

Djarragun College students visit ICMS during Careers Week

The International College of Management, Sydney (ICMS) is hosting 20 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students between the ages of 16 – 20 during Careers Week (26th October – 1st November) from Djarragun College.

Djarragun College located 20km south of Cairns in Gordonvale, far north Queensland, supports disadvantaged children in remote communities by providing them with pastoral care and primary, middle and secondary education.

Simon Pawson, Head of School (School of International Tourism Management) from ICMS instigated the partnership with Djarragun College in 2007 and has a vested interest in Indigenous participation in Australian tourism. Simon is currently completing postgraduate research in Indigenous persons and the tourism industry.

“We are very much looking forward to hosting students from Djarragun College here at Manly in the next few weeks. The importance of training indigenous Australians within the hospitality industry is imperative to the sustainable tourism industry as a whole. We are excited to do our bit and are very much looking forward to having talented Djarragun students enrolled in our College in 2009. These students will surely add to the diversity of our College culture,” says Simon Pawson.

The 20 Djarragun College students will be arriving at The International College of Management, Sydney on Sunday 26th October and will be attending classes for the week and College events, will have sessions with program heads and participate in an ICMS vs. Djarragun rugby match.

ICMS is offering two scholarships for their diploma program specializing in Sport Management, International Tourism, Retail Services Management, Hospitality Management or Events Management. The scholarships will also include accommodation and meals. ICMS will also assist Djarragun students who wish to apply to study at ICMS under abstudy.

ICMS has a long standing relationship with Djarragun College. To date ICMS has participated in Djarragun's careers day, was guests of honor at Djarragun's speech day and ICMS also sponsors Djarragun's hospitality award.

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