



DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PhD) SCHOLARSHIP QUT FACULTY OF EDUCATION

\$26,669 per annum, tax free (up to 3 years duration)

Applications are invited from appropriately qualified individuals for a scholarship to undertake their PhD in Education, with the primary focus of the project being on secondary science teacher education.

The Project:

Arresting high attrition rates of beginning science teachers is an educational and economic priority. Before it is possible to develop effective strategies for retaining science teachers, we must first understand how new teachers experience work during their transition from university to schools. The study investigates the empirical basis of identity and emotion in science teacher activity. Video-based ethnographies will track science teachers through their teacher education program and first two years of teaching. The analytical techniques used will produce crucial insights into teacher practice, and provide evidence for further development of cultural-historical activity theory.

The Scholarship:

The award is based in Brisbane, Queensland and will commence in 2009. There is a stipend of \$26,669pa (tax free and indexed annually) for three years, full-time study.

Application Criteria:

Applicants should hold at least Honours 2A or equivalent qualifications. The applicant should be an Honours or Masters graduate with secondary teaching experience and an interest in science teacher education. Research training and completion of a research dissertation, thesis and/or research publications are desirable but not mandatory.

Applications close: 5:00pm Tuesday, 30th June 2009

For further information and to express your interest in this scholarship, please contact:

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