



Program Reports 2020-21

Fellowship Program

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Over the 2020-21 academic year, the Fellowship Program continued to offer highly tailored advanced training opportunities to national and international psychiatrists, adapting to the challenges imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic. In total, 37 clinical and 2 research fellows were registered, almost half of whom were international practitioners.

Most fellows' training involved a combination of research and clinical activities, with fellows receiving specialized clinical training while taking part in cutting-edge research that advances the knowledge in the field. Fellows' accomplishments through the 2020-21 period were recognized through the highly competitive Best Accomplishment by a Fellow Award, which the adjudicating committee awarded to Dr. Nicholas Neufeld for his outstanding achievements in advancing neuroimaging research in psychiatry. Following a review of submitted nominations, the adjudicating committee selected Dr. Paul Kurdyak as the recipient of the 2020-21 Paul E. Garfinkel award for his outstanding fellow supervision and mentorship contributions.

The program continued to host well-attended, highly-rated seminars presented by eminent faculty members, including Drs. Albert Wong, Jeff Meyer, Alistair Flint, Thomas Ungar, and Bernard Le Foll. The fellowship Knowledge Exchange Workshops allowed the fellows the opportunity to present their own scholarly work and engage in knowledge exchange.

This year also marked the end of Fellowship Director Dr. Arun Ravindran's 9-year tenure, which saw the successful training of hundreds of national and international fellows who have gone on to assume clinical leadership positions all around the globe.

