training. The following criteria will be considered in the review of all Research Award applications:

- Relevance and scientific merit of the research project to addressing human dimensions of FASD;
- Potential to inspire future research and attract additional funding support;
- Publication activity of the applicant;
- Other research activities of the applicant; and
- Demonstrated commitment to improving the lives of those affected by FASD.

The CanFASD Sterling Clarren Research Award includes a \$2000 cash prize plus travel, accommodation, and conference registration for the 9th International Research Conference on Adolescents and Adults with FASD: Review, Respond and Relate in Vancouver, BC, April 22-25, 2020. Conference participation is mandatory; the Award recipient will be recognized at the conference and provided an opportunity to present their research. As a condition of the award,

the recipient will also be required to submit a short plain language summary of their research findings suitable for a lay audience to be posted on the CanFASD website and social media outlets.

Completed applications should be saved as a PDF and sent by email to CanFASD's Manager of Corporate Services and Communications, Edward Swatschek at edward.swatschek@canfasd.ca. Please note that only the signature page of the application should be saved as a scanned PDF. Please contact CanFASD's Senior Research Lead, Dr. Jacqueline Pei (jpei@ualberta.ca), should you have any questions regarding the application or eligibility requirements.

CHECKLIST: A complete application package includes the following:

- ☐ Award application
- ☐ Applicant CV
- ☐ Letter of support from Supervisor/Department Head – letter must:
 - be submitted via email with applicant name in subject line
 - come from each individual's personal email account (university account for Supervisor/Department Head) and contain their contact details, including title, department affiliation, and university, in English or French