

Study with paid rent

WITH over 70 internal scholarships available and plenty more accessible externally, one ACU award is proving popular with rural and remote students.

The ACU Indigenous Accommodation Award (available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students studying full time at ACU) has real impact on students' deciding to come to university.

The award allows students to concentrate on succeeding in their studies, while having their rental fees paid.

Students who receive the award will model leadership attributes and share their knowledge of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and cultures.

2018 Brisbane recipient Darius Neven said the award



Isabella Raleigh with ACU Indigenous Accommodation Award recipient Darius Neven.

has given him the opportunity to focus solely on his studies. Darius, from St George, Queensland, is in his second year

of a Bachelor of Applied Public Health. The award has relieved the stress of moving to Brisbane to study,

finding suitable accommodation and the worry of meeting rent and associated bills. Darius said that the award has also

provided him with the opportunity to make new friends from ACU and other universities that he may not have had the opportunity

to meet had it not been for this award. All of the ACU purpose-built accommodation in Brisbane, Sydney,

Canberra and Ballarat (with Melbourne to be announced shortly) are fully furnished.

The multi-share apartments and houses offer private, spacious, lockable bedrooms and the social benefits of a share lounge room, kitchen and bathrooms.

Each is designed to cater to needs of students, offering safe and secure accommodation with the added benefits of academic support and several free social events each week.

Eligible students are strongly encouraged to apply for this opportunity which will support them while living away from their home and community.

For further information email issp@acu.edu.au or visit <http://www.acu.edu.au/898047>

Deborah's music is honoured in SA

WHEN Yorta Yorta woman, Deborah Cheetham attended UniSA's graduation ceremony to receive her Honorary Doctorate, one of her own compositions played as music at the ceremony.

Ms Cheetham was commissioned to lead the composition of a special piece of music to be used at all UniSA graduations. The *Ancient Lands* processional was heard for the first time at April graduations at the university's new Pridham Hall.

UniSA Vice Chancellor, Professor David Lloyd said her music reflects the university's ongoing commitment to Aboriginal recognition and advancing equity.

"We are delighted to be able to incorporate this wonderful composition, from a truly remarkable and talented Aboriginal woman, in our graduation ceremonies and to recognise Deborah's enormous contribution to Australian culture," Prof Lloyd said.

"Deborah has been a pioneer in the Australian arts landscape, has mentored many aspiring artists and opened up significant pathways for young Aboriginal people and children to build careers in the arts and experience the joy and empowerment of performing," Prof Lloyd said.

"Not only an accomplished opera singer, she has also developed and staged landmark musical works including *Pecan Summer*, the first opera written by an Aboriginal Australian for an Aboriginal cast.

"She is an innovator in the arts, and has brought together her considerable talents as a writer, performer and entrepreneur to lead success through ventures such as the Short Black Opera Pty Ltd.

"We are delighted to showcase her work as part of our graduations and to welcome her to the University of South Australia community."

In 2000, Ms Cheetham was commissioned to

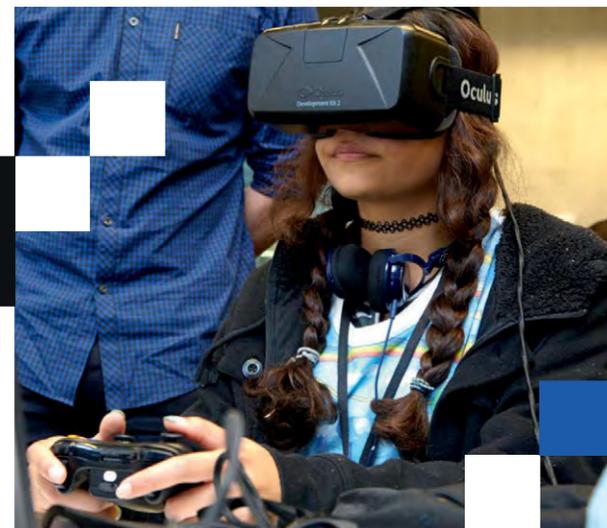


Deborah Cheetham.

write and perform an original composition, *Dali Mana Gamarada*, which she performed as the welcome to country at the Sydney Olympics.

In 2007 she was awarded a prestigious two-year fellowship from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Board of the Australia Council for the Arts, giving her the time and opportunity to complete *Pecan Summer*.

The opera has had three seasons in Melbourne, Perth and Adelaide. Ms Cheetham was appointed as an officer of the Order of Australia in 2014 for her distinguished service to the performing arts.



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HOW: Visit galuwa.uts.edu.au for more information to apply

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