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## Media Release

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# RMIT, University of Queensland and Curtin University graduates win SIA OHS education awards

The Safety Institute of Australia last night announced the winners of the SIA National OHS Education Awards. These awards are made at the undergraduate and post graduate levels recognising

- Technical and theoretical knowledge
- Ability to access, analyse and evaluate information
- Ability to solve problems related to OHS
- Communication skills to transmit knowledge, skills and ideas
- Demonstrated application of knowledge and skills in practical situations.

Suzanne Gilbey of Curtin University won the Post Graduate - Masters award, Effie Eleftheriadis, from RMIT University took out the postgraduate diploma award with Jayden Lim of the University of Queensland winning in the undergraduate category. Suzanne, Effie and Jayden receive a professional development funds to \$2000.

The two post graduate awards demonstrate the quality of the theoretical and practical outcomes of OHS professional education. In addition to excellent academic results throughout the program Suzanne Gilbey's thesis on agricultural dust exposure during seeding operations demonstrated commitment and resourcefulness in data collection and analysis in a challenging environment.

Effie Eleftheriadis demonstrated an enhanced ability to apply OHS principles to practical workplace issues with her final project on contractor control in a complex organisation being instrumental in advancing her employment situation.

As a young entrant to the OHS field, through his studies and work placements Jayden Lim demonstrated a mature ability to adapt concepts from other disciplines to develop innovative approaches to OHS.

In making the awards, Patrick Murphy of the SIA congratulated Suzanne, Effie and Jayden saying that it was inspiring to provide this award to the people who represent the future of OHS in Australia.

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