



## Dr. Shelley Doucet

### Recognizing a Health Researcher who is Changing the Face of New Brunswick

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Dr. Doucet holds a Bachelor degree in Nursing degree from UNB Saint John, and a Master of Science in Nursing from the University of Western Ontario in London, ON, followed by a Ph.D. in Interdisciplinary Studies at UNB, with a salary award (Mastership) from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) in Primary Health Care.

She accepted term positions at UNB in 2010 and OMNS in 2011 and joined the Department of Nursing & Health Sciences at UNB Saint John in 2012. As a new young investigator, she divides her time between three research and academic positions:

- Assistant Professor in the Department of Nursing & Health Sciences at the University of New Brunswick (UNB) in Saint John (primary affiliation),
- Adjunct Professor with Dalhousie Medicine New Brunswick (DMNB) in Saint John, and
- Affiliate Professor in the College of Health Disciplines with the University of British Columbia.

Dr. Doucet's ongoing research is to provide the scientific support to improve health care practices in New Brunswick, across Canada and internationally in interprofessional education and practice initiatives. Her goal is to become an international leader in the development, implementation, evaluation and dissemination of best practices.

Since entering her undergraduate years (2001) in Nursing at UNB, Dr. Doucet has amassed over 40 awards, recognitions and professional credentials including the Governor General's Silver Medal Award, 6 inductions on the Dean's list, 4 academic athlete of the year designations, 7 highest academic standing awards at UNB and Western, perfect GPAs in both undergraduate and graduate studies, and over \$200,000 in studentship funding from 5 different agencies, including both CIHR and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC).



This drive for success is also illustrated by the fact that during her short time on staff at UNB Saint John and DMNB, she has:

- Attracted over \$375,000 in research funding
- Trained and mentored three graduate students
- Contributed to over 11 publications (scientific peer-reviewed papers and reports) and 22 oral and poster presentations at national (13) and international (4) conferences



Currently, Dr. Doucet is focusing her attention on a SPOR (Strategy for patient oriented research) for the Atlantic collaborative effort to respond to the recent call from CIHR for The SPOR Foundations of Integrated Health Care Innovations Network. She is also the founder and chair of the Atlantic Community of Practice in Interprofessional Education and Practice. At an international level, Dr. Doucet is the Canadian Delegate to an international network that enhances the theoretical rigor of collaborative practice and inter-professional education among health and human service professionals and is the Canadian lead on a graduate student and faculty exchange in interprofessional education between Norway, Canada, and the United States.

By recruiting talented researchers like Dr. Doucet to New Brunswick, we are contributing to the global effort to promote interprofessional education and practice and patient-centred health care services. We are also creating a robust research environment that will train our students to become the talented health researchers of tomorrow.

**Please join us in saluting Dr. Shelley Doucet, whose work seeks to improve the well-being of New Brunswickers.**

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