

CHANCELLOR,

I have the honour to present to you Angelica Poulos who Council has determined should be awarded the honorary title of Companion of the University.

Angelica Poulos has made an outstanding contribution to the University through her contribution to the development of the Greek Language and Culture Program. The Greek program was introduced into the University in 2004 and since that time it has grown from two introductory units to an integrated series of advanced level units in undergraduate and postgraduate courses.

Angelica has been the community backbone of the language and culture program. She has been the driving force to bring all stakeholders - community, government and the University - together working collaboratively on the development of this important program. She has also organised all manner of fundraising events from Glenti festival food stalls to black tie dinners.

At this time we would also like thank the local Greek Orthodox Community for their continuing commitment and support of the program.

Perhaps Angelica's greatest contribution to the University has been her dedication to the development of the Greek In-country Study Program. Angelica spent many hundreds of hours working with the University, the local Greek Orthodox Community, the Government of Greece and the people of Kalymnos to develop the structure of the program.

The inaugural in-country program was run in July 2007. It involves students spending three weeks on the Aegean island of Kalymnos where they combine rigorous studies taught by academic staff from the Universities of the Aegean, Salonika, Athens and Charles Darwin, with excursions into the local community to practice language skills in a real life environment. The in-country program translates to a full academic semester of Greek for all participating students.

Without the hard work and determination Angelica devoted to the development of this program it would not be the huge success that it is today. The future of the Greek language and culture program in Darwin is strong and secure because of the support of the local Greek Orthodox Community and the dedication of community members like Angelica Poulos.

CHANCELLOR,

In recognition of her outstanding, long-term contribution to the development and the advancement of the University and multicultural Australia, primarily through the promotion and

expansion of the Greek language and in-country culture programs, I present to you for the awarding of the honorary title of Companion of the University – Angelica Poulos.