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Future business professionals have 5000 reasons to thank Auswide Bank!

- **Auswide Bank gives three lucky CQUniversity Bundaberg students \$5,000 scholarships**

CQUniversity Bundaberg students Brooke Dunn, Caitlin Turnbull and Ryan Paul are forging ahead with their studies this year, drawing on the added support of \$5,000 scholarships from Auswide Bank.

The trio gathered on Monday 10th July at Auswide Bank House to meet and thank Auswide Bank Managing Director Martin Barrett.

Mr Barrett commented that “investing in the futures of talented Bundaberg students and thus supporting the future of Bundaberg is both a responsible and sensible commitment for Auswide Bank”.

“We believe CQUni Bundaberg is a vital organisation in our city and its success will lead to business success, developing the professionals and leaders of the future.”

CQUniversity Dean of Business and Law Professor Lee Di Milia says these students have consistently performed at a high standard and represent the future business professionals of Bundaberg.

“It is amazing to work with a partner like Auswide Bank that recognises and rewards excellence in regional areas,” Professor Di Milia says.

“The Auswide Bank scholarships support deserving second-year students enrolled at CQUniversity Bundaberg in an undergraduate Business or Finance/Accounting program.

“Scholarship recipients are also encouraged to undertake work placements at Auswide Bank.”

Recipient Ryan Paul sees this scholarship “as a great networking opportunity, to discover the various local businesses, in the hopes of fueling the next generation of business graduates”.

“With the great minds at Auswide Bank, local business students have been given the opportunity of a lifetime to kick-start their career. This scholarship has improved my networks around the local community and has allowed me to reach for the stars, believing that I can achieve any challenge that is set. Don't wait for opportunity. Create it.”

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Recipient Caitlin Turnbull says the Auswide Bank scholarship simply makes studying easier. "With this scholarship I am able to worry less about my finances and focus more on my studies and achieving my goal of completing a Bachelor of Accounting degree at CQUniversity. CQUni Bundaberg is an incredible campus and the combination of receiving a scholarship with a local business and attending an engaged University allows me to achieve great success."

Recipient Brooke Dunn says it's fantastic to study at a small campus like CQUni Bundaberg.

"The small classes ensure that each student receives one-on-one time with the lecturer to receive any help that they may need. In addition, networking opportunities are constantly given to students to help them find jobs or even just connect with other business people in the community," she says.

"It has been an honour receiving the Auswide Bank scholarship this year. I am so glad I applied as it was an excellent opportunity and has been very helpful.

"I live 30 minutes from my nearest campus so travel costs have accumulated quickly. Now I can attend every lecture without worrying about fuel expenses. It also helped with purchasing textbooks, which anyone studying today would know that they can be quite expensive.

"The Auswide scholarship has also provided great networking opportunities. Through the interview process I had the opportunity to meet with Gayle Job and Cameron Cowell from Auswide Bank who were very friendly and happy to answer any questions that I had. I recommend that students take advantage of scholarship opportunities, like the Auswide bank scholarship, as it is such a simple process with rich rewards."

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