Penrith City Council Urban Planning Scholarships

Thanks to the generosity of Penrith City Council, students in the new Bachelor of Social Science (Geography & Urban Studies) / Master of Urban Management and Planning have the chance to access funding and work placement to support their studies and develop the skills to tackle planning issues in Western Sydney.

Penrith City Council will offer the first of their new two-year scholarships in 2010, with another to be available for students commencing in 2011 and every year thereafter. The scholarships not only provide talented, local students with financial support to help meet some of the costs of university study, but recipients will have the opportunity to undertake significant work experience with Penrith City Council through out their degree.

The new four-year planning program builds on expertise in the UWS School of Social Science and the Urban Research Centre and seeks to meet more effectively the needs of the profession in Greater Western Sydney.

Kevin Dunn is extremely grateful for the generous support of Penrith City Council and hopes their commitment serves as an example to other councils in Western Sydney who he also hopes to engage in the program.

“The new program deliberately involves significant engagement with the professional aspects of planning to ensure our graduates are well prepared. Relationships with key employers across Western Sydney, particularly including local councils, will therefore be integral to the operation and success of the program.”

“The scholarships provided by Penrith City Council highlight Council’s commitment to supporting the education and career ambitions of students in Western Sydney. The support of Council will help to ensure our course is relevant to the planning profession and that our graduates are equipped to address the planning needs of Greater Western Sydney.”

Further on scholarships available to students can be found at http://future.uws.edu.au/scholarships.