3M National Student Fellowship winner

Aaron Judah, a Marine Biology student, has been awarded a prestigious national teaching recognition by the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (SLTHE).
Faculty of Engineering

Students building formula-style race cars for competition.

The Faculty’s Formula Society of Automotive Engineers (FSAE) student team is building the university’s first electric-powered competition car thanks to $70,000 sponsorship from Emera.

Dal students are competing against students across the world in this interdisciplinary design and engineering challenge.
New certificate in Equity, Diversity & Inclusion

Changing social norms and Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging (EDIB) initiatives are abundant.

Companies, both big and small, and individuals can use training options as a solid building block to inform and educate their employees and themselves, enhance cultural awareness, and learn the skills necessary to respectfully cooperate with others at work and in life.
Opening of Ko’jua Okuom Indigenous community room in the Killam Memorial Library

It’s a space for reflection, celebration, and a place for advancing Indigenization, decolonization, and reconciliation at Dalhousie.

Since opening Ko’jua Okuom has hosted Indigenous beading workshops, screenings of The Secret Path, and other Indigenous focused events.
One of the first universities in Nova Scotia to explore microcredentials

Microcredentials recognize specific skills or competencies that are relevant to employment.

Students can earn micro-credentials through bootcamps, workshops, or modules. Learning can be online or in-person, with courses that stack into professional certificates and are connected to lifelong learning goals.
MacRae Library Seed Program

This year, 4,575 individual seeds distributed to local Truro and area community.

The library also distributed 30 Garden Together Apart packages which included growing and gardening support materials and 5 packets of seeds for community to establish their own gardens.
Students launched Nova Scotia’s first satellite into space

LORIS, a shoebox-sized nanosatellite, was designed and built by students in the Dalhousie Space Systems Lab (DSS).

Last December, it was launched into space by NASA after its ascent to the International Space Station late last fall.
Dr. Saurabh Chitniss awarded a Sloan Research Fellowship

The award represents prestigious international recognition for the best young scholars in their field.

This is only the 2nd time the award has been given to a Dalhousie University
Visits from federal leader of the NDP party, Jagmeet Singh, and federal Minister of Health Jean-Yves Duclos

Both were here to talk about the $13 billion Canada Dental Benefits Plan that was announced in the recent federal budget.

Mr. Singh and Minister Duclos had tours of the clinic and spoke with dental hygiene students, and Minister Duclos was able to watch the intraoral scanner in action and try it himself.
Schulich Law introduces first mandatory course on African Nova Scotian Legal History & Issues and Critical Race Theory

All first-year Dal law students will take this course, aimed at developing a more inclusive curriculum and addressing systemic anti-Black racism in the law and legal education.
Students raise $105,000 for the Canadian Cancer Society

The Bachelor of Commerce Society hockey team faced off against the Bachelor of Engineering Society team, on Saint Patrick’s Day at the Forum.

Even the Deans of the two Faculties, Mike Smit and John Newhook, placed friendly wagers on the event. It was an incredible feat for the student organizers.
Internationally acclaimed architect and former prof earns two prestigious awards - Governor General’s Medal in Architecture as well as a personal investiture into the Order of Canada

Brian MacKay-Lyons reflects fondly on his 37 years as an educator at Dalhousie’s School of Architecture, “I have deep roots at Dalhousie as well as within this beautiful province,” says MacKay-Lyons. “Like Nova Scotia, Dalhousie is a place where you can actually make a difference...”
Prosper Collection - an extraordinary new collection of books and other materials

The donation was made through Jim Prosper, a survivor of the Indian Residential School in Shubenacadie.

The Prosper family has donated over 750 items to libraries at universities in Nova Scotia. Around 300-400 items can now be found in Dalhousie Libraries on all campuses, with 22 items living in the Special Archive for rare items.
Schulich Law Participates in Qanittaq Clean Arctic Shipping Initiative

This initiative was made possible through a seven-year, $91M investment through the Canada First Research Excellence Fund (CFREF) grant program.

The initiative will address and respond to concerns about Arctic shipping and related environmental impacts affecting Northern communities. Schulich Law professor Aldo Chircop will serve as a governance theme leader.
Faculty of Computer Science

Computer science researcher becomes Dalhousie’s second Global Young Academy member

Rita Orji, Canada Research Chair in Persuasive Technology, is one of 39 new Global Young Academy members this year.

Two hundred members strong, the Global Young Academy (GYA) develops, connects and mobilizes young talent from six continents, and empowers young researchers to lead international, interdisciplinary and intergenerational dialogue.
Opening Dalhousie’s new Tze/Chiang Paediatric and Adult Special Needs Clinic

The clinic is a space to treat paediatric and adult special needs patients, help reduce wait times, and enhance training for dentistry students and residents.

The project was made possible through a $1-million gift from alumna Dr. Theresa Chiang (BSc’61, DDS’65) in memory of her late husband, paediatric physician Dr. Wah Jun Tze (MD’65).
Anik Ahmed, a third year BComm student, wins one of eight Frank Sobey Awards

Anik’s award was worth $45,000 and for Excellence in Business Studies.

Anik appreciates the hands-on simulation work and how professors have encouraged students to create their own businesses.
Bridge into Agriculture – a program for African Nova Scotians

This new program helps bridge the gap between African Nova Scotian communities and agriculture through the production of a small vegetable garden.

Learners will receive materials, seeds, and transplants to plant a backyard vegetable garden and apply the knowledge learned throughout the course including soil health, garden preparation, maintenance and harvesting.
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

Faculty and students win national awards

Three Department of Classics recent grads (one now a Dal grad student) swept advanced-level competition at the national sight translation competition hosted by the Classical Association of Canada (CAC), scooping up awards in both Greek and Latin.

Malcolm Sepulchre took first place in the Senior Latin competition and Joanna Daley took first place in the Senior Greek competition. Angus Wilson received an honorable mention in both the Senior Latin and Senior Greek competitions.
Dalhousie medical school appoints first academic director for Black health

Dr. Leah Jones is Dal’s first Academic Director, Black Health. Dr. Jones will lead in co-developing and overseeing the direction for the Faculty of Medicine to engage African Nova Scotian and Black populations in the Maritimes.

Dr. Jones will work to recruit and support Black learners into medical school, while fostering an environment where they want to stay and practice.
Faculty of Computer Science

Computer Science student secures dream role at Google

Dal student Yifan Wang’s hard work opened the door to opportunities, leading her to secure a position this year as a software engineer at Google.

While at Dal, Yifan completing co-op placements with companies such as Ubisoft and RBC, as well as performing research with a supervisor via the Undergraduate Student Research Awards (USRA).
BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and People of Colour) Graduate Student Mentoring Academy launched

The mentorship program is intended to address challenges faced by these communities, such as isolation, invisibility, and lack of guidance that occur at Dalhousie due to systemic underrepresentation.

In its first year, the program paired 21 graduate students with mentors from within and outside the Dalhousie community.
Faculty of Architecture and Planning

Master of Planning Students visit New York City as part of their International Field Trip (IFT) course

The course is an experiential learning opportunity where students explore the field of planning through visits and tours of planning offices, architecture and planning-related sites, and cultural and historic attractions related to the field. The group visited significant NY sites and participated in a number of activities, including a collaborative studio with faculty at Columbia University and an Alumni meeting at NBBJ Studios.

The ITF course is led by Dr. Lisa Berglund.
"Rising Star" MHA Grad Recognized for Academic Excellence

Master of Health Administration Graduate, Emma Archibald, was awarded the 2022 Governor General’s Gold Medal for Students in Sciences and Humanities.

This honour is awarded to the university’s most outstanding master’s graduate, who has demonstrated equally remarkable achievements in academia and extracurricular leadership. Only two medals are awarded among the entire pool of master’s graduates.
Province Funds New Medical School Campus in Cape Breton

The province announced a $58.9 million investment to develop a new medical sciences building at Cape Breton University, including a medical school campus in collaboration with Dalhousie University’s Faculty of Medicine (opening 2025).

The campus which will focus on family medicine and rural health, will offer students the chance to complete their medical studies in their home region of Cape Breton/rural Nova Scotia,
Third Century Promise

Faculty of Agriculture

New Centre for Sustainable Soil Management (CSSM) on the Dalhousie Agricultural Campus

The Centre occupies a series of labs on the top floor of Cox West Wing and will coordinate academic and scholarly activities related to the study of soil status and function in managed landscapes.

The Centre and its team will also engage researchers from federal research centres, scientists and policy makers within provincial governments, and multiple academic and industry partners.
3 Minute Thesis

The annual competition challenges students in PhD and research-based master’s programs to present their research to a non-specialist audience in three minutes and compete at a regional level. This year 11 students participated in the finals, representing seven Faculties across the university.

This year’s winner, Computer Science student Joseph Orji, presented on combating stress with artificial intelligence and positive emotion.
Trudeau taps student energy and ideas

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau met with more than 100 students from five Halifax-area universities during a town hall event.

Students asked the prime minister about everything from doctor shortages and surgery wait times to pharmacare and beyond. Following the event, Prime Minister Trudeau joined nursing and medical students and Dean Merritt for a tour of the Collaborative Health Education Building (CHEB).
Annual Shaar Shalom Lecture welcomed two of Canada’s most devoted human rights defenders

This year’s lecture featured the Honourable Bob Rae, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations in New York and Lieutenant General (ret’d) the Honourable Roméo Dallaire, Founder of the Dal-based Dallaire Institute for Children, Peace and Security.