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MINTRAC Undergraduate scholarship 2007-2008

Sponsor: CRF (Colac Otway) Pty Ltd

Qualification: Bachelor of Biological Sciences

Tertiary Institution: La Trobe University

The Scholarship

The MINTRAC scholarship has given me the financial independence to study without relying on my parents. Over the past few years with the continuance of the drought, my parents started having difficulties paying for my accommodation in Melbourne so I could attend university. The undergraduate scholarship not only helped me out but has also done a great deal for my family.

Personal benefits of the study

A Bachelor in Biological Sciences has opened many doors for me, especially into the specific fields of Microbiology, Agriculture and Genetics. I would welcome the opportunity of starting a career in any of these three disciplines and if my career path happens to lead into the meat industry I would be extremely happy.

Benefits to the company and industry

The company I worked for, CRF Colac Otway, would have benefited from my studies, particularly within the quality control department developing more effective ways of pathogen and disease control. However, it would be the earlier stages of the meat processing industry such as farmers that will benefit most from my studies, including bettering farming practices, improving the genetic stock and improving feed to help develop the perfect animal for the meat industry.

Future plans

I have not made any specific decision about my future but look forward to working in a field related to the meat industry. With the skills that I have acquired through my course, and with the help of MINTRAC, there are limitless opportunities. In the next few months I plan on travelling abroad. I may work overseas, but I know now it will not be hard to find work and start a career here in Australia.

Suggestions

I would like to thank MINTRAC for increasing my career prospects in a field that I have had strong aspirations. MINTRAC have also allowed me to create contacts with people in an industry that is dynamic and challenging and one in which I would gladly be involved.



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