WIL & IS ANNUAL AWARDS 2015

6th Work Integrated Learning & 18th Industry Scholarship Awards

Celebrating 50 years of UON and industry collaboration
WIL STUDENT OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2015
Taylor was placed with the NU racing team to design and implement an improved finance system. Her recommendations resulted in an improved system for tracking income and expenditure which has been implemented by the team.

Taylor Corcoran  
Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Laws (Honours)  
Newcastle Business School

Faculty of Business & Law
Matthew Harper
Bachelor of Teaching (Honours)
School of Education

Mathew was an outstanding participant in the UON New Colombo Plan overseas mobility project. Collaborating with the not for profit organisation Cambodian Living Arts in Northern Cambodia, he co-conceived and implemented activities that helped build the capacity of Cambodian artists.
Fern York has exhibited art work internationally and nationally. She was recently invited by Kazuaki Tanahashi, world-renowned artist, Zen scholar and peace activist to attend the ‘4th international Zen Calligraphy Intensive’ in San Francisco, CA, USA and is well on her way to establishing an international reputation as an artist.
Jarrod developed a “Rock Initiative” program for Callaghan College, a NSW public secondary school catering for years 7 to 10, to inspire students to select music through their schooling with the aim of applying for an Education and Fine Arts Scholarship at this University. Thirty (30) students were involved in the project.
Yung Hyun Eum
Bachelor of Medical Radiation Science (Diagnostic Radiography)
School of Health Sciences

Yung Hyun has excelled in the professional placement component of the Bachelor of Medical Radiation Science (Diagnostic Radiography) program. In addition, to the compulsory WIL components Yung has been involved in development of a virtual x-ray laboratory which is to assist first year undergraduate students with preparation for their initial professional placement. Recent experience, as a student, as well as his depth of knowledge has been extremely valuable in the progress of the virtual laboratory.
Jemimah completed a Work Integrated Learning (WIL) program with NIB Health Fund. Jemimah was offered the placement opportunity as part of an Industry Scholarship, and spent her time working as a User Experience (UX) Designer where she was involved in everything from research and user testing, to designing landing pages and forms for mobile responsive web design.
Bronwyn Greive  
Bachelor of Natural History Illustration  
School of Design, Communication & Information Technology

Bronwyn designed a field guide for a popular nature track with Blackbutt Reserve while working with Newcastle City Council. The guide includes over 35 illustrations along with informative text. It has proven to be a success with bushwalkers and tourists. Bronwyn spent many hours liaising with academic staff to ensure the scientific accuracy of this creative guide. The pamphlet has been highly popular and is now in its third print run.
To provide WIL activities for our students, the University of Newcastle (UON) collaborates with business, industry, government and community, from small businesses to large enterprises, not for profit and for profit organisations.

To commemorate the importance of our industry partnerships and acknowledge the support of our partners, the University confers a WIL Hall of Fame award on a WIL host that has significantly contributed to, and benefited from, their participation in the placement activity.

The WIL Hall of Fame awards were expanded in 2015 to acknowledge not only the collaboration with small to medium sized organisations but also the large enterprises.
Hansen Yuncken is this year’s WIL Hall of Fame inductee. Hansen Yuncken is one of Australia's leading, privately owned construction companies. Founded in Victoria, the company has been in continual operation for over 90 years and has an annual turnover exceeding $1 billion.

Hansen Yuncken (HY) have been stalwart supporters of the Bachelor of Construction Management (Building) degree for over a decade. They have offered our students opportunities to gain real-world experience on a wide range of construction sites including aged care facilities, airports and clinics. These placements have been offered on a regular and continuing basis and HY have become a trusted supporter and an organisation UON can rely on to assist us.

In addition to these placements, Hansen Yuncken have also supported UON in a host of WIL-related activities and employ UON graduates with approximately 25 graduates currently employed by the organisation.
The inaugural WIL Hall of Fame (Enterprise Award) was awarded jointly to UON’s three partner LHDs (geographic divisions of the NSW Ministry of Health) for their significant contribution to the clinical placements of UON students in all medicine, nursing and allied health accredited programs.

Since 2012, the UON Partner LHDs have provided approximately 32,000 clinical placements opportunities for UON students, which represents over 2.5 million hours of clinical placements supporting UON students in 13 accredited programs undertaken by students in three faculties and distributed across Callaghan, Ourimbah and Port Macquarie Campuses.

Approximately 1000 graduates have been employed by the three LHDs over the last five years.
WIL STAFF OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2015
Dr Miranda Lawry  
School of Creative Arts

Miranda has coordinated the WIL course ‘Directed Study’ (AART3500) for 10 years and has developed a strong relationship between the local creative and related industries to develop WIL opportunities for our students, including international opportunities funded through the New Colombo Plan.

Year after year, the WIL Student of the Year awards have showcased the success of Miranda’s course, with four students acknowledged this year alone for their achievements.

Miranda’s course has expanded to include students from across the faculties and programs such as teaching, fine art, music and natural history illustration.
John, who was nominated for this award by the Hunter Imaging Group, has been instrumental in building a strong relationship with this important partner and in maintaining high standards of professional placement with the University’s diagnostic radiography program.

John has also been an active participant in WIL institutionally, nationally and internationally through his support and involvement in the UON WIL community, the Australian Collaborative Education Network (ACEN) and the World Association of Cooperative Education (WACE).
Mark has been a pacesetter in work integrated learning in the visual communications discipline for many years.

Recognising the value of partnerships with industry to the professional preparation of our students, Mark has facilitated cutting-edge and highly-sought ‘vis comm’ placements for students with organisations such as the Customer Experience team at Westpac and, recently, at NIB Health Funds.
INDUSTRY SCHOLARSHIP

STUDENT & SPONSOR AWARDS 2015
Industry Experience Award 2015

**AWARD RECIPIENT**

Priya Nath  
Bachelor of Business  
Newcastle Business School  
Faculty of Business and Law

Sponsor: **NAB**  
Representative: Angela Hugo

**HIGLY COMMENDED**

Peter McIntosh  
Bachelor of Construction Management (Building)  
School of Architecture and Built Environment  
Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment

Sponsor: **North Construction**
AWARD RECIPIENT
Sarah Gray
Bachelor of Engineering (Civil)
School of Engineering
Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment

Sponsor: Hunter Water
Representative: Angus Seberry

HIGHLY COMMENDED
Sachin Kaul
Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical)
School of Engineering
Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment

Sponsor: Origin Energy
AWARD RECIPIENT
Declan Clausen
Bachelor of Engineering (Environmental)
School of Engineering
Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment

Sponsor: Hunter Water
Representative: Angus Seberry

HIGHLY COMMENDED
Benjamin Coburn
Bachelor of Engineering (Civil)
School of Engineering
Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment

Sponsor: Keller Ground Engineering
CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR 2015 AWARD RECIPIENTS

Work Integrated Learning (WIL) and Industry Scholarships (IS) at the University of Newcastle are highly valued by our students in preparing them to be career-ready and in providing them with a competitive advantage in the employment marketplace. We congratulate our WIL and IS student award recipients and wish all the best in their future endeavours.

By working in collaboration with industry, and through the dedication of our academic and professional staff the University of Newcastle is able to provide WIL and industry-based programs across a broad range of degree programs and to a large number of undergraduate and post-graduate students.

We thank our industry partners and sponsors for their continued support, congratulate the 2015 WIL Hall of Fame inductees, and acknowledge the effort and innovation occurring in WIL across the University.