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FINSIA expands scholarship program to develop next generation finance professionals

FINSIA, Australasia's peak financial services body, today announced that it will award a full scholarship place to an outstanding Finsia member on Monash's MBA program valued at \$61,200.

The announcement of the FINSIA–Monash MBA Scholarship takes FINSIA's scholarship offering to over \$150,000.

"Scholarships are one of the many ways that we contribute to the professional development of our members", Acting CEO Jane Endacott said. "We know that FINSIA members are committed to advancing their careers, and scholarships are an ideal way to help our members achieve their personal and professional goals."

"The FINSIA–Monash MBA Scholarship is one of a number of new initiatives that we are starting in the coming weeks. The scholarship runs in conjunction with mentoring programs Career Connect and Career Builder, and a membership package for international students studying in Australia."

The Monash MBA program is specifically designed for emerging professionals aiming to move into leadership roles.

"In developing the Monash MBA program, we are looking to build leaders equipped to solve next generation problems, who understand the crucial role that Australia plays in regional markets", said Professor Richard Hall, Deputy Dean, Leadership and Executive Education at the Monash Business School. "Through the scholarship, we are delighted to assist an eligible FINSIA member to reach their leadership potential."

The winner of the scholarship will be chosen by a selection panel. Eligible applicants must be FINSIA members who meet the minimum entry requirements for the Monash MBA.

Also in the FINSIA scholarship program for the first half of 2016:

- > Five successful young finance professionals will be awarded places in vocational project management programs provided by Australis College valued at \$62,500.
- > A place on IECL's exclusive Ignite Leadership Coaching Program valued at \$10,000.
- > The FINSIA Hugh DT Williamson Scholarship, which awards \$16,500 to an outstanding FINSIA member who is under 35 to undertake a leadership, education or professional development program of their choice.

Details

Scholarship: FINSIA–Monash MBA Scholarship

Award: The award is admission and a full fee waiver for the program fees for the Monash MBA commencing in February 2017.

Applications open in June 2016.

For more information visit www.finsia.com/scholarships

FINSIA. Where the financial leaders go.

In a rapidly changing world, you need the full picture in order to lead. And the full picture comes from the only professional membership body that represents the entire financial services industry — FINSIA. It's the place where leaders are born and where they grow. It's where you'll find CEOs of the major banks, executives from over half the ASX 200 and today and tomorrow's leading fintech entrepreneurs.

FINSIA has supported the personal and professional development of finance professionals for more than 130 years. We do this by helping our members get connected, get known and get inspired.

So if you want to get ahead in the world of finance, go where the leaders go and join FINSIA.

Monash Business School

Monash Business School is one of the world's leading research-intensive business schools. Based in Melbourne, and part of Monash University, Australia's largest and most diverse university, the School is among the 1% of business schools in the world to have achieved the elite 'triple crown' accreditation by the three main business school accrediting bodies: the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), the EFMD Quality Improvement System (EQUIS), and the international Association of MBAs (AMBA). The School's ambition is to transform business by advancing knowledge and addressing global challenges. It does this by educating the world's future business and societal leaders and by contributing to the development, growth and transformation of local, national and international economies through research.

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