

DAFYDD LEWIS TRUST SCHOLARSHIP 2018 UPDATE



2018 NEW SCHOLARS

15 young men from a variety of regional Victorian and city based secondary schools were awarded a Dafydd Lewis Trust Scholarship in January and were welcomed to the Lewis network at the annual welcome event in February.

2018 scholars cover a wide variety of courses; a range of Science disciplines (Pharmaceutical, Biomedical and Medical), Commerce/Business, Accounting and Engineering.

In 2018, 50 young men in total are being actively supported with a Dafydd Lewis Trust Scholarship for studies at a variety of Victorian universities.



CELEBRATING OUR ALUMNI NADEEM HEKMAT - FROM DLT SCHOLAR TO SCHOLARSHIP TRUSTEE



Nadeem was a Dafydd Lewis Scholar from 2011 – 2015 and completed the Bachelor of Law/Bachelor of Commerce at Deakin University.

Nadeem is a Workplace Relations, Employment and Safety Lawyer at Clayton Utz which followed a graduateat-law position and clerkship at Clayton Utz and clerkship at Maurice Blackburn. He has also completed a legal officer internship at State Revenue Office Victoria and Paralegal/Administrative Assistant position at Shine Lawyers. Nadeem understands the power of education and aims to continue his involvement in activities providing underprivileged public school students the resources they need to realise their potential.

The Dafydd Lewis Trust was established in 1943 by a businessman who believed in education and hard work. He created a charitable trust to give future generations of young men the benefit of a university education.

The Dafydd Lewis Trust provides equity and merit-based scholarships of \$10,000 a year for 3 years to young men who might not have otherwise received a University education due to the limited financial resources of their parents. Multiple scholarships are awarded every year for full-time undergraduate degrees in most courses at any university in Victoria



MARY JANE LEWIS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION 2018 UPDATE



MJL SCHOLARSHIP TRUSTEE AND ALUMNI - ANASTASIA PLISCHKA



Obstacles were always a part of my life. I entered foster-care at five, both of my parents suffer from schizophrenia, and I come from a lowincome household.

However, my parents always pushed my education from the sidelines and my last foster family supported my educational endeavours. I strived to achieve the highest results possible and was on track to achieve my dreams until I developed Chronic Fatigue Syndrome at 16. Nevertheless, I continued to push through and fought for high enough results to be accepted to a Bachelor of Science at the University of Melbourne.

Ten years have passed since I graduated high school and the MJL Scholarship provided me not only with the financial, but also emotional, support to complete my undergraduate degree, travel the world, and begin a Master of Engineering. I am now only a few months off completing this degree. In balancing study with my career, I have gained extensive experience in the mining industry, and I am now tackling the construction industry. The MJL Scholarship allowed me to pursue a career in industries with less female representation. I have been able to champion MJL's message in these industries and with that I have received recognition as the Victorian Exceptional Young Woman in Mining (2015) and I have been included on the WIM(UK) 100 Global Inspiration Women in Mining in 2016. I am happily engaged, financially stable, and looking forward to where my life is taking me.

Now, being a Mary Jane Lewis Trustee, I relish the opportunity to give back to the foundation that gave me my leg-up in life.

2018 MJL SCHOLARS



New scholars (one deferred)



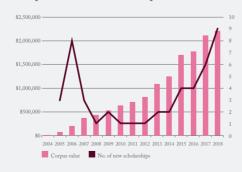


MJL FINANCIALS

Equity Trustees is the Corporate Trustee of the Mary Jane Lewis Scholarship Foundation and responsible for the prudent investment of the Foundation's assets. It works in collaboration with the Scholarship Trustees to give young women the opportunity to embark upon a University education.

- Raised \$294,390 in donations for 2016/2017 financial year.
- As of mid-March 2018, the Foundation has more than \$2.2M in total assets

Corpus value and scholarships awarded



TRANSPORT FOR VICTORIA Scholarships

The Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources (DEDJTR) has for a second year partnered with MJL to provide Transport Sector Scholarships. In 2018, five were awarded.

