



## Two hospitality students do their Tafe campus proud

THE career of Swan Tafe food trade student and Landsdale resident Natalie Hancock looks to be on the rise.

She won a silver medal for bread making at the 2009 Hospitality WorldSkills Competition in WA.

Ms Hancock, who will finish her training in about three months, said she was looking forward to a holiday when her course wrapped up.

"For about two and a half years I have been starting really early and finishing really late," she said.

"When I finish my course, I

will probably look more at the cake side of things at a patisserie and try to get back to a more normal routine."

Fellow Tafe food trade student and Woodvale resident Kimberly Leysenaar won a bronze medal in butchery at the awards.

The pair finished behind gold medal winners Matthew Mitchell (bread making) and Gavin Olsen (butchery), who will go on to represent WA in the national competition in Brisbane.

Held every two years, the WorldSkills competition aims to challenge young people to

achieve outstanding results in their chosen trade and to reach world-class standards.

Swan Tafe managing director Wayne Collyer said the competition gave people an opportunity to show their skills to their peers and industry.

"Students participating in such competitions increase their job prospects and gain satisfaction from their success," he said.

"I congratulate each of the (gold medal) students on their success and wish them well for the national final."



**Natalie Hancock in the kitchen at home in Landsdale.**

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