A thousand reasons to study agriculture

The importance of educating the next generation of agricultural leaders has been underscored with up to $300,000 worth of agriculture scholarships on offer at the University of Tasmania.

This includes eight scholarships, worth up to $10,000 each per year, for first-year students commencing studies in 2018.

Agriculture Student Outreach Coordinator Dr Joanna Jones said there are more scholarships available to students studying agriculture-related degrees than in any other study area at the University.

“The large number of agricultural scholarships available is a reflection of the high and growing demand for well-qualified agriculture graduates,” Dr Jones said.

“The University of Tasmania is ranked 44th in the world for agriculture, and the range of careers available for our graduates is immense, with graduates working in diverse areas such as agronomy, agribusiness, food safety and horticulture.

“We are incredibly grateful for the fantastic support from industry and community partners to ensure Tasmanians, including those from regional areas, have the opportunity to study agriculture.”

In 2016, Bachelor of Agricultural Science student Lauren Rowlands from Tunnack was awarded the inaugural Blundstone Scholarship, worth $30,000, to support her studies.

“The scholarship has helped pay for fees, petrol and textbooks, allowing me to direct my focus towards my studies, rather than worrying about these expenses,” Lauren said.

“I've always had a love for animals, but since beginning my degree at the University of Tasmania I've realised just how diverse the agriculture industry is. I've really enjoyed all the hands-on experiences, from going on field trips and camps to seeing all the different industries that we could all be a part of one day.

“I am very excited about the prospect of being able to work outside and travel around with a bachelor of agricultural science under my arm.”


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2018 Scholarships for Agriculture Students

Scholarships for students commencing an undergraduate degree in 2018 include:

- Agriculture and Food Systems Scholarship ($4,000 per year for up to four years)
- Blundstone Scholarship ($10,000 per year for up to three years)
- City of Devonport Lions Club Taste the Harvest Scholarship ($5,000 for one year)
- Costa North-West Scholarship in Agricultural Science ($10,000 per year for up to four years)
- Domino’s Give for Good Scholarship in Agriculture ($5,000 per year for up to three years)
- Lewis & Sons Bursary in Agricultural Science ($2,500 for one year)
- Professor George Wade Scholarship in Agricultural Science ($5,000 for one year)
- Relocation Bursary in Agricultural Science ($3,000 for one year)

Scholarships for second and third-year students include:

- Bert Campbell Memorial Scholarship in Agriculture ($2,500 for one year)
- David McEwan Scholarship in Agricultural Science ($8,000 per year for up to three years)
- Neale Edwards Scholarship in Agricultural Science or Forestry ($6,500 per year for up to three years)
- Robert Menary Tasmania University Scholarship in Agricultural Science ($4,000 per year for up to three years)
- Tasmanian Beef Industry Trust Scholarship in Agricultural Science ($4,000 for one year)

Scholarships for Honours students include:

- Costa Honours Scholarship in Agricultural Science ($10,000 for one year)
- Don Gaffney Scholarship ($25,000 for one year)
- Whitehead Family Honours Scholarship ($6,000 for one year)

Scholarships for postgraduate students include:

- Don Gaffney Scholarship ($25,000 per year for up to two years)

*Please note that this is not an exhaustive list of scholarships available to agriculture students. We encourage students to visit our website to view the full range of scholarships and bursaries that are available.