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CSN international student, Danielle McDonald, receives prestigious Holland America Tourism Cares Scholarship

LAS VEGAS, Sept. 26, 2008 — Although Danielle McDonald currently studies and works at CSN, her journey to the college brought her from her hometown of London, Ontario in Canada, to Mexico, and then to Las Vegas.

McDonald's love of the travel and tourism industry, hospitality skills and experience working at Club Med in Mexico recently helped her claim the \$3,000 Tourism Cares Scholarship awarded by Holland America Line – Westours, Inc.

However, it's not just her travel and tourism studies and experience that qualified her for the honor. She has already earned a bachelor of arts in kinesiology from the University of Western Ontario. McDonald also works as a CSN peer ambassador in the office of student recruitment where she's instrumental in reaching out and advising prospective students regarding coursework at CSN. Her success serves as an example to other international students.

McDonald credits CSN's informative and motivational instructors, including Gillian Silver-Rodis, Vivienne Sario and Rosemarie Brobeck, with inspiring her to pursue her aspiration of working as a manager in Las Vegas' hospitality industry.

"I feel extremely blessed and grateful for this \$3,000 scholarship from Holland America," McDonald said. "It is very rewarding and encouraging to know that I have their support as I work to achieve my dreams and goals in the tourism industry."

About CSN

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