

Date: 06-2005

Publication: Adelaidean

Scholarships give taste of Asian learning

Scholarships

A new scholarship scheme will enable talented University of Adelaide students like Anton Terava to travel to Asia to broaden their academic and cultural horizons.

The Endeavour Australia Cheung Kong Scholarship Program is jointly funded by the Federal Government and the Cheung Kong Group, the massive Hong-Kong based conglomerate which has business interests in Australia and 41 other countries and employs more than 180,000 people worldwide.

Cheung Kong has further links with Adelaide through one of its most senior executives, Mr HL Kam. Mr Kam, who played a significant role in establishing the scholarships program, was the guest speaker at the University of Adelaide's offshore graduation ceremony earlier this year.

The scholarships gives undergraduate and postgraduate students from Australia and Asia the opportunity to study in each other's home environments.

Anton, a third-year Bachelor of Economics and Finance student, will leave for Thailand this



Anton Terava
Photo by Sathasat Rhoana

month to study International Economics at Thammasat University in Bangkok for two semesters.

"I am very excited because this university is one of the best in the field of economics in the South-East Asian region," Anton said. "Because the program is taught in English, language will not be a problem and I will be able to network with other students and staff," he said.

"From an economic perspective, it will be interesting to study in Thailand because it is an up and coming economy. Also, living there, I will be forced out of my comfort zone," he said. "Asia is our backyard, and our main trading partner, so it makes more sense to study there than in Europe or America," he said.

Story by Sathasat Rhoana

Applications for postgraduate Endeavour Australia Cheung Kong Scholarships are now open, and close on Friday, August 12. For more information, visit www.adelaide.edu.au/scholarships