

2010-2011 Pacific Blue Cross Scholarship

One Pacific Blue Cross Scholarship in Actuarial Science will be made available in any semester, based on academic merit, to a 3rd or 4th year student with a declared major in Actuarial Science.

Jordan Richard

I am honoured to be the recipient of the Pacific Blue Cross Scholarship in Actuarial Science. This award will certainly increase the flexibility that I have in continuing my pursuit of a career as a qualified actuary, and for that I am very grateful.

I am currently completing my fourth term in actuarial science at Simon Fraser University, hoping to enter the workforce as soon as possible. After receiving a B.Sc. in Mathematics and Commerce, I was drawn to pursue a career as an actuary based on the challenging level of work, the broad knowledge base required, and the constant evolution of the profession. So far, my studies have lived up to my expectations, and I am more than happy to be constantly challenged. I feel as though I am at the beginning of a lifetime of learning.

At this point I have yet to narrow down my options for which field within the actuarial sector to pursue as a career. Ideally I would love to gain exposure to all of the different kinds of work that actuaries are involved in, eventually choosing the position which would allow me to have the greatest impact on the largest number of people.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the support of my professors, classmates, and the Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science at SFU. Without people who share the same goals, experiences, and education, it would be awfully difficult to pursue something as demanding as the professional actuarial exams.