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## Second student nabs prestigious scholarship

Arma Khan earns full ride, named Schulich Scholar

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ST. CATHARINES – If you had asked Arma Khan six months ago what she would be studying in university next year, chances are you'd have gotten a very different response than what you'd get today.

The senior at Laura Secord Secondary School had planned on heading to medical school, so she had planned to head off to McMaster to study medicine. At the prodding of her father, she decided to apply for the engineering program at York University as a "back-up plan". That back-up plan quickly became her future life path though, after she was named one of the school's Schulich Scholars, earning her an \$80,000 scholarship.

"I received an offer I couldn't refuse," she said, adding she'll still write her Medical College Admission Test, noting that she can qualify for medical school with any undergraduate degree. "Now I'll get the best of both sides."

Winning the scholarship allows Khan to start her studies with an enormous weight off her back. She won't need to apply for OSAP to fund her studies or have to rely on her parents for financial help throughout her undergraduate studies.

"It's a huge relief," she said, adding she's excited about the independence the scholarship will allow her. "I won't have to get a part-time job, which would have been difficult because I'm not used to having balance my studies with work. Now I can study for MCAT in that time instead."


Khan said her father was particularly happy about the news, as he had been hoping she would choose engineering as her educational path.

"My family has an engineering background," she said, adding her middle name – Mantissa – is even a nod to mathematics, it's the part of a logarithm that follows the decimal point.

Launched in 2012, Schulich Scholars is a \$100-million program that funds 50 undergraduate scholarships each year, across top Canadian universities, allowing promising students to pursue their dreams and become the next global pioneers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.


Mike Balsom wrote the staff recommendation required as part of Khan's application. He was her supervisor in Deca Club. Each year, Balsom writes anywhere from four to five letters for students applying for different scholarships. While he knew Khan was more than qualified, he said there was a part of him that didn't expect her to win. He was happy to be surprised though.


"This is amazing to me. She is very deserving of it, there are just so many students applying for those type of scholarships the odds of winning it is like winning the lottery in some ways," he said. "I had a good feeling about this though."





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Arma Khan will be heading off to study engineering at York University in the fall. The Laura Secord Secondary School student was named a Schulich Scholar, earning her an \$80,000 scholarship to York University.


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Laura Secord Principal Ruth Hernder said having one of the school's graduating students receive an award of this level is a great way to showcase the academic status of the school.

"We have a long tradition of academic success here and this just continues that tradition," she said.

Khan will be heading to York soon to meet with the Dean of Engineering and she's hoping that possibly, she'll get to meet Schulich – who is based out of Toronto – as well.

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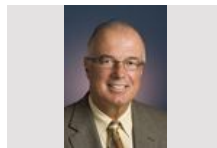
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