



Sofia Auger Nybida

Year 49 / 2024 (Canada-Squirrel Cove, BC)

Archie Galbraith Memorial Scholar



A recipient of the CRD's generosity in 2022, Sofia continues her studies in her final year at Pearson College. From her remote hometown of Squirrel Cove, BC, Sofia applied to the College because she not only felt intrigued about immersing herself in Pearson's unique experiential education but also felt inspired at the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to learn alongside students of diverse cultures from all over the world.

Sofia has found that there are a lot of differences between her educational experience at Pearson and in Squirrel Cove, where the size of the town was so small that she needed to be homeschooled as the local school only taught up to grade 9. She loves being around so many people and says that she's never felt more at home. With roommates from Germany, Cuba, and China, Sofia has felt like she's learned about many different cultures and also been able to teach others about her own culture while on campus. For Sofia, seeing how hard her classmates are working for their future is the most positive things she has ever witnessed.

When Sofia graduates in 2024, she still hopes to pursue a degree in social work or counselling for youth. We know that Sofia will go far and have a bright future thanks to the support of funders like the CRD. We can't wait to see her thrive in her final year at Pearson!

In her own words, "Thank you so much for giving me such an incredible opportunity to get an amazing education and live in a community that has changed me in such a positive way and impacted my entire world view!"

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Thank you!