

BPP Julie Patel Foundation Award: 2020-21 Impact Report

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The BPP Julie Patel Foundation Award is awarded to a full-time, undergraduate student at the University of Toronto based on financial need.

The following students have benefitted from this award, from May 1, 2020, to April 30, 2021.

Thank you for your contributions, Dr. Patel.

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Honours Bachelor of Arts, Erindale College, 4th Year

XXX is a fourth-year student studying in the Digital Enterprise Management (DEM) program at UTM.

XXX wanted to pursue an undergrad at UTM because she knew that it would provide her with opportunities to establish valuable connections with professors and peers. Driven by her deep interest in digital business and design, she is constantly seeking opportunities to improve her technical, leadership, and collaboration skills to grow personally and professionally.

XXX hopes to use her DEM degree to design more inclusive, diverse, and accessible experiences for all individuals as an aspiring UX/UI designer.

Her proudest accomplishment at U of T was when she was named the "Associate of the Semester" for her efforts as "Creative Associate" in the DEM association. She created brand marketing materials for the club, helped with outreach activities and securing event sponsorships.

"Dear Donor,

I am writing to thank you for your generosity as it is an honor to be selected for the Julie Patel Foundation Award. Ever since high school, I knew that I wanted to complete an undergrad degree at UTM because I believed that the opportunities and large network of professors, mentors and peers would enable me to become a well-rounded individual.

While I have been able to achieve academic success throughout the past four years of university and have been named as a Dean's List Scholar in 2018-2019 and 2019-2020, I am also applying my design abilities, teamwork skills, and positive attitude to promote more student and youth engagement within and outside of the U of T community through being involved in organizations

such as the DEM Association as a Creative Director, UNICEF UTM as VP Advocacy, TEDxUofT as a Designer, and INKspire as a Graphic Designer. I am also involved in providing support to second-year DEM students in the ICCIT Student Mentorship Program as a student mentor.

As the DEM program has deregulated fees, this generous award will enable me to reach my fullest potential by relieving some financial burden and bring me closer to achieving my professional goals. Knowing that there are people who are willing to support my success is incredibly encouraging.

Thank you so much for supporting my future. Sincerely,

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