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2009 Phillipa Weeks Scholarship in Law awarded

Lachlan Smith has been named the 2nd recipient of the Phillipa Weeks Scholarship in Law at the Australian National University.

Lachlan was raised in the town of Heywood in south-west Victoria. He attended Heywood and District Secondary College where he was a member of a relatively small year 12 VCE contingent of around 16 students. During this time, Lachlan served as the school captain, as a member of the school council and also on the student representative council. He also represented the school in interschool athletic and swimming carnivals, and organised fundraisers along with fellow students.

"School, for me, was an opportunity to embrace my study, but also to have input in the school community. Having visited the ANU for open days, I found the atmosphere here very encouraging and the quality of the courses offered exceptional," Lachlan said.



In Heywood, Lachlan is a member of the local Heywood Apex Club and is also involved in politics.

"Law and politics go hand in hand as the foundations of the society we live in, and in Australia our society is something we should truly be proud of. To contribute to these fields in the future would be a great honour."

Lachlan is studying a combined Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Laws degree at the Australian National University, and intends to pursue a major in International Relations. Lachlan is excited about commencing his degree, and says that he is enthusiastic about embracing the challenges ahead.

The Phillipa Weeks Scholarship in Law is named in memory of Phillipa Weeks, a former Professor of Law at the ANU College of Law (1979-2006). It is offered each year to a student of rural background, whose academic merit and community involvement is considered worthy of recognition.

For more information on the please see the [Phillipa Weeks Scholarship in Law webpage](#).