
Research & Graduate Studies News

Faculty of Arts & Education - 6 December 2019

HDR NEWS

Welcome - new candidates



Welcome to Monique Fuss in the School of Education.

Monique commenced in 201990 as an online candidate, and will be supervised by Graham Daniel and Jennifer Munday.

Welcome to Mark Layson in the School of Theology. Mark will commence in 202030 as an online candidate, and will be supervised by Andrew Cameron and Rhonda Shaw.



2020 Re-enrolments

HDR candidates are required to be formally enrolled for two academic sessions per calendar year for each year of their candidature, except where a specified period of Leave of Absence has been approved.

To ensure correct enrolment for 2020, candidates will soon receive an email from us to advise the subject/s they have been enrolled in for 2020. Candidates will need to respond via an online form and either:

- Confirm authorisation of the enrolment
- Propose an alternate subject
- Advise they will be applying for a [Leave of Absence](#)

Deadlines and further information will be included in the email. If no response is received, the enrolment will be removed and candidates may potentially receive an abandonment of candidature letter.

Writing for Peer Reviewed Journal Articles Workshop



The Faculty of Arts and Education's Writing for Peer Reviewed Journal Articles Workshop was held at the Albury campus from 27 November - 3 December. There were 22 participants and Professor Ron Adams facilitated the workshop. The workshop covered the topics of joining a conversation, targeting the journal and persuading the editor, using abstracts as a tool for success, writing first drafts using the Pomodoro Technique, workshopping abstracts, strategies for getting the writing done, workshopping introductions, understanding reviewers' feedback and strategies for revising your text, standards for Reporting Qualitative Research and committing to a plan.

The following feedback was received by one of the attendees: *I really enjoyed the workshop and highly recommend it to anyone, no matter their level of expertise and publication record. I learned a number of new practical techniques. These have already helped me to become a more productive writer (and reviewer of my work and the work of others). Most importantly, I greatly enjoyed and benefitted from the collegial and supportive environment that the facilitator provided. His enthusiasm ensured all workshop members were able to share their work and provide constructive feedback to each other. I am very grateful to the Faculty for coordinating the workshop and hope there will be more opportunities like this in the future.*

December Writing Workshops

Weathering comments on your writing

12pm, Monday 9th December – Online in Adobe Connect

This relaxed lunch time panel session is an opportunity to discuss experiences and strategies for managing our responses to feedback about research writing - whether this is examiner's reports, peer reviewer's comments, supervisors' feedback, etc.

The panel includes people who have experience along all points on the feedback cycle, including a recent doctoral candidate and experienced research writers, reviewers and supervisors.

Registration and further information:

https://connect.csu.edu.au/weathering/event/event_info.html

Questions welcome to Cassily Charles – ccharles@csu.edu.au

December Bootcamp

Tuesday 10th December – Last bootcamp for the year!

Get a burst of progress on your research writing before the holidays. All staff and students welcome. Join us online from anywhere. For a calendar invitation with the schedule and links, email your host Cassily Charles – ccharles@csu.edu.au

"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

RESEARCH NEWS

Associate Dean Research

Lena Danaia will be returning as Associate Dean Research from Monday 9 December 2019.
Welcome back Lena.

Thank you to both Phillip Hider and Amy MacDonald for their work as Acting Associate Dean.

A reminder as well that Jenny Morrison will be commencing as Faculty Research Liaison Officer on 11 December 2019.

Proposed Research and Strategy Plan 2020 - 2026

The Proposed Research Strategy and Plan 2020-2026 has been developed to 'future proof' research at Charles Sturt University through a substantial increase in, and diversification of, external research income to support a significant increase in the quality, engagement and impact of our research.

This Proposed Research Strategy and Plan 2020-2026 is the outcome of a Review of internal research alignment, current research strengths, emerging research areas, and opportunities for future growth, conducted over the period February to May 2019 by Dr John Howard from Acton Institute for Policy Research and Innovation. The Review involved a detailed analysis of Charles Sturt research performance - on its own merits and in comparison with other universities nationally and internationally.

The outcomes of the Review are reflected in the Proposed Research Strategy and Plan 2020-2026 and contains 36 specific Proposed Actions. The document and consultation questions can be found on the University Strategy website [here](#).

All staff are invited to provide feedback to the document. Feedback and any questions can be directed to research_strategy@csu.edu.au and will be accepted up to Monday 20 January 2020.

Consultation sessions will be held as follows:

Bathurst [Dubbo staff welcome]

2-4pm, Monday 9 December

Room 205, Building 1292

Orange

10am-12noon, Tuesday 10 December

Room 105, Building 1005

Port Macquarie

2-4pm, Tuesday 10 December

Room 2064, Building 801

Albury

2-4pm, Wednesday 11 December

Room 103, Building 754

Wagga

10am-12noon, Thursday 12 December

Room 182, Building 229

A follow up 1.5-hour Video Conference session will be held in the week commencing 13 January, details to be advised.

Recent Publications

Dr Suzie Gibson, 'It's Neoliberalism that lit the fires.' *Overland Literary Journal*, St Kilda: Melbourne, November 21 2019. The full article can be read [here](#).

Dr Suzie Gibson Letter to the Editor *Western Advocate* 'A time for hope as we look to an uncertain future'. The full letter can be read [here](#).

Dr Brendon Hyndman - A new podcast from the Australia IKEA podcast series about the changing face of play throughout childhood titled 'The changing face of play through the Ages'. Listen to the podcast [here](#).

Associate Professor Amy MacDonald 'In Conversation with Associate Professor Amy MacDonald ECEC STEM researcher'. *The Sector Early Education News, Views and Reviews*. The interview can be read [here](#).

New Generation Learning Space Design 9th Annual Summit 2020

The New Generation Learning Space Design Summit is back in 2020 on the 2 - 4th March, Sydney! View the Official Event Guide to view our speakers, sessions and interactive workshops.

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In the lead up to the summit the New Generation Learning Space Design Team is sharing articles and the most recent on '5 ways to Design Creative, Inspiring, Stimulating, Collaborative & Productive Learning Spaces' can be accessed [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...



Did you know that the month of December is Write to a Friend Month? When was the last time you actually *wrote* to a friend rather than typed? Technology does make it easier for us to connect with each other within seconds, however many say they miss receiving letters and cards in the mail. Use this month to give someone a surprise by sending them something that isn't read via the screen on a computer or phone such as a Christmas card or letter.

Have a great weekend!

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