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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy

University of Toronto | Toronto, Canada - Institute of Medical Science

• Collaborative Program in Neuroscience

Awards (\$59,955 CAD)

•	Faculty of Medicine Graduate Student Wellness Grant	Sept. 2020 - Aug. 2025
•	School of Graduate Studies (SGS) Conference Grant	2024
•	Institute of Medical Science Open Fellowship	Jan. 2024 - Aug. 2024
•	Ontario Graduate Scholarship - Doctoral	Sept. 2023 - Aug. 2024
•	Alan Wu Poster Competition	2023
•	School of Graduate Studies (SGS) Conference Grant	2022
•	Ontario Graduate Scholarship - Master's	Sept. 2021 - Aug. 2022
•	Institute of Medical Science Entrance Scholarship	Sept. 2020 - Aug. 2021

Bachelor of Applied Science

Sept. 2015 - Aug. 2020

Sept. 2020 - Sept. 2025

University of Waterloo | Waterloo, Canada - Systems Design Engineering

- Option in Artificial Intelligence
- Graduated with Distinction and Dean's Honours
- Cumulative GPA of 88%

Awards (\$5,500 CAD)

•	GM Canada Innovation Award	2020
•	First in Class Engineering Scholarship	2019
•	J.R. Coutts International Experience Award	2019
•	University of Waterloo President's Scholarship	2015

École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne

Feb. 2019 - July 2019

School of Computer and Communication Sciences

- Academic semester abroad in Lausanne, Switzerland
- 29 ECTS credits with a GPA of 5.2 / 6

SELECT PUBLICATIONS

- Tio ES, Misztal MC, Felsky D. Evidence for the biopsychosocial model of suicide: a review of whole person modeling studies with machine learning. Front Psychiatry. 2024;14:1294666. Published 2024 Jan 11. doi:10.3389/fpsyt.2023.1294666
- **Tio ES**, Hohman TJ, et al. Testing a Polygenic Risk Score for Morphological Microglial Activation in Alzheimer's Disease and Aging. *J Alzheimers Dis*. 2023;94(4):1549-1561. doi:10.3233/JAD-230434

PUBLICATIONS

- Lee H, Pearse RV, et al. Contributions of genetic variation in astrocytes to cell and molecular mechanisms of risk and resilience to late onset Alzheimer's disease. *Glia*. 2025;73(6):1166-1187. doi:10.1002/glia.24677
- Zhukovsky P, Tio ES, et al. Genetic influences on brain and cognitive health and their interactions with cardiovascular conditions and depression. *Nat Commun*. 2024;15(1):5207. Published 2024 Jun 18. doi:10.1038/s41467-024-49430-7
- Kharaghani A, Tio ES, et al. Association of Whole-Person EigenPolygenic Risk Scores with Alzheimer's Disease. *Hum Mol Genet*. 2024;33(15):1315-1327. doi:10.1093/hmg/ddae067
- Hsieh YC, Augur ZM, et al. Person-specific differences in ubiquitin-proteasome mediated proteostasis in human neurons. *Alzheimers Dement*. 2024;20(4):2952-2967. doi:10.1002/alz.13680
- Rybnicek J, Chen Y, et al. CHRNA5 links chandelier cells to severity of amyloid pathology in aging and Alzheimer's disease. *Transl Psychiatry*. 2024;14(1):83. Published 2024 Feb 8. doi:10.1038/s41398-024-02785-3
- Misztal MC, Tio ES, et al. Interactions between genetic risk for 21 neurodevelopmental and psychiatric disorders and sport activity on youth mental health. *Psychiatry Res*. 2023;330:115550. doi:10.1016/i.psychres.2023.115550
- Higginbotham L, Carter EK, et al. Unbiased classification of the elderly human brain proteome resolves distinct clinical and pathophysiological subtypes of cognitive impairment. *Neurobiol Dis.* 2023;186:106286. doi:10.1016/j.nbd.2023.106286
- Comitani F, Nash JO, Cohen-Gogo S, et al. Diagnostic classification of childhood cancer using multiscale transcriptomics. *Nat Med*. 2023;29(3):656-666.
 doi:10.1038/s41591-023-02221-x

SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS – ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Collaborative Program in Neuroscience (CPIN) Research Day

June 24, 2025; Toronto, ON, Canada.

June 30, 2021; Virtual.

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH) Trainee Seminar Series

Feb. 6, 2025; Toronto, ON, Canada. Jan. 16, 2024; Toronto, ON, Canada.

Institute of Medical Science (IMS) Research Rounds

Nov. 28, 2024; Toronto, ON, Canada.

20th European Symposium on Suicide and Suicidal Behaviour (ESSSB20)

Aug. 28-31, 2024; Rome, Italy.

Temerty Faculty of Medicine (TFoM) Research Showcase

July 7, 2023; Toronto, ON, Canada. Access abstract here.

Krembil Centre for Neuroinformatics (KCNI) Open House

June 24, 2022; Toronto, ON, Canada.

June 21, 2021; Virtual.

Institute of Medical Science (IMS) Scientific Day

May 17, 2022; Toronto, ON, Canada. [Panelist; Artificial Intelligence in Medicine]

Department of Psychiatry Research Day (DPRD)

June 17, 2021; Virtual.

SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS - POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Society of Biological Psychiatry (SOBP) Annual Meeting

Apr. 24-26, 2025; Toronto, ON, Canada.

Apr. 27-29, 2023; San Diego, CA, United States. Access abstract here.

Apr. 28-30, 2022; New Orleans, LA, United States. Access abstract here.

Institute of Medical Science (IMS) Scientific Day

Apr. 24-25, 2023; Toronto, ON, Canada. [Alan Wu Poster Competition Hon. Mention]

May 26, 2021; Virtual. Access abstract here.

Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory (CSHL) Biological Data Science Meeting

Nov. 9-12, 2022; Cold Spring Harbor, NY, United States.

American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Annual Meeting

Oct. 18-22, 2021; Virtual. Access abstract here.

Alzheimer's Association International Conference (AAIC)

July 26-30, 2021; Virtual. Access abstract here.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Researcher Sept. 2020 - Sept. 2025

University of Toronto | Whole Person & Population Modelling Lab

Supervised by Dr. Daniel Felsky, PhD

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Sept. 2019 - Apr. 2020

University of Waterloo | Vision and Image Processing (VIP) Research Group

• Supervised by Dr. Alexander Wong, PhD

Research Student Sept. 2018 - Dec. 2018

The Hospital for Sick Children | Genetics and Genome Biology

Supervised by Dr. Adam Shlien, PhD

Bioengineering Research Assistant

Jan. 2018 - Apr. 2018

Sunnybrook Research Institute | Orthopaedic Biomechanics Laboratory

Supervised by Dr. Cari Whyne, PhD

Undergraduate Research Assistant

University of Waterloo | Waterloo Engineering Bionics Lab

Supervised by Dr. Ning Jiang, PhD

TEACHING & MENTORSHIP

Guest Lecturer for FSC430H5 – Seminar in Forensic Science

Aug. 2025

University of Toronto | Mississauga Campus

• Developed and delivered the lecture "Using Big Data and Machine Learning to Answer Research Questions in Psychiatry" for a fourth-year undergraduate capstone course

Collaborative Program in Neuroscience

Sept. 2020 - Mar. 2025

Sept. 2017 - Dec. 2017

University of Toronto

- Developed and delivered "Neural Networks and Artificial Brains" for NeuroSci101, a lecture series aimed at highschool students interested in neuroscience
- Mentored 3 undergraduate students interested in graduate studies in neuroscience

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Sept. 2022 - Dec. 2024

University of Toronto | Institute of Medical Science

 Assisted with the delivery of the graduate level course MSC1090 - Introduction to Computational Biostatistics with R

Neurodegenerative Disease Student Association

Sept. 2023 - Aug. 2024

University of Toronto

Mentored 3 undergraduate students interested in graduate studies in neurodegeneration

Krembil Centre for Neuroinformatics

Sept. 2021 - Aug. 2023

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

KCNI Summer Academy 2021-2023 Teaching Assistant

GradMinds - Graduate Student Mental Health Committee

Sept. 2020 - Aug. 2022

University of Toronto

- Founding member of the GradMinds Peer Support Initiative
- Mentored 8 graduate students in the capacity of a trained a peer supporter

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Let's Talk Grad Wellness (LTGW)

Aug. 2021 - Dec. 2024

- Executive member of a student-ran, Graduate & Life Sciences Education (GLSE)-funded initiative focusing on graduate student wellness and student-supervisor relationships
- Spoke as a panelist on the "ELEFANT Student-Supervisor Agreement" for the Pharmacology Graduate Students Association (PGSA) Town Hall; Feb. 24, 2022; Virtual.

Filipino Students' Association of Toronto (FSAT)

Oct. 2024

• Invited to act as a mentor during FSAT's Networking Night for undergraduate students from multiple universities interested in a career in research and academia.

GradMinds - Graduate Student Mental Health Committee

Sept. 2020 - Aug. 2024

- Contributing journalist for the GradMinds mental health magazine: Elemental Magazine
 - Tio, E. (2024) Shkaabe Makwa, bringing First Nations, Inuit, and Metis mental health to the forefront—an interview with Louis Busch. *Elemental Magazine:* Fostering Hope & Resilience, 11, 48-50. Access here.
 - Tio, E. (2022) Sleep, psychiatric diagnoses, and beyond—an interview with Dr. Michael Wainberg. *Elemental Magazine: Physical Health*, 9, 30-31. Access here.
 - Tio, E. (2021) The evolving understanding of substance use during the pandemic—an interview with Dr. Tara Elton-Marshall. *Elemental Magazine: COVID-19*, 7, 30-31. Access here.

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH)

Sept. 2021 - Aug. 2023

- CAMH Trainee Seminar 2021-2023 Organizing Committee
- CAMH Research Day 2022 Organizing Committee

Institute of Medical Science Student Association (IMSSA)

Sept. 2020 - Aug. 2021

Assisted the Wellness & Wellbeing and Social Affairs committees