



## INTERNET ARTICLE

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### Department funds Cum Laude student

The Department of Water and Sanitation has over the years provided bursaries to students with a keen interest in the water and sanitation sector.

One of the successful bursars is Danica Carnow from Mitchells Plain in Cape Town. She was awarded a bursary in 2013 while she was still doing her undergraduate qualification in Environment Sciences.

Carnow has since worked hard and is pursuing her PhD studies. While in conversation with the DWS, she expressed profound appreciation for the assistance she has received from the Department in her academic career.

“The bursary has significantly opened doors for me to accomplish my dream of attaining my PhD within the field of hydrogeology. The bursary provided me with unconditional support, and a stress-free and holistic educational environment, for which I am eternally thankful and grateful for,” Carnow said.

She further added: With such support, I have successfully and proudly attained my Undergraduate, Honours and Master’s Degrees in Cum Laude. With the assistance and support of Department, I can proudly say that I am well on my way to attaining my PhD.”

Carnow is presently a prospective PhD student in Environmental and Water Science, majoring in Hydrogeology at the University of the Western Cape.

She said it is through her mother’s determination and resilience that has taught her to always reach for greater heights.

“My mother, Nazleen Carnow, grew up on the Cape Flats in Bridgetown. She and her three brothers were raised by their father who had instilled great core values such as perseverance, respect and determination. She, unlike me, never had the opportunity to further her studies at a tertiary institution. As a result, she started working at the age of 18 as an Administrative Clerk and over the past 25 years, has worked herself up to a bookkeeping position,” she said.





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Her PhD study will focus ways to alleviate water shortages commonly experienced in the City of Cape Town as a result of droughts.

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