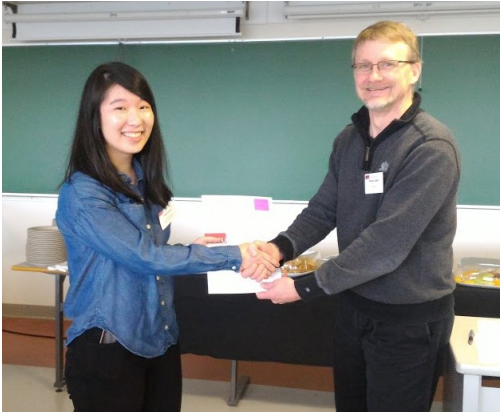


## 2015-2016 April Allen Undergraduate Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded annually to students within their first year of being admitted into one of the Actuarial Sciences programs who demonstrate excellence in academic performance and exhibit potential for success in the actuarial science field. Preference is given to students who have personally been affected by cancer and/or have demonstrated leadership and/or service to an organization involved in cancer research and care. It was established by D.A. Townley & Associates to honor the spirit of April Allen.

### Kelly Sutanto writes:



Currently, I just finished my second term in the actuarial science program and I never felt more grateful than getting accepted into the program that I hoped for. I was honoured to receive the April Allen Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship for this academic year, provided by D.A. Townley & Associates.

I heard about actuarial science for the first time during high school. All I heard was that this major is mainly about math and calculation. Curious about the actuarial profession, I did some research and I found out that leadership is an important trait in actuaries. For instance, actuaries who become Chief Risk Officers will need to demonstrate skills and behaviours to organize the team according to the company's

vision and mission. Besides my passion for math, I am also interested in managing people. Currently, I am president of the SFU Indonesian Association and a cell group leader for the Indonesian Catholic Society. Being a leader, I learn to coordinate and cooperate with people that have different personalities, improve effective communication skills, solve problems within team, and improve networking skills.

My big brother was diagnosed with Chondroblastic Osteosarcoma in May 2015. He has been receiving cancer treatments extensively since last year and this has been a shocking turnaround in my very own family. Seeing my brother patiently fight the disease, I am encouraged to strive harder in the actuarial science program in order to maintain good grades so I will not disappoint my family.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to D.A. Townley & Associates for the scholarship. The April Allen Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship gives me opportunities to defray my brother's treatment expenses as well as to drive me to improve my performance in the actuarial science program and in my leadership activities. I would also like to thank instructors in the Statistic and Actuarial Science Department for their guidance in assisting my achievement in the program.