

Welcome to the latest edition of the Faculty of Education's Bulletin, a jam-packed edition full of important information – be sure to skim the contents list! From the competitive neutrality levy, upcoming endorsement sessions, Faculty funding opportunities and of course DocFest, through to Heidegger explained through 8-bit video games... (and everything in between).

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➤ **HDR Candidate News**

- **AARE/Ray Debus Award for Outstanding Doctoral Research in Education**

Congratulations to **Dr Rachael Hutchesson, School of Teacher Education**, whose thesis *Living the Label: Youth work, young people, being 'at-risk' and community-based (arts/sports) programs* has been submitted as CSU's 2015 nomination for this award. Rachael's doctorate was conferred in December 2014. There were a number of theses reviewed this year, demonstrating the breadth of outstanding educational research undertaken by our doctoral candidates.

Congratulations Rachael!

- **Are you a research candidate or supervisor?**

DocFest is for you! Commencing 12pm Monday 24th August – 26th August, Convention Centre, Wagga Wagga Campus. Don't let the fact that you may be overseas, in another time zone, or not able to attend in person put you off attending. You will be able to attend all daytime DocFest activities via Adobe Connect and get involved in the conversations throughout the three days.

Join the keynote conversations with **Emeritus Professor Bill Green** and **Dr Alisa Percy**, University of Wollongong, as they discuss the place of writing expertise in HDR candidature

Supervisors Only dinner featuring guest speaker **Professor David Beckett**, Deputy Dean, University of Melbourne Graduate School of Education.

Travelling Lite with your Thesis: The Big Picture and the 4 Hotspots – led by the one and only **Professor David Beckett**.

Dr Cally Guerin and **Dr Michelle Picard** from the University of Adelaide, lead a number of workshops on corpus tools and writing groups.

Do you dare enter the *Philosophers' Zone* with **Dr Morgan Luck**? Nominate yourself for a one-on-one session to subject yourself, your thesis, and your reasonings to the philosopher's steely gaze.

Contribute to the conversations led by panels of **HDR candidates** on all manner of topics!

Professor Lisa Given will launch her new book *100 Questions (and Answers) About Qualitative Research*.

Pitch your Poster! HDRs entering a poster have a chance to win \$500 and a copy of Prof Lisa Given's new book *100 Questions (and Answers) About Qualitative Research* for best poster!

Short and sharp **HDR research presentations** – more than you can shake a hard-bound thesis at.

FREE ENTRY to **PhD The Movie** and **PhD The Movie 2** for all DocFest participants (includes pizza!). Non-DocFesters can purchase tickets from <http://www.trybooking.com/IFKA> for \$15 which includes pizza.

Learn more about *yindyamarra* as a protocol for research.

DocFest15 wraps up with CSU's presentations as part of the **Trans-Tasman 3MT**© competition and all staff, candidates, family and friends are invited to attend.

For the full (draft) program, registration form and answers to all your Arts/Ed DocFest questions go to <http://www.csu.edu.au/faculty/educat/docfest>

- **Endorsements of Candidature**

Letitia Galloway, School of Education – 10.00am, **TODAY**. SoE seminar room and via video conference

A study of the impact of the Australian curriculum: history on pedagogical practices of rural new south wales primary teachers

Alison Hicks, School of Information Studies – 10.00am, Thursday 16 July. Via Adobe Connect <http://connect.csu.edu.au/endorsementsession/>

Nick Ruddell, School of Teacher Education – TBC in July. Creswell Room, Bathurst and via video conference.

Myra Singh, School of Teacher Education – TBC, Thursday 30 July. Gordon Room, Bathurst and via video conference.

George Scorgie, School of Teacher Education – 9.00am, Wednesday 20 August. Via Adobe Connect <http://connect.csu.edu.au/endorsementsession/>

If you wish to join the video conference presentations, please look up the dial in details from the link [at this page](#) and join the [Bridgit](#) session (look for the presenter's name in the list of meeting creators).

To join the Adobe Connect session, click on the link and wait to be accepted by the Host as a guest.

Confirmed dates and information will be distributed via the bulletin.

- **Session One Progress Reports – have you done yours?**

All current HDR candidates are reminded to please log on to MyResearch and complete your progress report for session 1, 2015.

If you would like to raise confidential matters outside of the report process, please contact Dr Brian Hemmings, Sub-Dean Graduate Studies.

○ **Supervisor Seminar Series – Professor Sharynne McLeod and Suzanne Hopf, HDR**

Professor Sharynne McLeod, Professor of Speech and Language Acquisition, School of Teacher Education, and one of her HDR candidates Suzanne Hopf, will present a seminar in the Faculty of Education's Supervisor Seminar Series:

Maximising your HDR students' potential

Sharynne was the recipient of the Vice-Chancellor's Award for Research Supervision Excellence in 2010 and 2013, and has long been known for supporting her HDR candidates to reach their maximum potential throughout their candidature and beyond.

Come along (bring your lunch) and discuss with Sharynne, Suzanne and colleagues her strategies and approaches to supervision.

- Bathurst – Creswell Room
- Dubbo – Admin
- Sydney – Admin (Olympic Park)
- Albury – School of Education Staff room
- Wagga – School of Education downstairs meeting room

All supervisors, candidates and staff welcome!

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➤ **Faculty Compact Funding Opportunities**

The Faculty of Education is pleased to announce two Compacts funding opportunities in support of applications for external research income. Application forms for these schemes are available from the Associate Dean Research, Prof Lisa Given and will also be circulated by email.

1. **External Research Grant Development Scheme** – to provide support for academic staff with established track records to apply for external funding (with the Faculty as the lead organisation) from Category 1, 2 and 3 granting agencies. The Faculty will consider applications requesting up to \$5000 to support the development of a research grant application.
2. **Request for Institutional Support Commitment** – to provide support on Category 1 applications that require (e.g., ARC LIEF), or would be strengthened by, a commitment of institutional funding. The Faculty will consider applications requesting funds (typically, to a maximum of \$5,000) to be included at the time of the grant application submission. Applications for institutional support must be received at least one month prior to the Research Office deadline for grant submissions.

Please contact Prof Lisa Given, Associate Dean Research (lgiven@csu.edu.au) if you have any questions or to discuss a proposed application. Staff are also encouraged to discuss their proposed application plans with their Head of School and (for members) the Director of RIPPLE, Prof Jennifer Sumsion.

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➤ **1-Day Bootcamp For Research Writers In July**

We will be having a 1-Day research writing bootcamp on Monday the 13th of July.

As always, higher degree research candidates and any other staff or students who would like to take part are warmly welcome. It will be simultaneously online in Adobe Connect and face-to-face on the Wagga campus.

If you would like a calendar invitation with the schedule and relevant links and location, please email ccharles@csu.edu.au.

Questions are welcome.

Coming attractions: A special bootcamp is planned for early August which will include a workshop on generative writing techniques. Watch this space...

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➤ **Research Writing Resources site – are you a member?**

This [Interact2 site](#) is a veritable cornucopia of research writing resources and well worth joining.

Can you afford the time to work on your writing?

Your time during your candidature is precious. So you might wonder whether it is worthwhile spending time on your writing or other research-specific literacies and skills.

Each year an impact survey has been undertaken, to ask people whether they have noticed any positive differences in their work, as a result of taking part in research writing workshops, writing groups or individual consultations.

Here are the 2014 results:

100% of respondents reported positive differences

Of those, only 6% reported slight or temporary differences, while 53% of respondents reported noticeable or moderately lasting differences and 41% reported very substantial or long term differences.

The areas where people noted differences included:

- faster writing
- more positive comments on their writing from supervisors, reviewers and publishers
- increased confidence
- feeling connected with other researchers and less isolated
- less stress around writing, including writing in English as a second (or third or fourth) language
- better management of time and writing process
- better communication with supervisors
- writing more clearly, critically, concisely... etc.

So the answer is probably **YES**. You are likely to benefit by developing your research writing and other academic literacies and skills during your candidature.

Go to Interact2, click on 'Organisations' and search for the *Research Writing Resources* group.

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➤ **Meet Hannah Guilfoyle, Media and Communications Officer – Division of Marketing**

Hannah Guilfoyle is the Media and Communications Officer in the Division of Marketing and is the Faculty of Education/RIPPLE's point of contact in the Division. She is always wanting to know about activities that HDR candidates and staff are doing, who can provide 'expert commentary' in the media and who might be interested in publishing opinion pieces. She can also help with ideas in social media and across multiple channels to promote your research. If any of this sounds like you, please get in touch with Hannah directly on hguilfoyle@csu.edu.au

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➤ **Lena Danaia, Nick Ruddell (SoTE) and Indigenous Sky Stories**



Some of you may have already seen this photo via Jo Reid. Here's Lena doing what she does best! She and Nick worked on their Sky Stories project with several groups of school students visiting the Marra Marra Badhang exhibition today, and the kids (and the onlookers) were just enthralled!

If you want to hear more about the Sky Stories project, drop in to Nick's endorsement session in August, or find them on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/IndigenousSkyStoriesCSUFM>

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➤ **Basic statistics course**

The next face to face Basic statistical workshop will be commencing on Monday July 6 2015 at the Wagga Wagga Campus from 9am to 5pm each day. The course will run for 4 consecutive days at a cost of \$750 for CSU Staff; \$600 for Masters, PhD or Honours students.

The course will cover

- Experimental Process
- Data Types
- Data Preparation
- Data Summaries
- Confidence Intervals
- Hypothesis Testing
- Simple Linear Regression
- ANOVA
- Modelling Data
- Report writing

If you are interested in this workshop please contact Sharon Nielsen on 6933 2223 or email cmoffat@csu.edu.au for a registration form. You will need to provide your own laptop for this course

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➤ **Journals and costs – an Radio National podcast**

This link to an interesting podcast from Radio National's Rear Vision Show which was broadcast on Sunday 24 May about academic journals and costs.

<http://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/rearvision/big-deals-in-the-knowledge-business3a-how-scholarly-publishing/6470922#>

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➤ **Doing your dissertation with MS Word**

Are you struggling with auto Tables of Contents, styles and cross referencing within your thesis? 'Doing your dissertation with MS Word' might be the book for you!

<http://thesiswhisperer.com/2013/10/09/doing-your-dissertation-with-microsoft-word-a-book-review/>

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➤ **ResearchProfessional – stay in the funding opportunity loop!**

If you haven't already signed up for ResearchProfessional you are missing out on receiving lots of information on upcoming funding opportunities. Go to www.researchprofessional.com, log in with your CSU email address and select 'forgot password' to reset your RP password (which will NOT be your CSU password).

You can search for opportunities or create email alerts for your areas of research interest. The Research Office has created user guides to help you <http://www.csu.edu.au/research/funding-opportunities/search-for-funding>

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➤ **CSU Competitive Neutrality Levy (CNL) Policy**

There are recent elements of the application of the CSU Competitive Neutrality Levy (CNL) Policy that are raising concerns both in regard to the interpretation of the policy and the process.

This is leading to additional work load in the Research Office.

Thus some clarification is required.

Two relevant policy documents that inform the application of CNL to Research Income in the University, are available at [the Faculty of Education's Research page](#) and these should be considered in conjunction with the [Commonwealth Treasury Competitive Neutrality Policy Statement](#) and the [NSW Treasury Policy Statement on the Application of Competitive Neutrality](#).

Please note the following.

- The delegated authority to review and adjust the level of CNL applied to projects separately is the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research).
- This can only be done with all the relevant facts and evidence provided for consideration. This must be done when the Budget Approval Form (BAF) is submitted to the Research Office. There will be no retrospective consideration.
- CNL does not apply to Category One Funding (Schemes on the Competitive Grant Register).
- Requests have been put forward that because CSU has been approached by a Funding Body to submit a proposal that this is not a competitive process and therefore is not subject to CNL. This is not necessarily the case. If there are alternative providers, regardless if CSU has been singularly approached, then this may be considered a competitive process. (refer Commonwealth Policy page 7

under sub heading ‘What is a “business”’ bullet point 2 refers to a ‘potential competitor’ (either in the private or public sector).

- The CNL whilst addressing the legislative requirements, is essentially the CSU Infrastructure levy and there is currently a review commencing in respect of CSU infrastructure funding. At 10% CSU has one of the lowest research levies in the sector. As the policy documents attached set out - when budgeting for research projects the levy should be accounted for. If it is not then there is a risk that the project funding will be reduced if an adjustment is not approved by the DVC R and the levy is applied.
- Application of CNL is subject to external auditing.

Any timely queries can be directed to the Research Office initially and if necessary the Research Office will consult with the Office of the DVCR and/or Division of Finance.

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➤ **ALIA library technician research award**

The Australian Library and Information Association invites applications for its library technician research award. This provides the recipient with an opportunity to undertake a particular project of relevance to the role of library technicians in the broad library and information profession.

Proposals may be made by an individual or group of library technicians. All applicants must be members of ALIA.

The award is a biennial award worth up to AU\$5,000.

Closing date 30 June 2015

<http://www.alia.org.au/about-alia/awards-and-grants/325/library-technician-research-award>

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➤ **Menzies scholarship open for allied health researchers**

The Menzies Foundation is looking for outstanding researchers who are shaping up to be the next generation of leaders in the Allied Health industry and who are working to improve the health of Australians.

The \$55,000 Sir Robert Menzies Memorial Research Scholarship in the Allied Health Sciences is now open for applications.

The scholarship, valued at \$27,500 per year over two years, is open to any researcher studying at an Australian University and who has completed the first stage of their PhD.

Applications are now open and close on 30 June 2015

The funds can be used for a wide range of purposes, from conference travel expenses to helping cover living expenses over the two years.

In addition, the successful applicant can apply for a further \$25,000 research grant aimed at developing their research project for the first four years of their research career.

You can see last year’s winners online at <http://menziesfoundation.org.au/scholarships/allied-health-sciences/previous-scholars>.

For the full prospectus and to apply, head to <http://menziesfoundation.org.au/scholarships/allied-health-sciences>

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➤ **International Education Association of Australia – Tony Adams Fund Research Grants**

The International Education Association of Australia, under the Tony Adams Fund, invites applications for its research grants. These are awarded to academic or administrative staff working in international education to pursue professional development, research, or doctoral studies.

Grants are open to individuals from Australia and overseas in the following categories:

- professional development – available to academic, professional or administrative staff working in the field of international education who wish to pursue further professional development in internationalisation of education;
- research in international education – available to those undertaking research projects in internationalisation of education;
- doctoral studies in international education – available to those undertaking doctoral studies in internationalisation of education.

Only new proposed activities are considered. Applicants who have commenced or completed professional development or research are ineligible.

Up to two grants, worth AU\$2,000 each, are available for professional development, one grant, worth AU\$3,000, is available for a one-off research project and one grant, worth AU\$1,500 per year for up to three years, is available for doctoral studies.

<http://www.ieaa.org.au/what-we-do/tonyadamsfund>

Closing date 05 July 2015

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➤ **QUT Vice Chancellor's Research Fellowship scheme: Integrated STEM education for the young**

The QUT Vice Chancellor's Research Fellowship (VCRF) scheme is focused on attracting researchers who have built a strong research track record over the past few years. It pays full salary for 3 years, with an expectation that the successful fellow would apply for a substantial external grant/fellowship during the period of the fellowship.

The focus for the VCRF in the Faculty of Education is: Integrated STEM education for the young (including early childhood, primary, and middle school years).

Enhancing learning in STEM (science, engineering, mathematics, and technology) remains an underrepresented field of research especially in early childhood and the primary/middle school years. Although efforts to increase the nation's achievements in science are being promoted, the remaining disciplines of STEM and their integration within the curriculum have received limited attention. In particular, early learning in engineering design processes, digital literacies and mathematical modelling remain largely untapped despite their significant contribution to students' learning across the curriculum.

The VCR Fellow will undertake research in these underrepresented areas of STEM, with a particular focus on how the integration of its disciplines can advance early learning within the Australian Curriculum. Knowledge and experience in multiple STEM disciplines is desired, including the contribution of design processes in problem solving, modelling, and digital literacies. The VCR Fellow will be future-oriented, proactive, and strategic in advancing research, curriculum renewal, and national policy in these domains. Experience in applying a range of research methodologies is required, including quantitative and/or qualitative analyses.

The candidate will be able to work with state and private schools to advance STEM education to Year 9 that builds on the Australian Curriculum and on a school's particular needs.

The scheme closes **29-Jun-2015 11:30 PM (AEST)**. Please see the following site for more information about these Fellowships: <https://qut.nga.net.au/cp/>

For more information you can also contact Professor Jo Lunn by email j.lunn@qut.edu.au or by phone on (07) 3138 3333.

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➤ **CSU Print – special offer on printing posters!**

We are nearly three quarters of the way through June and print staff have been run off their feet printing large posters for students and staff alike.

You still have time to take advantage of our June special which is \$10 off our usual price for A2, A1 & A0 posters all printed on beautiful gloss paper.

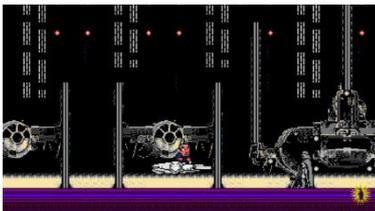
Email us on print@csu.edu.au or ring either x32091 Wagga , x84152 Bathurst for further details.

CSU Print - money spent on Campus stays on Campus - now on Facebook.

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➤ **And finally...more theory explained**



IN the previous bulletin we had [The Muppets and Phenomenology](#), this time we have [Heidegger and 8-bit Video Games](#). You know it makes sense.

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Have a great weekend!

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