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Scholarship for budding psychologist

18 year old Daniel Bollom from Bowral is this year's recipient of the Bowral & District Hospital Centenary Scholarship.

Daniel, who graduated from Oxley College last year has taken out the four year scholarship worth \$1,000 a year.

Daniel will soon begin studies in a Bachelor of Psychology at the University of Wollongong.

"Psychology is an area that I find very interesting, one that's growing and moving forward in new and exciting directions," Daniel said.

"As someone who has been affected by mental illness in the past, I would like to be doing something to give back to the people who helped me and to the community in general, especially in rural areas such as the Southern Highlands.

"I was incredibly happy to have received the scholarship! I will be living on campus in Wollongong, so the scholarship will make life just that little bit easier, especially with the changes of moving out of home and starting uni," he said.

David Ryan, Director of Clinical & Support Services at Bowral & District Hospital said the scholarship is available to year 12 students from secondary schools in the Wingecarribee Shire who plan on undertaking a health related course.

"We have offered the Centenary Scholarship for 25 years as a way for the Hospital to thank the community for its support over its first 100 years," Mr Ryan said.

"Over the years we've seen recipients interested in a diverse range of health related fields including medicine, nursing and surgery.

"The scholarship was created in the Hospital's centenary year by volunteers and hospital staff, and continues to be supported by hospital staff and volunteer fundraising activities as well as charitable donations from organisations within our local community," he said.