Finding Job Paths for More Territorians

More than 100 Territory students have received recognition from the Northern Territory Government for their commitment to learning.

The Northern Territory Education and Training Minister Paul Henderson presented the scholarships and bursaries at a ceremony in the Main Hall of Parliament House this evening.

“The awards recognise the achievements, hard work and dedication of our students,” Mr Henderson said.

“There is no greater accomplishment than to better yourself through education, and my Government will continue to provide support to those Territorians who further their skills.”

Mr Henderson said the scholarships and bursaries were awarded for both vocational education and training, and higher education students.

“Education and training is vital to the future growth and prosperity of the Territory,” he said.

“By improving our skills base the Territory will continue to grow both economically and socially.

“The Territory must work hard to attract and retain workers from interstate and overseas, so it is more important than ever to ensure we are ‘growing our own’.

“The latest occupation shortage list for 2009*, indicates the Territory still suffers a lack of workers in a range of areas.

“I’m especially pleased to see that recipients of scholarships and bursaries are in some of those occupations where we have shortages, including nursing, engineering and teaching.

“I congratulate all the recipients and wish them well for the future.”

* For the occupation shortage list 2009 go to: http://www.nt.gov.au/dbe/employment/workforce_nt/docs/nt_occupation_shortage_list.pdf

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