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# CDHA STUDENT LEADER SPOTLIGHT

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CDHA student leaders are selected each year to serve as representatives for each accredited dental hygiene program in Canada, and each one receives a bursary courtesy of Colgate. These students develop their leadership skills and help shape the future of the profession. Let's take a closer look at one of our amazing trailblazers!

## Barbara Wang Oxford College

**Q** Tell us about yourself.

**A** I have a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Western Ontario and a Master of Arts degree from Boston University. I used to work at the commercial arm of the BBC as a sales administrator. When I am not working or studying, I like to practise piano, learn foreign languages, level up my swimming skills, and improve my ballroom dancing techniques. I also enjoy knitting, reading novels, and socializing at professional networking events.

**Q** What is one thing that most people wouldn't know about you?

**A** I moved 11 times over the course of 10 years.

**Q** Why did you decide to enroll in a dental hygiene program?

**A** I grew up in a region with no dental hygienists, neither my parents nor I were properly educated on the importance of dental health in our daily life. As a result, I suffered from ignorance of oral health. I am genuinely driven to help more people benefit from primary oral health care at a young age. Becoming a dental hygienist can help me achieve such ambition.

**Q** What place would you like to visit?

**A** I would like to visit Banff National Park and Switzerland's French-speaking region.

**Q** What is your favourite food?

**A** Hot pot

**Q** What is your favourite movie?

**A** *Gone with the Wind*

**Q** What makes you smile?

**A** Appreciation from my classmates and the faculty for my efforts, and service as the class representative.



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