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Heritage College Computer Science Student wins DPI Bursary



Heritage College is proud to announce that third-year Computer Science student Hanwen Cai has received a \$1,000 bursary from the Association of Public Sector Information Professionals (DPI).

Hanwen, pictured here with Computer Science Program Coordinator Susan Turanyi, has been on the Heritage Dean's Honour Roll, maintaining an overall average of 90% or over, in all semesters during her full-time studies in Computer Science. At the Annual Heritage Awards Banquet in 2008, she also received the Heritage College Academic Achievement Award for the highest overall average in the Computer Science program.

Hanwen brings an impressive background and strong work ethic to the Heritage Computer Science program. Influenced by her family, she studied Biology at the undergraduate level, and she earned a scholarship for academic excellence while completing a Master's in Environmental Science. After immigrating to Canada, Hanwen started a career in administration and worked in several different businesses. She felt that she could still do something more, so she decided to go back to school to study Computer Science, where she discovered a sense of achievement in a field she really enjoys. As part of her studies at Heritage College, Hanwen had an opportunity to gain real world experience through her co-op placement at Versaterm this summer. Her career goal after graduation is to apply her science background and knowledge in the IT field.

The Association of Public Sector Information Professionals (DPI) is a not-for-profit organization that “fosters the professional development of public sector IM and IT professionals and promotes the contributions of these professionals to the broader public sector community.” Each year, they “seek out worthy students from community colleges and cégeps who represent the future of the profession and exemplify the DPI mantra of ‘taking care of business, people and technology.’”

Congratulations Hanwen!

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