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# Media Release

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## ***Scholarship Program Announced***

Townsville Port Authority has announced the formation of a new scholarship program aimed at students enrolled or planning to enrol at James Cook University.

The program, which will commence in 2007, will award \$5,000 dollars to a full-time student in an undergraduate degree course at JCU.

It will focus on disciplines likely to contribute to improved management in the mining, metallurgical or maritime transport and logistics industries in North or North-Western Queensland. It will be awarded annually.

Recipients of the Scholarship may also be offered the opportunity to undertake a paid internship with Townsville Port Authority at the end of the year of study in which they receive the scholarship.

Mr. Ron McLean, Townsville Port Authority Chairman, said: "Townsville Port Authority plays an integral role in the commercial and export life of North and North Western Queensland and has a strong interest in furthering the long-term development of the region through the education and training of the region's future industry leaders.

"This scholarship reflects Townsville Port Authority's strong belief that no student should be denied the opportunity to study and complete a degree because of social or financial circumstances," he said.

Eligible students must be from the Mt Isa-Townsville Economic Zone (MITEZ) – which includes the Local Government Areas of Mount Isa City, Cloncurry Shire, McKinlay Shire, Richmond Shire, Flinders Shire, Dalrymple Shire, Charters Towers City, Thuringowa City and Townsville City.

The Scholarship will be administered by James Cook University on behalf of Townsville Port Authority.

A copy of the scholarship details is attached.

### **Note to chief of staff:**

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