

Research & Graduate Studies News

Faculty of Arts & Education - 22 November 2019

HDR NEWS



Congratulations - Approved for Graduation

Congratulations to the following candidates who have now been approved to graduate:

Yung Hun Choi, School of Theology. Yung's thesis is titled *The Movement Pattern of the Hebrew Psalter: A Holistic Thematic Approach with an Exemplar, Psalms 69-87*, and he was supervised by Anthony Rees and Jeffrey Aernie.

Rachael Jefferson-Buchanan, School of Humanities and Social Sciences. Rachael's thesis is titled *A Genealogy of the Governance of the Body in UK Physical Education from 1902 to 2016*, and she was supervised by Donna Bridges and Vaughan Higgins.

Welcome - new candidate

Welcome to Che Baker in the School of Communication and Creative Industries. Che will be commencing in 2019/20 as an online candidate, and will be supervised by Eleanor Gates-Stuart and James Mairata.





"Pitch it Clever" 2020 - research communications competition now open

As part of the Universities Australia annual conference, UA runs an annual competition 'Pitch it Clever'. The competition challenges PhD candidates and ECRs to pitch their research, and why it matters, to non-specialist audiences via video. The competition is now open, and the deadline for submissions is **24 January 2020**.

Pitch It Clever 2020

The Vice-Chancellor's Award

The Vice-Chancellors' Award features a \$3,000 cash prize. The prize includes return flights, accommodation and entry to the Universities Australia Conference, presentation of the award during the conference and an opportunity to meet Vice-Chancellors and other senior university executives. The prize also includes an internship with The Conversation. This includes travel and accommodation for a week at the Melbourne headquarters of The Conversation.

The Universities Australia Award

The Universities Australia Award features a \$1,000 cash prize, and return flights, accommodation and entry to the Universities Australia Conference.

The People's Choice Award

The People's Choice Award features a \$500 cash prize. The prize also includes return flights, accommodation and entry to the Universities Australia Conference.

For further information go to:

https://www.thinkable.org/vote_competitions/2020-pitch-it-clever

ThinkSwiss Scholarships - Call for applications open till 15 January 2020



The call for applications to the 2020 ThinkSwiss Asia Pacific research scholarship is now open till 15 January 2020 (online). The program provides grants to students enrolled at Australian universities for a 3-month research internship at a Swiss university. The scholarship is open to Bachelor/Master students in all fields. Students are

responsible for finding a host professor or mentor at a Swiss institution as well as clarifying the scope of a research project before submitting their research scholarship application. For more detailed information about the application process and eligibility requirements, please consult the [FAQs](#) or contact us via email.

All essential and up-to-date information: [click here](#)

Contact for applicants from Australian universities: Mr. Sébastien Monnet, Science, Technology and Education Advisor, Embassy of Switzerland in Australia (sebastien.monnet@eda.admin.ch / +61 2 6162 8409)

RESEARCH NEWS

Jenny Morrison Commencing As Faculty Research Liaison Officer

I am delighted to announce that Jenny Morrison will be commencing as Faculty Research Liaison Officer on the 11 December 2019. Jenny has a strong background in various administrative positions including research.

Many Faculty staff will have already worked with Jenny in her most recent roles of Course Administrator and Acting Senior Course Administration Office. Jenny will be based on Bathurst campus.

I look forward to Jenny joining the team to provide Research Support in the Faculty.

Rob Doubleday



Gambling Research Capacity Grants 2020 Now Open

New PhD scholarships, post-doctoral fellowships and study grants open today.

Funded by the Responsible Gambling Fund (RGF), these grants aim to build capability and capacity for gambling research.

The Office of Responsible Gambling (the Office) and the RGF support high-quality research that provides the evidence base for responsible gambling policy, interventions and programs.

The submission round for the PhD scholarships and post-doctoral fellowships:

- Opens – Tuesday 19 November 2019
- Closes – Friday 31 January 2020

The study grants also open today for study in 2020. Applications for study grants can be lodged throughout the year.

PhD scholarships

The Office is committed to providing up and coming researchers with an opportunity to build their careers in gambling studies and to encourage cross-disciplinary approaches.

Applicants can apply for:

- PhD scholarships (approx. \$53,110 per year over three years per candidate - 2 available)
- Part scholarships for candidates already receiving a Commonwealth or similar scholarship

Post-doctoral fellowships

Fellowship applicants should be early career researchers who were awarded a PhD less than 10 years ago. Collaborative partnerships, cross-disciplinary approaches and applications from a diverse range of disciplines are encouraged.

Applicants can apply for:

- Post-doctoral fellowships (\$150,000 per year over three years per fellow - 2 available)

Study grants

Applications are open to current gambling research students, post-doctoral fellows and practitioners working in the gambling research, policy, education or support fields who can demonstrate best-practice or innovation in their fields.

There are five grants available of up to \$5,000 per grant. Applications can be lodged at any time and will be assessed throughout the year.

[More information is available on the NSW Office of Responsible Gambling website.](#)

Australian Consortium for Social and Political Research Incorporated (ACSPRI) - 2020 Summer Program



Australian Consortium for Social and Political Research Incorporated (ACSPRI) is offering an early-bird deadline for the below courses. **To take advantage of the discounted enrolment fees, please enrol before December 4.**

More details can be found on the [Summer Program Page](#) or please call or email Gordana on 03 8376 6496 or info@acsPRI.org.au.

**SUMMER 2020: Australian National University
January 20-24**

Fundamentals of Statistics with Imma Guarnieri

A solid foundation in basic statistical concepts and procedures, (using SPSS), with an emphasis on statistical techniques applicable to the social sciences.

Introduction to Qualitative Research with Dr. Emma Mitchell

An introductory course for people with limited or no previous experience with qualitative research techniques, covering all elements of the qualitative research process and how they are interrelated.

Applied Statistical Procedures with Dr Gordon Emmerson

An intermediate, applied course that will teach you how to understand, run and interpret a range of the most commonly used statistical procedures using SPSS.

Fundamentals of Program Evaluation in Public Policy with Dr Delwyn Goodrick

If you are interested in the commissioning, managing or conducting evaluations of public policy or programs, this course will guide you through the stages of an evaluation, from conceptualisation through to negotiating the design, data collection, synthesis and reporting stages.

Applied Longitudinal Data Analysis with Dr Mark Griffin

An overview of the many applications and capabilities of LDA, developing the requisite knowledge to use LDA software, applying LDA methods and models. This course has been developed in consultation with staff from the National Centre for Longitudinal Data, Dept of Social Services.

Multi-level Analysis using Mplus with Philip Holmes-Smith

An introduction to the concepts and techniques required to analyse data that is multi-level in nature. For researchers needing to learn how to analyse data that has been collected through a hierarchical (or clustered) sampling approach.

SUMMER 2020: University of Melbourne

February 3-7

Foundations of Qualitative Methodologies, Data Collection and Analysis with Professor Carol Grbich

An introduction to theoretical underpinnings, methodologies and techniques of both data collection and analysis in qualitative research.

Fundamentals of Statistics with Imma Guarnieri

A solid foundation in basic statistical concepts and procedures, (using SPSS), with an emphasis on statistical techniques applicable to the social sciences.

Introduction to Social Network Research and Analysis with Dr Dan Chamberlain & Associate Professor Malcolm Alexander

Data collection, research design, visualisation and basic analytic methods used in social network research for mixed methods and qualitative researchers.

Applied Computer Assisted Qualitative Data Analysis using NVivo with Dr Nicola McNeil

Learn how to plan for the collection of qualitative data; prepare data for analysis, as well as the analysis of the data using Nvivo.

Data Analysis in R with Dr Shaun Ratcliff

A course for applied data analysts that will build your ability to undertake rigorous statistical analysis, including means, confidence intervals and linear regression in R, and create publication-standard graphs of the results. No experience in R required.

Applied Multivariate Statistical Analysis using Stata with Dr Joanna Dipnall

The aim of the course is to provide you with an understanding of multivariate analysis including techniques, formatting data, analysis and interpretation.

Big Data Analysis for Social Scientists with Assoc Professor Robert Ackland

An introduction to the collection and analysis of socially-generated 'big data' using the R statistical software and Gephi network visualisation software, focusing on programmatic approaches to social media and the WWW.

Fundamentals of Structural Equation Modelling with Dr Mark Griffin

An introductory overview of the statistical theory and many applications and capabilities of SEM.

Advanced Structural Equation Modelling using AMOS with Philip Holmes-Smith

An advanced course in SEM for existing AMOS users covering a number of more complex models.

February 10-14

Fundamentals of Survey Research with Dr Betsy Blunsdon

A hands on, experiential course, covering the foundations of modern survey methodology with a focus on survey design.

Applied Statistical Procedures with Dr Gordon Emmerson

An intermediate, applied course that will teach you how to understand, run and interpret a range of the most commonly used statistical procedures using SPSS.

Foundations of Qualitative Comparative Analysis with Dr Jeroen Van der Heijden

For researchers who have conducted at least one qualitative study, and are familiar with the process and context of qualitative research, this course is an introduction to the basics of QCA, including approaches and different applications.

Fundamentals of Multiple Regression with Dr David Gow

An informal and applied introduction to the fundamentals of multiple regression, with particular attention given to the application of multiple regression to substantive problems in the social sciences.

Qualitative Research: Design, Analysis and Representation with Dr Delwyn Goodrick

For researchers, practitioners and academics who have conducted at least one qualitative study, the focus of this course is on issues of design and positioning, analysis and representation of qualitative research.

Scale Development Rasch Analysis and Item Response Theory with Assoc Professor Julie Pallant

A practical overview of the scale development process and the statistical techniques used including Reliability analysis, Factor Analysis and Rasch Analysis.

Advanced Statistical Analysis using R with Dr Mark Griffin

For those who have basic knowledge and experience with R, and would like to develop their advanced statistical methods. Suitable for people familiar with these statistical methods in other packages, but with no prior experience using R.

Network Analysis in Social, Business and Political Research with Assoc Professor Malcolm Alexander & Dr Petr Matous

The principles and major developments in network visualisation, statistics and modelling and benchmark applications related to social, health, business and political research.

Applied Structural Equation Modelling with Philip Holmes-Smith

An applied introduction to a range of basic structural equation models and the use of the AMOS and/or Mplus software to estimate the model parameters. Students are free to use either or both packages.

The ERPA International Congresses on Education 2020 that will be held in Belgrade / Serbia from 10 - 12 April 2020 (<http://www.erpacongress.com>). We hope that the conference will enable you to share your research with an international research community and to engage in discussion about the current issues in the field of education. The scientific committee in ERPA International Congresses on Education aims to keep the level of the presentations as high as possible so that it is a positive intellectual experience for all the participants. Therefore, we want you to remember ERPA International Congresses on Education as a place where you discussed the issues and questions that count for your research, renewed relations with your colleagues and made contacts that helped you to develop new directions in your work. Congress languages are English and Turkish.

Ten branch congresses will be held concurrently in ERPA International Congresses on Education 2020;

- ERPA International Educational Sciences Congress
- ERPA International Science and Mathematics Education Congress
- ERPA International Social Sciences Education Congress
- ERPA International Health and Sports Science Education Congress
- ERPA International Music and Fine Arts Education Congress
- ERPA International Special Education Congress
- ERPA International Computer Education and Instructional Technology Congress
- ERPA International Language Education Congress
- ERPA International Management of Education Congress
- ERPA International Engineering and Architecture Education Congress

While registering the ERPA International Congresses on Education 2020 you will be asked to choose the one that is related to your field of study. The main purpose in incorporating ten congresses within the scope of ERPA International Congresses on Education is to make the researchers aware of current trends in different fields, learn about the research conducted in different areas and help them discuss new trends and encourage interdisciplinary research. Therefore, the theme of the ERPA International Congresses on Education 2020 is "Interdisciplinary Education in 21st Century". Highlighting this theme does not mean underestimating or neglecting other important aspects of educational research and practice.

The ERPA International Congresses on Education will publish an "e-book of abstracts with ISBN" and "e-book of full texts with ISBN". In addition, if authors demand their proceedings can be referred for the publication in the journals that supporting the ERPA International Congresses on Education 2020. In that case the authors should obey the publishers' rules. Furthermore, the special issue for ERPA 2020 will be published in the journal "International Journal of Psychology and Educational Studies" which is indexed in ERIC. With the request of the authors, the articles written in full text article format approved by the congress organizing committee will be published in this issue. Just one article of each author will be considered for publication in this special issue.

Thanks for your consideration and we look forward to meeting all of you in Belgrade / Serbia.

Best regards,

Organizing Committee of ERPA International Congresses on Education 2020

140th out of 146: Australian teens do close to the least physical activity in the world

Brendon Hyndman has published an article in the conversation discussing a study published in the Lancet regarding assessing how 1.6 million adolescent school students from across 146 countries are faring in term of the World Health Organisations physical activity recommendations. You can find the article [here](#).

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 Wednesday 29 January 2020, with the agenda closing on 15 January 2020. School Research Chairs should send the minutes of their school's research committee to FOAE-RGS@csu.edu.au by 15 January 2020. Agenda and papers will be distributed by 22 January 2020.

AND FINALLY...

November was the ninth month of the [ancient Roman calendar](#) and has retained its name from the Latin *novem*, meaning "nine." It is one of four months with a length of 30 days on the Gregorian, or modern, calendar.



Have a great weekend!

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