

Dear TD,

I would really like to thank you for your generous award given to myself and several other Indigenous students. This award was much more than expected and helped with a variety of budget issues I faced that school year.

To provide you with some background: My name is Tommi Redl and I am a third-year commerce student at UBC. Currently, I am president of the Beta Theta Pi Fraternity and also a member of the UBC Rugby team. Originally, I was born in Edmonton; however, I have also lived in Arizona, Victoria, and Prague. UBC was my first choice for University because of its educational reputation and short distance from my family in Edmonton. Ideally, once I graduate from University, I will work in the real estate development industry and improve my community in Edmonton. This has been an objective for myself since high school and I will continue to make this a priority in my life.

This award made a difference in my education because it allowed me to focus more on academics, rather than a source of income to pay for tuition. Currently, I am on student loans and financing is a regular struggle for myself. So, this award definitely took some pressure off the repayment of these loans.

I would just like to thank you again for the donation and the impact it had on relieving the financial pressure I have endured at University.

Sincerely,

Tommi Redl