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Steve Balcombe Scholarship winner starts work at TasWater

Callum Tate, the winner of the 2016 Steve Balcombe Scholarship, has commenced full-time work with TasWater this year, after completing his engineering degree at the University of Tasmania.

Originally from Pyengana, Callum received his scholarship four years ago. The scholarship is offered by TasWater annually to support a student studying in an area relevant to the water industry such as engineering, environmental science and earth science.

The scholarship provided Callum with \$3000 in assistance for each year of his university course as well as professional mentoring support while he took part in work placements at TasWater.

Recipients of the Steve Balcombe Scholarship gain insight and experience in the water industry and participate in live projects with real outcomes to improve the delivery and quality of water, protect the environment and help improve essential water and sewerage services.

“Because of the industry placement and mentoring I received while undertaking my engineering degree, it was a pretty seamless transition when I started working for TasWater full-time,” Callum said.

Callum is now employed with TasWater as a Graduate Engineer for Water System Optimisation.

“My day to day job involves monitoring a set of water treatment plants in the North East of the state and working on ways to improve monitoring and regulatory compliance at water treatment plants,” he said.

“It’s been great so far, all the people I work with are friendly and have been very welcoming of me joining the team.”

Callum, who is based in Hobart, is just one of many university graduates who have commenced full-time employment with TasWater this year.

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