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Prestigious scholarship for Amanda

RMIT University student and Moorabool Shire Long Forest resident Amanda Feetham, has been awarded a prestigious scholarship grant to undertake a student exchange to China.

Ms Feetham is among the third round of students to be selected for the Cheung Kong Endeavour Australia Scholarship grants, an international scholarship program jointly funded by the Federal Government and Cheung Kong Holdings Limited.

It is expected that in 2007, 51 undergraduate and postgraduate students will travel between Victoria and Asia Pacific nations to study and learn more about different societies and cultures. The number of Australian students undertaking exchange in the national 2007 program will this year exceed 200. Undergraduate student Ms Feetham will spend a semester at the China University of Mining and Technology, located in Xuzhou in the Jiangsu province, furthering her studies in Multimedia Cartography through working with postgraduate students to produce a multimedia product exploring Xuzhou's Guishan Hanmu Tomb.

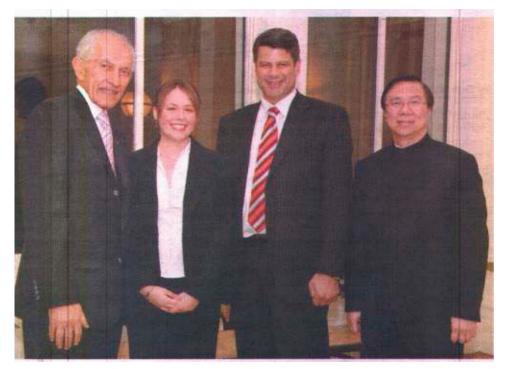
Ms Feetham and fellow scholarship recipients were honoured at a special ceremony hosted by, the then Premier, Steve Bracks at Government House recently.

Ms Feetham said that she is grateful for the opportunities the Cheung Kong Scholarship program has offered her.

"The scholarship has given me the chance to study in China, something that I would have been unable to do without help.

"I am really excited about the research project I have been asked to undertake while on exchange, and am looking forward to learning more about it when I depart on exchange in August," she said.

Mr H L Kam, Group Managing Director of Cheung Kong Infrastructure Holdings Limited said "Through such exchanges between young Asian and Australian university students comes understanding and appreciation, which is vital for the future development of the Asia Pacific region. "The scholarships offer a great channel for nurturing exchange between Australia and Asia, and we are delighted to contribute towards their design, funding and establishment," Mr Kam said.



(L- R) Governor Professor David de Kretser, winner Amanda Feetham, the then Victorian Premier Steve Bracks and Cheung Kong Holdings Director H L Kam at a recent function celebrating the awards.