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Belleville student at Laurier
preparing for winter olympics

A fourth-year honors business administration student at Wilfrid Laurier University, Terry Thompson, is preparing for the 1984 Winter Olympics to be held in Calgary.

Terry, a graduate of Centennial Secondary School, Belleville, is one of Canada's most promising athletes on the Canadian national hockey team.

He is no stranger to ice hockey either. Beginning to take an interest in hockey with his brothers, when he was only five, Terry has been practicing everyday for the last few years.

"All of my brothers played the sport, so it only seemed natural for me to take it up," he said.

His parents, Bill and Cathy Thompson, have supported him and his brothers all the way.

Thompson has competed in various hockey leagues both at home and university. He played for the Belleville Junior B hockey team as well as the Kingston Major A team for 1977 to '79.

He has played on Laurier's varsity hockey team since his first year at the university in 1979. This year, he went with the team to Moncton, N.B., for the national championships where the team was beaten by the eventual winners, Saskatchewan.

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Terry sees the USSR and the Czechoslovakian teams as the toughest for the Canadian team to overcome. But he thinks the East German and American teams are within reach.

Terry hopes to make the Canadian Olympic team this summer. His plans beyond this point include a career in accounting, an area he has worked hard at during his senior years at Wilfrid Laurier University.