Territorians Encouraged to Apply for Scholarships

The Territory Government is offering scholarships for university and vocational educations and training (VET) students studying in 2010.

Acting Minister for Education and Training, Delia Lawrie, encouraged Territorians seeking financial assistance to help them study to apply.

“The Territory Government is delivering the Smart Territory strategy to build the education and skills of our future workforce,” Ms Lawrie said.

“Scholarships offer important financial support to assist Territory students gain qualifications in areas where we need more skilled workers.

“School leavers that are studying university courses in the Northern Territory, or interstate if the course is not offered in the Territory, can apply for one of 40 higher education scholarships that provide $3500 per year.

“The top 10 successful applicants by Tertiary Entrance Rank (TER) will receive an additional $1500 in their first year too.

“Territorians studying a Certificate III to a Diploma level course can apply for one of 20 VET scholarships that provide $4000 per student.

“This is for students studying in the Territory and priority is given to people studying areas where there are skills shortages or labour demand.

“Building our workforce for the future is vital to the Territory, and I encourage students that qualify for these scholarships to apply.”

A range of fellowships, scholarships and cadetships for Indigenous Territorians studying education recently closed and are currently being assessed. These aim to build the number of Indigenous Territorians working in education.

Applications for the higher education and VET scholarships close on Friday 5 February and for more information call 8901 1309 or visit www.det.nt.gov.au/grants

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