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Fonthill student wins \$80,000 scholarship



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Conary Coyne. SUPPLIED PHOTO

A Fonthill teen is feeling grateful after receiving an \$80,000 scholarship towards his university education.

Conary Coyne, a recent graduate of Notre Dame College School in Welland, was awarded a Schulich Leader Scholarship by McMaster University where he will begin his undergraduate studies in engineering this fall.

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the scholarship money relieves a lot of the stress of trying to fund a university degree.

"It's just incredible," Coyne said. "It's hard to describe just how important that is."

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Coyne was nominated for the scholarship by Notre Dame guidance councillor Frances Crnkovic. Once nominated, Coyne went through the application process and was eventually selected by McMaster as one of their four incoming Schulich Leaders.



larship money, Coyne said, means a summer off to relax — after a winter of working three different jobs to save money — and prepare for his ear.

"It just takes a lot of stress off of me and I can focus on my education," he said.

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Coyne said he thoroughly enjoyed his four years at Notre Dame but is looking forward to moving onto McMaster, keeping an open mind and seeing what comes his way.

"I couldn't thank McMaster University and the Schulich Foundation enough for providing this opportunity for me," Coyne said.

The Schulich Leader Scholarships were launched in 2012 and award 50 Canadian students in the STEM fields (science, technology, engineering and math) with scholarships of \$80,000 for engineering and \$60,000 for science.

Leaders are nominated by their high schools and then fill out a Schulich Leader application. Applications are then reviewed and recipients chosen by the university.

The program was founded by Seymour Schulich and is funded by The Schulich Foundation and co-administered by the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto.

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