

Grant for student

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■ EDUCATION

ONE student's ambition to work with forensic crime scenes has been made easier through the help of an ACT foundation.

Former Queanbeyan High School student Martin Curran bought textbooks and mandatory reading material for the course he is undertaking at the University of Canberra, thanks to a scholarship from the Snow Foundation.

The ex-school captain received \$2000 to spend on his university studies after being recognised for his efforts made at school.

"I had to give a reason why I would want to be given it, what uni I expected to study at and what course," he said.

"I studied science for a few subjects in high school, including chemistry, biology and physics."

Curran is now enrolled in a forensic science course and is aiming to work for either the Australian Federal Police or a government agency.

Queanbeyan High School's Christine Cameron said The Snow Foundation provided financial assistance to local students who wished to enhance their education.

"They support a range of people from the ACT and Queanbeyan," she said.

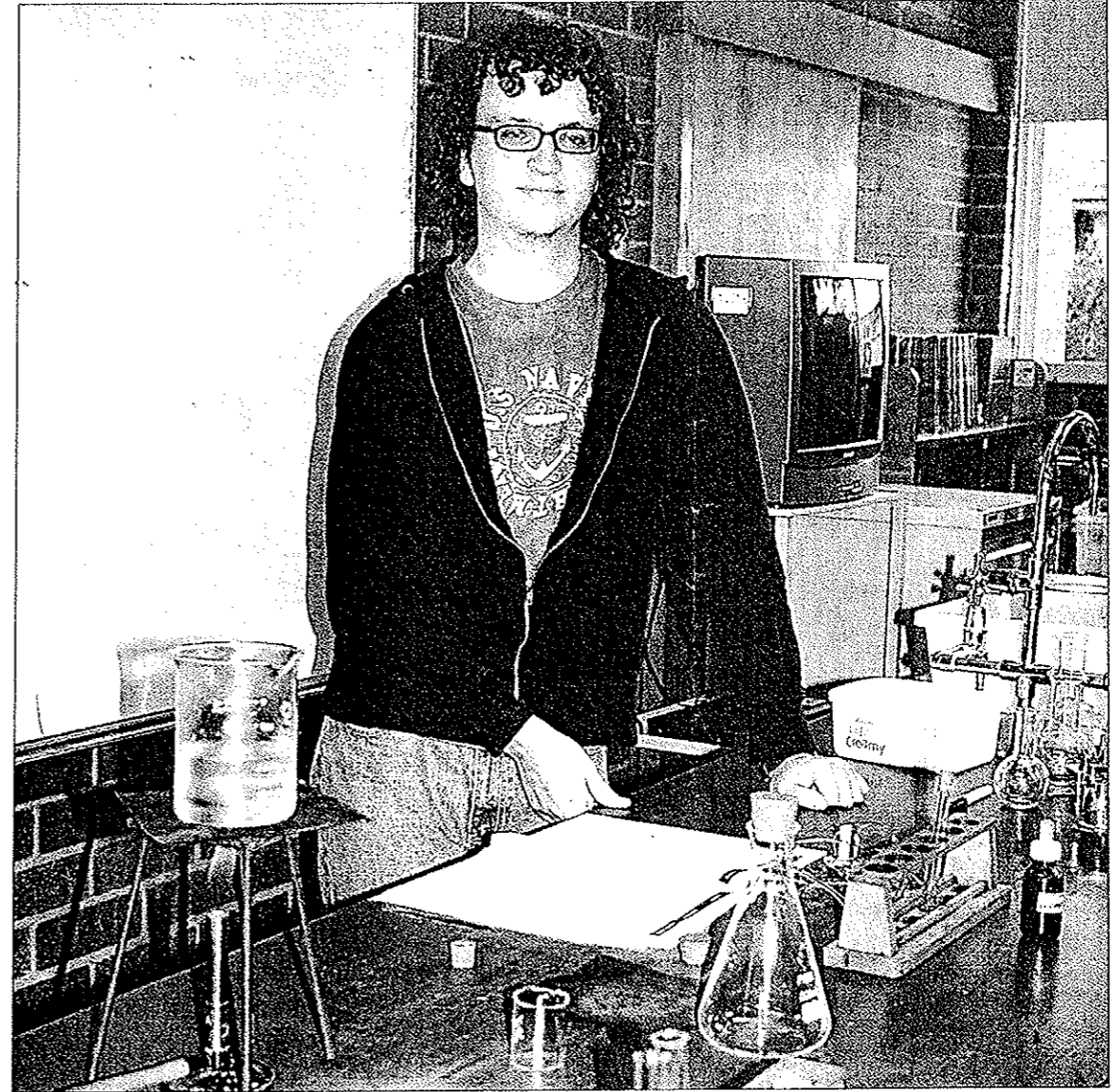
"It eases the initial burden of going to university."

Money left over from the scholarship will be used to hopefully fund the purchase of a new netbook or notebook for the student.

The Snow Foundation has given more than \$2.5 million since its inception in 1990.

One of the foundation's aims is to provide opportunities for youth which may not otherwise be available to them such as education, sport and recreation.

It also aims to alleviate hardship and assist the disadvantaged, vulnerable, homeless and destitute, while also providing relief to people with major health issues and disabilities.



RECIPIENT: Former Queanbeyan High School student Martin Curran was the recipient of a Snow Foundation education scholarship, which he will use for his forensic science studies at university.