National bushfire program offering scholarships

The Bushfire Cooperative Research Centre is an exciting national collaboration in bushfire research across more than 40 partners from fire, emergency services and land management organisations, research institutions and universities. One of the principle objectives of the Bushfire CRC is to maintain and expand the research capacity and capability of the industry. The Bushfire CRC scholarship program is a key way in which we seek to attract and support students with an interest in this industry.

Scholarships are now available to high quality students undertaking the research component of a Masters by coursework degree in relevant disciplines or programs where this research could extend the depth and breadth of the Bushfire CRC Research Program.

The Bushfire CRC has a multi-disciplinary focus with a research program covering the following themes:
- Understanding Risk
- Communicating Risk
- Managing the Threat
- Economics and Future Scenarios

The current research program has a particular focus in examining the national issues arising out of the Black Saturday bushfires in February 2009 in Victoria. This is likely to be extended in the future as the CRC evolves into a research institute. Full details of the current research program and our previous research activities are on the Bushfire CRC website (www.bushfirecrc.com).

The Masters Scholarship Program supports and extends the broader research activities of the Bushfire CRC and provides access to:
- 6 months stipend funding of $5,000
- Access to up to $1000 project support funding
- Access to industry expertise and support
- Opportunity to attend annual Industry Conference as a subsidised Bushfire CRC student

Please note the Bushfire CRC Scholarship does not cover coursework fees.

To apply for a Bushfire CRC Masters Scholarship, please forward the following to: annette.allen@bushfirecrc.com

- Details of the course you are currently enrolled in (specifically identifying the duration and requirements of the research component of that course)
- 1 page outline of your research project including a short discussion on how you believe your research will enhance and extend the Bushfire CRC Research Program.
- Short Curriculum Vitae
- Copy of academic results to date

Applications for 2012 must be received by 18th March 2012.