

# Media Release

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## International tour winner announced

Hannah Humphris' 2015 study calendar now boasts a trip to India, after being announced as the winner of the second international study tour to take place next year.

The TAFE Queensland Brisbane fashion student won the full scholarship as part of the Global Learning Scholarship Program, which has already seen one group of students take off for New York this month. Fellow student Taylor Bourne was announced as runner up and receives a partial scholarship.

Hannah, who won the financial boost thanks to the partnership between TAFE Queensland Brisbane, Global Education Skills Alliance (GESA) and Rotary International District 9630, will depart Brisbane in April next year bound for Ahmedabad, India, together with nine of her peers.

"India has an emerging fashion industry embedded in a very traditional design history, so this next study tour will be a real learning experience for the students in terms of learning about the country's adaption to global fashion trends," Education Manager Helen Stanley said.

"It's certainly an exciting time to be studying at TAFE Queensland Brisbane, with a further thirty student grants to be made available throughout the year, funded by the Australian Government Department of Education AsiaBound Grants and VET Outbound Mobility Program."

Hannah's trip will involve a couple of days spent at the National Institute of Fashion Technology in Ahmedabad, as well as visits to museums, markets and villages to watch traditional Indian spinners, weavers, printers and embroiders at work.

"I'm most looking forward to learning about the longstanding traditions of Indian textiles, including silk weaving, the use of gold threads, and the different dyeing and embellishment techniques they employ," Hannah said.

"This is such a great opportunity for me to mix with new cultures and experience life in Indian communities and villages. I am looking forward to meeting both Indian students and longstanding practitioners and to gain practical experience. Studying abroad and experiencing a new way of life will be a fantastic experience and broaden my knowledge of different cultures in a busy and vibrant country. I hope this study tour will help me incorporate the exciting Indian techniques in my future designs. I am very grateful for this opportunity and look forward to being apart of this study tour."

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