EDUCation And Training Excellence (EDUCATE) Program

The McCaig Institute for Bone and Joint Health at the Cumming School of Medicine in the University of Calgary is home to more than 300 scientists, clinicians, engineers and trainees that collaborate to diagnose and prevent bone and joint conditions. McCaig Institute investigators lead cutting-edge research in osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, osteoporosis, spinal disorders and sport injury.

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OUR VISION

Leading the improvement of musculoskeletal health for patients across their lifespan through research and education.
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The McCaig Institute’s multidisciplinary learning environment provides trainees with:

- Access to bone and joint health experts and resources across the university including:
  - the Cumming School of Medicine
  - the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine
  - the Schulich School of Engineering
  - the Faculty of Nursing
  - the Faculty of Kinesiology

- Access to state-of-the-art research facilities such as the Centre for Mobility and Joint Health

- A rich training environment fostered by integration with industry partners

- Direct connection to clinical care providers for bench-to-bedside research

CURRENT TRAINEES BY THE NUMBERS

- 20+ Postdoctoral Fellows
- 60 PhD Students
- 90 MSc Students
- 60+ Summer Students

The McCaig Institute consists of more than 60 faculty members who are experienced and qualified to train, mentor and shape the next generation of scientists, clinicians and industry leaders.
PHILANTHROPY WITH AN IMPACT

Why Invest in our EDUCATE Program?

INFLUX OF TRAINEES
Your support will allow us to increase our capacity to train undergraduate students, graduate students and postdoctoral fellows by providing stable financial support.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS
The creation of highly competitive awards attracts outstanding students, both nationally and internationally, and improves their competitiveness for scholarships and awards.

LEVERAGING FUNDS
Students holding awards have a higher likelihood to be successful in obtaining external funding. Freed-up funds allow new students opportunities to join our training program, extending the reach and impact of your support.

FUNDING NEED: $5M
Our goal is to reach a total endowment of $5M to establish a sustainable EDUCATE program for generations to come. With your support, we will be able to scale our existing program and build capacity through the following annual awards, co-funded by the recipient’s supervisor:

SUMMER STUDENTSHIPS
These experiential learning opportunities introduce students to research basics and can spark a passion for medical investigation. A $100K endowed gift will fund one annual summer studentship in perpetuity.

GRADUATE STUDENTSHIPS
These opportunities allow early researchers to investigate novel ideas under the supervision of experienced researchers. A $250K endowed gift will fund one annual graduate studentship in perpetuity.

POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS
These opportunities help to develop the skills our researchers need to pursue a career in medical science. A $500K endowed gift will fund one post-doctoral fellowship in perpetuity.

Why an endowment?
An endowment perpetuates your gift and provides long-term stability to our EDUCATE Program. Each year, the revenue generated from the endowment will be paid out to our EDUCATE Program. This will directly benefit our trainees while guaranteeing long-lasting impact and program stability for years to come. We will continue to build on the endowment into the future and ensure support the next generation of leaders in bone and joint health.
With your investment and support, we can improve our capacity to train the researchers, scientists and clinicians of tomorrow to define the future of bone and joint health.

HELP MAKE AN IMPACT

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