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## **Pharmacy students recognised for excellence at CSU**

Eleven Charles Sturt University (CSU) Pharmacy students have been rewarded for their effort and dedication to study through Charles Sturt Foundation Scholarships.

The scholarships were awarded to students studying the Bachelor of Pharmacy on the University's Wagga Wagga and Orange campuses for outstanding academic performance, community involvement, leadership and dedication to the future of the pharmacy profession.

This year, scholarships were awarded to Elise Taylor, Lisa Wallace and Zahra Al-Shadidi (Capital Chemist), Nakarri Ferguson (CountryPharm), Jack Simkin (Dowley's Amcal), Kyle Fairley (Lawlers Family Pharmacies), Mena Abdel Messih (Goulburn College of Advanced Education Alumni), Roshni Shah (John Matthews & Co Chemworld Chemist), Nicole Forbes (Kevin Dickson Memorial), Timothy Denham (Martin Phillips Pharmacy) and Nicola Thong (Pharmaceutical Society of Australia NSW).

Chair of the Charles Sturt Pharmacy Foundation Mr Peter Gissing says the scholarship program not only provides students with financial assistance, but has also in some cases resulted in the student undertaking their pre-registration year and full-time employment with the scholarship donor.

In 2007, the Charles Sturt Foundation awarded \$560,000 in scholarships to more than 235 students, with the total amount allocated to scholarships since the program began now standing in excess of \$5 million.

The Charles Sturt Foundation was established in 1982 with the sole purpose of providing a fabric of support for the University, its students and their educational activities.

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