

Alexis Stanbrook-McIntyre

Disability Credit Canada Scholarship

Grade 12

May 2, 2023

How Cerebral Palsy Has Shaped My Career Choices

Living with Cerebral Palsy has never been easy. It has shaped my life drastically, whether it be with school, peer groups, or even just my own self esteem. The way my body works has affected me in ways that many able-bodied people would not be able to begin to imagine. Most importantly, however, coming to terms with my condition has shaped my future career choices. Once I was a kid with wild fantasies of being a veterinary surgeon, thinking that I could be the Dr. House of the animal world. Now, I realise my true passion lies in something that is not as physically and mentally stressful on my different body, yet still helps the people of my country. I want to be a forensic psychologist.

Now, it may not be clear at first how Cerebral Palsy influenced the study of the mind. But it is actually quite simple. As a veterinarian I would have to be on my feet for much longer periods of time than I can physically manage without being in pain. I would also be at a great disadvantage due to the lack of fine motor skills in my left side, and partial blindness in my left eye. But, where my physical skills are lacking, my cognitive skills flourish. Being someone who isn't very mobile, I learned very quickly in my high school career that I absolutely thrive doing analysis and assessment based work. That is when I fell in love with psychology. You see, I have always been fascinated by the brain; after all, damage to my cerebral motor cortex when I was a fetus is what caused my disability in the first place. But, learning the biology aspect proved to be not as engaging as I expected it to be; so then I turned to behaviour.

The Forensic aspect is the only thing that does not tie to my disability. General psychology is interesting and seems like a more adequate topic to preserve my mental and physical conditions from being ruined by long, painful and tedious ours that wear on my already weak leg and hands. But, I have always found comfort in watching crime investigation shows after hard days when I am sore and tired. After finding a field of psychology that fascinates me and provides better accommodations for my

disability that ensures there is not much physical labour that could harm me, It was much easier to have a plan going forward into my future.

Many people think that the change in career paths is because I had given up due to my Cerebral Palsy. In reality, coming to terms with my disability and realising that I would not be happy in a job that causes me to be in physical pain at the end of every day has caused me to find a new passion. This passion not only gives me a career path that is interesting to me, it helps my country by protecting it from people who could potentially be a security threat or public danger. Analysing people in an office or in interrogation would accommodate my physical needs more, and would not cause more chronic pain than what I already experience.

Psychology as a whole has also already proven to give me better coping strategies to handle the stress caused by my cerebral palsy and the harmful comments made by peers, and I believe that this scholarship will help me pursue a degree that not just helps me analyse the mental health of others, but also analyse my own mental wellbeing and improve it. Overall, I believe that cerebral palsy has given me a goal that will make me happy and feel like I have been successful in life, because I have come to terms with and learned how to deal with my disability effectively. Cerebral Palsy made my day-to-day life different, but not all of its side effects are negative.

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NAME

ALEXIS MARIE STANBROOK-MCINTYRE

BIRTH DATE

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REGISTRATION No.

Dec 10, 2005

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2005-02-008878

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HALIFAX

REGISTRATION DATE

DATE ISSUED

Dec 20, 2005

Mar 07, 2006

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Office of the Registrar

Alexis Stanbrook-Mcintyre
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Date: February 21, 2023
Brock ID Number: 7682040
Campus ID: sr22yw
OUAC Ref Number: 20230162960

Dear Alexis Stanbrook-Mcintyre,

Congratulations! On behalf of Brock University, I am very pleased to offer you admission to the Forensic Psychology and Criminal Justice program for Fall 2023. You've made an excellent choice in selecting Brock for your university studies. We are committed to providing an exceptional student experience, both inside and outside the classroom, and look forward to engaging you in valuable learning, research and scholarship.

Further congratulations are in order. In recognition of your outstanding academic achievements, you have been offered a Brock Scholars Award. Please refer to the enclosed scholarship letter for details and conditions pertaining to your award.

Please carefully review the following conditions and/or important information:

- This offer is conditional upon meeting all prerequisite subject requirements for your major no later than August 18, 2023 (including, where applicable, minimum grade requirements in prerequisites). Please review requirements here: brocku.ca/discover/programs.
- This offer is conditional upon maintaining a FINAL grade 12 average of 80.0% calculated on six 4U/M courses (including prerequisites).
- This offer is conditional upon completion of your Ontario Secondary School Diploma no later than August 25, 2023.

To confirm your spot at Brock, we encourage you to accept your offer via ouac.on.ca as soon as you receive it, but no later than June 1, 2023. Prior to making your decision, please review the following information:

- NEXT STEPS: It is important that you review 'Your Next Steps' at discover.brocku.ca/next-steps.

We know that choosing your post-secondary destination is an important decision. To help with your decision, we encourage you to experience all that Brock has to offer by visiting our campus. Visit brocku.ca/discover to register for a campus tour. If more convenient, you can also visit our campus online via our virtual tour at brocku.ca/discover/tours.

If there is anything regarding this offer that you do not understand, email futurestudent@brocku.ca.
Experience. Success. Welcome to Brock.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pauline Dawson", written in a cursive style.

Pauline Dawson
Director, Admissions



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Dear Alexis Stanbrook-Mcintyre,

Congratulations!

As President and Vice-Chancellor, it is my great pleasure to offer you admission and to welcome you to Brock University. Come to Brock and you will embark on an enriching journey of outstanding academic; co-curricular and international learning experiences, preparing you to live and achieve opportunities in an increasingly complex and globalized world. The entire Brock University community supports and engages with you in your academic success and preparing for the career opportunities of the future.

In choosing Brock, you will have the opportunity to attain and develop the required skills to build your future career path. To help with your decision, consider the following facts about Brock:

- **Academic distinction** - Brock is top 5 among all Ontario universities in terms of 3M National Awards for Teaching Excellence.
- **It's all about EXPERIENCE** - Brock became the first university in Canada to launch a co-curricular transcript, and most recently, to have its Senate formally adopt definitions of experiential education, encouraging innovative learning experiences outside the classroom.
- **Investing in you** - Brock will be offering \$11.8-million in undergraduate student awards this year, and nearly \$8-million in awards for graduate students.
- **Career launcher** - Within two years of graduation, Brock graduates have a 96% employment rate — which is better than the average for Ontario universities.
- **Co-op** - Brock has one of the most dynamic co-op programs in Ontario.
- **Beautiful campus** - Brock is one of a handful of universities in the world to be located in a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve.

We encourage our students to be active participants in both our on-campus and local communities. With numerous opportunities to engage in clubs, athletics and extra-curricular activities, and more than 100 community partnerships, you will graduate prepared to be a leader in your career and in your community.

I hope that Brock will play a part in your future education and you join us for the experience.
Congratulations again on your offer of admission to Brock University.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Lesley Rigg". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Dr. Lesley Rigg

President and Vice-Chancellor

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Offer of Admission Conditions: Any conditions included in your offer letter must be met no later than FRIDAY AUGUST 18, 2023. Failure to meet conditions will result in your offer being revoked or your program changed. If there is anything you do not understand regarding the conditions of your offer, please contact the Admissions Office at futurestudent@brocku.ca for clarification.

Summer School Option: You may attend summer school in order to meet prerequisite subject requirements/ conditions. As soon as you are registered for summer school, please submit proof of registration to the Admissions Office via futurestudent@brocku.ca. Plan the timing of your course carefully since failure to submit a final grade by the FRIDAY, AUGUST 18, 2023 deadline will result in your offer being revoked or your program changed. **This means the final exam must be written and a final grade available by August 18.** [Please note normally we allow completion of one prerequisite credit in the summer. If you are failing or missing more than one prerequisite credit, we cannot guarantee this extension.]

Accepting Your Offer: For help accepting your offer by the June 1 deadline please see: www.ouac.on.ca/101-tutorials

Accepting a Revised Offer: Brock University will only issue one offer of admission at a time. If this is a revised offer any previous acceptance (of a Brock program) is no longer valid. You will need to re-accept your new, revised offer.

Single Offer Policy: Brock University only makes one offer of admission at a time. If you applied to multiple programs and received your top choice listed on the application, no further assessment will take place. If you received your second or third choice and you are continuing to complete courses this semester (and you meet supplementary requirements if applicable), you may request reconsideration for your preferred major by emailing a final transcript to futurestudent@brocku.ca.

Deferral Requests: This Offer of Admission is valid for 2023-2024. Brock University will consider deferral requests where unanticipated or unique exceptional circumstances apply. Please refer to brocku.ca/admissions/undergraduate/deferral/ for further details.

Submit the OneApp: If you haven't already done so complete Brock's OneApp to be considered for entrance awards and bursaries. Learn more at brocku.ca/discover/awards.

Applying to Residence: applications and fee must be both received prior to June 1, 2023. Learn more at brocku.ca/residence.

By accepting this Offer of Admission no later than the date specified in your offer of admission letter you are indicating you understand the following:

While Brock University endeavours to maintain the privacy of student's information, all students acknowledge that by accepting this offer, they consent to the collection, use and disclosure of their personal information by the University in order to meet the University's administrative and academic needs. By accepting this offer, you are agreeing to abide by all policies, procedures and regulations of Brock University, including but not limited to the academic policies, procedures and regulations as outlined in the academic calendars, release of student information, the code of student conduct, and residence agreements and policies. Students who have not yet attained the age of majority are subject to the same policies, procedures and regulations. For further information, contact us at futurestudent@brocku.ca.



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Dear Alexis Stanbrook-Mcintyre,

In recognition of your outstanding academic achievements, I am pleased to offer you a Brock Scholars Award in the amount of \$3,600*.

Enclosed is important information on how to access your scholarship, as well as eligibility details (reverse side). Please review the terms carefully.

We would like you to confirm your scholarship acceptance by accepting your Offer of Admission by the deadline indicated.

In your first year, you will be awarded \$900*. The balance of your scholarship will be distributed over the next 3 years, at \$900* per year.

As a Brock Scholar, you are very important to us. If you have questions about your award, please contact us at futurestudent@brocku.ca. We want you to choose Brock!

Congratulations on your superb academic achievements this year! We look forward to seeing you at Brock University this Fall.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'P' followed by a long horizontal line.

Patti Latham-Malton
Manager, Student Financial Services and Accounts Receivable

Brock Scholars Award - Eligibility Requirements

Determining the value of your Brock Scholars Award:

The Brock Scholars Award is offered on the basis of your admission average. The minimum average to be eligible for this program is 80.0%*. Brock calculates your admission average to the nearest 10th of a percent. We do not round averages up or down. *The award value is subject to approval by the Board of Trustees and is only applicable for the Offer of Admission enclosed.

80.0 - 84.9%	\$1,600*	(\$400 first year, \$400 renewable x maximum of 3)
85.0 - 89.9%	\$3,600*	(\$900 first year, \$900 renewable x maximum of 3)
90.0 - 94.9%	\$7,600*	(\$1,900 first year, \$1,900 renewable x maximum of 3)
95.0 - 100.0%	\$13,600*	(\$3,400 first year, \$3,400 renewable x maximum of 3)

The final value of your award may increase or decrease if your FINAL admission average changes. To remain eligible for the scholarship amount you have been offered, you must achieve the minimum FINAL admission average for that scholarship range. If there is any change in the amount you are to receive, you will be notified as to the final amount of your scholarship. If your final admission average is less than 80.0%** you will no longer be eligible for a Brock Scholars award. **U.S. applicants please refer to brocku.ca/admissions/international/united-states-curriculum/ for clarification.

Final Admission Average:

In Ontario, a student's final admission average is determined using the top 6 grade 12U or 12M credits (including prerequisites). If you complete a non-Ontario curriculum, the final admission average criteria will vary by curriculum, and will be determined by the Admissions Office. Courses taken in the summer following graduation will be considered for scholarship revisions, but official transcripts will only be accepted until October 31.

Scholarship Disbursement:

Your scholarship will be applied directly to your tuition and/or residence fees. This will take place before classes begin, reducing the amount you owe to the University. If you are commencing full time studies in the Spring or Winter sessions, you will receive one half of your full scholarship value before classes begin. The remainder of your scholarship will be credited to your student account before classes begin in the subsequent session.

Brock Course Load Requirements:

To receive the first installment of your scholarship, you must be a full-time student. If you reduce your course load to part-time status (less than 3.0 credits in the fall/winter) or withdraw from the University, the value of your scholarship will be pro-rated or withdrawn. Please advise the Student Accounts and Financial Aid Office of any change in your registration status - preferably before a change is actually made in order to assess the financial implications.

Scholarship Renewal:

Renewals will be based upon completion of each 5.0 credit milestone. An 80.0% average is required to renew. Renewal eligibility is assessed upon completion of each 5.0 credit milestone, regardless of whether or not the scholarship was renewed the previous year.

Students pursuing a pass degree (3 years of study) are eligible for a total of 2 consecutive renewals; students pursuing an honours degree (4 years of study) are eligible for a total of 3 consecutive renewals.

Students pursuing the Concurrent Education program are only eligible for scholarship renewals during the completion of their first undergraduate degree and will not receive a scholarship renewal in their final two years of Teachers Education.

For courses completed while on exchange, or any course that does not have a numeric value (eg. nursing clinical or Co-op work terms) students must contact central@brocku.ca for renewal review. Co-op work term courses are excluded from renewal milestones. Other credit courses that do not have a numeric grade are used to determine the renewal milestones but do not affect the milestone academic average. Renewal averages are calculated using courses that have numeric grades within the milestone. If there are no numeric grades in the milestone, the grades from the previous milestone will be used.

Scholarship Acceptance:

To confirm your scholarship acceptance and receive your scholarship you must reply to your Offer of Admission by the deadline indicated. Recipients agree to permit the release of their name, program, and year of study.

OSAP Implications: Please Note: If you are intending to apply for OSAP, **DO NOT** list this scholarship under "Award Income" in your OSAP application. We will report this and all other Brock-funded awards on your behalf.

If you still have questions or concerns about your award, please email futurestudent@brocku.ca.

For complete details please visit: brocku.ca/safa/awards-and-bursaries/future-students/



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St. John's Tax Centre
St. John's NL A1B 3Z1

March 12, 2014

KATHERINE MCINTYRE
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Account Number
XXX XXX 936
Reference Number
TB1404 3130 0535

Dear Madam:

Re: Notice of Determination

We are writing about your daughter Alexis Stanbrook-McIntyre's eligibility for the disability tax credit (DTC).

We have completed our review and determined that Alexis is eligible for the DTC for 2007 and future years. You may be entitled to claim the disability amount on your income tax and benefit returns for these years.

Please do not send us another Form T2201, "Disability Tax Credit Certificate," unless we ask for one.

Since you are claiming the disability amount for a dependant, you must inform us if he/she is no longer residing with you, or if you are no longer supporting him/her in one or more of the basic necessities of life (e.g., food, shelter, or clothing).

Note: Support that does not relate to providing the necessities of life, such as visiting the dependant each day, providing moral support, preparing a meal, doing the person's laundry, and/or shopping, does not entitle an individual to request the transfer.

If anyone claims medical expenses for full-time care in a nursing home for a person with a disability, OR claims attendant care of more than \$10,000 for that person, no one may claim the disability amount for that person. A claim can be made for either these medical expenses or the disability amount, whichever is more beneficial.

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St. John's Tax Centre
Freshwater Rd and Empire Ave
St. John's NL A1B 3Z1

Long Distance : 1-800-959-8281
Fax : 709-772-8947
Web site : www.cra.gc.ca

If you want us to adjust a tax year to allow a claim for the disability amount, please send us a completed Form T1-ADJ, "T1 Adjustment Request," or a letter with the details of your request to the attention of the Disability Tax Credit team at the tax centre that serves your area. After we receive the request, we will consider an adjustment for the years requested.

Please note the disability amount is a non-refundable tax credit that reduces the amount of tax you owe. If the total of the credit is more than the amount you owe, no refund is issued for the difference.

If a representative is acting for you, you must provide us with a signed letter or a completed Form T1013, "Authorizing or Cancelling a Representative," authorizing the representative to make this request.

Families with a child who meets the criteria for the DTC, may be entitled to receive an amount under the child disability benefit (CDB), which is a supplement to the Canada child tax benefit (CCTB).

Your dependant's eligibility for the DTC may entitle the person who is eligible for the CCTB for this dependant to receive the CDB.

If the person is entitled, the CDB will be included in the CCTB payments.

If you would like the CDB for the 2007 to 2012 tax years, please send a written request for the CDB to the attention of the CCTB entitlement team at the tax centre that serves your area.

If you need more information about the Registered Disability Savings Plan (RDSP), please see the attached RDSP information sheet.

If you have questions about our decision, contact our Individual income tax enquiries service at 1-800-959-8281. If you use a teletypewriter (TTY), contact our bilingual TTY enquiry service at 1-800-665-0354 during regular working hours.

As an information security measure, we have masked the first six digits of your social insurance number (SIN) on this letter. However, if you are initiating contact with the Canada Revenue Agency, either in writing or by telephone, you are still required to provide your full SIN to ensure correct identification.

Yours sincerely,



D Fleming
Disability Tax Credit Program

Enclosure(s)