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Medical Council legacy to support sixth talented med student

The sixth Medical Council of Tasmania Medical Student Scholarship will be presented today (Friday 6 March) to a talented student from the north of the state.

The Medical Council of Tasmania scholarships support the next generation of University of Tasmania Medicine students to achieve their academic goals. The 2015 recipient, Caitlin Court, attended Launceston College and achieved an excellent ATAR score of 98.2.

Ms Court will begin her Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery this year. She has a passion for helping others and aims to one day become a surgeon.

“I am fascinated by the human body and am enthusiastic about learning the intricacies of how the body functions and how modern technology can be used to overcome disease and injury,” she said.

“I have always enjoyed interacting and working with other people as part of a team. I relish the idea of working in an environment that offers new challenges daily and gives me the opportunity to extend myself intellectually.”

The University of Tasmania’s Dean of Medicine, Professor Richard Hays, congratulated Ms Court on her achievement.

“It is clear Ms Court’s academic excellence and her aspirations to help others will give her a solid basis for a career in medicine. I welcome her to the School of Medicine and wish her all the best for her studies.”

About the scholarship: The Medical Council of Tasmania, upon its dissolution in 2010, invested with the University of Tasmania Foundation an endowment to provide the most significant scholarship for medicine students in the history of the University. Each year one new promising student is awarded the scholarship, which is valued at \$40,000 over the five year degree. This legacy will provide opportunity and inspiration to the next generation of Tasmanian medical professionals who may not have otherwise had the financial ability to embark upon the challenging five year degree.

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