

## **Fulbright Award winner announced**

A School of Government PhD student studying the feasibility of creating marine protected areas in the high seas – beyond any nation’s jurisdiction – has been awarded one of only eight prestigious Fulbright Postgraduate Awards for Australian students for 2004-05.

Under the award Cheryle Hislop will continue her doctoral research in the United States.

The concept of extending marine protected areas out into the high seas and the seabed raises significant social, geopolitical, legal and institutional challenges.



Cheryle will explore these dilemmas and construct potential solutions for both protective policy and ecosystem-based adaptive management based on a blend of theories, discourses, models and empirical data.

Her marine policy work has also been recognised by the Association for Canadian Studies in Australia and New Zealand (ACSANZ).

Cheryle will travel to Canada under an ACSANZ postgraduate award to research the process taken by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, which led to the creation of the Endeavour Hydrothermal Vent Marine Protected Area in deep water off Canada’s west coast.

After Canada, Cheryle will travel to the United States for a year to take up the Fulbright Scholarship.

For the first 6 months she will work with Dr Biliانا Cicin-Sain and colleagues at the Centre for the Study of Marine Policy at the University of Delaware.

Dr Cicin-Sain and the Centre are renowned for their work on integrated ocean and coastal management, and Cheryle has been invited to participate in a national marine policy comparative study.

The second half of the year will see Cheryle head north to the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution’s Marine Policy Centre, Massachusetts, to continue research and collaboration on ecological economic models and adaptive management processes for high seas marine protected areas.