

Blossom Dharmaraj Applicant Biography

As a non-traditional medical student, I bring a unique blend of academic achievement, professional experience, and a deep passion for service and advocacy. With a background in psychology—holding both undergraduate and master’s degrees—I spent several years working in clinical research at SickKids Hospital, focusing on children with medical complexities. This experience sparked a strong interest in medicine and led me to pursue my medical degree at McMaster University.

Since my first year, I’ve been actively involved with the Canadian Federation of Medical Students (CFMS), first as the National Officer of Communications (NOC), and currently as the Ontario Regional Director. These roles have deepened my passion for student advocacy, governance, and building meaningful connections across schools. I’ve especially valued the opportunity to help shape national conversations around communication, transparency, and student engagement.

Outside of medicine, I volunteer at a local food bank, tutor children from disadvantaged backgrounds, and spend time with seniors in long-term care homes. These experiences have informed my strong belief in equitable access to healthcare and the importance of community-centered care.

In my spare time, I enjoy creative pursuits like painting and making stained glass. As I continue my journey in medicine, I am excited to bring my diverse background and leadership experience to the Ontario Regional Director role once again, continuing to advocate for medical students and support initiatives that foster inclusivity, transparency, and collaboration within CFMS.