

## Hand/Wrist/Nerve Surgery Fellowship

Number of Positions:	• 1 per year	
Duration:	• 1 year	
Sites:	• Peter Lougheed Centre	
Program Director:	• Dr. Justin Yeung	
Preceptors:	• Dr. Duncan Nickerson	• Dr. Robertson Harrop
	• Dr. Fred Loiselle	• Dr. Brett Byers

### Summary:

The University of Calgary is proud to support a one year comprehensive clinical fellowship program in Hand, Wrist, and Peripheral Nerve Surgery.

Highlights of the program include multidisciplinary faculty comprised of Adult and Pediatric Plastic Surgeons, Orthopedic Surgeons, Neurosurgeons, and Physiatrists. The Peter Lougheed Hospital Hand and Wrist Clinic treats a high volume of both acute trauma and elective pathologies and has a waitlist of 1500+ patients. The clinic allows the fellow to become familiar with the use of ultrasound as a tool to support their management. One half day a week is a fellow led hand clinic.

The fellow will also staff Pediatric Complex Upper Extremity Clinic at the Alberta Children's Hospital and the Complex Peripheral Nerve and Brachial Plexus Clinic at the South Health Campus. There is an intensive one week Microsurgical Skills course which prepares the fellow for replantation experience at the Foothills Medical Trauma Centre. Calgary also has one of the highest volumes of Wide Awake Local Anesthetic No Tourniquet (WALANT) in Canada.

Surgical experience covers all major procedures including but not limited to wrist arthroscopies, arthroplasties, free tissue transfer, replantation, tendon and nerve transfers. Fellows operate roughly three days per week.

The fellow will also have the opportunity to attend regular Workers' Compensation Board Specialist clinics and will become proficient at treating this unique patient population and gain skills on medicolegal assessments and documentation.

Call frequency is 1 in 4 and remuneration is by surgical assistance billings as per Office of Surgical Fellowship Agreement.

We strive to train practice ready comprehensive hand, wrist and nerve surgeons.

### Research:

Fellow will be expected to present and publish a research project during their fellowship. It is expected that the fellow presents at the Calgary Annual Surgical Fellows Research Symposium. There would be an opportunity to attend the American Hand Surgery Meetings.

### Eligibility Requirements

- Must have completed, or be completing, a Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons of Canada (or equivalent) accredited residency program in Plastic Surgery or Orthopaedic Surgery.
- Must be eligible for an Educational or Independent license to practice medicine by the College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta.
- If prospective fellow have done their medical school outside of an English speaking country, candidates must complete their IELTS (International English Language Testing System) academic version and submit it with their application. Please refer to <http://www.cpsa.ca/language-proficiency/> for more information.
- Fellow is required to meet Canada's immigration laws and other requirements in regards to obtaining a work permit.

### Application Requirements

- Letter of Intent
- 3 letters of reference.
- Curriculum Vitae which includes pre-medical, medical and post-medical school training, publications, certificates, awards and scholarships.

### Application Process

Interested applicants are asked to apply online at the link below.  
For more information, please contact the Office of Surgical Fellowship.

### **APPLICATION LINK:**

[Apply Online](#)