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HIGHLIGHTS

Registration for the Ideas to Proposal (I2P) 2026 Course is open

We are pleased to share that the Ideas to Proposal (I2P) Course returns starting January 19 until March 23, 2026. Designed for early-stage investigators, this hybrid course provides the knowledge and tools needed to transform a primary care research idea into a focused research question and develop it into a competitive proposal. In addition to skills-building, participants will benefit from mentorship and networking opportunities with peers and established research mentors.

The course offers two monetary prizes for the most outstanding proposals developed during the program and is also CPD-certified by the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC).

Registration is open until Friday, November 28, 2025.

For more details, please visit <u>here</u>. To register, please visit <u>here</u>.

Congratulations to Dr. Amy Li on her successful research grant award!

We are thrilled to share that Dr. Amy Li, one of the winners from the I2P 2025 cohort, has been awarded \$100,000 from the Lunenfeld-Tanenbaum Research Institute (LTRI) Health Ageing Seed Grant for her co-led project: Leveraging Local Data to Improve Identification and Support of Patients at Risk of Alternate Level of Care (ALC).

This outstanding achievement highlights the transformative impact of the I2P course on building research capacity in primary care and fostering a vibrant community of practice.

Huge congratulations to Dr. Amy Li on this incredible accomplishment!

Strengthening engagement through the UPLEARN Poster

To enhance engagement, communication and transparency across DFCM/UPLEARN-affiliated sites, we will be distributing the UPLEARN poster (see image below and click here





for an enlarged version). Co-created in collaboration with a group of dedicated patient partners, the poster highlights UPLEARN's mission, key activities, and impact on facilitating learning, building research capacity, and fostering collaboration in primary care.

This visual tool is designed to spark engagement, raise awareness, and support a shared understanding of how UPLEARN connects and supports our growing community.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

 Call for applications: New Waddington Early-Career Research/Fellowship Awards and DFCM Investigator Awards

We are excited to announce new funding opportunities designed to protect research time for DFCM faculty members. For each position, the DFCM will contribute up to \$20,000 per year per award to support 40% protected time for research. The available awards include:

- 1. Waddington Early-Career Research and Fellowship Awards (for community-site DFCM faculty)
 - o 3 Waddington Early-Career Research Awards





- 2 Waddington Fellowships
- 2. DFCM Investigator Awards:
 - 1 Clinician Scientist Award
 - o 3 New Investigator Awards
 - 1 Graduate Studies Award (Master's degree)

Application deadline: Monday, December 1, 2025 at 8:00 am EST.

For full details and application instructions, please visit <u>here</u>.

 Call for applications: Clinical Researcher Positions - Department of Family Medicine, Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry, Western University

The Department of Family Medicine at the Western University is inviting applications for a full-time clinical researcher position. The successful candidate must hold an MD (or equivalent) and will dedicate approximately 50% of their time to conducting family medicine research.

For full details and application instructions, please visit <u>here</u>.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

- Have a project or proposal you would like to submit for UPLEARN support and partnership?
 Please complete the <u>UPLEARN intake form</u> to get started.
- Questions about UPLEARN or how to get involved? Please contact Jamie Wang, Research Project Coordinator at <u>jamie.wang@utoronto.ca</u>.

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