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Sixty-six BC students receive \$5,000 Irving K. Barber scholarship Local students honoured, September 15

Sixty-six deserving second-year BC college students will each receive a \$5,000 scholarship from the Irving K. Barber British Columbia Scholarship Society this year. Local students will be honoured at a formal recognition ceremony at Camosun College's Interurban Campus, Friday, September 15.

The Irving K. Barber BC scholarship program is named in honour of philanthropist and Slocan Forest Products chairman Dr. Irving K. Barber. Dr. Barber is well-known in his commitment to education and research in British Columbia.

The scholarships are awarded annually to undergraduate students who have completed two years at a BC public community college, university college or institute and are transferring to a BC degree-granting institution to complete their degrees. Students must have a GPA of at least 3.5 or 87.5 per cent for their first 54 credits completed and have demonstrated service to their school and community.

The Society awards up to 150 scholarships of \$5,000 each annually to undergraduate students across BC.

Locally, 21 Camosun College students will receive the prestigious scholarship; the largest number awarded to students from a single institution. Around the province, 20 students from Vancouver-area colleges have been awarded the scholarship, seven from institutions in the Fraser Valley, eight from Northern colleges and 10 from institutions in the Interior. All students are transferring to one of BC's six public universities.

"People in BC are fortunate that they have such a wide variety of excellent post-secondary institutions to choose from," said Dr. Barber. "This scholarship encourages students to pursue the high quality and highly affordable option of starting their studies at a college closer to home, while rewarding their outstanding accomplishments, both in the classroom and in the community."

"British Columbia has one of the best post-secondary transfer systems in Canada and this scholarship helps students make the most of it," said Advanced Education Minister Murray Coell. "As we increase our post-secondary system by 25,000 seats, students can take advantage of expanded access and greater flexibility."

"On behalf of Camosun College, I am so proud to congratulate these exceptional students in our university transfer programs," said Camosun President Dr. Liz Ashton. "It really emphasizes the preparedness of our graduates and the high quality of our academic teaching here at Camosun."

Students taking first and second year university transfer academic studies account for almost 45 per cent of Camosun College's student population.

The Government of BC estimates an average of 4,000 students transfer from BC colleges, university colleges and institutes each year to take their degrees.



2006 Irving K. Barber British Columbia Scholarship Recipients

Student	Original College	Destination University
Ms. Catherine Choi	BCIT	University of British Columbia
Ms. Grace Leung	BCIT	University of British Columbia
Mr. Farzad Ardestani	Camosun College	University of British Columbia
Mr. Danny Baer	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Ms. Christie Brugger	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Ms. Nyre Carr	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Mr. Patrick Cosgrove	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Ms. Heather Goode	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Ms. Julie Harding	Camosun College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Leah Johns	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Ms. Janell Karst	Camosun College	Royal Roads University
Mr. Oliver Lesum	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Ms. Katherine Logan	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Mr. Scott McGregor	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Ms. Fiona Milne	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Mr. Don Milner	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Mr. Travis Orr	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Ms. Jennifer Robbins	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Name Withheld	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Mr. Michael Shumlich	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Mr. Ian Stowards	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Ms. Samantha VanSchie	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Ms. Carmen Wittig	Camosun College	University of Victoria
Mr. Joel Bain	Capilano College	University of British Columbia
Mr. Patrick Carolan	Capilano College	University of British Columbia
Mr. Georin Costello	Capilano College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Sarah Howe	Capilano College	University of British Columbia
Mr. Rohan Little	Capilano College	University of British Columbia
Mr. Chris Sivak	Capilano College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Deanna Trewin	Capilano College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Melissa Bloodoff	College of New Caledonia	University of Northern B.C.
Mr. Andrew Vogelsang	College of New Caledonia	Simon Fraser University
Mr. Ian Wayland	College of New Caledonia	University of Northern B.C.
Ms. Michelle Hallgren	College of the Rockies	UBC-Okanagan
Ms. Catherine Moores	College of the Rockies	Royal Roads University
Mr. Christopher Ward	College of the Rockies	University of British Columbia
Mr. Julien Giraud	Douglas College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Hong Yan Pang	Douglas College	Simon Fraser University
Ms. Rebecca Shrimpton	Douglas College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Lara Watson	Douglas College	University of British Columbia
Mr. Dwayne Appleby	Kwantlen University College	Simon Fraser University
Mr. Cedar Dodd	Langara College	University of Victoria
Ms. Lori Gabrielson	Langara College	Simon Fraser University
Ms. Julia Higgs	Langara College	University of British Columbia
Mr. Kendrick Higo	Langara College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Christine Leclerc	Langara College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Pamela Liem	Langara College	University of British Columbia
Mr. Anthony Mollica	Langara College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Alice Piccinato	Langara College	University of Victoria
Ms. Mia Sedlar-Strutinski	Langara College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Camila Zborovszky	Langara College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Jiayu Zhou	Langara College	Simon Fraser University
Ms. Meaghan-Lyn Tomkins	Northern Lights College	University of Northern B.C.

Ms. Jocelyne Beaudry	Northwest Community College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Kristina Csondes	Northwest Community College	Simon Fraser University
Mr. Neale Postma	Northwest Community College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Amanjeet Taggar	Northwest Community College	University of British Columbia
Mr. Robert Fowler	Okanagan College	Thompson Rivers University
Ms. Erica Hudson	Okanagan College	Royal Roads University
Ms. Alicia Weckworth	Okanagan College	Thompson Rivers University
Ms. Megan Mustonen	Selkirk College	University of British Columbia
Ms. Holly Smee	Selkirk College	UBC Okanagan College
Ms. Jill Stewart	Selkirk College	University of Victoria
Ms. Kyra Taylor	Selkirk College	Thompson Rivers University
Ms. Katharine McBride	University College of the Fraser Valley	University of Victoria
Ms. Miranda Williams	University College of the Fraser Valley	Simon Fraser University