

2011-12 CMA STUDENT AMBASSADOR – Michelle Desrochers –University of Ottawa – Bachelor of Commerce



Michelle Desrochers is a 3rd year student at the Telfer School of Management at the University of Ottawa in the Bachelor of Commerce program, specializing in Accounting. Since the summer of 2009, she has been employed by the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) and has been a member of the financial team of the Agency Comptroller Directorate.

As a small town girl, she's been exposed to volunteer work and extracurricular activities all her life. Her interests in these types of activities started in elementary school as the President of the student council. For seven years, she was in the francophone group of the Girl Guides of Canada, but as her interests grew for volunteer work, she started to assist in the organization of the younger groups activities. In high school, she diversified her volunteer work by getting involved in the yearbook creation committee to the writing club to the treasurer of the student council. Furthermore, these positions allowed her to develop leadership, communication and organizational skills.

As she continued working in the accounting department of the Rockland Wal-Mart, she joined the University of Ottawa, where new volunteering opportunities rose, for which the competencies & skills she had developed in her past experiences would prove to serve her well. To further her interest in the CMA designation, she applied and was chosen as the CMA Student Ambassador for two consecutive years. Finally, her involvement in the community is reflected in her responsibilities as the solicitor for the Government of Canada Workplace Charitable Campaign within her division at CBSA.

Michelle has been portrayed by her peers and colleagues as an extremely reliable and positive individual and which we can all appreciate. We look forward to see her in promoting the advantages obtained with the intertwining of accounting, business management, leadership and corporate strategy for the second year.

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