

AINA NEWS

2022 Scholarship Winners

Mikala Epp, a PhD student in the Department of Biological Sciences at the University of Manitoba, is the 2022 recipient of the Jennifer Robinson Memorial Scholarship. Her research is focused on understanding the behaviour of increasingly prevalent killer whales in the Eastern Canadian Arctic and their interactions with prey species, particularly narwhal. This study will take place near the community of Pond Inlet (Mittimatalik), Nunavut, within the Qikiqtani Region of the Inuit Nunangat.

Sydney Goward, a Master of Science student in Environmental Studies at the University of Victoria and the 2022 recipient of the Lorraine Allison Scholarship. Her research focuses on investigating the use of remote wildlife cameras to obtain population demographics of Dall sheep as an alternative to aerial surveys. She is also exploring species interactions and determining the influence of environmental factors on this species. Partnered with the Gwich'in Renewable Resources Board, Sydney's work is part of a broader, community-based monitoring program in the Northern Richardson Mountains, Northwest Territories.

Kaitlyn Dornstauber, a PhD student in the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Calgary, is the

recipient of the 2022 H.M. Ali Family Educational Award. Her research works closely with the Ekwò Nàxoèdee K'è (Boots on the Ground) Indigenous-led initiative to bridge traditional and scientific knowledge. The outcome of her project is to help identify the potential causes of lameness in the Bathurst caribou herd and develop a guide for visually diagnosing health conditions in the field. This project will help develop a non-invasive health assessment method that will ultimately aid in understanding and managing barren-ground caribou in Canada's Arctic.

Northern Contaminants Program Publications Database

Need information on contaminants in the Canadian Arctic? The Northern Contaminants Program's (NCP) Publications Database (www.aina.ucalgary.ca/ncp) now contains more than 4400 publications from the program. These records include, but are not limited to, NCP Secretariat Publications, Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Program and Canadian Arctic Contaminants Assessment reports, books, journal articles, theses, and posters. As the NCP's document repository, many of the items found here are not otherwise available online. ASTIS is pleased to work with the NCP to provide this searchable archive of their publications.