Introduction
Functional Electrical Stimulation (FES) is the use of neuromuscular electrical stimulation to enhance control of movement towards the performance of functional activities. FES provides the needed repetition of muscle activity to effect neuro-plastic changes and motor learning in clinical populations such as stroke, TBI, SCI, MS and other upper motor neuron lesions. Applications include subluxed shoulders, upper limb weakness and gait retraining.

Course Objectives
After completing this course, you will be able to:

1) Understand the different stimulation parameters and how each affects the neurophysiological response.
2) Appropriately manipulate stimulation parameters.
3) Apply one- and two-channel FES efficiently & effectively.
4) Modify the application of FES in real time.
5) Identify neurological clients who are appropriate for FES.
6) Apply FES with confidence for common UE and LE applications.

The Speaker
Dr. Kristin Musselman is a physical therapist and Scientist with the Neural Engineering and Therapeutics Team at the Toronto Rehabilitation Institute – Lyndhurst Centre, and an Assistant Professor in the Dept. of Physical Therapy, University of Toronto. She completed a BSc (Life Sciences) and BScPT at Queen’s University, followed by a MSc (Neurosciences) and PhD (Rehabilitation Science) at the University of Alberta. Dr. Musselman was a CIHR Post-doctoral Fellow at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and Kennedy Krieger Institute from 2010-2013 and an Assistant Professor in the School of Physical Therapy, University of Saskatchewan from 2013 to 2014. Her research interests include gait retraining following spinal cord injury and motor control and learning in children. She is active in the Canadian Physiotherapy Association, serving on the Executive of the Neurosciences Division and the Congress Education Committee. Dr. Musselman is also co-lead of the Walking Measures Group for the Rick Hansen Spinal Cord Injury Registry.
Functional Electrical Stimulation in Neurorehabilitation

April 2 & 3, 2016

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Bringing FES machine? _____yes _____no

Accommodation information required _______

Dietary restrictions: 

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## Agenda

1. **The basics of electrical stimulation**  
   - Electrical currents  
   - Neurophysiological response  
   - Precautions & contraindications  
   - Stimulation parameters  
   - Electrode placement & application  
   - 2.0 hours  
   - Lecture format interspersed with small group activities

2. **Hands-on experience #1**  
   - Setting & manipulating parameters  
   - Small group lab activities to reinforce content covered in session #1  
   - 1.0 hour

3. **Introduction to FES**  
   - Who is appropriate?  
   - Goals: Orthotic versus Therapeutic  
   - FES prescription  
   - Strengthening, endurance, hypertonicity  
   - 1.0 hour  
   - Lecture format interspersed with small group activities

4. **Hands-on experience #2**  
   - 1-channel UE case study (spasticity in triceps)  
   - Small group lab activity to reinforce content covered in session #3  
   - 0.5 hour

5. **UE applications & evidence**  
   - Electrode placement  
   - FES systems  
   - Hemiplegic shoulder, reaching, hand movements  
   - Overview of research evidence  
   - 1.5 hours  
   - Lecture format interspersed with small group activities

6. **Hands-on experience #3**  
   - 1- and 2-channel applications in the UE  
   - 3 case studies  
   - Small group lab activities to reinforce content covered in session #5  
   - 1.0 hour

7. **LE applications & evidence**  
   - Electrode placement  
   - FES systems  
   - Weight-bearing & pre-gait activities, gait, dropped foot, sit to stand  
   - Overview of research evidence  
   - 1.5 hours  
   - Lecture format interspersed with small group activities

8. **Hands-on experience #4**  
   - 1- and 2-channel applications in the LE  
   - 3 case studies  
   - Small group lab activities to reinforce content covered in session #7  
   - 1.0 hour

9. **FES for the trunk**  
   - Potential applications  
   - 0.5 hour  
   - Lecture format with group discussion

10. **Strategies to increase FES use in clinical practice**  
    - 0.5 hour  
    - Lecture format with group discussion

11. **Small group clinical scenario**  
    - Participants create FES plan for current or past patient  
    - Small group activity with hands-on component  
    - 1.5 hours