

My desire to pursue a career in Internal Medicine began with a strong interest in the pathophysiology of disease; this interest evolved into a career goal as I recognized the role of the Internist as a detective, academic, team player, and compassionate physician. With my goal in mind, I have developed the clinical abilities, interpersonal skills and work ethic required to study Internal Medicine at McGill.

Whether through studying, sports, volunteer work or travel, I enjoy meeting new people and adapting to new situations. I pride myself in my ability to integrate into a group, and more importantly, to help others feel comfortable. Throughout clerkship, I have enjoyed the opportunity to work in a team environment in order to promote high quality patient care. I appreciate that a residency in Internal Medicine will allow me the opportunity to continue to foster my role as a responsible and easy-going team member.

During my core internal medicine rotation, and electives in Infectious Diseases, Nephrology and Intensive Care, I was impressed by the knowledge base, clinical reasoning and evidence based practice of physicians trained in Internal Medicine. Throughout my experience in medical school, I have developed a dedicated work ethic and an ability to learn in an adaptive manner. I have enjoyed the opportunities during clerkship to read around my cases, and have frequently volunteered to present literature reviews relevant to patient encounters. I look forward to expanding my knowledge base and clinical reasoning as a resident in Internal Medicine.

As the student representative of the Internal Medicine Undergraduate Medical Education Committee at McGill, I have had the opportunity to become involved in the continuous development of the internal medicine education curriculum at McGill. Witnessing physicians taking time out of their day during monthly meetings to discuss the details surrounding the undergraduate program has inspired me to continue to be involved with medical education as a resident and staff physician. Through my involvement as an executive member of the student-run Internal Medicine Interest Group, I have had the opportunity to bridge feedback from my peers with the committee of physicians.

I am enthusiastic that a career in Internal Medicine will be rewarding and stimulating. I am interested in the diagnostic and therapeutic challenges encountered in patients with complex and diverse medical issues. I am further motivated by the opportunity to interact with patients and establish a strong therapeutic alliance through competent and compassionate medical care. I hope to practice medicine in Montreal, where my family and friends provide a strong support system. I feel privileged to have learned from so many dynamic physicians as a student at McGill, and look forward to continuing to do so as a physician and a teacher in the McGill community.