

Schulich Leaders begin studies at UNB

Wesley Finck and Min Ji Kim are UNB's recipients of the prestigious Schulich Leader Scholarships, valued at \$80,000 and \$60,000 respectively.

Created in 2011 by Canadian business leader and philanthropist Seymour Schulich, this annual scholarship program encourages promising high school graduates to embrace science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) in their future careers. This year, there were 1,250 Schulich leader nominees from across Canada vying for these 50 new scholarships. Now in its fourth year, 170 students from across the country are Schulich Leader Scholars, and have received \$11 million in support.

Wesley Finck, 17, a graduate of Pemberton Secondary School in Pemberton, BC, began his studies in the bachelor of engineering program this fall. He was one of the top students at his high school, where he was a member of the graduation class committee, served on the Link Leader program and was an all-star receiver with his community's football program.

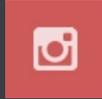
He also played several other sports, including volleyball and baseball and was a member of the community's dragon boat team. Additionally, he is active in the Seed-to-Mentorship program, an initiative that helps promote development of the local agricultural sector.

Min Ji Kim, 20, a graduate of Simonds High School in Saint John, NB, is in her first year of science. Kim was selected for her strong academic performance at high school, where she served as a student council treasurer and as a member of numerous student groups, including Teens Against Drunk Driving.

She is also an accomplished musician, with an ability to play eight instruments. She volunteered extensively in the community, including with the Horizon Health Network and her Sea Cadet troop. Kim also participated in Shad Valley, a summer enrichment program for top high school students in Canada.

"Fostering leadership in STEM fields is vital to Canada's economic prosperity," says Seymour Schulich. "It is immensely important to invest in the next generation of technology innovators as they develop and hone their minds and skills to contribute to our national and global community. This country has already produced exceptional *Schulich Leaders* since its founding in 2011. Every year, our mission is to support outstanding students in pursuit of their dreams."

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