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Enhancing Our Impact

We are committed to providing all Dalhousie students with an exceptional student experience. That means improving access to sports and

Where support meets athletic excellence

For lifelong soccer player **Megan Chiasson** attending university meant facing a tough decision. Coming from a single-parent household and with limited resources, Chiasson found herself having to choose between earning her degree or pursuing her love of soccer as a student-athlete. The scholarships she received to Dalhousie meant she had the opportunity to succeed at both.

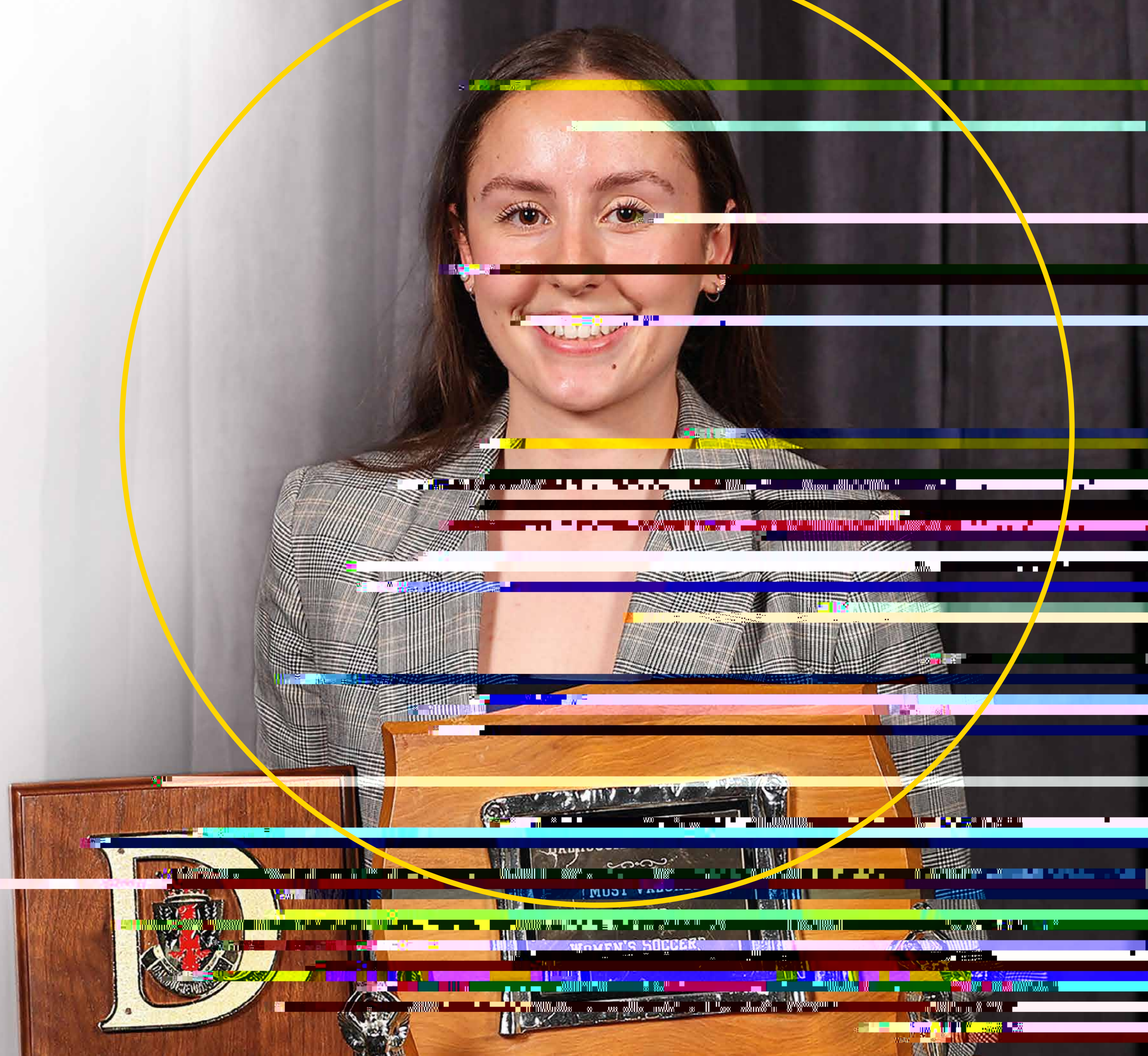
"Knowing I have the scholarships means I can focus on being the best student and athlete possible without having to worry about paying for school," says Chiasson.

As the first in her family to pursue a university degree, Chiasson says it was important to her that she pay for school on her own. "I didn't want to create any financial burden for my family by going to university, but I didn't know if I would be able to do it myself," says Chiasson. "Being able to play soccer was so important to me and I didn't want to give that up."

When she was notified that she was the recipient of the J&W Murphy Entrance Scholarship and the Dalhousie Entrance Community and Leadership Award Chiasson says she felt a sense of relief.

"It was like a weight had been lifted off my shoulders," says Chiasson. "It meant I could pursue my goals without creating any stress for my family."

Now, a student in the Faculty of Management, Chiasson says she is grateful for the support of the scholarships. "To me, the scholarships are more than just financial support. I feel that the hard work I'm putting in as a student and an athlete is valued. It makes me strive to be the best I can be in all aspects."



Help Make Lasting, Positive Change Possible

The campaign will enhance the Department of Athletics and Recreation's ability to give students and our communities access to exceptional wellness programs and facilities. It will enable us to create a new generation of leaders who are committed to building a more inclusive and prosperous society. It will support our efforts to remove barriers so that more people can benefit from active, healthy lives. And it will enable us to foster a stronger

