CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE
CENTRE FOR RESEARCH & EDUCATION ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN & CHILDREN (CREVAWC) AWARDS

ELISABETH STEEL REURINK MEMORIAL AWARD
Awarded annually to a student connected with the Centre for Research & Education on Violence Against Women & Children who is interested in violence against women issues and plays an active role in their community. Elisabeth, daughter of Linda Steel and Brian Reurink, wrote that “Society and the world are always in need of change or fixing because as soon as we fix one problem another one arises. With every problem people have the ability and the capacity to be compassionate and reach out to help their neighbour, even if their neighbour is halfway around the world.”
Award Recipient: Jillian Auger

SCOTIABANK GRADUATE AWARD FOR STUDIES IN VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN
Awarded annually to graduate students who demonstrate strong academic achievement and demonstrate an interest in research and education regarding violence against women and children and involvement with the Centre for Research & Education on Violence Against Women & Children (CREVAWC). This award was established by a generous gift from Scotiabank.
Award Recipients: Aadhiya Vasudeva & Amrit Kaur Gill

CANADIAN RESEARCH CENTRE ON INCLUSIVE EDUCATION AWARDS

CANADIAN RESEARCH CENTRE ON INCLUSIVE EDUCATION AWARD
Established by gifts from Alumni, this award is offered to graduate students enrolled in the Faculty of Education who will be completing a thesis on a topic related to the inclusive education of students with special needs.
Award Recipients: Shamiga Arumuhathas, Jessica Delorey & Julia Ranieri

JESSICA JEAN CAMPBELL COULSON AWARD
This award was established by Mr. David R. Campbell (BA ’38) in memory of Jessica Jean Campbell Coulson. Awarded annually to a full-time graduate student at Western who has submitted a research proposal for thesis or dissertation research related to the education of students with special needs.
Award Recipient: Kailee Liesemer

GRADUATE AWARDS

ART GEDDIS “LEARNING ABOUT TEACHING” MEMORIAL AWARD
The memorial award is in honour of the late Arthur N. Geddis, Professor Emeritus in the Faculty of Education, and is awarded to a Graduate Education student who is researching Reflective Practice. Dr. Geddis was a professor of science education whose research focused on learning to teach.
Award Recipient: Martin Wolak

DR. ALLEN PEARSON GRADUATE AWARD IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP
Awarded annually to a full-time graduate student in the Education program, based on academic achievement, how the student’s studies align to the development of research in the area of Educational Leadership, and the student’s aspirations for having an impact on leadership in Education. This award was made possible by a generous gift from the Estate of Dr. Allen Pearson. This award is in memory of Dr. Allen Pearson, former Dean of the Faculty of Education from 1995 to 2007 and full-time faculty until 2010.
Award Recipient: Ruth Nielsen

JOAN PEDERSEN MEMORIAL GRADUATE AWARD
Awarded annually to a full or part-time student who has submitted a research project in the MA program focusing on “early years” education.
Award Recipient: Atefeh Taherian Kalati

JOHN DEARNESS MEMORIAL GRADUATE AWARD
The award is in honour of the late John Dearness and is awarded to a Graduate Education student who has conducted research on literacy development in conjunction with a thesis or directed research project, has at least an A- average in the graduate program, and has been nominated for the award by his/her graduate supervisor.
Award Recipient: Armush Salahadin

W.A. TOWNSHEND GOLD MEDAL IN EDUCATION
The Gold Medal is in honour of the Late Bishop Townshend of London, Ontario, and is awarded at each convocation to the student who has achieved the highest academic standing in his/her program of study.
Award Recipient: Amira Hmidan

WALTER M. LOBB ONTARIO GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP
Awarded to a graduate student conducting research in the Faculty of Education at the Master’s or Doctoral level who is a current holder of an Ontario Graduate Scholarship, based on academic achievement and research merit. Preference will be given to a student whose research focuses on children’s mental health issues and who is studying with faculty affiliated with the Centre for Inclusive Education. This scholarship is made possible by a gift from the Estate of Walter M. Lobb (BEd’78, MED’93) with Foundation Western.
Award Recipients: Charlotte Carrie & Bradley Daly
Alberta O'Neil Award in Physical Education

This award was established with a generous gift from Mrs. Alberta O’Neil, a retired teacher, and recognizes an undergraduate student completing a Bachelor’s Degree in Education, based on academic excellence and proficiency in Physical Education.

Award Recipient: Nadja Van Brench

Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching

This award was established by the Students’ Council to recognize the unique set of skills required by instructors in the preparation of teachers in the Preservice Education program. Winners are nominated by students.

Award Recipients: Jeff Green, Penny (Josephine) Gordon & Scott Armstrong

Beatrice HelmKay Scholarship

This annual scholarship to a student in the Primary-Junior program was established by the late Mrs. Iva Beatrice Alder for the purpose of training teachers, as she, too, was a teacher. The recipient of this award must demonstrate outstanding achievement in practice teaching; scholarship and dedication to early childhood education.

Award Recipient: Cassidy Speek

Dawson Woodburn Memorial Award

The Dawson Woodburn Memorial Award is funded by a bequest of the late Professor Dawson Woodburn of this Faculty and is awarded annually to two preservice students enrolled in music courses at the Faculty of Education. The students must have been successful in practice teaching, demonstrated interest in the use of Tonic Solfa and possess a high degree of knowledge and proficiency through the use of Tonic Solfa.

Award Recipients: Errington Sallows & Naomi Simpson

D. Carlton Williams Gold Medal in Education

The medal is presented annually in honour of the late Dr. D. Carlton Williams, B.A., M.A., Ph.D., L.L.D., President of The University of Western Ontario between 1967 and 1977. It is the highest distinction a student enrolled in a baccalaureate program of the Faculty of Education may receive. It is awarded chiefly on the basis of high academic standing and excellence in practice teaching, but also recognizes extracurricular contributions to the programs and other activities of the Faculty of Education.

Award Recipient: Florian Goetz

Dean’s Award in Education

This award was established through Foundation Western by gifts from Education Alumni and is awarded to undergraduate students in the Faculty of Education whose activities have enhanced the life of the Faculty for their fellow students. Students must demonstrate a strong record of extracurricular activities and a strong record of academic merit.

Award Recipients: Katlin Ritlop & Florian Goetz

Don Wright Faculty of Education Music Scholarship

Dr. Wright, a former director of music for the London Board of Education and noted music arranger, has established these annual scholarships to encourage the development of vocal and instrumental music. Selection is based on academic achievement and is awarded to students enrolled in the Junior/Intermediate or Intermediate/Senior Education programs with a strong interest in teaching Vocal or Instrumental Music.

Award Recipients: Rachel Wohlgemut & Ashley Valenta

Dorothy Emery Memorial Awards in Visual Arts Education

Awarded annually to Visual Arts students in the Elementary and Secondary Divisions who have achieved exceptional academic standing in course work and have also demonstrated excellence in art education in practice teaching. One award will be made in each Division. This memorial award was established through Foundation Western by friends and family of the late Dorothy Emery, a teacher at the London Teachers College, to recognize her professional skills, enthusiasm and ability to motivate students.

Award Recipients: Haliz Doskee & Susanna Alfonso Argumedo

Faculty of Education Students’ Council Award

Awarded annually to a student completing a Bachelor in Education based on outstanding contributions to Western’s Faculty of Education community, despite personal challenges experienced and overcome during the academic year.

Award Recipient: John Stephen James Schmidt

Faculty of Education Students’ Council Award for Practice Teaching Excellence

This award was established in 1985/86 by the Faculty of Education Students’ Council. Recipients are chosen from faculty and student recommendations supported by associate teacher reports, faculty advisor reports, practicum performance and other relevant information. The intent of this award is to encourage and reward those who display, in the opinion of their mentors and peers, exceptional skills, interests and ability in the field of practice teaching. Because of the wide range of candidates, we consider this to be one of the most prestigious awards to be offered at the Faculty of Education.

Award Recipient: Erica Perilli

F.C. Biehl Memorial Award for Excellence

The F.C. Biehl Memorial Award for Excellence was established in 1984 by family, friends and colleagues to honour the late Professor F.C. Biehl, a noted educator and author who held many posts in the school system of Ontario. His last position was as Principal of the London Teachers’ College, 1948-68. The selection of this award is on the basis of both academic standing and teaching skills, and it is awarded to the most outstanding student in the regular Primary-Junior, Junior-Intermediate or Intermediate-Senior programs at the Faculty of Education.

Award Recipient: Leanne Snider

Harold Dene Webber Scholarship in Education

Awarded annually to a full-time student pursuing a Bachelor of Education Degree at the Intermediate-Senior teaching level, based on academic achievement, with one of the Sciences as a teaching subject. The recipient is selected by the Sciences Subject Group. Established through Foundation Western as a bequest from Harold Dene Webber (B.Sc., Honors ’50 and Professor Emeritus, Faculty of Education).

Award Recipient: Sarah Kay

J. Bowden Memorial Award

This Memorial Award was established in 1982 by family, friends and colleagues to honour the late Professor J. Bowden, a highly respected member of this Faculty. The recipient of this award is selected on the basis of academic standing with a teachable subject in one of the major social science fields – Geography, History, Individual & Society, or Family Studies.

Award Recipient: Alexis Pemberton

John Dearness Memorial Pre-Service Award

The John Dearness Memorial Preservice Award was established in 1996 by the Tamblyn Family as a memorial to their grandfather, the late John Dearness, M.A., L.L.D., and his commitment to education in the City of London. This award is given annually to a student at the Faculty of Education who is enrolled in elementary preservice education and who demonstrates excellence in both coursework and practicum experience with respect to early literacy development.

Award Recipient: Katelyn Martin
LAURA & ED MCLEISH SCHOLARSHIP
This scholarship was established by the generosity of Laura McLeish, and it is awarded to an Intermediate/Senior student who has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement with Mathematics as a teaching subject.

Award Recipients: Eden Petruccelli & Ashley Valenta

MARGARET FALLONA AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN FRENCH SECOND LANGUAGE EDUCATION
This scholarship was established through the generosity of donors from the Faculty of Education and graduates of the French as a Second Language Teacher Education program. The scholarship is awarded to a student graduating with a Bachelor of Education degree who has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement in the elementary or secondary French as a Second Language Teacher Education Program, and who has given evidence that they will further the development of French as a second language in schools during their career.

Award Recipient: Sarah Zapata

MATTHEW & CORNELIA KOENS SCHOLARSHIP
This scholarship was established by Peter Koens in honour of his parents Matthew and Cornelia Koens, and is awarded to the pre-service student, at any teaching level, based on academic achievement

Award Recipient: Sylvia Wec

MILTON & HELEN WALKER SCHOLARSHIP IN SCIENCE EDUCATION
This scholarship was established through Foundation Western by a bequest from Milton Walker (MD 1928) and Helen Walker (BA 1924). It is awarded to full-time students pursuing the Bachelor of Education degree, with Science as a teaching subject at any teaching level. Selection is based on academic achievement.

Award Recipient: Marshall Vokey

MILTON & HELEN WALKER SCHOLARSHIP IN MATHEMATICS EDUCATION
This scholarship was established through Foundation Western by a bequest from Milton Walker (MD 1928) and Helen Walker (BA 1924). It is awarded to full-time students pursuing the Bachelor of Education degree, with Mathematics as a teaching subject at any teaching level. Selection is based on academic achievement.

Award Recipient: Karen Lam

RETIRED TEACHERS OF ONTARIO DISTRICT 8 STUDENT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PRACTICE TEACHING
This award was established by the Retired Teachers of Ontario to recognize outstanding achievement in practice teaching. In order to be eligible for this award, a student must have attended a secondary school in the London-Middlesex area. Selection is based on exemplary teaching practices in practicum placements.

Award Recipients: Madyson Link & Marian De Jeu

SYLVIA CANN MEMORIAL AWARD
This award was established through Foundation Western by Christina Jolly in honour of her late sister Sylvia Cann. The selection of this award is on the basis of both academic standing and teaching skills, and it is awarded to outstanding students in the Primary/Junior division of the Bachelor of Education program at the Faculty of Education.

Award Recipients: Chantelle Mawhinney & Emily Runstedler

THE ELIZABETH T. DORNER AWARD
This award was established with a generous gift from Elizabeth T. Dornor (BA 68, Psychology). Awarded annually to a student completing a Bachelor of Education degree in the Faculty of Education. The award is based on academic achievement and excellence in practicum teaching in a Catholic Board of Education.

Award Recipient: Paula Martin

W.S. TURNER AWARD
Established by the family of Dr. W.S. Turner, the first Dean of the Faculty of Education, 1965-1969, this memorial award is presented to an outstanding student in the Primary-Junior, Junior-Intermediate or Intermediate-Senior (Mathematics option) program. Selection is based on excellence in coursework at the Faculty, orientation to enlightened Mathematics teaching and practicum performance. During this academic year, you have demonstrated excellence in scholarship, positive leadership and an enthusiastic attitude toward teaching.

Award Recipient: Eden Petruccelli