Welcome to the latest edition of the Faculty of Arts & Education’s Bulletin, where too much research and graduate studies news is barely enough. As we head towards the ARC Discovery Projects deadline, there’s important news about this and the new Notice to Submit form. This bulletin also welcomes new HDR candidates and contains details of upcoming workshops. Plus plenty more...

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If you intend to be a Chief Investigator on a non-CSU led ARC application in the upcoming rounds you must ensure that you follow processes and deadlines as outlined by the RO in the Notice to Submit guide. Deadlines are:

www.cusu.edu.au

CRICOS Provider Numbers for Charles Sturt University are 00005F (NSW), 01947G (VIC) and 02960B (ACT). ABN: 83 878 708 551
The CSU internal deadline for completed applications for both non-CSU led AND CSU led ARC Discovery Projects for funding commencing in 2018 is 9am, **Friday 17th February**.

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### Changes to the Notice to Submit (Grant Submission) form

The Notice to Submit Form for grant submission has been amended with additional fields to capture key dates, funding commitments and to facilitate appropriate approvals.

The Notice to Submit form **facilitates and informs** the following research management practices within the University:

- School/Centre/Faculty level approval to commit CSU Researchers, facilities and resources to participate in an externally funded research project
- Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research Development and Industry) institutional approval to submit the application on behalf of the University
- Research data capture that informs institutional reporting requirements
- Research Performance data for individual CSU academic staff which informs the EDRS annual review process

The new form can be accessed on the RO webpage at the [forms page](#).

**Amendments to the form include:**

- Section 1 - Additional fields to capture project start and end dates, funding body closing dates, and confirmation on the Defence Trade Control Act
- Section 2 - Outlines the supporting documentation required to accompany the Notice to Submit Form when seeking sign off and submission to the Research Office
- Section 8 - Faculty/School/Centre Leverage Funding confirmation
- Section 9 - DVC-RDI Leverage Funding confirmation
- Section 10 – Additional sign-off fields to incorporate the Executive Dean or delegate (ADR Research), and Vice-Chancellor (if required under the Delegations Policy)

Please be aware that old versions of the form will **no longer be accepted** and we encourage you to access the form directly from the link above to ensure you are accessing the current form.

As previously, the Notice to Submit form is required for all external research project proposals/applications and is required to be submitted to the Research Office 10 working days before the funding body closing date.

Please contact the Research Office on 02 6933 2578, or email research@csu.edu.au for advice and assistance in developing new funding submissions and obtaining University approvals through the use of the Notice to Submit form.
Professional Development Calendar – New for 2017!

The Research Office has just published the Professional Development calendar for the first quarter of 2017. Sessions include the compulsory HDR induction, but also Literature Review, Research Methods, Research Career Development, HDR supervision and dozens of other helpful sessions.

A special mention for the Presenting Research Metrics for Grants and Promotion on March 22 which will help staff to turn the Researcher Impact report (contact your friendly Faculty Liaison Librarian) into an appropriate ROPE statement or statement for promotion applications, as well as how to cite the metrics appropriately.

Register through the PD Calendar.

Writing Workshops –February

All research writers, including doctoral researchers and any other staff or students who would like to join us, are invited to get a burst of progress on your writing in February.

Here are details of workshops being held in February, 2017:

1. **Structuring your literature review**
   a. Part 1 – Tuesday 7th Feb, 12:30-2pm – [https://connect.csu.edu.au/e61agw5ob4m/event/event_info.html](https://connect.csu.edu.au/e61agw5ob4m/event/event_info.html)


If you would like a calendar invitation for either of these, with the schedule, locations and links, email Cassily Charles - ccharles@csu.edu.au
A new edited collection Implementing Communities of Practice in Higher Education: Dreamers and Schemers, McDonald, Jacque, Cater-Steel, Aileen (Eds.) contains a chapter by Deb Clarke, School of Teacher Education, Using Technology to Build Engagement in a Global Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) Community of Practice.

Available from Springer.

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**Funding opportunities**

**Australian Council of University Art and Design Schools - Grants**

As part of ACUADS’ commitment to the art and design education sector, funding is currently available for initiatives of relevance and significance to our field. Funding is intended for initiatives that are nationally accessible. This includes journals, research tools, online databases, etc. Funding is particularly suited to ongoing initiatives that have experienced a gap in funding. Cross-disciplinary and cross-institutional applications are encouraged. Funding is not intended for individuals or local events. Up to five grants, of $1000-5000, may be awarded per year on a strictly one-off basis.

**Application process**

Applications should include:
- A concise outline of the organisation and project (approx. 250 words each);
- A project rationale, with attention to the value to the sector of art and design tertiary education (250–500 words);
- A justification of costs (approx. 250 words); and
- A budget and timeline (less than 1 page)

Please submit applications to admin@acuads.com.au in one pdf document.

**Deadlines**

The first Monday following 30 April (Round One) or 31 October (Round Two)

All applications will be assessed by the ACUADS Executive and decisions will be relayed within four weeks. Successful applicants will be paid on receipt of an invoice.

**ACUAD Awards**

**Norman Wettenhall Foundation – Small Environmental Grant Scheme**

The Small Environmental Grant Scheme will provide support for groups or individuals undertaking projects that will make a positive difference to the natural living environment, in land, sea or air, rural or urban.

At the moment we are looking for projects around flora and fauna conservation, threatened mammal conservation, and landscape restoration and education. These projects should involve any of the following:

- monitoring, recording and sharing data
- delivering community education
- providing community capacity building (e.g. skills training, organisation)
There are four grant rounds each year – see Dates for applying for a list of opening and closing dates.

Small Environmental Grant Scheme - Norman Wettenhall Foundation

Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF)

This program provides funding for infrastructure projects and community investment that will create jobs, drive economic growth and build stronger regional communities into the future. Both streams will open on 18 January 2017. The Infrastructure Projects Stream will close at 5pm local time on 28 February 2017 and the Community Investments Stream will close at 5pm local time on 31 March 2017.

Building Better Regions Fund

Conference Presentation

Congratulations to Sabine Agustine - lecturer in social work and human services, Wagga campus.

Sabine attended the De Novo ’16 Conference on Social Work and Health: Inclusive Practice, Research and Education from November 23-26, DIST campus, Kerala India. She won one of the five awards for the best presentation. Sabine's presentation was on the important topic of health, end of life (EOL) and palliative care for older residents and their families from CALD backgrounds in regional NSW.

Sabine also presented on ‘The role of social workers in health and inter-professional practice’ at the Government Medical College, Amritsar, Punjab, India on the 15th November 2016. This presentation attracted a lot of attention from the medical faculty of the Social and Preventive Medicine department at the Government Medical College, Amritsar.

The Professor and Head, Dr Tejbir Singh is keen to host social work students from CSU to promote inter-professional experiential learning for social work and medicine (postgraduate and undergraduate) students from both CSU and the Government Medical College via an international mobility programme.

My Research Career – Training for Early Career/Developing researchers

In 2017, the Research Professional Development team will again be presenting the ‘My Research Career’ training program. The program is targeted at early career or developing researchers who wish to advance their research careers. This includes higher degree research students who are close to graduating and may be considering a career in research.

The program consists of 6 core on-line modules run throughout 2017. Module content is as follows:

Module 1: Introduction to research at CSU, the broader research landscape, strengthening priority and time management skills

Module 2: Developing an effective research strategy

Module 3: Building and presenting a strong research track record, improving your web presence

Module 4: Navigating the publication process, targeting publishing outlets, improving publication success

Module 5: Strengthening grant writing skills, improving funding success

Module 6: Building research networks, working with collaborators, managing other researchers
We also hope to run some advanced modules that will be targeted at more experienced researchers that will cover working with the media, grant and budget administration, commercialisation and intellectual property.

Commitment to the program will require:

- Registering for and attending on-line sessions (typically 2-hr duration)
- Completing designated follow-up tasks (which will be reviewed by the program coordinator),
- Sourcing support documents via the Research Office MRC Interact site, and
- Engaging with other staff registered in the program.

Staff/students who complete all 6 of the core modules and associated tasks will qualify for a completion certificate. Modules can be completed over multiple years and not necessarily in order (although this is preferable). Staff/students who do not wish to complete the entire program can register for individual modules as required.

Module 1 will be run on Thursday 16th February 2017 from 9.30 am to 12 noon.

Further details and registration information on this program are available on the Professional Development Calendar [http://www.csu.edu.au/research/professional-development/program-calendar](http://www.csu.edu.au/research/professional-development/program-calendar)

Dates and times for other modules will be posted on the Professional Development Calendar in due course. Please keep an eye on the calendar for these details.

For further information: Program Coordinator: Professor Gary Luck – galuck@csu.edu.au

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**HDR NEWS**

- Welcome new candidates

  Welcome to James Rogerson in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences. James will be commencing in 201730 as an online candidate, and will be supervised by Alexander Segal and Lachlan Brown.

  Welcome to Robyn Warren in the School of Teacher Education. Robyn will be commencing in 201730 as an online candidate, and will be supervised by Fran Press and Sandie Wong.

  Welcome to Leonie Westenberg in the School of Theology. Leonie will be commencing in 201730 as an online candidate, and will be supervised by Jane Foulcher and Ian Coutts.

  Welcome to Amanda Cooke in the School of Teacher Education. Amanda will be commencing in 201730 as an online candidate, and will be supervised by Sandie Wong and Fran Press.

  Welcome to Keith Hamilton in the School of Theology. Keith will be commencing in 201730 as an on campus candidate in Parramatta, and will be supervised by Clive Pearson and Ben Myers.

  Welcome to Barbara Adonteng-Kissi in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences. Barbara will be commencing in 201730 as an on campus candidate in Wagga, and will be supervised by Manohar Pawar and Ndungi Mungai.
Congratulations – Approved to Graduate

Congratulations to the following candidate who has now been approved to graduate:

Bernard Sullivan, School of Communication and Creative Industries. Bernard’s thesis is titled *How May Cultural Wisdom be Understood and Shared?*, and he was supervised by Dr Neill Overton and Prof Craig Bremner.

Congratulations – Endorsement of Candidature

Congratulations to the following candidate who has recently had their research proposal formally approved by the Research Advisory Committee and can now move on to the next exciting step in their doctoral research:

Daniel Lander, School of Communication and Creative Industries – *What Cultural Perspectives Need to be Considered by Science Communicators When Engaging the Vaccination Objection Community?*

Congratulations – HDR Publication


PhD Exhibition – Artist Discussion 27 January

Catherine Laudenbach, PhD candidate in the School of Communication and Creative Industries, currently has an exhibition at the H.R. Gallery, located at Building 12, Boorooma Street, CSU Wagga Campus. The exhibition is titled *Landscapes of Desire & Performance* and is showing from 12 January – 8 February, 2017.

There will an Artist discussion on 27 January at 1pm in the Gallery. Please come along and support our fellow PhD candidates. For a full-sized flyer please see [here](#)

HDR Candidate Welcome and Induction – 14 Feb 2017

As advertised in last fortnight’s bulletin the first HDR Candidate Welcome and Induction session is happening on **Tuesday 14 Feb, 2017**. Please visit the Professional Development Calendar at [here](#)
http://www.csu.edu.au/research/professional-development/program-calendar and click here to register for this session. These sessions are highly recommended for new candidates commencing in 2017 and provide essential information about getting started.

Attending an induction session is also part of the probationary conditions for candidature—see probation and key milestones http://www.csu.edu.au/research/forms-facts/hdr-guide/probation-and-key-milestones

**My Research Career, Module 1 – 16 Feb 2017**

As advertised in last fortnight’s bulletin the first module of My Research Career will be held on **16 Feb, 2017**. This module covers introduction, research landscape, priority and time management. All CSU researchers, including HDR Candidates and research support staff members are encouraged to attend.

Please visit the Professional Development Calendar at http://www.csu.edu.au/research/professional-development/program-calendar and click here to register for this session.

**Writing Bootcamp – 17 February**

How about a day dedicated to your writing - just before O-week starts – on **Friday the 17th of February**. The Research Writing Bootcamps are open to doctoral candidates and any other staff or students who want to join us. You can come in person, if you are in Wagga, or join us online from anywhere in the world. If you would like a calendar invitation with the schedule and links, or if you have any questions, email Cassily Charles – ccharles@csu.edu.au.

**Writing Bootcamps – up until June**

You can now plan your bootcamping year ahead, folks. The dates for the upcoming ALLaN Research Writing Bootcamps are below.

- **February**: Friday, 17th
- **March**: Thursday, 16th
- **April**: Friday, 7th
- **May**: Tuesday, 2nd
- **June**: Friday, 9th

Everyone is welcome, especially people doing a PhD or other higher degree by research. The purpose of the bootcamp is to boost your focus and protect your time for writing (or data analysis, editing, transcription, etc.).

You can either join online through Adobe Connect or face-to-face in Wagga.

If you would like a calendar invitation with the schedule, location and link to join, email Cassily Charles, ALLaN Coordinator (PG) - ccharles@csu.edu.au. Remember to specify which month(s) you’d like.

Questions always welcome: ccharles@csu.edu.au

**My Research Career – Training for Early Career/Developing researchers – open to HDRs**
This is also open to HDR candidates who are close to graduating and may be considering a career in research. Please click on this link to the full item above My Research Career – Training for Early Career/Developing researchers.

Endorsement of Candidature – Procedure Update

As part of the probationary conditions for your candidature you will be required to present, in a seminar setting, your research proposal. Seminars are an important means of integrating the work of HDR candidates into that of schools and research centres and making academic members of schools and research centres aware of HDR candidates' contributions. HDR candidates' work becomes known to other researchers who may be able to offer advice and assistance beyond that which is provided by supervisors.

The Faculty of Arts and Education has recently updated the endorsement of candidature procedure, which can be found here on the Research Higher Degrees webpage http://arts-ed.csu.edu.au/higher-degrees/current.

This document includes some useful tips for your research proposal format. If you have any questions as you prepare for your research proposal seminar please contact Leanne Phillips lphilips@csu.edu.au.

Faculty of Arts and Education Research and Graduate Studies Committee

The next meeting of the Faculty of Arts & Education Research and Graduate Studies Committee will be held on 31 January.

Faculty of Arts and Education Ethics Committee

The next meeting of the Faculty of Arts & Education Ethics Committee will be held on 14 February, with the agenda closing on 6 February. Please send your applications, and all correspondence to FOAE-FHEC@csu.edu.au.

Information on the application process, templates and committee dates can be found on the Faculty Ethics Webpage.

The Faculty Human Ethics Committee considers Low Risk Ethics Applications. If your ethics application is not low risk, you must submit it to the University Human Research Ethics Committee.

And finally...
Some people have far too much spare time on their hands – dogs as bass guitars.

Bass players holding dogs

And so as not to be accused of canine bias, some tips on giving speeches, by cats.

Tips on giving speeches in college