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MUN students receive Schulich Leader Scholarships

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A study is forecasting lower youth voter turnout for this coming election. — Photo by Rhonda Hayward/The Telegram

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Two first-year MUN students are recipients of significant Schulich Leader Scholarships, the university announced Thursday.

Zack Rooney of Fall River, N.S., who's pursuing an engineering degree at Grenfell Campus, has been awarded \$100,000. He said he chose the west coast campus for the smaller class sizes — and because it's near his favourite ski hill, Marble Mountain.

"I've always had a soft spot for Newfoundland because my grandparents live in Twillingate," he said in a news release from Memorial. "Every time I go to Newfoundland, I am always astounded by how nice the people are. I cannot wait to be able to live there this year! I am also looking forward to being challenged in my academics and to learn about a topic that I'm very interested in."

Jessica Blatta of Winnipeg, Man., receives an \$80,000 scholarship. Blatta is pursuing a science degree focusing on biochemistry and cell biology. She chose MUN, she said, because she had a great experience at the campus when she took part in the 2016 SHAD program.

"I fell in love with the school and knew that I had to come back," she said. "I'm really looking forward to trying new things and meeting new people."

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