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# COLLEGE NEWS

## COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES



**Rashid**  
BA  
Undeclared

### State University of New York Plattsburgh, NY

Rashid received fantastic news yesterday when he opened his e-mail to see an acceptance from the State University of New York in Plattsburgh.

Rashid has been accepted to SUNY Plattsburgh's specialist 'Cardinal Achievement Program'. This Program will offer him additional academic coaching and advising services during his first year of study. It is a full-year, alternative-admissions plan designed to support students during their first year of studies. Upon successful completion of one or two semesters with an overall GPA of 2.3 or higher (out of 4.0) Rashid will likely be able to declare the Business Administration major.

SUNY Plattsburgh is home to a vibrant community of renowned teachers and nationally recognized scholars, dedicated to engaging students and helping them to succeed. Students arrive from diverse backgrounds and places.

SUNY Plattsburgh's remarkable campus culture and environment combine with an exceptionally high quality of teaching to produce success for students. The Plattsburgh experience challenges students to discover their potential, to seek new intellectual horizons, and to learn skills that can turn dreams into realities. It's an

experience that calls students to explore new ground and reach still greater heights of achievement.

AIISL alumni Ryan Baldry and Basel Farhat both attend SUNY Plattsburgh and have each been named as a Dean's List student for 'outstanding academic achievement'. Other notable SUNY Plattsburgh alumni include: Tim Robbins, American actor, screenwriter, director, producer, activist, and musician. He is known for his roles in *The Shawshank Redemption*, and *Mystic River* for which he won an Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor, and for directing critically acclaimed films such as *Dead Man Walking*; Anthony David Weiner, an American politician and former U.S. representative who served New York's 9th congressional district from January 1999; and Nancy Kress is an American science fiction writer. She began writing in 1976 but has achieved her greatest notice since the publication of her Hugo and Nebula-winning 1991 novella *Beggars in Spain* which was later expanded into a novel with the same title. She has also won the 2012 Nebula Award for Best Novella for "*After the Fall, Before the Fall, During the Fall*".

Set in one of the world's most spectacular regions, the Champlain Valley, SUNY Plattsburgh's campus environment contributes substantially to student and faculty well being. Most Plattsburgh students take advantage of guaranteed campus housing or live in the surrounding residential area. Considered both beautiful and safe, the campus abounds with art and is a pleasure to stroll. In the small city of Plattsburgh students are never far from mountains, rivers, and lakes. The College is also just an hour's drive from exciting destinations such as the cosmopolitan city of Montreal, Canada, the Olympic Village of Lake Placid, and Burlington, Vermont.

One of the reasons Rashid chose to apply to SUNY Plattsburgh was the athletics opportunities. SUNY Plattsburgh sponsors 17 intercollegiate teams that compete against other SUNY colleges and teams at the Division III level. Plattsburgh also supports a wide variety of recreational sports programs to meet the recreational needs of student, faculty and staff to enhance the campus' quality of life. Rashid is particularly interested in continuing with his basketball career. [web.plattsburgh.edu](http://web.plattsburgh.edu)

### SUNY Plattsburgh Institutional Grant

Rashid has also been awarded a SUNY Plattsburgh Institutional Grant to attend the College. This is worth \$30,000 towards his on-campus living costs and will off-set the expenses of attending this already very affordable college.





**Nunu**  
**BSc**  
**Medical Sciences**

### University of Edinburgh, UK

Nunu has received her final acceptance giving her a 100% acceptance rate! She has been offered a place to read Medical Sciences at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland: her first-choice university. If she performs well through the International Baccalaureate Diploma assessments she will enter into the second year of this four year Bachelor of Science degree course.

Medical Sciences covers a breadth of disciplines that integrate to contribute to the understanding of health and disease. Through the course students expand their knowledge in basic biomedical sciences and further develop an integrated approach to understanding the science that underpins medical practice. They develop expert specialised knowledge in medical sciences that enables them to understand current research and to discuss critically its significance and implications, and have opportunities to actively engage in research, discuss and analyse high-profile issues, and reflect on and re-evaluate themes addressed throughout the course.



Founded in 1583, the University of Edinburgh is the sixth oldest university in the English-speaking world and one of Britain and Ireland's seven ancient universities. It is made up of three colleges: Humanities and Social Science, Science and Engineering, and Medicine and Veterinary Medicine. Within these three colleges there are 20 academic schools. In total, the university attracts around 35,000 students, the majority of whom study within the College of Humanities and Social Science, the largest of its colleges. [www.ed.ac.uk](http://www.ed.ac.uk)



**Emma**  
**BSc**  
**Chemical and Physical Sciences**

### McMaster University, Canada

Emma was pleased to be informed of a third acceptance. This is to attend McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario to study for a Bachelor of Science in Chemical and Physical Sciences. This is preparation for the Level II course in Astrophysics, among other majors, as everything we know is either matter or energy. Understanding the ways in which matter and energy behave and interact is critical to an understanding of the universe at every level, from the submicroscopic constituents of matter to the macroscopic behaviour of galaxies and star clusters. This understanding comes through a mix of mathematical description, computational modeling, and experimental investigations.

A medical-doctoral, research-intensive university, McMaster is dedicated to teaching, learning and service. In the 1960s, the University pioneered the problem-based approach to learning that came to be known around the world as "the McMaster model".

With a total full-time student population of more

than 31,000, McMaster welcomes students from 107 countries as well as Canada. Nearby attractions include Cootes Paradise, the Bruce Trail, the Waterfront Trail, the Royal Botanical Gardens, and the Niagara Escarpment: a UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve. McMaster University also has four regional campuses: downtown Hamilton, Burlington, Kitchener-Waterloo, and Niagara.

[www.mcmaster.ca](http://www.mcmaster.ca)

### McMaster University Entrance Scholarship

Emma has been awarded the McMaster Entrance Scholarship of CA\$1,000 to attend McMaster University.







**Naested**  
**BS**  
**Aeronautical Science**

### **Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, FL**

With his sixth acceptance, Naested now has a good choice of which university to attend. He has recently received notification that he has been accepted to Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Florida to study for the Bachelor of Science in Aeronautical Science. The Aeronautical Science degree program at the Daytona Beach Campus blends flight training with academic study to provide a firm foundation in airline, corporate, and commercial or military aviation. The curriculum includes FAA certification as a multi-engine, instrument-rated commercial pilot. Students also get to learn about and fly Unmanned Aerial Vehicles and develop problem-solving skills with computer simulations while preparing for a career as a professional pilot. Housed in the Aeronautical Science department, this program prepares students for a career as a professional pilot. Students develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills using computer simulations while becoming skilled in mathematics, physics, communication, business, and aeronautics.

Supporting Embry-Riddle's enhanced success in the research field is the new John Mica Aerospace & Engineering Innovation Complex (MicaPlex) located in the Embry-Riddle Research Park near the Daytona Beach, Florida Campus. The MicaPlex houses multidisciplinary

research labs and a high-performance computer facility, supporting research in engineering, space, radar, robotics, advanced materials, smart structures, clean energy systems, and more. The signature labs are the Robotics & Autonomous Systems Facility and the Advanced Dynamics & Control Center. The 50,000-square-foot-building will also house a large-scale subsonic wind tunnel superior to any other similar technology in the Southeast. At the MicaPlex, faculty and students will collaborate with existing businesses and entrepreneurs from early research to the marketplace, propelling the next wave of industry innovation. These collaborations will foster new patents, successful new business ventures, and knowledge discovery. [www.erau.edu](http://www.erau.edu)



**Lisa**  
**BS**  
**Computer and Information Technology**

### **Purdue University, IN**

Lisa also has another acceptance to consider. This is to study for the Bachelor of Science in Computer and Information Technology at Purdue University.

Computing has become very prevalent in our society. Advances like big data, security, and the desire to provide a mobile experience through apps mean that almost every company wants to hire computer scientists. There is a wide spectrum of jobs available to computer science majors, all the way from Microsoft and Google to start-up companies people may have never heard of. The high demand for computer scientists combined with the quality of Purdue's program means that its graduates are highly sought by employers. Purdue has nearly a 100% graduate placement rate.

The Purdue learning experience is designed to produce graduates who not only have deep knowledge, applied skills, and experiences in their chosen discipline, but also problem solving, critical thinking, communications, and leadership skills sought by industries and communities.

Purdue University is a major research institution known for discoveries in

science, technology, engineering, math and beyond. Founded in 1869, the University proudly serves its state as well as the nation and the world. More than 37,000 students from all 50 states and 130 countries, along with some 850 student organizations and Big Ten Boilermaker athletics, make for a lively environment. [www.purdue.edu](http://www.purdue.edu)

