

Dear M.P.T. Class of 2018:

With less than 2 months remaining in the first year of the MPT program, planning has begun to prepare you for year two! As Chair of the Awards Committee, I would like to relay information about the School of PT Scholarship and Awards program for students entering year two of the program.

The following three awards require determination of financial need by September 1, 2017:

- **The Marj Braid Bursary in Physical Therapy:** Selection will be made on the basis of financial need and academic achievement in the area of orthopedics. Two awards of \$1,250 are available each year.
- **Elisa Rieder Memorial Award:** Selection will be made on the basis of financial need and academic achievement in all courses directly related to community and Aboriginal health. One award of \$1,000 is available each year.
- **Sally Purdon Memorial Award in Physical Therapy:** An award of \$1,000 is available to a student who has an average of at least 75% in the neuroscience course(s) in the first year of the program. Selection will be made from eligible students on the basis of financial need.

In order to be considered for these awards, you must complete the Financial Need Calculator in PAWS **no later than September 1, 2017**. To access the Financial Need Calculator:

- 1) Log into the Scholarships and Bursaries channel in PAWS (paws.usask.ca/go/awards)
- 2) Click on the "Apply for awards"* button
- 3) Select the "**2017-2018 Master of Physical Therapy (MPT) Student Financial Need Calculator**" from the "Current Students" drop-down menu; click "Apply"

The following award requires an application process:

- **Saskatchewan Physiotherapy Association (SPA) Award**
An award of \$500.00 is given to a student member of the Canadian Physiotherapy Association who has attained a minimum grade point average of 75% in the first year of the program. Selection is made on the basis of demonstrated involvement in the profession as determined by the Awards Committee in consultation with the Saskatchewan Physiotherapy Association. Two awards of \$500 are usually available each year.

Application: Please submit resume and covering letter before September 1, 2017 to School of Physical Therapy Awards Committee, c/o Brenda Pollock.

The following awards require an election by classmates:

- **Director's Award**
- **Physical Therapy Student Society Spirit Award**

Brenda Pollock will provide election materials to the class reps for running of the elections.

I strongly urge you to visit the College of Graduate Studies and Research's Awards Database at <http://grad.usask.ca/awards/awardsearch.taf> searching under Physical Therapy and read the specifics about all of the awards listed above. There are several external awards listed that you may also meet the eligibility requirements.

These awards will be presented to the successful recipients at the School of Physical Therapy Fall Awards Reception on November 1, 2017, at 7:00 pm. We welcome and strongly encourage all students to attend this celebration at the University Club so please mark your calendars now.

Sincerely,

Brenda Dean,
Chair, Awards Committee
School of Physical Therapy