

## 2024 Undergraduate Student Member Scholarship awarded to

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I am currently entering my final year at Thompson Rivers University (TRU) pursuing a BSc in Environmental Chemistry. Within my last year at TRU, I was fortunate to conduct my own directed studies research project analyzing burnt soils using nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy (NMR). This project increased my appreciation for chemistry research and inspired me to pursue a Masters.

During the academic semesters, I'm employed at TRU as a teacher's assistant in the teaching chemistry labs. I enjoy finding different ways to teach students chemistry subjects while learning new things myself. During the summer, I participate in the chemistry co-op program at TRU where I have been employed in the mining and agriculture sectors for three work terms. In the summer I also volunteered with the TRU chemistry department as they performed interactive chemistry labs for elementary and high school students. Upon graduation from TRU, I plan to further my chemical education as a graduate student with research focusing on environmental chemistry and water quality.