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MINTRAC Scholarship Program

UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

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MINTRAC Undergraduate Scholarship 2005-2008
Sponsor: Harvey Industries Group Pty Ltd
Qualification: Bachelor of Exercise and Health Science (Rehabilitation)
Tertiary Institution: University of WA

The Scholarship

I am extremely grateful that I was eligible to receive the MINTRAC undergraduate scholarship. The monetary assistance provided by MINTRAC played a pivotal role in decreasing the amount of pressure I was under and allowed me to place an extra focus on my university studies. Without the scholarship I would have been forced to work increasing hours which would have been to the detriment of my university results. I also found the grant to be a great motivator as I felt I needed to show MINTRAC that I was worthy of the scholarship and that I was focused on achieving my Bachelor degree.

Personal benefits of the study

The personal gains achieved through my tertiary studies have been endless. University provided me with an opportunity to improve my knowledge in an area that I am extremely interested in and very passionate about. Without my Bachelor degree, I would not be able to work in a position where I can implement change and encourage development which is something I always wanted to do. My tertiary studies also assisted in improving my communication, research and written skills which are very important in an employment situation. After completing my degree I also experienced great satisfaction and was very proud of my overall results.

Benefits to the company and industry

The completion of my tertiary studies assisted in my ability to obtain employment in the area of health and safety. Employment opportunities therefore mean that I have a chance to receive valuable experience that could one day be implemented in the meat industry.

Future plans

I am currently working as a Safety and Health advisor for the Department of Agriculture and Food Western Australia. I began working with the department on 13/09/07 and am finding the role both challenging and thoroughly enjoyable. I am also undertaking further study to assist my professional development and am consequently completing a Certificate IV in Occupational Health and Safety at TAFE WA.

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