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BC TECH

2025 Scholarship Recipients

Jill Tipping



Since 2007, BC Tech has awarded scholarships to exceptional students to fund them to pursue a post-secondary education in technology in BC. Over 100 scholarships have been awarded, many to students from groups traditionally under-represented in BC's tech sector. Today they are the talent fuelling the future of BC's tech and tech-enabled businesses.

You can be part of supporting incredibly talented students to grow into the next generation of tech leaders by making a contribution to the BC Tech Scholarship Fund. Your support ensures we can continue to fund this important work and build a British Columbia where bold vision becomes reality.

HIGH SCHOOL Recipients



Kane
Kauffman

Kane graduates high school while also pursuing two dual college credit courses and has been accepted into the Bachelor of Science Program at the University of Victoria. As someone who is Métis and Cree, he sees the great potential technology can offer to support Indigenous communities, particularly in areas such as digital tools for language and cultural preservation, improved access to learning and services. Working part-time since the age of 14 while maintaining a strong GPA has instilled in him a strong work ethic, cultural values and drive. His long-term goal is to leverage clean technology and digital innovation to create impactful, community-driven solutions in healthcare, education, and accessibility.



Gina
Liu

Gina Liu, a Delta resident and top-achieving student, has been accepted into the Bachelor of Science program at UBC. A consistent straight-A student, Gina transitioned into the International Baccalaureate program in Grades 11 and 12 to better prepare for a STEM-focused academic path. She has actively given back to her community by mentoring elementary school students in STEM through the student-led initiative, STEMastery. Combining her passion for technology with empathy, Gina created an educational video game to help newly immigrated family members understand local recycling practices. This scholarship will help ease the financial challenges associated with her pursuit of a career in the tech industry.

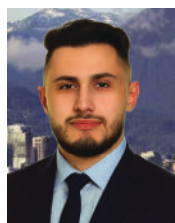


Huy
Nguyen

Huy Nguyen, a first-generation immigrant from Vietnam, has demonstrated remarkable leadership and academic excellence throughout high school. He helped manage his family's local salon while also co-founding his school's chess club and Summer Robotics Camp, both designed to foster critical thinking and hands-on learning among peers. A finalist at the FIRST Robotics competition in Seattle, Huy exemplifies curiosity and collaboration. He graduates from North Surrey Secondary and is set to pursue a diploma in Mechanical Engineering at BCIT. Known for his compassion, determination, and consistent academic achievement, Huy is a proud recipient of the Spirit of BC Tech bursary.

POST SECONDARY

Recipients



Mumen
Asdo

Mumen Asdo arrived in Canada from Syria in Grade 9 and overcame significant educational and language barriers. Driven by a passion for STEM, he dedicated countless hours at the public library and in after-school programs to master subjects like math, physics, and computer science. After completing high school, Mumen pursued two years at Langara College while managing part-time jobs to support himself financially. His perseverance led to his acceptance into the Bachelor of Science program at UBC, where he is now in his third year. Mumen aspires to pursue graduate studies in public health and aims to contribute to AI-driven healthcare systems. He is a recipient of the Spirit of BC Tech bursary.



Charity
Grey

Now in her fourth year of the Bachelor of Science program at UBC, Charity Grey has gained hands-on experience across several healthtech and biotech startups. She previously interned as a Business Operations Co-op at Stemcell Technologies and currently serves as Tech Lead and Full Stack Developer at the pharmacy startup Xpress Select. Passionate about health innovation, Charity has completed a Medical Software course through Yale, participated in three university healthtech case competitions, and led four healthcare-focused hackathon teams. Among her accomplishments are co-developing “ChitChat,” a documentation solution for physicians and patients, and leading efforts at Xpress Select to optimize pharmacy operations. Her work reflects a commitment to improving healthcare through thoughtful, tech-driven design.



Emily
Murray

Emily Murray is in her third year of the Bachelor of Software Engineering program at the University of Victoria. She co-founded the Women in Engineering, Science and Technology (WEST) initiative, which offers real-world engineering experiences to female students. Emily is also conducting undergraduate research focused on improving inclusivity in tech by exploring mentorship models, retention strategies, and professional networks for women in STEM. Prior to pursuing software engineering, she studied environmental science and took a three-year academic hiatus—a journey that has shaped her belief that success is defined by resilience, adaptability, and the courage to start over. Her mission is to create a more inclusive and empowering tech ecosystem.



Previous BC Tech Scholarship Recipients

2024 Abdullah Azeem	2020 Muhammad Siddiqui	2016 Sterling Smith	2011 Jeremy Witmer
2024 Mitchell de Vos	2020 Philip Vargas	2016 Ryan Wright	2010 Colleen Chau
2024 Sheila Fuller	2020 Mona Yu	2016 Eva Yu	2010 Scott Hirsch
2024 Samantha Kreig	2019 Ember Dickson	2015 Christopher Bolton	2010 Scott Jennings
2024 Patricia Lo	2019 Rosalee Gingras	2015 Michele Harjani	2010 Jonathan Kehler
2024 William Sluyter	2019 Kai Leong	2015 Nicholas Hu	2010 Dhruva Nathan
2023 Manuel Boada	2019 Daphne Liu	2015 Samia Kamal	2010 Christina Noel
2023 Ari Mesrob Cholakian	2019 Beriwan Ravandi	2015 Jessica Peare	2010 Michael Peters
2023 Aislinn Dressler	2019 Jobina Tamminga	2015 Alice Zheng	2010 Riana Sartori
2023 Katrina Jewell	2018 Brianna Carrels	2014 Josh Ewart	2009 Adam Gray
2023 Daniel Mangmang	2018 Kieran Halliday	2014 Esther Inlayo	2009 Keith Martin
2023 Carmina Rocheleau	2018 Johanna Jucutan	2014 Kulvir Sekhon	2009 Hui Bin Peng
2022 Evan Armstrong	2018 Giulia Mattia	2013 Steven Huang	2009 Tyler Poole
2022 Adel Kuanysheva	2018 Stephanie Nguyen	2013 Jesse Kazemir	2008 Remy Barois
2022 Andy Luo	2018 Kaylan Wang	2013 Jonah Kruesel	2008 Mary Cheung
2022 Raeann Sherman	2017 Hannah Charnock	2013 Ashley Luft	2008 Christy Hyde
2022 Rachel Shi	2017 Cameron Hutchcroft	2013 Henry Stoldt	2008 Kyung Soo Kim
2022 Nathan Stewart	2017 Hamza Kamal	2013 Perry Taylor	2008 Thomas Knudsen
2021 Juliana Angel	2017 Kittie Lam	2012 Brandy Au	2008 Kylee Lothrop
2021 Clinton Gaudet	2017 Stanford Lin	2012 Stephanie Cutler	2008 Jamie Schenkeveld
2021 Daniel Kornlyo	2017 Joshua Sam	2012 Trever Engh	2007 Matthew Drouin
2021 Stephanie Quon	2017 Kevin Zhang	2012 Adam Grey	2007 Rajan Gandhi
2021 Bryce Wilson	2016 Abdelwahab-Bebo Elhosary	2011 Sophia Amin	2007 Mary Howie
2021 Joyce Xi	2016 Vivien Hui	2011 Nolan Lee	2007 Paul Kim
2020 Jax Bailey	2016 Ken Lin	2011 Anthony Martins	2007 Joel Kitching
2020 Ellie Gartrell	2016 Maryam Mobini	2011 Michael Peters	2007 Niall McPherson
2020 Tiffany Quon	2016 Steven Richter	2011 Alexander Toews	2007 Ward Newman

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