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➤ **HDR Candidate News**

A reminder to all candidates of the Research Office home page for HDR candidates – [MyHDR](#). Lots of resources, forms, and workshop information can be found here.

○ **Welcome to new candidates**

A very warm welcome to our newest HDR candidate...

Gibson Matimba, School of Teacher Education – working with A/Prof Jane Mitchell and Dr Kip Langat. Gibson is a part time HDR candidate studying via distance.

○ **Endorsement of Candidature**

Tim Dolby, School of Information Studies – 1.00pm, Tuesday 17th February.

Information behaviour in citizen science: An examination of the activities, roles, perceptions and information behaviour of citizen scientists

Tim will present his proposal from the School of Information Studies Seminar room with a VC connection to Sydney (Homebush). If you wish to listen to the presentation via telephone/MS Communicator please dial (02) [693] 34758 or join MCU5 and use 511# as the conference ID. A Bridgit session will also be set up – look for Tim's name in the list of meeting creators.

James Purkis, School of Education/RIPPLE – 1.00pm, Thursday 19th February.

A comparison of home and school uses of collaborative digital technology in an Australian secondary school using activity theory

James will present his proposal from the RIPPLE seminar room in Wagga, with VC link to School of Education in Albury. If you wish to listen to the If you wish to listen to the presentation via telephone/MS Communicator please dial (02) [693] 34758 or join MCU5 and use 508# as the conference ID. A Bridgit session will also be set up – look for James’ name in the list of meeting creators.

- **Congratulations**

Congratulations to **Lucie Zundans** in the **School of Teacher Education**. She is one step away (lodgement of hardbound thesis) from being approved for graduation. Lucie, I know all your colleagues in SoTE and across the Faculty send their hearty congratulations to you and look forward to celebrating your wonderful achievement with you shortly.

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- **Faculty of Education Ethics Committee – dates for 2015**

The dates for the Faculty ethics committee meetings, as well as links and other information about ethics application requirements can be found here <http://www.csu.edu.au/faculty/educat/research/ethics>

Ethics applications must be submitted by CoB	Faculty meeting date
2 February 2015	10 February 2015
2 March 2015	10 March 2015
7 April 2015	14 April 2015
4 May 2015	12 May 2015
8 June 2015	16 June 2015
6 July 2015	14 July 2015
3 August 2015	11 August 2015
31 August 2015	8 September 2015
5 October 2015	13 October 2015
9 November 2015	17 November 2015

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- **1-Day Research Writing Bootcamp – 19th February**

For everyone who wants to get an extra burst of writing productivity, alongside other friendly and focussed research writers, we have a 1-Day research writing Boot-camp on Thursday, the 19th of February.

The day starts at 9:30 a.m. and finishes at 5pm. You can either join online in Adobe Connect (<http://connect.csu.edu.au/bootcamp>) or in person in Wagga Wagga. (Meeting Room 1, Building 475 - James Hagan Court)

Before the day, declare your Boot camp goals in the shared document here: <http://tiny.cc/ddw3sx>

On the day, bring your laptop/books/notes/whatever you are working on, and your lunch. (We've got all sorts of tea and coffee.)

Research candidates and other staff / students most welcome. If have questions, or would like a meeting invitation for your calendar, email Cassily Charles: ccharles@csu.edu.au

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➤ **3-Day Research Writing Bootcamp**

Hungry for more concentrated research writing focus?

There is a 3-Day Research Writing Bootcamp coming up, from the 11th to the 13th of March. (There is the option to take part in only 1 or 2 days.)

Research candidates, other staff and students all welcome.

You can join either online in Adobe Connect, or in person in Wagga Wagga.

If you would like an Outlook calendar invitation with the links and location, or if you have any questions, email ccharles@csu.edu.au

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➤ **Workshops for research writers coming up in February and March**

Six workshops for research writers are coming up in February and March. These are provided for research candidates, but other staff and students are very welcome, as always - so please pass along to your research students and colleagues.

Details are below, with links for registration and more info...

- Monday 9th Feb, 12-1:30pm – Overcoming procrastination - Online - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ProcrastinationFeb2015>

- Tuesday 10th Feb, 12-1:30pm – Audit your time - Online - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/AuditFeb2015>

- Monday 23rd Feb, 9:30-11:00 – Writing a research proposal - Online - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ProposalFeb2015>

- Monday 23rd Feb, 12-2pm – Reading the research literature critically - Online - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ReadCriticalFeb2015>

- Monday 2nd March, 12pm – 1:30pm – How to write more analytically - Online - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/AnalyticalFeb2015>

- Tuesday 3rd Mar, 3:30 – 5pm – Writing a lit review - Part 1 - Face-to-face in Wagga

- Wednesday 4th March, 3:30 – 5pm – Writing a lit review - Part 2 - Face-to-face in Wagga

- Thursday 5th March, 3:30 – 5pm – Writing a lit review - Part 3 - Face-to-face in Wagga – <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LitReviewFeb2015>

Questions are welcome: ccharles@csu.edu.au

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➤ **CSIRO Journal Writing Workshop – Faculty of Business**

The Faculty of Business is hosting a journal article writing workshop based on the model successfully developed by the CSIRO.

The aim is to teach participants how to write journal articles efficiently and effectively. During four days, the workshop will go through the process of writing a journal article from beginning to end, and under the guidance of mentors, participants will learn valuable skills for writing better journal articles.

All participants need to come to the workshop with completed research, ready to be written up. If you already have a report from the research, that is fine, but a blank slate is preferable. Please note that full attendance for the four days is required. The goal is to see most participants with a full draft of an article by the close of the workshop.

Details

Date: From 1.00pm Monday 16 February to 1.00pm Thursday 19 February 2015

Venue: Room 403, Building 1411 (C2), Bathurst Campus

RSVP by 9 February to:

Wendy Smee/Michelle Westman wsmee@csu.edu.au or mwestman@csu.edu.au

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➤ Australia-China Council grants

The Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade invites expressions of interest for the Australia-China Council general funding grants. These support projects across China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Macau and Australia that broaden and strengthen Australia-China relations in education, business, culture and arts. Priority will be given to projects under the following themes:

- education projects that support practical and effective solutions to enhance China literacy, business and cultural capabilities of Australian institutions and people to effectively engage with China and promote education and knowledge connectivity between the two countries;
- economic diplomacy projects that promote diversity, growth and innovation of Australia's trade investment relationship with China;
- arts and culture projects that showcase Australian arts and creative industries to Chinese audiences and build closer and broader cultural and artistic partnerships.

The activities in the above areas should focus on mobility, capabilities, and new areas of engagement.

- **Closing date** 31 Mar 15
- **Deadline information** Expressions of interest are invited between 27 February and 3pm AEST, 31 March; invited full applications due by June 2015. This call is repeated once a year.
- **Date added** 23 Jan 15
- **Award type** Directed grants for individual investigators; Directed grants to institutions, research groups etc; Networking/collaboration
- Award amount max \$40,000

For more information <http://www.dfat.gov.au/acc/grants/index.html>

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➤ Research Hacks

A wonderful set of (mostly quite short) videos on research productivity, tips and tricks by Andy Tattersall from the University of Sheffield. Thanks to Mary Anne Kennan for the tip!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QlgWG10RMgg>

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➤ **CSUkes at the Blue Mountains Ukulele Festival**



Come along and support the best ukulele group in academia, the CSUkes at the Blue Mountains Ukulele Festival on 14th February. See [this page](#) for more information, including the program of events.

You can also show your support of the CSUkes and keep up to date about their performances via Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/CSUkes-Charles-Sturt-University-Ukulele-Group/156511042961>

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➤ **LEGO hipsters**



Fixie bikes and facial hair – all in LEGO!

<http://www.creativeboom.co.uk/culture/how-lego-imagines-danish-hipsters/>

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Many thanks to Dr Anne Lloyd who has been acting in the role of Sub Dean Graduate Studies while Brian Hemmings has been on SSP leave. Thank you so much Anne, and welcome back Brian.

Have a great weekend!

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