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ACADEMIC INFORMATION (CURRENT)

Leaders in Medicine Program (MD/MSc)

Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary, Calgary AB

MSc: *Community Health Sciences (conc. Health Services Research)*

UME: *Class of 2028*

Bachelor of Health Sciences (Hons.)

University of Calgary, Calgary AB

Major: *Health and Society (conc. Psychology)*

Certificate: *Mental Wellbeing and Resilience*

RECENT EMPLOYMENT

Graduate Assistant (Non-Teaching)

Jun 2024-Present

University of Calgary, Calgary AB

- Work with Dr. Aliya Kassam to analyze quantitative and qualitative data relating to accreditation processes for post-graduate medical education programs.

Graduate Assistant (Teaching)

Sept 2024-Dec 2024 / Jan 2025- Apr 2025

University of Calgary, Calgary AB

- Worked with Dr. Angie Wong to teach Health Services and Health Systems, introducing students to structures and processes in Canada, with a strong focus on Indigenous health.
- Worked with Dr. Fabiola-Aparicio Ting to teach an advanced seminar involving critical analysis of contemporary global health issues and Advanced Topics in Social Determinants of Health, covering topics such as racism, sexism, gender identity, Indigenous health inequities, etc.

Student Engagement Assistant

Mar 2023-Aug 2024

University of Calgary, Calgary AB

- Worked with the Office of Experiential Learning at the Taylor Institute as a Work-Integrated Learning (WIL) for Neurodiverse Students Project Assistant, creating accessible employment pathways to support neurodivergent students transitioning from school to meaningful careers.

EXTRACURRICULARS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

MSAW Governance and Sponsorship Committee Member

Apr 2025-Present

Western Region, Canada

- Serve on the MSAW Governance and Sponsorship Team, contributing to the development of Western Canada's first coordinated medical student governance body.
- Support governance structure design, policy development, and long-term organizational planning to ensure durable regional advocacy infrastructure.
- Contribute and support sponsorship strategy, partnership development, and revenue-generation approaches to support MSAW's launch and operational sustainability.

Provincial Day of Action (PDoA)

Mar 2025

University of Calgary / University of Alberta, Alberta Canada

- Participated as a UCalgary delegate, meeting with Alberta MLAs in Edmonton to advocate on emergency department wait times and system-level pressures affecting patient care.

Public Health and Preventative Medicine Interest Group President

Dec 2025-Present

University of Calgary, Calgary AB

- Enhance students' understanding of the role physicians have in promoting public health and increase exposure to medical careers in public health.

CFMS Student Mistreatment Task Force Member **Nov 2025-Present**

Student Affairs Portfolio, Canadian Federation of Medical Students (CFMS)

- Identify gaps in existing wellness programming at the pre-clerkship and clerkship levels.
- Collaborate with taskforce members and undergraduate deans across medical schools to address gaps with evidence-based wellness, aimed at supporting Canadian medical students.

Calgary Medical Students' Association Class of 2028 President **Aug 2025-Present**

University of Calgary, Calgary AB

- Represent ~480 medical students at UME Executive Leadership, Class Presidents' Meetings, CFMS President and Western Roundtable, influencing institutional/national decision-making.
- Serve as Calgary's CFMS School Representative, advancing national advocacy priorities and coordinating Western-region initiatives.
- Lead CMSA's revenue-generation strategy, securing sponsorships and partnerships that expand funding for student programming, wellness supports, and operational capacity.
- Oversee CMSA Executive portfolios, providing strategic direction, governance oversight, and continuity across committees and long-term projects.
- Act as primary liaison between UME and students, driving transparent communication, and shaping policy discussions on curriculum and learning environments.

Leaders in Medicine Communications Co-Director **Nov 2024-Present**

University of Calgary, Calgary AB

- Enhance program engagement by cultivating a cohesive, informed student community.

Many Voices for Mental Health Council **Dec 2023-Present**

The Summit: Marian & Jim Sinneave Centre for Youth Resilience, Calgary AB

- Serve as a research partner and provide ideas and feedback in monthly research meetings to improve knowledge and treatment of mental health concerns in children and youth.

GSA/SU Appeals and Tribunal Committee Member **Sept 2020-Present**

University of Calgary, Calgary AB

- Serve as an undergraduate student representative on appeal hearings related to misconduct. Currently serve as a graduate student representative.

PUBLICATIONS

MSc Thesis: Fatima, D. (2025). Exploring the construct of a just culture among equity-denied patients and resident physicians in health care settings: A patient-oriented study. PRISM University of Calgary. <https://dx.doi.org/10.11575/PRISM/49453>

Article: Fatima D, Sweetman A, Lovato N, et al. Access and models of obstructive sleep apnea care: a cross-national comparison of Canadian and Australian patient survey data. *J Clin Sleep Med*. 2025;21(3):467–477. <https://doi.org/10.5664/jcsm.11414>

Letter to the Editor: Fatima, D., Gill, J., & Kassam, A. (2024). Advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion at academic medicine conferences: the need for safe spaces. *CMEJ*. <https://doi.org/https://doi.org/10.36834/cmej.79609>

Article: Fatima, D., Tsai, W. H., Corrigan, J., et al. (2023). Exploring patient-borne costs and wait times for obstructive sleep apnea (OSA) care among rural and urban adults. *CRJSM*, pg. 1–7. <https://doi.org/10.1080/24745332.2022.2156936>

RECENT STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT / LEADERSHIP AWARDS

- CFMS-MDFM Leadership Award - **February 2026**
- GSA Emerging Leader Award - **April 2025**
- University of Calgary Graduate Student EDIA Award - **March 2025**
- GSA Graduate Citizenship Award - **November 2025**