

Project Title: A Parisian Salon: creating a culture of intellect around the social determinants of health

Project Summary (150 words maximum)

The College of Health Disciplines received 2010/2011 TLEF funding to support the 'UBC Parisian Salon' series designed to promote a culture of intellect around the social determinants of health (SDH). In an increasingly global society, students from a wide range of disciplines will take on roles in which they will contribute to the health and wellbeing of the world's diverse populations. Inspired by the Parisian Salons of the 18th and 19th Centuries, this project brings together students from different disciplinary and cultural backgrounds to discuss topics of mutual concern pertaining to the SDH. Four Salons are planned and a second round of funding is requested to hold an additional four salons with increasing complex discussions and to explore ways of sustaining and embedding this emerging culture of intellect into recognized learning opportunities for students from any program at UBC. Doing so will ensure the Salons find a place amongst the student led initiatives at UBC.