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Tradition Continues at Cutcher & Neale

Accounting and financial services firm Cutcher & Neale is continuing its 40-year-tradition of offering traineeships to students. Five trainees, Brendon Leong, Christen Seward, Charlotte Miles, Christine Cox and Patrick Fester began work this month with Cutcher & Neale while undertaking their commerce degrees part time at The University of Newcastle.

Also receiving a graduate traineeship is Natalia Cotton. Natalia has been employed with the firm for three years and was previously in a support role, she will now commence as a trainee in the accounting and taxation division. Natalia will also undertake her commerce degree part time at The University of Newcastle.

As testimony to the success of the program, three partners, Sandy MacNeill, David Carpenter and Mark O'Connor, began as trainees with Cutcher & Neale. "The fact that three of our partners commenced at the trainee level shows the trainees that they have the opportunity to continue to learn, grow and succeed over their entire professional career, partner David Carpenter said.

David goes onto say "under our development program, the trainees work four days for the firm while dedicating one day to their studies."

"As a firm we benefit from the employment of trainees by having a bank of well-educated staff members who have not only adopted our work ethic as their own but who have been trained to perform tasks to our high standards."

"Feedback we receive from previous trainees provides us with valuable information for the next year on how to improve and maintain a consistently high standard of support and mentoring for the trainees." said Mr Carpenter.

Established in 1953, Cutcher & Neale is an accounting and financial services firms, located in the Newcastle CBD. Cutcher & Neale's 90 staff members occupy four floors of The Bolton Building. Consisting of eight divisions, accounting and taxation services, assurance and risk management, business services, finance brokerage, business software & system solutions, investment services, forensic accounting & self managed superannuation technical services. Cutcher & Neale is one of the few firms outside the Sydney area that provides a complete professional services package to clients.

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L – R Brendon Leong, Christen Seward, Charlotte Miles, Natalia Cotton, Christine Cox and Patrick Fester.