

Alexander Xiang

My name is Alexander Xiang, and I am currently a second year student studying at McMaster University's Bachelor of Health Sciences (BHSc) Honours Program. I am exceedingly inquisitive, energetic, and resilient. I naturally love solving problems and engaging others in thought provoking, interesting conversations. My particular fields of interest are not exclusive to the health sciences, as I have alternative interests that span writing, mathematics, as well as sports including ice hockey.



Between 2013 and 2020, I studied at Upper Canada College, where I discovered and nurtured these interests for the majority of a decade. My experiences at UCC were invaluable, as I furthered my problem-solving skills in high school, as I emphasized taking the most challenging, application based courses available. Specifically, I was a part of the two-year IB program, and chose to take higher level mathematics and biology. These courses heavily rely on problem solving skills, and I not only enjoyed, but thrived in those classes, achieving the highest possible grades in both subjects. Moreover, in the spring of my junior year I also decided to take the University of Toronto National Biology Competition, a nationwide contest composed of a variety of application-based biology problems. I ended up scoring in the top 3% of all contest takers, designating me as a National Biology Scholar.

I have always placed a significant amount of importance on my education, ensuring that I meet my academic commitments prior to any other alternatives. Nevertheless, I believe that education is a very loose term, and is not prohibited to the hours spent in the classroom and studying for tests. Instead, education is akin to experiences that allow you to develop memorable experiences. For instance, one of my commitments is as a senior medical writer with a nonprofit organization called Inspire Medicine. As a senior medical writer, I am tasked with writing formal and/or creative articles about medicine and medical innovations every month to be published in blogs and/or journals. I work collaboratively with a medical researcher to create both reliable and easy-to-read content, and make use of my fluent writing, great communication skills, and ability to create cohesive pieces.