

Steven Huesing Undergraduate Scholarship Awarded to Thivaher Paramsothy

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Thivaher Paramsothy has been awarded the 2011 COACH “*Steven Huesing Undergraduate Scholarship*” at the seventh annual Canadian Health Informatics Awards (CHIA) Gala (www.healthinformaticsawards.ca) in Toronto on November 9, 2011. The Steven Huesing Scholarship was established in 1999 “in recognition of the contribution that the late Steven Huesing, COACH Founding President, made to the association. The scholarship was developed to reflect the spirit, dedication and innovation that the Founding President brought to the field of health informatics (HI).” In addition to being in good academic standing, the recipient should “demonstrate active involvement and achievement in HI and show how his/her educational work has made a recognized contribution to advancing the thinking in HI.”

Thivaher (Thiv) Paramsothy is an undergraduate student at the University of Waterloo in the Health Studies program. He is passionate about everything in health, but especially Health Informatics. He is the President of the University of Waterloo Health Informatics Club (UWHIC) which was the first Health Informatics club established in Canada. He is also an executive member of the National Student Forum for Health Informatics (NSF). Through UWHIC, he is able to spread awareness about Health Informatics to fellow peers and future health leaders. UWHIC worked alongside NSF (National Student Forum) to bring to life the first regional “Careers in Health Informatics and E-Health” (CHIE 2011). CHIE 2011 was a tremendous success, bringing together a number of leading Health Informatics companies, professional and healthcare organizations and hospitals with students pursuing or interested in a career in Health Informatics. He plans to continue his study of Health Informatics with the goal of making a difference in eHealth and health care in Canada.



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