

# FACULTY OF SCIENCE RESEARCH BULLETIN

## ISSUE 8: APRIL 2017

Welcome to Issue 8 of the Faculty of Science Research Bulletin. This issue is full of news about the many activities taking place in the Faculty of Science, including our first 'Getting to Know' profile. This month we get to know Jennifer M Niem who is a HDR candidate with SAWS. We plan to alternate between profiles of staff and students – so feel free to nominate yourself or a colleague. This issue also features information about many professional development and funding opportunities for both HDR candidates and staff.

The bulletin is emailed to all staff and HDR candidates in the Faculty of Science in the first week of each month. If you have a news item, a resource, announcement or a great achievement related to research or HDR candidature you'd like to share, please send it to [Deborah](#) or [Melanie](#) for inclusion in the next bulletin.

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## **Welcome to our New Candidates**



**Wes Pearson** – School of Agricultural and Wine Science, working with John Blackman, Leigh Schmidtke and Leigh Francis. Wes will commence this session full-time via distance education.

**Kenneth Bryan** – School of Animal and Veterinary Science, working with Marta Hernandez-Jover, Michael Campbell and Rob Woodgate. Kenneth will commence this session full-time on the Wagga campus.

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## **Congratulations - Approved for Graduation**

**Ehsan Hamdy**, thesis titled “Novel Intervention for Cardiovascular Enhancement and Rehabilitation”

**Noelia Roman**, thesis titled “Structural Determination of Protein Complexes Involved in Nucleocytoplasmic Transport”

**Susan Orgill**, thesis titled “Organic Carbon Accumulation in Soil under Perennial Pastures in Southern New South Wales, Australia”

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## **Congratulations – Thesis Submissions**



Congratulations to the candidates who have just submitted their thesis in time for census date. You will receive an email from the Research Office to confirm you are ‘under examination’ when your thesis has been sent to the examiners. Please note it is a peak period for thesis submission so this may not be done straight away.

We hope you can now take a well-earned break and wish you all the best with the examination process.

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## Research Writing Resources – Upcoming Workshops



These are provided for *Higher Degree Research candidates*, but all other staff and students are very welcome. The list is below, with links for more information, or to register. Questions are always welcome: Cassily Charles: [ccharles@csu.edu.au](mailto:ccharles@csu.edu.au)

Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> April, 1-2pm – Critical Writing, Part 1 –

[https://connect.csu.edu.au/criticalwriting2017p1/event/event\\_info.html](https://connect.csu.edu.au/criticalwriting2017p1/event/event_info.html)

Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> April, 1-2pm – Critical Writing, Part 2 –

[https://connect.csu.edu.au/criticalwriting2017p2/event/event\\_info.html](https://connect.csu.edu.au/criticalwriting2017p2/event/event_info.html)

Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> April, 1-2pm – Critical Writing, Part 3 –

[https://connect.csu.edu.au/criticalwriting2017p3/event/event\\_info.html](https://connect.csu.edu.au/criticalwriting2017p3/event/event_info.html)

Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> April – 12-1:30 – Presenting your research at a conference: The Basics -

[https://connect.csu.edu.au/presenting/event/event\\_info.html](https://connect.csu.edu.au/presenting/event/event_info.html)

**Basics of Thesis Structure:** The recording of the workshop on the *Basics of Thesis Structure* is now available, with slides and handouts, in the 'Workshop recordings and materials' folder, under 'Useful Resources' on the left-hand menu in the Research Writing Resources site in Interact2.

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## Faculty of Science HDR and Honours Symposium



The Faculty of Science HDR and Honours Symposium and dinner will be held in Wagga Wagga on **Thursday 10 and Friday 11 August**. This event is a great opportunity to extend peer networks, develop presentation skills suitable for communicating with a non-specialist audience and take advantage of the professional development workshops designed to enhance research careers.

\*Honours students attendance is encouraged but not compulsory

\*Doctoral students must attend a total of three and present at two symposia during their candidature.

\*Research Masters students must attend a total of two and present at one symposia during their candidature.

\*All staff in the Faculty of Science are encouraged to attend

For those travelling to Wagga the Faculty will provide bed and breakfast for a maximum of two nights.

Please **RSVP by 28 April 2017** by completing the online form [here](#).

If you have any questions please contact [Melanie Snell](#), Graduate Studies Liaison Officer.

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## Surviving and thriving on the research rollercoaster – FREE webinar.



All CSU Staff and students have been invited to attend a FREE webinar being hosted by the Australian Association of Gerontology (AAG) on **20 April 2017** (12pm NSW & VIC).

The journey of a PhD student or early career researcher is unquestionably complex. For many, this experience is also a time of considerable stress that can impact health and wellbeing.

This webinar will explore this unique career phase, with specific consideration of how you can have your PhD and your sanity too.

Participants will:

- Consider the complexities of self-care in the PhD/ECR context
- Explore the taboo topics
- Learn strategies for improving wellbeing
- Develop a plan for your own individual situation
- Hear from the Expert

Information and registration: <http://www.aag.asn.au/events/event/surviving-and-thriving-on-the-research-rollercoaster>

Enter code **CSUSURV** to register for free.

Belinda is a social worker with a Masters specialising in clinical mental health. Her research and teaching interests include mental health, ageing, social policy, service provision in rural areas and informal caregiving. Belinda's PhD research explored the systemic complexities of informal care. She is currently working full time at CSU, teaching in the social work and gerontology programs.

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## 3MT @ CSU



CSU will be participating in the The Asia-Pacific Three Minute Thesis (3MT) competition in 2017.

The winning candidate will go on to compete in the 2017 Asia-Pacific 3MT Competition held in Brisbane on Friday 29 September, 2017.

For more information please click [here](#).

An announcement which will include information about completing an expression of interest will be circulated in the next couple of weeks so keep your eyes open!

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## Australian Wildlife Society Student Research Grants 2017

Each year the Australian Wildlife Society offers ten grants of \$1500 to Honours and Postgraduate students whose research will benefit conservation of Australian wildlife (both plants and animals). Applications are now open for the 2017 round of grants and will close **31 May 2017**.

Details can be found on the [Australian Wildlife Society's website](#):

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## Travel Grants of up to \$3,000 available from EMBL Australia



EMBL Australia will sponsor seven of the best PhD students in Australia to train at the prestigious European Molecular Biology Laboratory.

With an EMBL Australia PhD travel grant, you could take a short course, attend a conference or work alongside some of the world's best young researchers at EMBL's five facilities: in Heidelberg and Hamburg in Germany; Grenoble in France; Hinxton in Cambridgeshire, England; or Monterotondo in Rome, Italy.

The travel grants are open to students in biology, chemistry, physics, mathematics, informatics, engineering and molecular medicine who are currently enrolled in a PhD program at any Australian university and have not yet submitted a thesis.

Applications close on **14 April 2017** (for the travel period 1 July to 31 December 2017).

For more information see the [EMBL Australia website](#)

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## Scholarship AINSE ANSTO French Embassy (SAAFE) Research Internship Program 2017



Applications are now open for the SAAFE program and will close **1 May 2017**. The SAAFE Program objective is to facilitate the conduct of research and foster research collaborations between France and Australia in nuclear science and engineering in the areas of Human Health, Environment and Nuclear Fuel Cycle.

The scholarship provides a maximum funding of up to \$15,000 AUD which will contribute towards travel and / or accommodation expense in Australia or France.

Further information, guidelines and conditions and a link to the application form can be found at the [AINSE website](#)

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## Getting to Know - Jennifer M. Niem (HDR candidate)

This month we introduce a new feature – ‘*Getting to Know*’ which profiles a HDR candidate or staff member. This month, **HDR candidate, Jennifer M. Niem** has kindly agreed to be interviewed for the first profile – Thanks Jennifer.



### What School/Centre do you belong to?

School of Agricultural and Wine Sciences/National Wine and Grape Industry Centre

### How did you come to being a PhD student as CSU?

I was informed by my co-supervisor that their lab was looking for a PhD student to work on one of their existing projects. I then applied for a CSU scholarship and commenced my study shortly after I was accepted.

### What were you doing prior to starting at CSU?

I was working as a University Researcher at the University of the Philippines Los Banos, focusing on research concerning macrofungi in the Philippines.

### What is the focus of your PhD?

My research focus is on the biological control of grapevine trunk disease pathogens using endophytic bacteria. I am interested in studying the mechanism of action involved in the control of grapevine trunk diseases by these endophytic bacteria. My research will involve laboratory assays and the use of molecular-based techniques targeting specific gene markers associated with biocontrol properties such as the production of antibiotics and other metabolites.

### **Who is funding your research?**

CSU and Wine Australia

### **Why does this research interest you and why is it important?**

This line of research interests me because my outputs will not only contribute knowledge to the scientific community but will also benefit the larger society, specifically wine grape growers. My research on the use of endophytic bacteria to control trunk disease pathogens is important because it offers a practical alternative to managing grapevine trunk diseases. Registered fungicides to control the disease are limited and they offer short term protection only. The use of endophytic bacteria as biological control agents may be a potential strategy to supplement chemical methods and can be incorporated into an integrated trunk disease management strategy.

### **What's your favourite meal?**

Asian dishes of course!

### **If you could invite anyone to a dinner party who would you invite and why?**

My family. I always relish the time I spend with my family. Back home, dinner time has always been an opportunity for us to catch up and exchange stories about each other's day to day activities. My family is my refuge and stronghold during trying times and celebrates and rejoices with me in moments of triumph and happiness.

Thank you to Jennifer who kindly agreeing to be interviewed for the first *getting to know you* profile

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## **Developing a Game for Undergraduates Inspires both Academics & Developers**



The project with the working title of '*Gaming as a strategy to engage undergraduate nursing learning about ageing*' is being funded by a *CSU Learning and Teaching Grant*. It is a collaboration between academics, Lyn Croxon, Amali Hohol, Maree Bernoth and Denise Winkler, in the School of Nursing, Midwifery & Indigenous Health and media technologists, Ryan Fell, Ben Atkinson and Sue Theobald, from the Division of Student Learning (DSL).

The project is focused on enhancing learning and teaching by engaging students through technology-mediated and game-based learning in the Bachelor of Nursing degree. The aim of this project is to use game-based learning to change the perception of students about working with older people. Their current perception of older people and working with older people is that it is boring, and not very fun. Using an online game that is appealing, exciting and fun may begin the shift of perception through virtual role playing and personal reflection.

What the team has discovered is the creativity that comes from appreciating different perspectives and sharing knowledge as we develop the story lines and the wire framing. The game and avatar development is challenging how we as nurses present information and the media technologists are learning about ageing! The discussions amongst the team make us think differently – how do we translate what we want the students to learn into a gaming framework? This exercise is making us think much more clearly about content and how we represent knowledge to students. The project has only just commenced but the value for all members of the team is already apparent. When the game is completed, we want that valuable learning experience to be available to our students.

*Thanks to Associate Professor Maree Bernoth for submitting this information.*

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## Recent Publications from the School of Exercise Science



The School of Exercise Science, Sport and Health have recently had the following publications accepted.

**Dionigi, RA. & Son, J** (eds. 2017). Introduction to special issue on critical perspectives on physical activity, sport, play and leisure in later life, *Annals of Leisure Research*, 20 (1), 1-6. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/11745398.2017.1253919>.

**Edwards, S, Austin, AP & Bird, SP** (2016). The role of the trunk control in athletic performance of a reactive change-of-direction task, *Journal of Strength and Conditioning Research*, 31(1), 126-139.

**Edwards, S, Brooke, HC & Cook, JL** (2017). Distinct cut task strategy in Australian football players with a history of groin pain, *Physical Therapy in Sport*, 23, 58-66.

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## Australian Academy of Science: Japan Society – Join FREE NOW

Have you done any collaboration with researchers from Japan? If the answer is yes, then you might want to consider joining a recently established society by the Australian Academy of Science: Japan Society for the Promotion of Science Alumni Association in Australia (JSPSAAA). The purpose of the society is to engage Australian scientists with past, current or possible future collaborative links with Japan to enhance the strong bilateral science and research relationship between the two countries. The membership is free at the moment so hurry up!

For further information please see: <https://www.science.org.au/supporting-science/other-initiatives/japan-society-promotion-science-alumni-association-australia>

**Associate Professor Shokoofeh Shamsi** ([sshamsi@csu.edu.au](mailto:sshamsi@csu.edu.au)) from School of Animal and Veterinary Sciences Charles Sturt University is the state/territory rep for NSW and ACT members.

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## Professor Clive Hamilton One-day Research Workshop - 7 June



Do you want your research to get noticed? Change how people think? Following on from the highly successful December workshop in Wagga Wagga, CSU is once again hosting a one-day workshop led by Professor Clive Hamilton aimed at helping CSU early and mid-career academics raise the public profile of their research.

The workshop will ask: What makes a research paper interesting to the public? Which outlets should you aim to get into – the newspapers, ABC News, The Conversation, a specialist program on the ABC? Should you aim at a global audience? How can you work with the University's Media Office to get your research ideas and results out there? What makes for a good media release?

**Sunanda Creagh**, an editor from *The Conversation*, will join the workshop to talk about how to pitch articles to *The Conversation*.

Workshop numbers **will be limited to 7-9** to ensure interaction and some personalised attention to your research project. Early and mid-career academics from all disciplines are welcome to apply. *The workshop will be held on 7 June at the Bathurst campus.*

If you would like to participate *please write a one-page EOI* setting out: your position at the University; your research areas; and, a statement of why you are interested in the workshop and what you would hope to get out of it.

**Applications should arrive no later than 18 April** and be sent to [research@csu.edu.au](mailto:research@csu.edu.au).

Professor Clive Hamilton AM is one of Australia's leading public intellectuals. He founded and for 14 years directed one of the nation's foremost think tanks, The Australia Institute, where he learned how to influence public debate on a range of important issues. He is the author of a number of best-selling books and publishes widely in Australia and abroad including outlets such as the New York Times, the Guardian, BBC, PBS, Nature, Scientific American and Agence France Presse. In 2008 he was appointed to a new Vice Chancellor's Chair at CSU, with the title Professor of Public Ethics, based at the University's Canberra campus (<http://clivehamilton.com/>).

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## Orcid profile? Research Impact? – Library Workshops

Have you set up your Researcher Profile yet? Need to set up an Orcid to get that grant? The library has training sessions that can help you. Click on the links below to register for the following April sessions:

11th Apr  
2017

Online [Integration of Endnote & Nvivo](#)

13th Apr  
2017

Online [Using Citation Databases \(including Scopus, Web of Science and Google Scholar\)](#)

18th Apr  
2017

Online [Measuring and Evaluating Research Impact](#)

27th Apr  
2017

Online [Exploring Library Resources: Using ProQuest Effectively](#)

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## SAGE Research Methods Video Database – FREE until 7 April



CSU researchers, both students and staff, are invited to use a new collection of 500+ videos on research methods, in the new SAGE Research Methods Video database. We have access to this as part of a trial, until the **7th of April**. Further details are below. Any questions to your librarian.

*Sage Research Methods Video* is a collection of more than 500 online streaming videos (more than 125 hours) covering the research process, research methods, and statistics. Content includes tutorials, case study videos, expert interviews, and mini-documentaries. 60% of the videos are exclusive to SAGE. Transcripts are included.

From the link here you can browse all videos, or browse by Method, Discipline, or Video Type (tutorials, case studies etc.).

*SAGE Research Methods Video* complements, and is actually part of, the broader *SAGE Research Methods Online*, to which CSU Library already subscribes. For the period of the trial you can also access the videos via [SAGE Research Methods Online](#). The trial runs until 7 April 2017.

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## Academic and HDR Participants Needed For Focus Group into Library Use



The Library is looking for volunteers to participate in a focus group study on the library support needs of researchers at Charles Sturt University (CSU). Participants will need to be either academic researchers or Higher Degree students doing research.

The Library at CSU is currently reviewing the support services it provides to *researchers* across the University. In an effort to improve services we are looking to gather information on the previous library support experiences of researchers, what services are exemplary at CSU and what services could be improved. We would also like to find out what services would constitute 'ideal library research support' for each of the participants.

Participants are asked to attend one, one hour long, focus group session. Participation is voluntary, but it will help us to help you.

*Focus group sessions will be held at the following times:*

- ✚ Albury: 09/05/2017 from 3:00-4:00pm
- ✚ Bathurst HDR: 02/05/2017 from 3:00-4:00pm
- ✚ Bathurst Academics: 03/05/2017 from 3:00-4:00pm
- ✚ Dubbo: 02/05/2017 from 12:00-1:00pm
- ✚ Orange: 11/05/2017 from 1:00-2:00pm
- ✚ Port Macquarie: 02/05/2017 from 12:00-1:00pm
- ✚ Wagga Wagga HDR: 03/05/2017 from 3:00-4:00pm
- ✚ Wagga Wagga Academics: 04/05/2017 from 3:00-4:00pm
- ✚ Online HDR: 10/05/2017 from 12:00-1:00pm
- ✚ Online Academics: 04/05/2017 from 2:00-3:00pm

If you would like to participate please contact a [faculty liaison](#) librarian at your campus:

<http://www.csu.edu.au/division/library/contacts-help/faculty-liaison>

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## Faculty of Science Human Research Ethics Committee



The next meeting of the Faculty of Science Human Research Ethics Committee will be held on **Thursday 13 April 2017**. The submission deadline for new applications for this meeting is **Monday 3 April 2017, 3pm**.

Information on the application process and can be found on the [Faculty webpage](#).

AGENDA CLOSING DATE	MEETING DATE
03 April 2017	13 April 2017
01 May 2017	11 May 2017
29 May 2017	08 June 2017

The Faculty Human Research 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](#).

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## Ethics: NEAF now Replaced With the HREA



The **National Ethics Application Form (NEAF)** has been replaced by the Human Research Ethics Application (HREA). Information about HREA is available from the [HREA website](#).

From **Friday 31 March 2017**, users will no longer be able to create new proposals using the NEAF. Users can access their NEAF accounts to copy or export any proposal data they wish to keep up until Friday 30 June 2017.

The NEAF website will be decommissioned on Friday 30 June 2017 and users will no longer have any access to NEAF. NEAF proposal data will not be retained.

### HREA FORM

- The project description is a *mandatory* attachment
- Save your application to your own computer
- Please submit low risk applications to [FOS-FHEC@csu.edu.au](mailto:FOS-FHEC@csu.edu.au)
- Ensure you attach all relevant documents (questionnaires, information sheets etc)
- Submissions must be signed by all researchers and the HOS.

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## CSU Travel First Anniversary



Congratulations to CSU Travel on reaching their first anniversary as a centralised travel office. CSU Travel has certainly improved the lives for all FOS travellers. If you have not already used their services they can make all of your travel arrangements, including booking accommodation in all locations, cars, flights and also transfers at selected destinations.

- ✚ Please note that travel requests must be sent to them *at least 5 days before you travel*.
- ✚ CSU Travel will reconcile all Travel Card transactions for the staff member in ProMaster.
- ✚ CSU Travel staff will monitor the Travel Plans to ensure that Approvals are processed in a timely fashion to allow bookings to be made at the earliest opportunity.
- ✚ All domestic travel can be booked through the [Online Domestic Booking Forms](#)

Contact the travel team on (02) 6933 4488 or X34488

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## 2017 Prime Minister's Prize for Science – Now Open



THE PRIME  
MINISTER'S  
PRIZES FOR  
SCIENCE



Each year, the Australian Government honours and celebrates the achievements of Australia's best scientists, innovators and science teachers through the *Prime Minister's Prizes for Science*, the nation's pre-eminent science, research-based innovation and science teaching awards.

- The Prime Minister's Prize for Science (\$250 000);
- The Prime Minister's Prize for Innovation (\$250 000);
- The Frank Fenner Prize for Life Scientist of the Year (\$50 000);
- The Malcolm McIntosh Prize for Physical Scientist of the Year (\$50 000);
- Prize for New Innovators (\$50 000);

**First stage of nominations open until Wednesday, 12 April 2017, 5.00pm AEST**

Prize recipients will receive national recognition and meet leaders in science, industry, education and government at an awards dinner in the Great Hall of Parliament House, Canberra. You are invited to nominate a colleague or peer and/or share this information throughout your institution.

Please visit the [business.gov.au website](http://business.gov.au) for information on eligibility, selection criteria, nomination guidelines, nomination forms or contact 13 28 46.

For more information about past recipients and the awards presentation dinner, please visit the [Prime Minister's Prizes for Science website](#).

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## Other prizes now open.....

### 2017 Australian Museum Eureka Prizes

Applications for the *2017 Australian Museum Eureka Prizes* are now open, with entries **closing on 5 May 2017**. Established in 1990 to reward outstanding achievements in Australian science and science communication.

The winner of each category receives not only the prestigious award but also a cash prize. More information can be found on the [Australian Museum website](#).

### Australian Academy of Science Awards

The Academy's honorific awards are open to **senior scientists as well as early- and mid-career researchers** who are making amazing contributions to Australian science across a range of disciplines in the physical and biological sciences.

The closing date for award nominations is **20 April 2017**. <https://www.science.org.au/opportunities/recognition>

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## Top 5 Under 40 UNSW/Radio National initiative



Now in its third successful year, *Top 5 Under 40* is a partnership between The University of New South Wales (UNSW) and ABC Radio National (RN). It involves a national callout to find the *best early career researchers* with a PhD under the age of 40, who work in science, technology, engineering, mathematics and medical research, and who have a flair and passion for communicating their vital work. —**applications close 21 April 2017**

The five winners get a 10-day residency in Sydney at ideas network ABC RN. They will receive training in the craft of radio and TV interviews, get a rare 'behind-the-scenes' insight into the ABC and work with some of Australia's best science journalists.

The initiative is supported by *Top 5 Under 40* Ambassadors Alan Duffy, Dr Alan Finkel, Australia's Chief Scientist, Professor Emma Johnston, marine scientist and incoming Dean of Science at UNSW, and Natasha Mitchell, science journalist and broadcaster at RN.

You are encouraged to nominate a suitable early career researcher from your institution and/or share this information throughout your institution.

For further information, please visit the [UNSW's Top Five Under 40 website](#).

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# The Association of Commonwealth Universities – Funding Open

## Titular Fellowships

Academic and professional staff at ACU member universities (CSU is a member) are invited to apply for an ACU Titular Fellowship. These fellowships provide funding of up to GBP 5,000 for a collaborative international research or fact-finding visit, either to a member university overseas or in industry, commerce, or public service.

ACU Titular Fellowships are a great opportunity for university staff to create and strengthen links with other member institutions and to share research expertise and professional best practice.

Eleven fellowships are available. Some are limited to specific subject areas or hosted by specific institutions.

The deadline for applications is **Friday 12 May 2017**. [Find out more about ACU Titular Fellowships and how to apply](#)

## Fellowships to study in Hong Kong

The ACU is pleased to offer two new fellowships which will provide opportunities for university staff mobility into and out of Hong Kong, thanks to the Hong Kong Jockey Club. The fellowships will enable the sharing of research knowledge and professional expertise between our Hong Kong members – the Chinese University of Hong Kong, the Open University of Hong Kong, and the University of Hong Kong – and ACU members in other countries.

The fellowships provide funding of up to GBP 5,000 for a collaborative research or fact-finding visit by an academic or professional university staff member. The inward fellowship is for a staff member from an ACU member university in any country other than Hong Kong to travel to one of the three Hong Kong institutions. The outward fellowship is for a staff member from the Chinese University of Hong Kong, the Open University of Hong Kong, or the University of Hong Kong to travel to an ACU member university in any country other than Hong Kong.

Applications close on **Friday 12 May 2017**. [Find out more about the Hong Kong Jockey Club Fellowships and how to apply](#)

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## Defence Health Foundation – Research Grants Open

Defence Health employ a two stage application process with the first stage being an EOI. **EOIs close on 28 April**.

Typically DHF look for medical research that:

- is designed to directly benefit contemporary serving or ex-serving ADF members and their families;
- targets physical and mental health issues that lead to behaviours that adversely affect the lives of these family members; and
- focuses on prevention, treatment, rehabilitation or intervention.

An establishment grant is used to assist an investigator progress a new area of research to the proof of principle stage in order to be more competitive in obtaining larger external grant funding the following year. These grants are awarded for 12 months only for amounts between **\$25,000 minimum and \$50,000 maximum**.

A booster grant is to assist an established research project expand its scope or duration in order to pursue new lines of investigation or to be able to bring forward the publication of results. A booster grant may be for one, two or three years funding, **to a maximum of \$100,000 p.a.**

<http://www.defencehealthfoundation.org.au/research-grants/how-to-apply/>

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## AMP Tomorrow Community Fund 2017 – Now Open

AMP Tomorrow Makers come from all walks of life and locations, abilities and interest. What they share is a determination to positively impact our community.

The 53 AMP Tomorrow Makers 2016 are made up of artists, athletes, **social innovators**, **scientists**, **educators**, entertainers, entrepreneurs, filmmakers, fashion folk, musicians and **medical researchers**, all working towards their goals across a huge variety of fields.

These determined individuals are sharing in \$1 million in grants to help them take it to the next level. For information on the 2017 application process refer to the [AMP Tomorrow Makers webpage](#). Applications close **16 May 2017**

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## ARC Linkage Grants – Continuous Rounds – 15 Grants Now Announced



The Australian Research Council (ARC) moved the Linkage Project scheme to continuous rounds, instead of annual rounds from 1 July 2016.

The ARC recently announced the second batch of successful Linkage Projects funded since the move to continuous rounds, bringing the total number to 15.

The Linkage Projects scheme involves collaboration between researchers and business to benefit the business, the economy and broader society. The change is intended to remove all barriers to collaboration.

More information can be found at the [ARC Linkage Program](#)

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## Science at the Shine Dome – Life on the loose: species invasion and control



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This year's Early and Mid-Career Researcher (EMCR) program offers you the opportunity to build new skills by attending workshops and be inspired by talks from new Fellows of the Academy and award winners. The program covers all fields of science over two days, with the afternoon of 24 May allocated to workshops and 25 May devoted to a symposium – Life on the

There are 4 great workshops to attend: Learn how to **perfect your grant writing skills**, or **how to use storytelling to communicate your research**. Tim Dean, Science and Technology Editor at the Conversation will teach you **how to pitch your research to the media** or you can learn the skills needed to **partner with industry**.

For more information refer to [Science at the Shine Dome](#).

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## Finally.... Have you ever wondered what would happen if you never left your bed?



I know I have.....and evidently it is not entirely good for you (sigh..). [This](#) and many other interesting answers to life's ponderings are available at [Life Noggin](#).

**Next Issue:**

On that note, we hope that you have a restful Easter break.....



If you would like to contribute a story to the next issue please submit it to **Deborah or Melanie** by the **21<sup>st</sup> of April**.  
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