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Greetings

Information as requested

- 1 The RLIN report is attached
- 2. Local participation rate from SCU courses into the local workforce (Source letter attached)

In March 2013, the Regional Universities Network (RUN), of which we are a member², released a commissioned study examining the economic contribution of each member university to its local region.³

Part of the study examined the universities' contributions to their local region from a human capital perspective, through analysis of the Graduate Careers Survey undertaken by the Graduate Careers Council. For SCU, 66% of our Bachelor level graduates employed four months after graduation, were employed in a regional location: 58% either in the SCU footprint or regional NSW; 6% in regional Queensland and 2% in a regional location in another state. Indeed, all the RUN universities had similarly high 'study in the bush – stay in the bush' profiles. Other findings highlighted the importance of regional campuses in increasing the proportion of locals holding a university-level qualification and the higher income a university-qualified workforce is able to command.

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