



3rd Annual Celebration of Gender Equity in Medicine and Science

Thursday, March 3rd, 2022
12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Presented by the Office of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion at the UVM Larner College of Medicine

Opening Remarks & Welcome

Richard L. Page, M.D.

Dean, UVM Larner College of Medicine

Anne Dougherty, M.D.

Director of Gender Equity, UVM Larner College of Medicine

Keynote Address

*“Shining a Light on Gender Equality in the Health Sector:
The Role of Global Health 50/50 in Using Data for Advocacy”*

Sarah Hawkes, M.B.B.S., Ph.D.

Professor of Global Public Health

Institute for Global Health, University College London

In addition to her faculty position at University College London (UCL), Dr. Hawkes serves as the director of the UCL Centre for Gender and Global Health. Her research focuses on analyzing the use of evidence in policy processes, particularly in relation to gender and health, and sexual health. She received a Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Science (M.B.B.S.) degree from University College London and a Ph.D. in sociology and Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. She is a Fellow of the Faculty of Public Health.

Presentation of Awards

Joanna Conant, M.D.

Assistant Professor of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine and chair,
Education and Professional Development Working Group, Gender Equity Steering Committee

Dean Page

Closing Remarks

Dr. Dougherty



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Awards

Gender Equity Champion Award

This award honors Larner College of Medicine community members—faculty, staff, or students—who have demonstrated outstanding commitment and service to the advancement of women and those with underrepresented gender identities beyond the scope of their job, area of research, or training.

Winners: Eli Goldberg M.D., and Montana Kay Lara

Nominees: Roxana del Rio, Ph.D.; Evan Eyler, M.D.; Nathalie Feldman, M.D.; Jennifer Hall, M.D.; Bridget Marroquin, M.D.; Laura McCray, M.D.; Jennifer Nachbur*; Emerson Wheeler; Emmett Whitaker, M.D.*

Gender Equity Outstanding Achievement in Medicine and Science Award

This award will be given to a woman or gender minority** faculty member within the Larner College of Medicine who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in medicine and science through research, education or service.

Winner: Beth D. Kirkpatrick, M.D.

Nominees: Stacey Sigmon, Ph.D.; Sarah Heil, Ph.D.; Sally Herschorn, M.D.

The Polaris Award for Outstanding Mentorship

The Polaris Award honors a Larner College of Medicine faculty or staff member who provides outstanding formal or informal mentorship for women or gender minority College community members.

Winner: Isabelle Desjardins, M.D.

Nominees: Paula Tracy, Ph.D.; Frances Carr, Ph.D.; Alicia Jacobs, M.D.; Elizabeth Watson, M.D.; Alissa Thomas, M.D.

The Rising Star Emerging Professional Award

This award recognizes a woman or gender minority** faculty or staff member at the Larner College of Medicine who is in the early stage of their career, and who demonstrates excellence in contributions to students, colleagues, and/or the institution in the areas of gender equity and inclusion through service, program development, teaching, research or beyond.

Winner: Joanna Conant, M.D.

Nominees: Sherrie Khadanga, M.D.; Anja Jokela, M.D.; Hannah Perry, M.D.; Margaret Graham, M.D.; Abigail Hielscher, Ph.D.; Michelle Bookless

The Gender Equity Lifetime Achievement Award

This award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated a career-long commitment to promoting gender equity and who demonstrates transformational leadership through their professional focus on gender equity, track record of effective mentorship for women and gender minorities, and long-standing service in the recruitment, retention, and promotion of women and gender minorities.

Winner: Paula B. Tracy, Ph.D.

**Member of the Larner College of Medicine Gender Equity Steering Committee*

***Gender minority refers to those who identify with a gender outside of the she/her, he/him binary.*



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