

APNS AWARDS and HONOURS

AWARDS

The Dr. Charles J.A. Hayes Lifetime Contribution Award

This honour recognizes those who have spent a significant part of their professional lifetime supporting APNS, as well as the profession of psychology at the provincial, national and international level. The name of the Award serves to honour Dr. Charles J.A. Hayes, a well-respected Psychologist and long-time APNS member and pioneer whose career may be said to be a model of lifetime commitment.

- Dr David Pilon - 2020

Outstanding APNS Early Career Psychologist

This award recognizes the challenges of being an Early Career Psychologist, in the first 10 years of their career. The recipient of this award is an APNS member who has actively participated in APNS at the committee or Executive level and has used the services of APNS to advance their career in psychology.

- Erica Lundberg – 2020
- Chimène Jewer – 2015

Outstanding APNS Student

This award recognizes the challenges of preparing for a career in psychology at either the masters or doctoral level. The recipient of this award is an APNS student member who has participated in the association at the Committee or Executive level and has actively used the services of APNS and who hopes to pursue a career in psychology in Nova Scotia.

- Kat Merwin – 2020
- Stephanie Snow - 2015

The APNS Excellence in Psychology Award

This is a new award that addresses the mid-career psychologist, in the 11 to 30-year professional range. The award is given on the basis of contributions to professional and volunteer activities while acting as a psychologist. The award may be given for work in a broad range of areas, e.g., area of practice (health, forensic, neuropsychology, addictions, assessment); work setting (school, hospital, private practice, teaching, research, rural); specific populations (child, teen, geriatric, couple, diverse groups, first responders, veterans, marginalized populations); specific treatment area (PTSD, pain, grief, workplace, etc.); and peer-related (supervision, mentoring, peer support, consultation, collaboration).

The APNS Community Service Award for Psychologists

This is a new award that recognizes the contributions of psychologists who do outstanding volunteer service in the community beyond their role as a psychologist. It acknowledges and raises awareness of the important contributions that psychologists make to the greater community. These contributions may include on-going volunteer work or commitment to a specific community or cause, e.g., fostering inclusion, promoting sensitivity and understanding of marginalized populations, poverty and health promotion initiatives.

- Seth Wahlin-Stern – 2020

The APNS Community Service Award in Mental Health for non-Psychologists

This award, formerly known as the President's Award recognizes the contributions of non-psychologists who have made valuable contributions to the community in a health and wellness setting or through other activities that touch and benefit the greater community by raising awareness or advocating for mental health or wellness issues. Award recipients are individuals who work on their own or are closely associated

with organizations, or organizations for their specific programs or initiatives. Previous President's Award winners have included:

- LOVE Nova Scotia (formerly Leave Out Violence NS) - 2020
- Leona Burkey, Executive Director, Brain Injury Association of Nova Scotia - 2019
- Peter Gabriel, Health and Wellness Consultant formerly with Emergency Medical Care, Inc. – 2018
- Laing House - 2012
- Kings Early Years Screening for Schools Program - 2010
- King's View Academy - 2007
- Mary Walsh, entertainer and TV personality - 2004
- Dr. Elsie Blake, Program Administrator, counseling/support program for claimants of institutional abuse
- Dr. John Butt, former Chief Medical Examiner for Nova Scotia
- Anne Derrick, lawyer
- Costas Halavrezos, CBC Radio Noon Host

The Gerald Gordon Memorial Prize for Psychology Undergrad Students

This prize is awarded for outstanding undergraduate achievement in Psychology in Nova Scotia. It is named for Dr. Gerald Gordon to honour the contribution he made to APNS and to the development of the Psychology Act, which resulted in the creation of the Nova Scotia Board of Examiners in Psychology. The terms of reference for the award were designed to reflect his belief in the importance of rewarding excellence at the undergraduate level as one means of encouraging promising students to consider a career in psychology. From 1972 to his death in March 1994, he was Executive Director of the Atlantic Child Guidance Centre. He also held part-time academic appointments in psychology at Mt. St. Vincent and Dalhousie University. He served as President of APNS in 1975-76 and was the first Chair of the Nova Scotia Board of Examiners in Psychology. He is a Fellow of APNS, the Canadian Psychological Association and an Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society. In 1993 he was awarded the Karl F. Helsen Presidential award for Advocacy on behalf of Professional Psychology by the American Psychological Association.

The Brian Dufton Memorial Prize for Psychology Grad Students

This prize is awarded for outstanding graduate achievement in Psychology in Nova Scotia. It is named for Dr. Brian Dufton to honour the contribution he made to the education of Psychology students. Dr. Dufton was employed with the Western Regional Health Boards as a health psychologist at Valley Regional hospital when he died in 2000 at the age of 45. He coordinated health promotion development for the Western Regional Mental Health program and was second author/reviewer of the Provincial Mental Health Review, *Mental Health: A Time for Action*. He was an honorary Research Associate and instructor in the Department of Psychology at Acadia University as well as an instructor at St. Mary's University, a clinical psychologist at the Victoria General Hospital and a member of the Educational Board of the Canadian Diabetes Association. He was a recipient of the Connaught Nova Nordisk Manuscript award for outstanding manuscripts.

Gordon Winners:

Mariam Elgendi – Dalhousie University - 2020
Jessie Doyle – St Francis Xavier University - 2019
Emily Baxendale – Saint Mary's University - 2018
T-Jay Anderson, Dalhousie University - 2017
Meredith Ivany, Dalhousie University - 2016
Patrick Bazinet – Acadia University - 2014
Karisa Parkington – Dalhousie University - 2013
Kevin MacDonald – Cape Breton University - 2012

Michelle Kerr – Dalhousie University – 2011
Catherine Hilchey – Dalhousie University - 2010
Patrick Horsman – Saint Mary’s University - 2009
Natasha Buchanan – Mount Saint Vincent University - 2008
Emily Russell – Acadia University - 2007

Dufton Winners:

2020 – Sara Bartel – Dalhousie University - 2020
Ivy-Lee Kehayes – Dalhousie University - 2019
Kristen Higgins – Dalhousie University - 2018
Perri Tutelman – Dalhousie University - 2017
Katelynn Boerner – Dalhousie University - 2016
Kate Rancourt – Dalhousie University - 2015
Ainsley Boudreau – Dalhousie University -2014
Katherine Birnie & Janine Olthuis – Dalhousie University -2013
Mark Petter – Dalhousie University - 2012
Jillian Filliter – Dalhousie University - 2011
Natasha Scott – Saint Mary’s University - 2010
Sonya Stevens – Saint Mary’s University - 2009
Valerie Grant – Dalhousie University - 2008
Jennifer Mullane – Dalhousie University - 2007

BURSARIES

The APNS Diversity in Psychology Bursary

- Lydia Muyingo – 2020

DESIGNATED HONOURS

Fellow of APNS

This designation honours those individuals who have made significant and enduring contributions to APNS. They are psychologists who have helped shape the Association and have contributed to the development of psychology in Nova Scotia. It is specific to those who are members of APNS. The award has been given since the late 1970s. To date 35 people have been named Fellow.

- Dave Doig – 1978
- Victor Parliament – 1979
- Ronald Backman – 1980
- Gerry Gordon – 1980
- Elizabeth Manuge – 1980
- Maeann Stevens – 1982
- Wayne MacDonald – 1983
- Judith Hayashi – 1984
- Charles J. A. Hayes – 1985
- George Nichols – 1987
- Victor Day – 1989
- Michael Fowler – 1991
- William Draper – 1993
- William Crist- 1993
- Joseph M. Byrne – 1993
- Gordon Butler – 1994
- John Gainer -1995
- Douglas Cane – 1996
- John C. Service – 1996
- Peter Shackleton – 1996
- Allan R Wilson – 1998
- David J. Pilon – 1999
- Wayne M. Yorke – 2001
- Susan Hartley- 2002
- Stephen B Perrott-2004
- Richard Braha – 2005
- Myles Genest- 2007
- Carolyn Humphreys – 2008
- Robin McGee – 2011
- Debra Garland – 2013
- Lynne Robinson – 2014
- Patrick O’Neil – 2015
- Dean Perry – 2016
- Janice Howes – 2017
- David Mensink – 2018

Lifetime Member

This designation is for long term service for the Association. Several individuals have been named Lifetime members, but a complete list is not available. These are the most recent:

- Ron Backman - 2015
- Wayne MacDonald - 2015
- Louise Stringer Warren - 2015
- Rilda van Feggelen - 2015
- Wayne Yorke - 2015
- Hugh Vincent
- John Service

Pioneer

On the occasion of the 50th anniversary, the designation of Pioneer was bestowed as a special honour on five living APNS members who played a large role in the early development of the Association.

- Valerie Corkum -2015
- Victor Day – 2015
- Charles Hayes - 2015
- John Service – 2015
- Hugh Vincent 2015-