

# GRS Update

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## RD7003 Workshop: How to Work on a "Wicked Problem" in a Multi-Disciplinary Team

In this three-day workshop you will be trained in facilitation skills to help you work effectively in a small multi-disciplinary team on a 'wicked problem', an intractable, complex policy problem. Presented by Bradley Smith and Professor Helene Marsh, **31 October-2 November**.

*Please note this workshop requires a **minimum of 15 participants** to proceed. Please register via [CareerHub](#) as soon as possible if you are planning to attend.*

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## RD7003 Workshop: Careers in conservation and environmental management Workshop and mentoring sessions

Join Pew Fellow and highly experienced coral reef manager, Dr Laurence McCook, and internationally renowned marine manager and expert in World Heritage issues, Mr Jon Day, in exploring career options in this challenging and fascinating field. 21 November - 23 November.

*Register via [CareerHub](#).*

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## How are you doing? A questionnaire for HDR Candidates

Take the quiz! The purpose of this poll is to provide Higher Degree by Research candidates with indicators of progress (or lack of progress) and to serve as their own 'rule of thumb' during candidature. These indicators are designed to assist you to take control of your candidature through increased awareness of your performance.

*Find the questionnaire on the [GRS Website](#) under the heading: *Contacts for Advice, Grievances and Assistance**

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**"Piled Higher and Deeper" (PhD)** is the comic strip about life (or the lack thereof) in academia.

<http://phdcomics.com/comics.php>

**Notable reviews:**

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"Hilarious."

The Chronicle of Higher Education [chronicle.com](http://chronicle.com)

"You'll laugh and wince at Jorge Cham's smart comic strip, which feels your pain, your panic, your coffee addition... and your departmental politics."

USATODAY.com

"Jorge Cham makes the daily grind just a bit more tolerable."

Stanford Magazine

"Use this comic for procrastination or decompression, as you see fit."

The Journal Nature

"Creator Jorge Cham knows the graduate world well enough to make fun of everything and everyone in it... but also reminds us of the reasons why grad students chose to study their fields in the first place."

Washingtonpost.com

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### **PADDY PALLIN Science Grants 2016 - Supplementary round for marine research only**

The Paddy Pallin Foundation, and The Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife are offering two Marine Science Grants in 2016, worth \$7000 each to support field-based, high quality marine ecological research. The objective of the Paddy Pallin Science grant program is to provide financial support for conservation-based research of Australian species and ecosystems that will ultimately lead to tangible outcomes for management. This is a fresh call for applications for marine research only and supplementary to the August 2016 round of grants. The scope of the research in this supplemental round is open to marine and freshwater research on animals and/or plants and ecological communities.

The grants are open to postgraduate students and Early Career Researchers (within 3 years of submitting PhD). Funding for 2016 will commence in December. The grant will be administered through the Royal Zoological Society of New South Wales.

**CLOSING DATE: 30 October 2016**

[Click here for more information.](#)

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### **ACSPRI Courses Summer Program and Masterclass**

The [2017 Summer Program](#) is now available on ACSPRI's website.

- Week 1 will be at the ANU in Canberra from January 16 - 20
- Week 2 will be at the University of Melbourne from January 30 to February 3, and
- Week 3 will be at the University of Melbourne from February 5-10

Early bird registrations are now available and will be open until November 30.

### **2016 Master-Classes**

If you're thinking about what you can do before the end of the year, ACSPRI still have places available in our 3 Master-classes being held between October and December. These are 2 day, small group intensives held in our Melbourne office.

- [October 20-21: Advanced Qualitative Data Analysis using NVivo \(2 days\)](#) with Assoc Prof Linda Sweet
- [November 17-18: Solicited Diaries for Qualitative Social Research \(2 days\)](#) with Prof Alex Bloom & Dr Emma Kirby
- [December 1-2: Introduction to Rasch Analysis using RUMM2030 - \(2 days\)](#) with Assoc Prof Julie Pallant

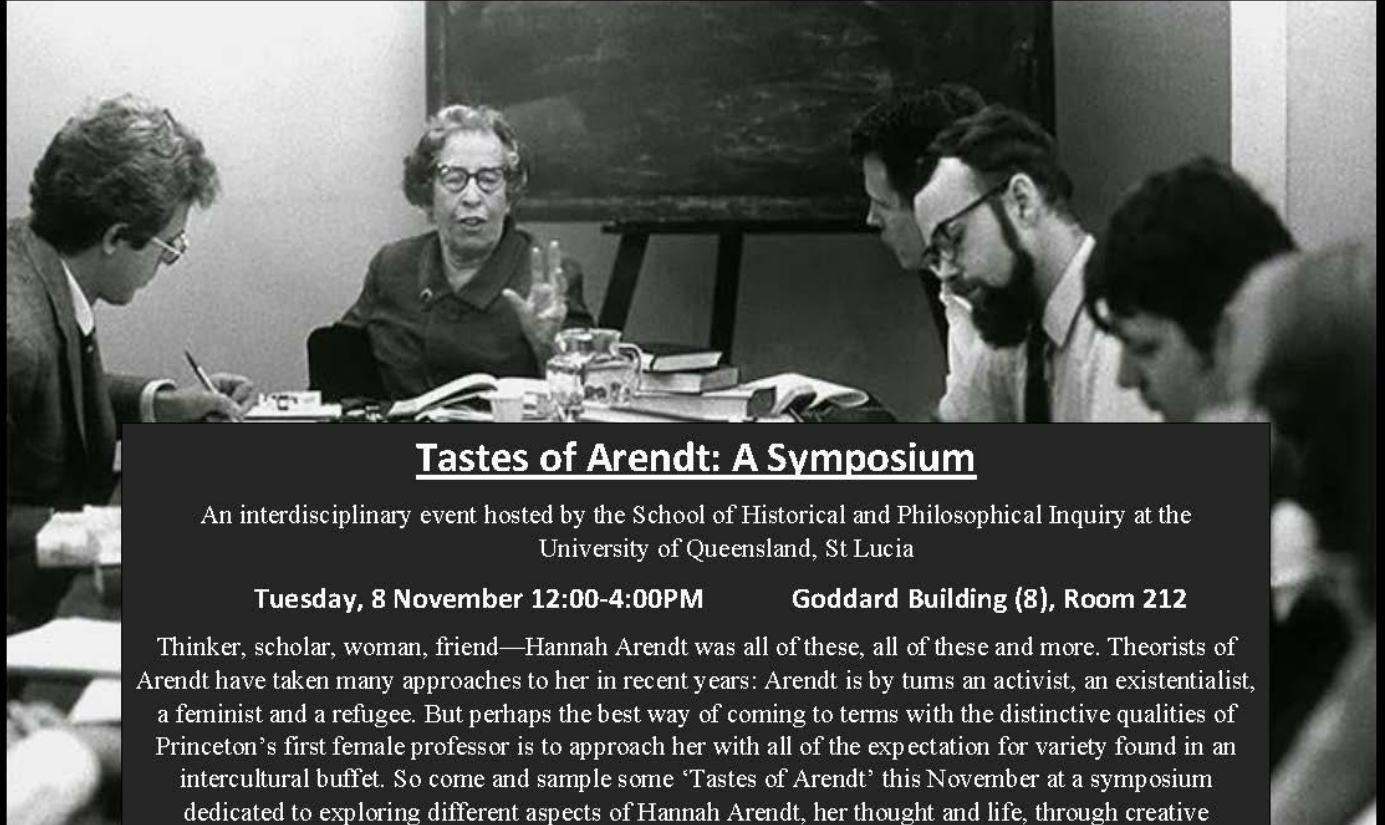
For more details about the courses on offer, click on the links above or visit the [website](#).

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## Jobs, Scholarships, Grants and Awards

- [Research Assistant Positions on Marion Island in the sub-Antartic](#)
- [Postdoctoral fellow in Marine Socioecological Modelling and Ocean Size Spectra at CSIRO](#)
- [2017 Smithsonian Institution Fellowship](#)
- [PhD Project on Population Connectivity, Adaptation and Dispersal in Rock Lobsters](#)
- [PhD Project on Behaviour and Welfare of Cleaner Fish in Salmon Aquaculture](#)
- [Grant for taxonomic research](#)



### **Tastes of Arendt: A Symposium**

An interdisciplinary event hosted by the School of Historical and Philosophical Inquiry at the University of Queensland, St Lucia

**Tuesday, 8 November 12:00-4:00PM**

**Goddard Building (8), Room 212**

Thinker, scholar, woman, friend—Hannah Arendt was all of these, all of these and more. Theorists of Arendt have taken many approaches to her in recent years: Arendt is by turns an activist, an existentialist, a feminist and a refugee. But perhaps the best way of coming to terms with the distinctive qualities of Princeton's first female professor is to approach her with all of the expectation for variety found in an intercultural buffet. So come and sample some 'Tastes of Arendt' this November at a symposium dedicated to exploring different aspects of Hannah Arendt, her thought and life, through creative applications of her work to philosophical and political thought at large.

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