

# ELA Indigenous Bursary Award Winners

The Ex Libris Association Board is pleased to report that the Indigenous Student Bursary, created in 2023, has been awarded first to William Fayant, a student with an excellent GPA in his second year in the Library and Information Technician Program at RRC Polytechnic in Winnipeg, Manitoba.



William sent us the following thank you message:

*"I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to the Ex Libris Association for their support in the 2023-24 academic year. As a Library and Information Technology student, and as a Cree/Metis man from Treaty 4 Territory, receiving this bursary has been a life-changing experience for me: I am now enrolled full-time in my studies, and can begin my path to a life-long career in the library field much sooner than I could have without the Ex Libris Association's generous support. Thank you very much, ELA, for your kind investment towards my future!"*

— William Fayant, Ex Libris Association Indigenous Student Bursary recipient (2023)

William later updated information about his future plans and included thank you to Ex Libris members for their support. His new letter is in PDF format [at this link](#).

We are currently fundraising to ensure we can fund the 2024 award. We have a healthy start but welcome further donations. If you would like to donate to the bursary, please contact [bob.exlibris@gmail.com](mailto:bob.exlibris@gmail.com).

More information on the [bursary award](#) is available [at this link](#).

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