



## ASHLEIGH BROOKS

REGISTERED NURSE, GEORGETOWN

### ABOUT THE NORTH EAST

Welcome to the beautiful North East Region of Tasmania that offers a small town experience yet has a lot to offer including great places to eat and drink as well as lovely short walks where you can experience the stunning local scenery. As a Whole-of-Community Facilitator, I support students on placement in the townships of George Town and Beaconsfield.

Surrounded by vineyards, orchards, and berry and lavender farms George Town also has a long maritime history.

Beaconsfield, in the heart of the Tamar Valley Wine Region, was once Tasmania's richest gold town with a mining heritage that continues today.

### ABOUT RURAL PLACEMENTS

A rural placement offers you:

- First-hand experience of a rural lifestyle and work environment
- Exposure to a more diverse range of experiences
- Extra support including learning and teaching, social and accommodation support
- Opportunities to connect with other students
- Potential job opportunities – there is a shortage of rural health professionals ... experiencing rural practice and engaging with the community could entice you to work here later on
- An opportunity for so many great experiences and to see and do things that you otherwise might not

### ABOUT ME

I have worked across a variety of places in my nursing career including interstate.

I am passionate about my job and enjoy the challenges it brings along the way. I enjoy working in a rural setting and hope that you enjoy your placement here.

I work shift work across the George Town District Hospital and Community Health Centre and the Launceston General Hospital.

## RURAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE PLACEMENTS

# YOUR WHOLE OF COMMUNITY FACILITATOR

The University's College of Health and Medicine has engaged part-time Whole of Community Facilitators in rural and remote communities across Tasmania.

Our role is to provide local support for you to get the most from your rural placement and to enjoy the opportunity to live and work in our community.

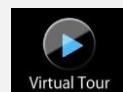
We are here to guide and mentor you while you are on placement and to support you in your learning.

This may include:

LEARNING SUPPORT	RESOURCES	SOCIAL SUPPORT
<p>Helping you with your learning strategies and plans</p> <p>Making sure you have access to one-on-one support</p> <p>Liaising with your supervisor/preceptor or Unit Coordinator – either with you, or on your behalf</p> <p>In some cases we may be involved in your supervision and assessment – either directly or indirectly</p>	<p>Helping you access the resources you need</p> <p>Arranging orientation tours of the facility that is hosting you on placement</p> <p>Providing lists of key contacts at the University and in the community who are the “go to” people if you have any issues or problems</p>	<p>Showing you where things are and how to get around</p> <p>Helping you work out what to do while you are here</p> <p>Putting you in touch with other students on placement in our community</p>

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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