

**Hospital Pharmacy Student Award 2012/2013**  
**Sponsored by the Canadian Society of Hospital Pharmacists (CSHP)**  
**and the Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns (CAPSI)**  
**Emily Li**

Emily Li is in her fourth year in the undergraduate pharmacy program at the University of Alberta. Before entering pharmacy school in 2009, Emily studied general sciences and French. Emily entered pharmacy school with the goal of a career in health care that combines her passions for forming relationships with patients and learning about the fascinating field of drug therapy.

Emily has worked in various community and institutional pharmacy settings, gaining an appreciation of pharmacists' current and potential roles. Emily was a second-year pharmacy summer student in the Geriatric Unit at the Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital, Edmonton, in 2011. There, she was closely involved with a supportive interdisciplinary team, participating in team conferences, making drug therapy recommendations, and developing educational materials for patients. She also presented an in-service session to physicians, nurse practitioners, and pharmacists about new developments in oral anti-coagulation therapy.

After her third year, Emily worked as a summer student at the Grey Nuns Community Hospital, also in Edmonton. By completing the duties of a "float" pharmacist, she gained a wider perspective on hospital pharmacy practice in internal medicine, family medicine, surgery, and obstetrics. She developed new warfarin teaching materials and documentation forms for the float pharmacist role and gained confidence in working with other health care professionals.

Emily is an active member of her pharmacy class. She has volunteered for the Yearbook Committee, the Graduation Committee, and the Community Education Program. She was the Pharmacy Student Liaison for the Alberta Centre on Aging from 2009 to 2011. She also developed two presentations for the community education program and organized a student-led journal club.

In her fourth year, Emily is completing a rotation with Dr Mark Makowsky at the Edmonton North Primary Care



Emily Li (right) receives the CSHP/CAPSI Hospital Pharmacy Student Award from CSHP Executive Director Myrella Roy (left) during CAPSI's Professional Development Week, which was held in Montréal, Quebec, in January 2013.

Network and a research project with Dr Christine Hughes. Starting in September 2013, she will continue her pharmacy studies at the University of Alberta in the PharmD program.

Emily has been recognized for her academic and extracurricular achievements: she was the recipient of the Alberta Centre on Aging Undergraduate Award (2012) and the Bradken Undergraduate Scholarship (2011 and 2012) and was national winner of the 2012 Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns Student Literary Challenge.