



2022 ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT

Julie Patel Foundation Award for Medical Students

Prepared for: The Julie Patel Foundation

c/o Dr. Ameen Patel and members of the Julie Patel Foundation Family

COVER ART

The Horizon Ahead (acrylic on canvas) by **Chunyi Christie Tan**, a third-year MD student at the Temerty Faculty of Medicine.

ARTIST'S STATEMENT

I completed this painting in my first year of medical school at the University of Toronto. Art has always been a creative outlet of mine, especially during stressful periods when I am trying to balance my time commitments and responsibilities as a health care student. I have always taken inspiration from nature to ground me in my work. For me, the constant push and pull of waves remind me that moments, especially the difficult ones, are fleeting. Much like life itself, there are times that the waters are turbulent, and times where they gently lap the shore, but they will constantly keep moving no matter what happens. The only constancy in our line of view is the horizon. If we follow it through our journey in life, we are sure to experience a wonderful adventure.

FROM THE TEMERTY FACULTY OF MEDICINE

We spend a lot of time in the Temerty Faculty of Medicine thinking about the future. Whether training new generations of leading physicians, identifying and advocating for patients' evolving needs, or researching breakthrough treatments and cures for the world's most complex diseases, we're always looking to the horizon. Our work is guided by a shared, defining question: "what can we do today to advance health and health care tomorrow?"

This forward-looking, progressive spirit is perfectly encapsulated in the artwork that graces the cover of this report. We're very grateful to Christie for allowing us to share her talent and her painting's hopeful message with you.

Thank you for partnering with us as we work together to build a brighter, healthier future for all.

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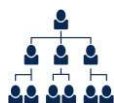
More than a quarter of all Canadian physicians train at U of T, making us the single largest medical educator in the country.



Unique in the world for a city of our size, we are Toronto's only medical school.



Temerty Medicine stands at the heart of the Toronto Academic Health Science Network (TAHSN) — a dynamic network of 14 world-renowned teaching hospitals and research institutes pursuing leading-edge research and providing high-quality clinical care, all affiliated with the University of Toronto.



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Our donors play an important role in our work shaping and advancing the future of health and — care. In 2020 ^{the}21, we received gifts from 2,463 individual, corporate and foundation donors. Their contributions will join with those who have championed us in the past ^{ranking in the} helping us continue our mission of advancing health and health care in Canada and beyond.

Dear Dr. Patel and members of the Julie Patel Foundation Family,

We are pleased to share with you the enclosed report on the Julie Patel Foundation Award for Medical Students. We're grateful for your support and are honoured to count you as a valued member of our Temerty Faculty of Medicine community.

This past year was a momentous one in our Faculty's history. Under the tragic backdrop of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, we watched in awe as our clinicians, researchers, learners and alumni persevered in the face of once unimaginable challenges. Their tireless efforts inspired us and countless others, exemplifying the importance of our Faculty's mission to advance health and health care in Canada and beyond.

The last fiscal year will also always be remembered for the record-setting \$250-million gift we received from **James and Louise Temerty** — the largest single donation in Canadian history. This gift is helping to support education, research, collaboration and equity throughout the Temerty Faculty of Medicine (as we are now known) and our partner hospitals.

With their remarkable gift, the Temerty family follow in the footsteps of many other generous individual, corporate and foundation supporters who, like you, have championed our Faculty and our work in health research, education and care. Thank you for being a part of this strong foundation of support.

As you read through the following report, and hear directly from those impacted by your support, we hope you take great pride in knowing you are playing an essential role in our efforts to drive health care forward by preparing the next generation of leaders and unravelling the mysteries behind the world's most complex diseases.

Should you have any questions about this report or any other matter, please don't hesitate to contact Michelle Fong at michelle.fong@utoronto.ca or by telephone at 416-529-8500.

Thank you for your partnership and support.

Sincerely,



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JULIE PATEL FOUNDATION AWARD FOR MEDICAL STUDENTS AT THE TEMERTY FACULTY OF MEDICINE



SARA IBRAHIM

MD Student

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Dear Dr. Patel and members of the Julie Patel Foundation Family,

I am writing to express my sincere gratitude to you for making the Julie Patel Foundation Scholarship possible. I was overwhelmed with joy and very grateful when I received the email informing me that I had been selected as the recipient of your esteemed scholarship.

I am currently a first-year medical student at the University of Toronto. I was born in Toronto but raised in Windsor, ON where I attended the University of Windsor and graduated with an undergraduate degree in biology in 2020. During my gap year after my undergraduate education, I worked as a dietary aide in long-term care where I learned numerous skills that will help me as a future physician. As a member of an underrepresented minority in medicine, it has always been a lifelong dream of mine to become a physician and inspire people in my own community. Although I am not certain about what specialty I would like to pursue in the future, I am currently interested in both geriatrics and family medicine.

By awarding me this scholarship, you have greatly lightened my financial burden. As a result, I am now able to focus more on my education and community involvement. I hope one day I will be able to support others and help them achieve their goals, just as you have helped me.

Yours truly,

Sara Ibrahim

