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GURMAN KHERA OF SURREY'S L.A. MATHESON –  
SELECTED FOR 2013 SCHULICH LEADER  
SCHOLARSHIPS



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**Gurman Khera**

THREE South Asians are among the 40 undergrads nationally who have been selected for the 2013 Schulich Leader Scholarships. They include Gurman Khera of Surrey's L.A. Matheson who's a UBC student. Sarah Khan of Kitimat's Mount Elizabeth Middle Secondary School in B.C., who's a University of Victoria student, and Akanksha Joshi of Sugarloaf Senior High School in Campbellton, New Brunswick, who's a Dalhousie University student, are the other South Asians who have been chosen for the scholarships. Seymour Schulich, a Montreal-born Jewish Canadian business leader and philanthropist, created the annual awards program two years ago to cultivate next-generation pioneers of global scientific research and innovation in Canada and Israel.



**Sarah Khan**

Schulich Leader Scholarships are undergraduate scholarships for students intending to enroll in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) areas of study at a minimum of one of the 20 selected universities.

All Canadian high schools and secondary schools (not including Quebec) may submit one Schulich Leader Nominee each. Cegeps (in Québec) may select two nominees each. Schulich Leader nominees are selected by their individual schools and must possess at least two of three criteria:

1. Outstanding community, business or entrepreneurial leadership
2. Academic excellence
3. Financial need

In 2014, 40 Canadian Schulich Leaders can be selected – two Schulich Leaders at each participating university. Each undergraduate scholarship is valued at \$60,000. The scholarship is distributed during each Schulich Leader's term of undergraduate study and will start with the academic year commencing in fall of 2014.

Schulich Leader Scholarships are part of a \$100 million gift in perpetuity on behalf of UJA Federation of Greater Toronto and the Seymour Schulich Foundation.

Once Schulich Leader Nominees are verified, they can apply their nomination to the participating universities in Canada where they intend to submit formal applications for undergraduate study for fall of 2014. Formal applications for undergraduate study must be submitted by each Schulich Leader Nominee no later than March 1, 2014.

All participating universities are responsible for selecting the Schulich Leaders for their respective institution.



**Akanksha Joshi**

Q&A with Gurman:

What area(s) of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) are you pursuing for your undergraduate degree?

Science

What is your favourite inspirational quote?

"Try not to become a man of success, but rather try to become a man of value." – Albert Einstein

What is a little known fact about you?

I have attended six different schools and had a fifty-fifty chance of survival upon my birth.

Why do you think you make a great Schulich Leader?

Not only have I contributed consistently and avidly to my community and school, but I have also arranged global and national leadership initiatives. Alongside being an engaged member of my society, I have demonstrated the traits of a great Schulich Leader by maintaining a record of academic excellence.

Q&A with Sarah:

What area(s) of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) are you pursuing for

your undergraduate degree?

Science

What is your favourite inspirational quote?

"The true revolutionary is guided by great feelings of love." – Che Guevara

What is a little known fact about you?

I played on a men's lacrosse team in high school.

Why do you think you make a great Schulich Leader?

I'm happy to lead, but am equally happy to let others lead. Great leadership is knowing when and how to do both.

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