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Sewing the road to success-TAFE Queensland student awarded QOF Scholarship

TAFE Queensland Brisbane's 2014 fashion graduate, Adelaide Pollock, has been awarded the prestigious Queensland Overseas Foundation Scholarship (QOF).

Presented this morning at the QOF Scholarship ceremony held at Brisbane's Parliament House, Adelaide Pollock was fortunate to receive the Scholarship worth up to \$7,500. The grant will allow Ms Pollock to travel and work in Hong Kong at [BBase Fashion House](#), who specialise in eyewear and accessories for large labels such as Top Shop and ZARA.

The scholarship aims to support high achieving education and training graduates (Cert III and above) to broaden their horizons and improve career prospects by providing the opportunity to work overseas.

Ms Pollock said, "The support and guidance was unbelievable at TAFE Queensland. I was never going to fit into the mould of a University. I was after a 'hands on' approach, great contact with teachers, all in a friendly endearing environment that would push me further."

Made aware of the scholarship opportunity by her lecturers, Ms Pollock said that the 'brilliant teachers were a highlight of her time studying at TAFE Queensland."

Creative Arts and Digital Design lecturer Patricia Hart has been delighted with Ms Pollock's achievement. "TAFE Queensland Brisbane has once again proven it 'makes great happen' for students. I am proud of Adelaide (Addie) Pollock, a deserving winner of the QOF scholarship. Addie was an exemplary student whose initiative and organisational skills resulted in the offer of an international fashion internship in Hong Kong. "

Ms Pollock will depart for her adventure later this year, although she hopes to continue working in large Fashion Houses around the world before coming home to Australia and possibly starting her own label.

Established in 1976, the Foundation has already seen over 100 Queenslanders across a range of industries (including chefs, designers, professional services, mechanical trades) travel to Europe, Asia and the Americas in the pursuit of career experience. These outstanding professionals have returned and shared not only insights from their industry but learnt so much from a cultural perspective.

TAFE Queensland Brisbane believes that the knowledge that Ms Pollack can gain will not just benefit her in the future but also her fellow students.

“We wish her all the best and look forward to Addie’s return when she will be able to share her experiences with the students and staff from the fashion department and inspire other fashion students to follow in her footsteps;” said Lecturer Patricia Hart.

TAFE Queensland Brisbane’s fashion programs are recognised worldwide as being cutting-edge, with connections to well know design houses around the world. To find out more about TAFE Queensland Brisbane’s Fashion programs please visit tafebrisbane.edu.au or call 13 72 48 to find out more.

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