Congratulations Rising Stars 2021
Samuel Seshadri, economics

I am incredibly grateful of the support that the Faculty and the Department of Economics has given me over my time at UVic. This scholarship motivates me to work harder and pursue my economic interests to the fullest. Thank you!

Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award + Matthew Cowan Annual Scholarship + George Hamilton Harman Memorial Scholarship + President's Scholarship
Elanor Teel, political science/environmental studies

Thanks to my JCURA award, I was able to research a topic of great interest to me - the convergence of spirituality and ecological restoration under the guidance of Eric Higgs. This award not only eased financial burden, but allowed me to delve deeply into a research area that fascinates and energizes me.

Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award
I would like to express my sincere honour and gratitude to the scholarship donors for the awards I have received throughout my undergrad. The funding has enabled me to focus on coursework, develop and apply research skills, and volunteer in service to those with psychiatric disorders and trauma within the community. This funding has been instrumentally supportive in my pursuit of an academic future graduate school or medicine. Thank you!

University Challenge Scholarship + Edythe Hembroff-Schleicher Scholarship
As an international student from China, attending university in Canada is a huge privilege and I work very hard academically. I felt really proud of myself when I received the Pablo Cabanas Memorial Scholarship and it pushes me to be a better student. I am grateful for my parents, my professors, and my friends who have supported me in this journey.

Pablo Cabanas Memorial Scholarship
Winning the scholarship has meant a lot as it helps to pave a way to law school. I enjoy law and its many interactions with economics. I am looking forward to applying to legal programs in Canada, US and the UK in the next year. I am very thankful for Dr. Scoones for being my faculty advisor on my thesis for my honours project.

Visca/Dais-Visca Scholarship in Public Law/Legal Studies
The support I have received this year has meant so much to me. I have been able to spend more time focused on my studies and less time worries about financial matters which has helped me hone in on and engage more deeply with my passion for learning. I am so grateful for this support and all those who made it possible!

Dr. Lorene Kennedy Environmental Studies Undergraduate Award + Sellemah Scholarship + John Michael Brownutt Scholarship
I feel very lucky and glad to receive the scholarships throughout these years. These financial supports help me to fully focus on my study, and also allows me to seek working opportunities within the university to extend my knowledge. Therefore, I can accomplish my academic goal and feel confident about the future career plan.

Harold G. Craven Scholarship
It was a surprise and an honour to receive financial recognition for my undergraduate achievements this year. These scholarships have allowed me to fund and dedicate the requisite time to my law school applications, enabling my future career in criminal law and justice. Thank you!

Betty Jamie Chung Scholarship in Psychology + Hector William Hadland Scholarship in Psychology
I had the honour of receiving the President's Scholarship as well as the NSERC-Undergraduate Student Research Award both last summer and for the upcoming summer. These awards have allowed me to continue my passion of neuroimaging research on cognitive changes across the lifespan.

President's Scholarship + NSERC Undergraduate Research Awards
Hanna Jacobsen, sociology

Receiving a renewable scholarship for all four years of my degree has allowed me to focus on my studies and volunteer work, such as completing a JCURA project and volunteering as a peer leader with the QVic Life program. I am so grateful for all UVic's scholarship donors.

UVic Excellence Scholarship Renewal
Blake Walter, psychology

I am honored to have received the UVic Transfer Scholarship. During these difficult times, it has been a great benefit to have my first term at UVic covered by the scholarship. It has removed a huge financial and emotional burden. I am very grateful to be part of the UVic community.

UVic Transfer Scholarship

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Kate Korte, political science

These scholarships helped fund my final year at UVic and put me in a much better financial position as I prepare for my graduate studies. It has encouraged me to continue to constantly learn more, push myself into areas outside of my academic comfort zones, and reach towards my broader future goals.

The support from these scholarships, coupled with the support from family, friends, and other students and instructors at UVic, has been absolutely instrumental to my ability to finish my degree in strong standing. I'm grateful for the continued support these scholarships offer to students like myself as I know it makes an incredible difference in our lives.

Visca/Dais-Visca Scholarship in Public Law/Legal Studies + Norman J. Ruff Scholarship
I am grateful for both of the scholarships that I have received this year. As a result, I have been able to dedicate more time to my classes and assisting in a research lab. This year I have also been conducting research for my honours thesis, which has been immensely rewarding. Thank you!

Dr. Douglas Earl Alcorn Scholarship + Hector William Hadland Scholarship in Psychology
Growing up, I was the creative one, never the academic. This scholarship has taught me that it doesn't matter what skills you come in with, it's the work you leave behind. Most of all, it has shown me that effort, passion, and determination can overcome personal barriers and that lesson has transformed my interpretation of what I see possible for my life.

UVic Excellence Scholarship Renewal
Randi Hugdahl, geography

The Ross Geography and Charles Howatson scholarships have allowed me to focus more on my studies without the added stress of finances. These awards have motivated me to pursue new hobbies such as freediving, and to become more involved with the university.

My interests in geomatics have led me to a work study position in UVic’s remote sensing ICE lab, where I have been accepted for a position this semester. Thank you so much for this academic recognition.

Ross Geography Scholarship
Charles Howatson Scholarship

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Jasmine Pathak, political science

I am honoured to be a recipient of the UVic Excellence Scholarship. This scholarship has given me invaluable opportunities to grow academically and professionally, while alleviating some of the financial burdens of university. Over the years, I have been able to participate in many clubs, volunteer in the Victoria community, and work as a Community Leader in Residence Life.

Leo Chan Memorial Scholarship in Political Science + Walter D. Young Scholarship
UVic Excellence Scholarship
Kievan Hengst, economics

It is a blessing to have received these scholarships. The financial support and academic recognition have allowed me to further focus on my studies and explore new opportunities. I intend on pursuing further education in the fields of finance and economics. Receiving these scholarships will help make that dream of mine a reality.

Harold G. Craven Scholarship
Sierra Wood, psychology

I am thankful to have earned this scholarship because it has helped divert stress from my financial situation as I continue to work towards my degree in psychology and linguistics. Being in university has greatly fueled my passion to learn and to work towards a career where I can take part in psycholinguistics research.

President's Scholarship

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Seamus Lim-Heley, political science

My scholarship has allowed my time at university to be a far more rewarding experience than it would otherwise be. Taking off the burden of paying for tuition has made it easier for me to focus on my classes and extra-curriculars, instead of forcing me to worry about money. I'm a better student for it.

Churchill Foundation V.I. Aleck Trawick Scholarship in Political Science + UVic Excellence Scholarship Renewal

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Ni Yen (Lilian) Tsai, psychology

Receiving the scholarship this year has greatly eased the financial pressure especially during the pandemic. I’m so thankful for it as it has allowed me to focus on my studies and improve my university experience at UVic.

Hector William Hadland Scholarship in Psychology + Alexander and Helen Stafford MacCarthy Muir Scholarship
Maiya Gillespie, psychology

My scholarship has allowed me to focus on community service and academic research in place of working to pay for tuition. Since its renewal is dependent on my grades each year, it has also been a wonderful incentive to maintain a high GPA which will serve me well as I apply for Graduate studies.

I am so grateful!

Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award + UVic Excellence Scholarship Renewal

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Sammy Ross, environmental studies

I began rowing at UVIC in my 1st year, and without this scholarship I would not be able to dedicate my energy towards excelling on the water and in the classroom. I am deeply appreciative of the opportunities I have been able to access because of this scholarship, especially through this past year, which has been especially challenging.

T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarship Renewal

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Jaime Saint-Onge, psychology

I was excited to receive the Dorothy and Ernest Ayton Memorial Scholarship through the Spanish department this year. I feel honored that I was awarded for my hard work in courses that allowed me to gain knowledge of a different culture, and the scholarship allowed me to continue that this year.

Dorothy and Ernest Ayton Memorial Scholarship

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Ariel (Yuning) Zhang, economics

Dr. Gordon Bertram Memorial Scholarship is not only a financial aid to me, but also a recognition of my passion and effort for studying Canadian history and Economics. I feel absolutely honoured to receive this award. It will always motivate me in my future academic life.

Gordon Bertram Memorial Scholarship
I am very grateful for the support I have received from UVic. These awards have allowed me to focus on and actively participate in my education, rather than be caught up in financial stress. As a result, I have the time to further explore my interests through the Honours program.

Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award + UVic Excellence Scholarship Renewal
Thanks to this scholarship, I have pushed my limits and developed invaluable work ethic skills throughout my undergraduate journey. Since my tuition fees were taken care of every year, I could continue pursuing academic goals and studying full-time without needing to work during school in order to afford post-secondary education.
Melissa Crow, anthropology

I am so grateful to be a part of the UVic community and deeply appreciative of the scholarship I have received. The support of UVic has made it possible to continue my studies while raising a family and has given me the freedom to excel at both. Thank you.

UVic Transfer Scholarship

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Lucy Djwa, psychology

This scholarship has enabled me to focus my time and energy on my education in psychology and computer science, while also allowing me the flexibility to build social connections, volunteer, and explore Vancouver Island. I am so grateful for this privilege of freedom to learn and pursue my goals. Thank you for your generosity!

T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarship Renewal

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Marina Kit Muir, environmental studies

As a busy student juggling classes, work and volunteer engagements, this scholarship was a welcome source of support. Having the financial ability to prioritize my coursework this academic year has allowed me to more fully engage with the rich content of my upper year geography and environmental studies courses.

Ryszard Borzuchowski Environmental Studies Undergraduate Scholarship.
This scholarship has provided me the opportunity to return to school as a mature student. It has enabled me to strike a balance between work and school, rather than having to make sacrifices to either my academic career, or my capacity to support my family.
I am extremely grateful to have received this award and humbled by the recognition. I hope to be able to build on this achievement in my future academic studies and pursuits.

President's Scholarship
Natalie Martin, psychology

I am the oldest in a family of three and the first to ever attend university. This scholarship has provided me with the opportunity to pursue higher education and my passion for travel. Without it, I wouldn’t be here in Victoria gaining valuable knowledge and experience.

UVic Excellence Scholarship Renewal
Receiving the Ross Geography Scholarship was one of the highlights of my summer. As I finish up the last semester of my degree here at UVic, I don’t have to worry about starting my post-graduation life with loads of debt to pay back.

Ross Geography Scholarship

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Shona Reid, psychology

Being a recipient of a President’s Scholarship represents three years of hard work, determination, and dedication. To be acknowledged this way motivates me to work harder to excel at the path that I am following and for that, I am deeply appreciative.

President’s Scholarship

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I am incredibly thankful to have been awarded both the Hector William Hadland Scholarship in Psychology and the UVic Excellence Scholarship Renewal, and am deeply appreciative of the University of Victoria, the Faculty of Social Sciences, and the Department of Psychology for this wonderful opportunity.

Hector William Hadland Scholarship
UVic Excellence Scholarship Renewal
Receiving the President’s scholarship was an incredible validation of my scholastic efforts. To be awarded this honour means that my many hours of lost sleep were not for nothing, and it has allowed me the freedom in my final year of this degree to prepare for what’s ahead.
Aidan Ormond, economics

I’m very grateful to have received these scholarships this term. They have helped me focus on my studies and research.

Leeder Family Memorial Scholarship in Economics + Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award
The scholarships I have received have made all the difference to my academic journey and I could not be more grateful to both the donors and the university for providing this support. It truly means the world to me to be considered, much less receive an award!

Richard J. Powers Memorial Scholarship
What a blast the past five years has been! Receiving the Ross Geography Scholarship this year was a huge honour and privilege. As I wrap up my time at UVic, I am incredibly grateful to donors like William Ross who have generously supported my learning inside and outside of the classroom.
Ingrid Hansen, anthropology

My scholarship has allowed me to really build confidence in my own abilities as a student. It has also helped me to decide what direction to take my undergrad degree in and given me experience working on a research project outside of regular courses for the first time.

Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award
I am extremely grateful for the scholarships I received given the many incredible students in my program. These scholarships have given me confidence and motivation to excel throughout the rest of my honours degree, and I truly would not be where I am today if not for the recognition and financial assistance that they provided.

Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award + Harold G. Craven Scholarship + Columbia Coast Mission Scholarship
The financial support I received has enabled me to prioritize my studies. I am privileged in my freedom to dedicate so much time towards coursework. Furthermore, it has afforded me the time to volunteer with a research laboratory and Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue.

I would like to thank my donors for helping me to achieve my goals, and furthering my professional development.

UVic Transfer Scholarship
Brooke MacNab, sociology

I am grateful to have received these two scholarships while attending the last year of my undergraduate degree amidst a global pandemic.

Receiving these scholarships has allowed me to focus more on my studies, where receiving the JCURA has allowed me to do additional research on a topic I am passionate about.

Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award + Dr. David F. Strong Scholarship

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I’m very grateful to be receiving the scholarship this year. Receiving this scholarship has shown me what can be achieved through hard work and dedication to my studies. The financial support has encouraged me to continue pursuing my educational goal of graduate studies.

Hector William Hadland Scholarship
My scholarship has eliminated so much of the stress associated with paying tuition. This year especially, I am incredibly grateful for that peace of mind. It also feels amazing to be recognized for the hard work that I put into classes I love.

President’s Scholarship
Receiving the UVic Excellence Scholarship has motivated me to engage in various academically challenging pursuits and opportunities for applied learning. I am immensely grateful to have experienced this continued support during my undergraduate studies.

UVic Excellence Scholarship Renewal
Chanel Mandap, psychology

Receiving these awards is a point of deep gratitude and honor. They’ve empowered me to dive into my passions at UVic with greater determination, pushing me towards my academic and career goals.

With help from the community on campus and at large, I created Wise & Well VIC, a club dedicated to bringing generations together, and participated in research aimed towards psychological safety in sport.

KiraGood Scholarship & President’s Scholarship

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I am so incredibly grateful to be a recipient of the President’s Scholarship and honoured to be recognized for my academic performance. This financial aid helps to relieve the considerable financial stress of attending university, and has granted me the privilege of more time to focus on my studies.

President’s Scholarship
Meryssa Waite, psychology

I am extremely appreciative of the scholarships I have received. This financial aid has allowed me to focus on my undergraduate courses, research experiences, and volunteering. I am very grateful to be able to further my education at UVic. Thank you!

Knowledge First Foundation Scholarship + President's Scholarship

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Victoria Schriemer, psychology

I'm incredibly grateful to be a recipient of the President's Scholarship. This financial support has enabled me to devote more time to my studies and has alleviated much stress during a particularly challenging year. Additionally, this recognition has served as a significant source of motivation and encouragement to continue working hard throughout my education. Thank you.

President’s Scholarship

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Taylor McEachnie, psychology

With such assistance, along with the support of my loved ones and colleagues, I have fully embraced this year. I am pursuing research that I am passionate about, volunteering with organizations important to me, and planning a future which I am eager to start.

Thank you!

Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award + President's Scholarship
Giulia Gagliano, political science

Receiving a scholarship for my research has been such an honour and privilege. As a prospective grad student, being recognized for my independent research interests and skills has been incredibly valuable. It has not only validated my research but has also allowed me to explore new research opportunities.

Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award

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Kayla Brent, geography

My scholarship has granted me the freedom to pursue my passions wholeheartedly, and to the fullest extent. It has allowed me to explore my interests, take healthy risks, and live a balanced life. Looking beyond my Bachelor’s degree, I am positioned to seriously consider post-graduate options without fear of financial subsistence.

UVic Excellence Scholarship Renewal

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Claire Taylor, geography/environmental studies

Getting a scholarship means so much to me as a student who is paying her own way through school. The scholarship I received this year has taken a significant amount of stress off of me. Thanks so much!

Ross Geography Scholarship

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I am tremendously grateful to those who provided funding for the awards I received this year. Words cannot express how much it means to me to be recognized for my academic achievements. Participating in the JCURA program has been an especially rewarding opportunity to further develop my interdisciplinary research interests.

Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award + President's Scholarship
Arista Marthyman, sociology

Being a recipient of UVic scholarships has motivated and encouraged me in my educational pursuits. These scholarships have also helped me finance my education and given me the freedom to focus on my academic achievement without the financial burden. I cannot thank UVic enough for supporting me this way. It really makes a difference.

Jarmila Vlasta Von Drak Thouvenelle Scholarship + President's Scholarship

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I feel incredibly grateful and privileged to be accepting these scholarships this year. These awards have allowed me to grow my involvement in campus mental health initiatives through my role as a Senior Mental Health Leader, and to develop my research interests within the SMART lab.

Joyce Underwood Indigenous Undergraduate Student Scholarship in Social Sciences + John Michael Brownutt Scholarship
Gavin Termuende, political science

I am honoured to receive this generous scholarship. I appreciate the recognition of my hard work. Thank you to the Wattie family for their support.

James Wattie Memorial Essay Scholarship in International Relations
I feel very grateful to receive the Walter D. Young Book prize. It made me feel like all the hard effort I was putting into my studies was not only paying off but being recognized. This scholarship has motivated me to keep doing my best.

Walter D. Young Prize
The Ross Geography Scholarship was a massive relief for me. My summer employment contract was rescinded just weeks before my start date. The scholarship has meant that I’ve not only been able to focus on my studies, but also keep on track to finish my degree next year. I am immensely grateful.

Ross Geography Scholarship
Jeremy Lacey, economics

I am extremely grateful to have received the President’s Scholarship. The scholarship has granted me a lot of financial freedom, and has allowed me to focus entirely on my studies. It has also been a reminder of what I can accomplish when I set my mind on achieving something.

President’s Scholarship
Adam Nagy, anthropology

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James R. Bullick Memorial Scholarship

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Sarah Jopp, anthropology

This scholarship has been incredibly important to me! It can often feel overwhelming supporting yourself during your studies and the scholarship definitely alleviated some of that stress and made it easier to focus on my education.

I’m so grateful to have been a recipient!

Leonard and Eileen Hamilton Scholarship in Spanish & Italian Studies
I would like to express my sincere gratitude and honour in being a recipient of these scholarships. By reducing financial barriers, these scholarships have allowed me to more meaningfully engage with my courses, and participate in volunteer teaching and co-op opportunities to complement my in-class education.

Kathleen Agnew Scholarship + Victoria Municipal Chapter, IODE Canadian History Scholarship + President’s Scholarship + Professor Alfred E. Loft Memorial Scholarship + J. Walter Grant Book Prize in British Columbia History
Yang Yang, sociology

Receiving JCURA means that my academic work is valued by the faculty. It validates my ongoing research, shows me that hard work pays off, and motivates me to work harder. I am very grateful for this opportunity and the honour!

Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award
Receiving my scholarship during such a tumultuous time was so important to continuing my education this year. It allowed me the peace of mind to be able to focus on my studies rather than worry so much about money. Thank you so much to all the donors!
I am very grateful to have received the scholarships. Thank you, I want to make sure my gratitude is known.

Wilson S.C. Lai Scholarship + Jane-Claire Inkster Memorial Scholarship