TRANSLATION

January 28, 2021

Dear Scholarship Recipient:

I am pleased to announce that you have been awarded a scholarship under the Merit Scholarship Program in Information Sciences, Computer Engineering and Construction of Computers, and Electrical, Electronic and Communications Engineering. These scholarships underscore the importance that our government places on the graduation rate in higher education programs that are essential for the development of Québec's economy and society.

I applaud your commitment to your education, whether you are continuing your studies or have just graduated. The excellence you demonstrate is not only a hallmark of educational success; it will also contribute to your future professional satisfaction and accomplishments.

Your unique expertise will enable you to play an outstanding part in economic development and innovation, and your skillset will open many doors for you in the vast arena that is at the heart of our modern technology.

Please accept my sincerest congratulations.

Yours truly,

[Original signed by]

Danielle McCann
Minister of Higher Education

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INFORMATION LETTER
REGARDING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR
THE MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IN INFORMATION SCIENCES,
COMPUTER ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION OF COMPUTERS, AND
ELECTRICAL, ELECTRONIC AND COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING

The merit scholarships presented by the Minister of Higher Education are awarded to students with an exemplary academic record. Starting with the 2020-2021 school year, the Québec government is investing $5 million a year in this scholarship program in order to increase the enrolment and graduation rates in targeted undergraduate programs, to encourage students who have and maintain an exemplary academic record, and to support the perseverance of those who are currently enrolled in or who have graduated from one of the targeted university programs.

These scholarships are reserved for Canadian citizens or permanent residents who are, at the time recipients are selected, enrolled full-time in one of the targeted undergraduate programs or who have earned an undergraduate diploma in one of these programs. Merit status is based on candidates' cumulative grade point average during their studies and at the time of their graduation. Scholarships are awarded by the respective universities, based on the objective and fair criteria established by each university and on a qualification process that uses a descending list, with the highest cumulative grade point average earned by a current or graduated student at the top.

The value of each merit scholarship is $1000. The combined maximum each current or graduated student can be awarded under this scholarship program is $2000. Students whose studies are ongoing must have completed at least 12 credits in their program to be eligible for a merit scholarship.

By accepting this merit scholarship, you authorize the Ministry of Higher Education to follow-up in order to assess the quality of the program, of the monitoring of results and of the accountability report. While your participation in this evaluation is not compulsory, it could play a vital part in assessing the performance of this financial assistance program intended to increase the graduation rate in academic fields leading to in-demand jobs, particularly in Information Sciences and Computer Engineering. Any information provided will be treated as confidential and will be made available only to people responsible for follow-up at the Ministry.

For more information about the awarding of merit scholarships, please contact your university.