

GRS *Update*

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GRS Professional Development Program

A research degree from James Cook University is designed to prepare graduates for a wide variety of careers by building professional development activities into the degree program. Most Higher Degree by Research (HDR) candidates will go on to have careers outside academia, and career opportunities expand if they use their candidature for skills development. The first professional appointment after graduation will be determined not only by the research-specific technical skills gained during candidature but also the transferable generic skills and personal attributes. The JCU Graduate Research School (GRS) therefore makes available an extensive skills development program and requires all HDR candidates to develop a program of Professional Development as part of their degree candidature.

For more information on the Professional Development Program visit our [website](#).

On our [website](#), you will also find information regarding Compulsory and Elective workshops for RD7003.

2017 Endeavour Foundation Endowment Challenge Fund Grants Round

The [Endeavour Foundation Endowment Challenge Fund](#) aims to benefit Australians with a disability, especially people with an intellectual or developmental disability.

The [Endeavour Foundation Endowment Challenge Fund](#) seeks to encourage quality and innovation in the disability services sector. Grants are available for researchers to undertake research that will advance the health, wellbeing and life experiences of people with a disability. Grants are also available to non-profit organisations to fund special projects that aim to include people with a disability within their current work and practice.

The 2017 Grants Round will open on Monday 13 March 2017. Applications across two award categories are invited:

1. RESEARCH AWARD: \$50,000 (for research conducted by appropriately qualified researchers)
2. NON-PROFIT ORGANISATION AWARD: total grant pool of \$35,000 (for projects developed and delivered by non-profit organisations located in Queensland, New South Wales or Victoria only)

Visit the [Endeavour Foundation Endowment Challenge Fund website](#) for more information about application guidelines, the assessment process, past award winners, and to download the appropriate application form.

All applications to the 2017 Grants Round must be uploaded via the [online submission form](#) by Friday 21 April 2017, 5pm (AEST).

Applicants will be informed of the outcome of their application via email, no later than Monday 29 May 2017, with funding for approved grants commencing on Monday 19 June 2017.

Scholarship AINSE ANSTO French Embassy (SAAFE) Research Internship Program

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2017 - APPLICATIONS CLOSE 1ST 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 program will support early career researchers at PhD level to expand research and innovation activities within Human Health, Environment and Nuclear Fuel Cycle, to initiate sustainable research networks and linkages to support Australia and France research and innovation.

Research internships supported through SAAFE require an international mobility of students from Australia to France or from France to Australia.

See the website for more details: http://www.ainse.edu.au/grad_students2/saafe_research_internship_program

6th Annual IPSA-NUS Summer School for Social Science Research Methods

The 6th Annual IPSA-NUS Summer School for Social Science Research Methods will be held from 19th to 30th June 2017 at the National University of Singapore.

The Summer School offers courses in quantitative and qualitative research methods – three regular two-week courses and nine one-week courses.

All courses focus on both the theory and practice of social science research and provide high-quality training in diverse, state-of-the-art methods and techniques by outstanding and highly experienced international faculty. This year we have added several more courses to our roster, such as Interviews & Focus Group Research, Qualitative Data Analysis and Quantitative Text Analysis. More information about the various courses on offer, testimonials from past participants, as well as details on financial aid can be found on our website: <http://methods-school.nus.edu.sg/index.html>.

Feel free to email to us at methods-school@nus.edu.sg if you have any enquiries!

2017 Telstra Innovation Challenge

The [2017 Telstra Innovation Challenge](#) is open for registrations. This year the event focusses on IoT capability using technology and communications to solve large scale problems facing the Australian agriculture sector. University entrants are expected to form small teams of 4-5 people which presents and excellent opportunity for

student participants collaborating across Colleges. A copy of the full terms and conditions is attached and is a must read before registering.

For past successful projects see the section on [Past winners](#)

2018 National Library of Australia Fellowships now open

Applications for the 2018 National Library of Australia Fellowships are now open. These Fellowships include an honorarium of \$1,000 per week for 12 weeks, travel and accommodation support, privileged access to the Library's collections, staff and resources, and uninterrupted time for research. The Academy is represented on the Fellowships selection committee by Dr John Passioura.

Eight funded Fellowships are available across a variety of research areas, including:

- 4 general Fellowships for research on any topic that makes significant use of the Library's collections
- 1 Fellowship for research in Australian literature
- 1 Fellowship for Japan studies
- 1 Fellowship for Curatorial Research, available for the first time in 2018, for curators, museologists and archivists
- 1 Fellowship supported by the Minerals Council of Australia, also new in 2018, for researchers working in a variety of fields including public policy, social research, international relations, resources, industry and the environment, and economics.

Additional Honorary Fellowships may be awarded to support research and special access, but without financial support. The Fellowships are suitable for established and early-career researchers from Australia and overseas, undertaking advanced research projects.

Applications close 30 April 2017

[More information on the 2018 National Library of Australia Fellowships](#). If you have any queries on the Fellowships, please contact the NLA at fellowships@nla.gov.au

Fulbright Scholarship Applications Open

The Fulbright Scholarship applications for **Australian candidates at all academic levels**, and Fulbright Scholarship applications for **U.S. Distinguished Chair, Senior Scholar and Postdoctoral candidates** are **NOW OPEN until 1 August 2017**.

For further information please visit their website: <http://www.fulbright.com.au/applicants/>

Australasian Mining History Association Student Travel Grants

The Australasian Mining History Association was formed in 1995 to foster the exchange of information about our mining past. The Association studies and celebrates various aspects of Australia's mining past whether this is associated with mining archaeology, heritage and preservation, and transport or the social and economic aspects of mining.

The Association has available on a competitive basis, two travel grants to enable student presenters to participate in the Annual Conference to be held in Traralgon, Victoria, 25-29 September, 2017, with a pre-conference tour on 24 September and a post-conference tour on 30 September – 1 October.

The grants will consist of:

- \$1,000 for travel and accommodation
 - free conference registration, conference dinner and excursions
 - 12 months free Student Membership of the Association (including the Journal of Australasian Mining History)
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A requirement for a recipient of a grant will be an oral presentation at the conference. Presentations on any aspect of mining history will be considered. Presentations are to be a maximum of 20 minutes in length, plus 5 minutes for questions. For further information on the conference see <http://www.mininghistory.asn.au/conference/>

If you are a post-graduate, Honours or final year undergraduate student and would like to be considered for a travel grant, please email a cover letter to the Convenor of the AMHA Travel Grants Committee, along with an abstract of your proposed presentation and a brief *curriculum vitae* by the deadline. In the cover letter, an applicant should explain what he/she hopes to gain from the conference. While applications are welcomed from any student researchers, preference will be given to those students whose studies are intended to lead to a career in history or heritage.

Grant applications and questions should be submitted by 1 June 2017 to: Professor Ken McQueen, Convenor, AMHA Travel Grants Committee, at Ken.McQueen@canberra.edu.au

Student opportunity: Travel Grants for PhD students

Train at one of EMBL's five European facilities, go to a conference or take a short course. EMBL Australia is passionate about supporting young scientists through their training and into a research career. This year 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.

EMBL offers short courses on a range of topics, including next-generation sequencing and bioinformatics. For a full list of upcoming events, visit: www.embl.de/training/events.

*Grant value: You can apply for financial support of up to \$3,000 for a short visit of up to six weeks.
Closing date: Applications close on 14 April 2017 (for the travel period 1 July to 31 December 2017).
Use this form to apply.*

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.

For more information, see: <http://www.emblaustralia.org/careers-education/funding-and-grants/2017-short-term-travel-grants-embl>

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). We are now inviting applications for the 2017 round of grants.

Details can be found on the Australian Wildlife Society's website: http://www.aws.org.au/grant_university.html

Expressions of interest are sought for casual marking work relating to MBBS undergraduate assignments

Casual markers are being sought to mark an extended written assignment being done by 3rd year MBBS (medicine) students in first semester of 2017.

The task is a 2500 word assignment written in the style of MJA (Medical Journal Australia) narrative review articles. Students are asked to review recent literature relating to a health issue and aspect(s) of its management – which includes basic science concepts of the specific issue and its clinical application. Topics are drawn from

foundation science areas including immunology, cancer, basic pathology, public health, preventative medicine and addiction.

Suitable markers would potentially have some biomedical, medical, nursing, allied health and/or public health backgrounds which includes some knowledge of clinical application of basic science concepts to management, and the general nature of literature reviews. Clinical backgrounds may not be strictly necessary as some assignment topics can be selectively assigned to markers. Paid time would include attendance at marker briefing/training session(s) with relevant academic staff, and possible moderation activities. Markers would need to be available to receive assignments in the week of the 24th of April, and be able to complete marking by the 15th of May. Depending on numbers of markers recruited, this may be 20-40 hours work.

Expressions of interest should be sent to Kimberley.owens@jcu.edu.au. Please include a brief summary of your relevant background/experience.

ACSPRI's Winter Program

The Winter Program at the University of Queensland is up on the [website](#), (June 26 - July 7).

Early bird registration will be open until Wednesday, May 3rd. Book by this day and get a significant discount if you belong to a member organisation and are a full time student. ACSPRI courses have been running for over 30 years, they are:

- 5 day intensives
- small group and hands on (a maximum of 20 students)
- taught by by experienced and well respected Instructors
- provide you with course notes to use as a reference after your course
- use the latest scientific software and methodology
- cover a variety of levels from fundamentals (Level 1) to the very advanced (Level 5)
- discounted for staff & students of member organisations, heavily discounted for full time students (early bird rate)
- provide you a light lunch, morning and afternoon tea

This a brief description of the courses we have on offer in June/ July. If you'd like more information, just click through the links or feel free to call or email on 03 8376 6496 or info@acsPRI.org.au.

2 Day Coral Identification Workshop

Coral Identification Capacity Building Program will run a 2 day coral identification workshop in association with the ACRS Annual Conference. The workshop will be held at James Cook University and run for the two days prior to conference i.e. Sat/Sun July 15-16.

The workshop is based around the Coral Finder Toolkit, a suite of proven, practical resources for coral identification. The workshop would be led by Russell Kelley (author of the Indo Pacific Coral Finder) and will involve audio-visual lessons followed by hands-on training, tutorials and instruction. The Coral Finder uses a visual approach to coral identification that makes it possible for beginners to advance rapidly with little prior knowledge. Participants will learn how to use the Coral Finder to identify corals to genus regardless of growth form. Special emphasis will be placed on techniques for field identification, self-learning and problem solving. Case studies of how to proceed to species level identification will be demonstrated.

The workshop will include the latest edition of the Coral Finder (V3.0), training and revision movies, and a summary of the changes being wrought by molecular research on traditional taxonomy and how to combine to the two approaches without throwing the baby out with the bathwater.

Please find attached a flyer with the details. **Only 20 places**

Introduction to BNs workshop in Melbourne 20-21 April

This is an excellent opportunity to learn the foundations of Bayesian networks, common extensions and network with others in using the techniques.

If you would like to attend, please register at the following site:

<http://bayesian-intelligence.com/training/workshops/apr2017melbourne/training-registration.php>

On that page, you will also find a draft workshop schedule with an overview of the topics covered.

If you can't make these dates but would still like to attend, please email Steven Mascaro to see what can be arranged. For more general information about our workshops, you can visit <http://bayesian-intelligence.com/training/> or contact training@bayesian-intelligence.com or call on [+61 0425 801 277](tel:+610425801277)

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