Three from MIT Win Marshall Scholarships

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Danielle C. Goodman '95, Lik Mei '94, and Jeffrey M. Tomasi '95 were named Marshall scholars, along with 37 other students nationwide, said Professor of Materials Science and Engineering Lisa W. Hobbs.

More MIT students were granted scholarships this year than in the past several years, according to the MIT News Office.

The British Marshall scholarships allow American citizens who have recently graduated from a four-year university to study at a school of their choice in the United Kingdom. Each award pays for two years of schooling, and can be extended for a third year. The scholarship includes includes tuition, a personal allowance, and travel costs to and from Britain, totaling on average about $27,000.

"It's really great for MIT to have three people," Goodman said. "It's a really good reflection on MIT, and all the work Professor Hobbs does for the program."

"MIT is very successful, as it should be," Hobbs said. "The cream of the crop is here, and I'd be surprised if we didn't do well."

"I knew that I wanted to take some time off before entering medical school, and I wanted to have the opportunity to study abroad," said Goodman, who is majoring in political science.

In her application, Goodman said that she wants to work toward a master's degree in public health at the University of Edinburgh. This "would enable me to continue my research in maternal health and management of engineering and is currently a first-year student in the Harvard/MIT Health Sciences and Technology program. In his personal statement Mui said, "I had never even heard of the scholarship until this year," Tomasi said. Tomasi is a physics major, with a minor in philosophy. He would like to continue studying physics at Cambridge University, and being a four-year member of the MIT lightweight crew team, he hopes to continue rowing in England.

"My crew coach went to Cambridge, and he told me a lot of great stories about rowing and the atmosphere there after I initially had the impulse" to apply, Tomasi said.

"In the future I hope to use my experience gained in Britain as an active researcher involved in public health problems and being a four-year member of the MIT heavyweight crew team, he hopes to continue rowing in England."

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