

Welcome to the latest edition of the Faculty of Arts & Education's Bulletin, where too much research and graduate studies news is barely enough. The Faculty Research Forum less than 2 weeks away (have you sent your individual slide?), information on the progress reporting round plus plenty more...

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➤ **RESEARCH NEWS**

- **Ready for the Faculty Research Forum?**

The program for the Faculty of Arts and Education Research Forum will be distributed early next week to all staff who have registered. It's not too late to register, so if you would like to do so, please contact Lisa for a registration form.

All staff are asked to send **ONE SLIDE** introducing themselves and their work to Lisa. This will form part of a slide show to be shown throughout the forum. Even if you're **NOT ATTENDING** the forum, you are asked to submit a slide to be included in the presentation.

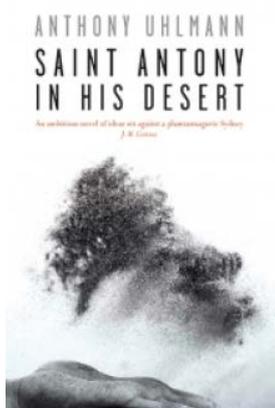
All presenters and those preparing their school's pecha-kucha presentations, are asked to have their slides to Lisa by **14 August**. Everyone attending the forum will receive a thumb drive containing the presentations (unless otherwise noted) and this will give us time to do this.

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o Faculty Happenings

Suzie Gibson, School of Communication and Creative Industries presented an invited guest seminar on the topic of 'Conspiracy' at Western Sydney's 'Writing and Society' Research group. The link to the research group and podcast of the seminar can be found [here](#).



Suzie was also recently published in the [Australian Book Review](#) reviewing 'Saint Antony in His Desert' by Anthony Uhlmann

Jessie Lymn, School of Information Studies and **Tamara Cumming, School of Teacher Education** have been accepted into the 2018 **Kathleen Fitzpatrick Laureate Fellowship Mentoring Scheme** being run by the University of Melbourne.

The scheme is fully funded by the Australian Research Council and is offered annually for the next 5 years. The aim is to attract outstanding early career female researchers who have completed their PhDs within the past 10 years in the humanities and the social sciences to an intensive mentoring programme.

The programme focuses on issues confronting women researchers; identifying career opportunities; engaging in national and international research environment; managing institutional change and developing time management skills. It also involves workshops on all aspects of developing a research career, presenting research, and direct mentoring of current research projects.

Bernard Sullivan, recent PhD graduate from the **School of Communication and Creative Industries** currently has an exhibition titled **Nginyanggarang: Beginning a conversation in the morning to awaken others** at the Links Art Gallery in Wagga. The official launch is this **Saturday 11 August at 1pm**. Visit the [Wagga Art Gallery](#) for more information.



Brendan Hyndman, School of Education, has an article in the latest [Education Review](#), *Surveillance and the delicate social balance in school playgrounds*.

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○ **Visiting Scholar - Professor Cindy Blackstock, McGill University**



PROFESSOR CINDY BLACKSTOCK is coming from Canada to Charles Sturt University – August 2018! The School of Humanities and Social Sciences has been successful in being awarded funding to bring out Visiting Scholar, and First Nations social activist, Professor Cindy Blackstock, to contribute to an ‘Indigenous Knowledges Stream’, designed across three phases over the next six months. Cindy is currently Professor, McGill University, School of Social Work - Quebec, Canada; 2017- Present Adjunct Professor, University of Alberta; 2003 – Present Executive Director First Nations Child and Family Caring Society Web site: www.fncaringsociety.com

Please save some of the dates and times to be part of the conversations with Cindy; these will be linked via VC from Bathurst to as many sites as possible:

Tuesday 28th August until Friday 31st August. The Program times are still to be finalised but will include the following: Tuesday – public lecture; Wednesday – public panel with Elders and community members; Thursday – conversation circles to discuss aspects of research and future collaborations with First Nations Peoples; Friday – summarising Indigenous knowledges themes.

Members of the SH&SS [Ass. Pro Susan Mlcek; Ass. Pro Dominic O’Sullivan; Ms Therese Jones-Mutton; Dr Ruth Bacchus, and many others] are working closely with the **Gulaay Indigenous Australian Curriculum and Resources team** [with lead Dr Barbara Hill], to ensure the voices of the **Bathurst Wiradyuri** and **Community Elders** merge with ideas from Cindy and other Indigenous and non-Indigenous individuals and communities to provide in-depth co-operative inquiry into a range of themes.

As Visiting Scholar, Cindy will make a valuable collaborative contribution. This could include mentoring, research skill development, knowledge-sharing, conversation circles, research planning, and other support required. By having Cindy at CSU for this valuable time, we know this will happen!

Cindy is an influential voice within the Aboriginal, social work and child rights communities around the world. We can learn so much from her committed activism and care in creating positive change for marginalised individuals and communities. She speaks out about the systemic inequalities in services experienced by First Nations children, youth and families. On January 26, 2016, in a landmark decision, the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal (2016 CHRT 2) ruled that the federal government’s longstanding underfunding of child and family services on First Nations reserves, as well as failure to ensure First Nations children’s access to government services on the same terms as other children (as per Jordan’s Principle), discriminates against 163,000 First Nations children on the grounds of race and national and ethnic origin.

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○ Call for applications - Research Officer Support Scheme

The FoAE is recruiting Research Officers focused on helping programs and disciplines, and researchers in the FoAE are asked to consider ways they can use sustained and significant support from a Research Officer to advance programs, discipline and team track records, or initiate new programs of inquiry. You can also apply for shorter periods of support.

Aim

The aim is to increase research impact and quality outputs, generate external income, and promote engagement with industry, in the short and long term. The ROS scheme has been designed to support and develop areas of research strength in the Faculty, particularly where staff are working collaboratively.

Support

Support will be through provision of access to high quality, specialist research personnel who can help in conducting, writing applications for funding, and managing the progress of research projects.

The scheme also recognises the need to ensure sustainability and succession planning in areas of research strength.

Who can apply?

Applications can be made by FoAE research teams, as well as individual researchers.

What can you apply for?

You apply for a Research Officer's (RO) time. You will need to specify your objectives, the activities you expect the Research Officer to perform, and the amount and duration of time required. Activities might include but are not limited to: literature reviews; questionnaire development; data collection (including phone/mail surveys; in person interviews, organisation of focus groups and in-depth interviews); data entry; data analysis and report writing; grant writing and ethics application preparation; writing of journal manuscripts and reports; development of communications materials.

How to apply

The application forms can be found here <https://arts-ed.csu.edu.au/research/funding> on the Faculty's research website. Email your completed applications for RO support to [Lisa McLean](#) by cob Friday 31 August, 2018.

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○ Call for applications - Research Assistance Support for Sustained Programs of Research

The **Research Assistance for Sustained Programs of Research** funding scheme has been designed to acknowledge key areas of research strength in the Faculty, particularly where staff have a proven record or applying for and winning externally funded grants, tenders or contracts. The aim is to sustain and extend this record by providing ongoing access to high quality, specialist research personnel who can assist in sourcing, applying for, and managing research funds. Funding is expected to boost the number of successful applications for

research funding submitted by the Faculty, increase research impact, produce quality publications, and promote engagement with the industry. The Faculty will provide funding for RA employment up to a maximum of 0.6 FTE for approved applications.

Applications can be found on the Faculty's research funding page <http://arts-ed.csu.edu.au/research/funding> Email your completed applications for RO support to [Lisa McLean](#) by cob Friday 31 August, 2018.

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- **Grant application processes**

Do you want more of an understanding of the grant application process or are you new to the submission process? This session is all about enabling you to better understand the processes and people within CSU who can support you in submitting an application to the Research Office for approval.

This session will go through the supporting documents you need to submit with your application, discuss the *Notice To Submit* form, submission timelines, budgets costs and in-kind, application review tips, who can help you with application preparation, and how the Research Office can help you.

When: 16th August @ 0930 - 1130

Registration: <http://www.csu.edu.au/research/professional-development/program-calendar>

- **Cross Faculty Grant Writing Workshops – EOI closing today!**



We are inviting research active staff in **all three Faculties** to indicate their interest in participating in a grant writing workshop. This is a call for three forms of participation.

Participants

Participants need to commit to the full 11-week program, and submit a maximum two-page **EOI by 12 noon Friday 10 August** (template available). All interested staff please forward your EOI to Kerry Madden, Faculty Research Liaison Officer via fobjbs-rgs@csu.edu.au EOIs should state your position, level (A to C), Faculty and membership of Research Centre (if applicable) and provide the draft title for the grant proposal you are currently developing, and a concise statement as to why you should be considered to be one of the participants for the 2018 program.

Note that only 5 participants from each Faculty can attend, to ensure that high quality feedback and training can be provided to meet the needs of each participant. Successful applicants' travel and accommodation costs for the face-to-face workshop will be fully met.

Mentors

Mentors are an important part of this 11-week program, and critical to its success. Ideally we'd like to allocate about 1-2 participants to a mentor, who will review the developing applications, giving constructive feedback either in writing, or verbally, or both. Mentors are likely to be

Level C to E staff who have achieved external grant success more than once. Mentors are also invited to participate in the 11-week program as fully (or not) as they wish, including attending the face-to-face workshop. As with participants, mentors' costs of attending will be fully met. Staff who are interested in being a mentor should contact Kerry Madden, Faculty Research Liaison Officer via email fobjbs-rgs@csu.edu.au

Presenters

We are asking senior researchers to present on different components of how they achieved external grant success. Each presentation would be about 30 minutes, including question time.

We are excited by the opportunity to work collaboratively across our Faculties, but know that the success of the workshop will depend on the committed participation of our staff.

For a copy of the program & EOI template please contact: Kerry Madden, Faculty Research Liaison Officer for the Faculty of Business, Justice and Behavioural Sciences via email fobjbs-rgs@csu.edu.au

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o Nominations to Research Committee

At its meeting on 11 July 2018, the Academic Senate resolved to seek additional nominations to the Research Committee for the term of office commencing on 11 July 2018 and ending on the day before the first meeting of the newly constituted Academic Senate held after 30 June 2020. This was to ensure that there would appropriate representation across the Faculties for the three membership positions that are nominated by the Academic Senate.

Under the current Terms of Reference Research Committee includes three research active staff nominated by the Academic Senate, one in each of the following categories:

- i. Level E;
- ii. Level C or D; and
- iii. Level A or B, ensuring that at least two Faculties are represented.

At its meeting on 12 September 2018, the Academic Senate will be requested to make its nominations to the Research Committee for the next term of office. Before the nominations are made, Academic Senate would like to invite any eligible members of staff who are interested in being nominated to these positions to submit an expression of interest to Academic Senate.

Interested staff should provide a written statement of not more than 150 words with their expression of interest, which may include the following information: full name, qualifications, experience and any positions or offices held at any time in public bodies, clubs or other organisations with dates of tenure.

Expressions of interest must be submitted to Ingrid Pulley, Executive Officer (Academic Senate) by **no later than 4:00pm on Wednesday 29 August 2018** (email ipulley@csu.edu.au). Please note that there is no nomination form - a written expression of interest from the staff member which indicates the committee position that they are interested in being nominated to together with a written statement will be sufficient.

The Expressions of Interest will then be considered by the Academic Senate at its meeting on 12 September 2018 and the nominations to the positions will be confirmed at this time.

The University is committed to improving the representation of women, Indigenous Australians, people of non-Anglo-Celtic background and people with disabilities on University committees, and such people are encouraged to seek nomination.

All enquiries concerning this position should be directed to Ingrid Pulley, Executive Officer (Academic Senate) at extension 84746 or email ipulley@csu.edu.au

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o [ACSPRI Spring Courses @ Macquarie University](#)

[Fundamentals of Statistics - level 1](#)

- A solid foundation in basic statistical concepts and procedures emphasising statistical techniques applicable to the social sciences.

[Introduction to Qualitative Research - level 1](#)

- This course combines lectures with practical workshops and covers elements of the qualitative research process and how they are interrelated. The course is for those who would like to become more familiar with qualitative research techniques

[Applied Statistical Procedures - level 2](#)

- An intermediate, applied course covering a range of the most commonly used statistical procedures.

[Qualitative Research: Design, Analysis and Representation - level 2](#)

- For participants who have undertaken a qualitative study in their work or study and would like to build their theoretical knowledge and applied skill base.
- Focuses on issues of design and positioning, analysis and representation of qualitative research.

[Network Analysis in Social, Business and Political Research - level 3](#)

- A basic introduction to **advanced** network modelling and visualization methods in R packages. (No prior knowledge of R is expected)

[Using R for Advanced Statistical Analysis - level 3](#)

- For those who have basic knowledge and experience with R, and would like to develop their advanced statistical methods

[Applied Structural Equation Modelling using AMOS - level 4](#)

- An introduction to a range of basic structural equation models and the use of the AMOS software to estimate the model parameters. Participants have the opportunity to work on their own research problems with the instructor's assistance.

For the full syllabus of each course, **follow the course title links.**

FoAE researchers may be eligible to receive the FoAE Research Skills Development Funding. For more information see the details on the [Faculty Funding Opportunities](#) page.

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- **CALL FOR PAPERS: 6th Biennial ACSPRI Social Science Methodology Conference 2018**

Conference dates: Wednesday December 12 – Friday December 14, 2018 at the University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia

The [call for abstracts of papers](#) is open, and has been extended to now close on September 14. In addition to extending the submission date, you can [review additional sessions proposed by the community on the conference website](#).

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- **HDR NEWS**

- **Welcome new candidates**



Welcome to **Sophie Diamandi** in the **School of Humanities and Social Sciences**. Sophie will be commencing in 201860 as an online candidate, and will be supervised by Susan Mlcek and Bernadette Moorhead.

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- **Congratulations – Endorsement of Candidature**

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

Riley Warren, School of Theology – *The Contribution of Bishop R. C. Kerle to Australian Anglican Evangelicalism with Particular Reference to the Dioceses of Sydney and Armidale, 1956-1976*

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- **Progress Reporting Round – Now Open!**



The 201830 progress reporting is now open! You will have received an email recently inviting you to initiate your report for 201830. HDR candidates are required to report on the progress of their research twice per year. Candidates should provide and account of the progress during this period and plans for the next reporting period and provide honest and respectful feedback on the relationship and dynamic of their supervisory team.

It is important that candidates engage in the reporting process as the information contained within these reports is considered by the Director of Research when making decisions relating to requests for leave, Scholarship and Candidature extensions.

The candidate section should be completed and sent to your supervisor by **Friday 10 August (today!)**.

If you have any questions at all please contact [Leanne](#)

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○ Scholarships for 2019 – Now Open!

The Scholarships 2019 round is now open: <https://www.csu.edu.au/research/scholarships>.

- Closing date for International applicants is **Friday 7 September 2018**.
- Closing date for Domestic applicants is **Wednesday 31 October 2018**.

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○ Research Survey – Academic Research Supervision

Lucas Mirani, a student at the Research School of Psychology at the Australian National University along with his supervisors, Professors Bruce Christensen and Elizabeth Rieger are conducting a survey about the quality of the supervisory relationship.

The survey link and a brief description are below.

Survey link: https://anupsych.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8xcYepMkX2CNm4d

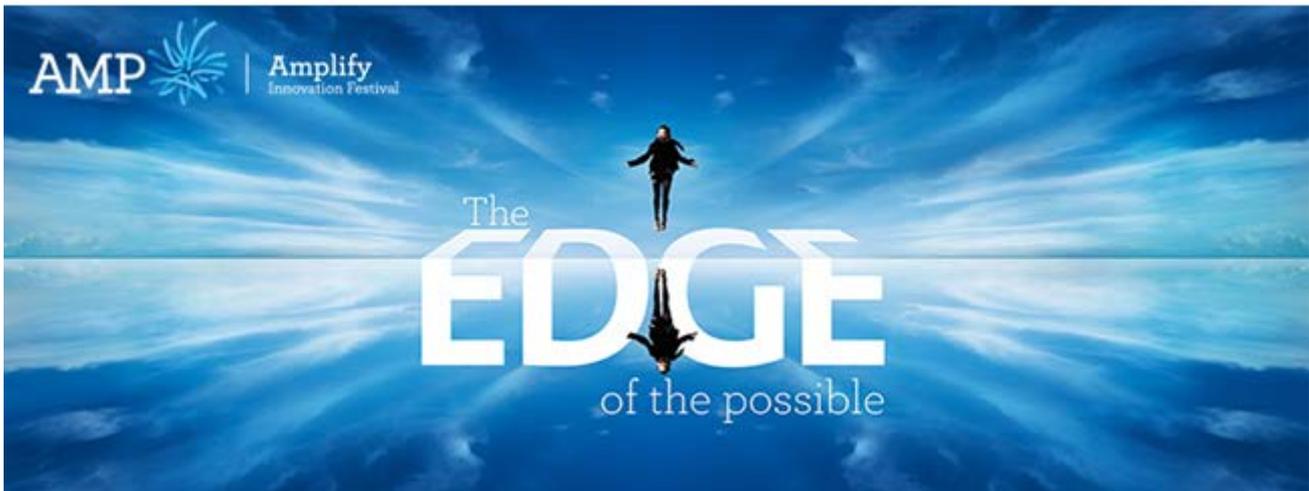
Survey description:

Academic research supervision is one of, if not the most, critical aspects for student wellbeing and the ability to successfully complete a postgraduate research project. However, there are currently no questionnaires that comprehensively assess the quality of the supervisory relationship. This project will develop such a questionnaire. It will involve completing a 25-30 minute online survey focusing on the quality of the relationship you have with your primary supervisor. The results will help universities to understand current gaps in the quality of supervision and how to best equip supervisors to support their students. Those who participate can opt in to win a \$150 Westfield voucher.

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○ AMPlify Ignite 2018



More pitching, this time with even less time! Amplify Ignite is your opportunity to pitch your idea in 150 seconds to a live business audience in Sydney with the chance to win funding for your research. There is a total prize pool of \$26,000 (overall winner receives \$5,000 of the pool), as well as business mentoring and performance coaching from industry leaders for the final twenty PhD students.

For more information go to [AMP Ignite 2018](#)

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- **HDR Welcome & Induction – 14 August**

A reminder that the next **HDR Candidate Welcome and Induction** session is happening next **Tuesday 14 August, 2018**. Please visit the [Professional Development Calendar](#) to register for this session – it's not too late! These sessions are highly recommended for new candidates commencing in 2018 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>

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- **Endeavour Scholarships & Fellowships – Opening soon**



The 2019 round of the Endeavour Scholarships and Fellowships is expected to open soon. The program provides opportunities for Australian postgraduate students, and postdoctoral researchers to undertake international research and professional development in an eligible country overseas. It also supports University staff, including general and administrative university staff to undertake professional development overseas.

International applicants are supported to undertake a full Masters or PhD qualification, as well as short-term research at your university. The program is an excellent opportunity for research schools to develop international research linkages.

More information about the Endeavour Leadership Program will be published in the next bulletin.

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➤ Researcher/HDR Professional Development

○ Map & evaluate the argument structures of your research

Would you like to be sure that your thesis will present a coherent argument, based on solid reasoning? Do you have a vague feeling that there might be some logically fuzzy bits?

Assoc Prof of philosophy, **Dr Morgan Luck**, is offering individual one-to-one sessions, to sit down and have an eagle-eyed conversation about the arguments and reasoning in your thesis. (You do not have to have a thesis draft, but you need to have some detailed plans, at least to the stage of a completed research proposal.) The aim, guided by your priorities, will be to clarify, critique and strengthen your reasoning, which may impact on multiple aspects of your thesis structure, research design and interpretation.

People who were lucky enough to get this kind of appointment with Morgan during Docfest in previous years found it *extremely enlightening and useful*.

The times on offer are:

- Thursday 16th August - 11:30am-12:30pm
- Thursday 16th August - 1pm - 2pm

Depending on your location and preference, the session can be face-to-face (Wagga), by phone, Skype or Adobe Connect.

To book one of these times, email Cassily Charles, Academic Literacy Coordinator - ccharles@csu.edu.au

Missed out? Can't make those times? Email [Cassily](#) to register your interest in this topic for similar appointments/workshops later in the year.

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○ Thursdays 7:30pm - new weekly 'Shut Up & Write'

Do you want to be more productive in the evening?

A new weekly time for online 'Shut Up & Write' is now being offered: every Thursday evening, starting at 7:30pm.

Link to enter the session: <https://connect.csu.edu.au/shutupandwrite>

Your hosts are Judy Redman jredman@csu.edu.au and Claire Wilkinson c.wilkinson@unsw.edu.au

All doctoral candidates and other staff and students who would like to be more productive, and have the company of other focussed people, are warmly welcome.

If you'd like to know about other weekly SU&W times, see the page here:

<https://www.csu.edu.au/research/institutes-centres/research-support-services/academic-skills/research-writing-support/shut-up-and-write>

Questions welcome to the hosts or to Cassily Charles, Academic Literacy Coordinator - ccharles@csu.edu.au

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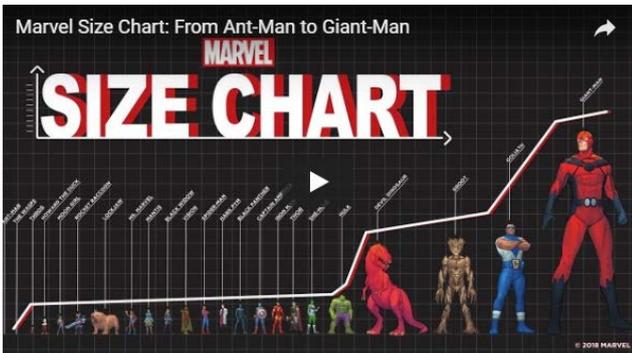
➤ **Faculty of Arts and Education Research and Graduate Studies Committee**

The next meeting of the Faculty of Arts & Education Research and Graduate Studies Committee will be held on **Wednesday 12 SEPTEMBER**, with the agenda closing on **29 AUGUST**. School Research Chairs should send the minutes of their school's research committee to Leanne Phillips by **29 AUGUST**. Agenda and papers will be distributed by **5 SEPTEMBER**.

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➤ **And finally...**



Ever wondered about the scale of Marvel characters? Have a look at this [Marvel Size Chart](#) to find out where you fit in!

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Have a great weekend!

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