

# GRS *Update*

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## HDR Induction Day

Induction day is fast approaching in both Townsville and Cairns. If you haven't already attended please register via [CareerHub](#) for **Townsville** on Monday 12 September or **Cairns** on Monday 19 September.

Don't forget you can get most of your **compulsory components** completed in one week! Here is a list of the compulsory components coming up:

### Townsville Campus

#### Tuesday 13 September

- Intellectual Property and Copyright
- Resilient HDR Candidature

#### Wednesday 14 September

- Plagiarism and SafeAssign
- Data Storage and Management

#### Thursday 15 September

- Introduction to Professional Writing and Editing
- Preparing for Confirmation of Candidature
- Research Integrity

### Cairns Campus

#### Tuesday 20 September

- Preparing for Confirmation of Candidature
  - Introduction to Professional Writing and Editing
  - Research Integrity
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## Wednesday 21 September

- Plagiarism and SafeAssign
- Data Storage and Management

## Thursday 22 September

- Intellectual Property and Copyright
- Resilient HDR Candidature

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## Applications for 2017 JCU Competitive Research Scholarships now open

Every year James Cook University is able to provide scholarships, in the form of a stipend or living allowance, to Higher Degree by Research candidates on a competitive basis. The scholarship is to cover the living expenses of excellent candidates so that they can focus on their studies and be supported to successful completion of their degree.

The award value is \$26,288 (2016 rate) per annum, tax free, paid as a fortnightly stipend for 3 years initially.

Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis to the top ranking applicants.

### For more information:

<https://www.jcu.edu.au/graduate-research-school/candidates/scholarships>

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## Dear Postgrad Students,

The newly created College of Science and Engineering (CSE) will be holding its annual **Biology in the Tropics Postgraduate Student Conference on the 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of September 2016**. PhD and Masters by Research students engaged within the marine biology, aquaculture, zoology, botany and environmental management disciplines of the CSE are expected to attend. ALL CSE Higher Degree by Research (HDR) students are HIGHLY encouraged to give at least one oral presentation and one poster during their degree period. This is an informative social event that is made stronger by wider participation and all members of the new college are encouraged to attend. There are also some great prizes to be won for best presentations, posters and photographs. Apply for as many categories as you want, and for the photo-competition it is easy, just submit any photo that is relevant to the chosen categories. Your registration (which is free) will include morning and afternoon tea, lunches on both days plus a big social event to be held on the 29<sup>th</sup> of September after the conference at 4 p.m. where entertainment, food and drinks (yes that includes free beer and wine!) will be supplied.

The abstract submission deadline for the CSE postgrad conference has been extended until **midnight 11<sup>th</sup> of September**.

Here's what you need to do before then:

1. **Register** for the conference **as soon as possible!** Go to: <http://alumni.jcu.edu.au/PGConf2016> and fill out your details.

You need to register even if you are not presenting a talk or poster, so that we have numbers for catering purposes and so that we can send you the presentation schedule. The more information we have the better we can do in shaping the conference to your needs.

2. Send the **abstract** for your talk or poster to [cseconference@jcu.edu.au](mailto:cseconference@jcu.edu.au).

Use the abstract template attached to this email. Specify whether you will be doing an oral presentation (12 minutes with 3 minutes for questions or 5 minute speed talk) or a poster.

3. Send your entries for the **photo competition** by **20 September 2016** to: [cseconference@jcu.edu.au](mailto:cseconference@jcu.edu.au)
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Remember, one photo per category (categories are '[Researchers in Action](#)' and '[Study Species](#)'). There are some great prizes up for grabs!

4. Notify us if you are from the Cairns campus and wish to present. We will arrange for transport (a JCU pool vehicle) to and from the conference, as well as accommodation for the nights of the conference.

Thanks very much!

### **The Post-Graduate Conference Committee**

Becky Diggins, Ben Hirsch, David Bourne, Deb Bower, Qian Li, Rachel Miller, Tory Chase, Tracy MacKeracher, Yanni Smith

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### **Research Opportunity – include your questions in a national survey**

Central Queensland University's Population Research Laboratory is pleased to be conducting a second round of the 2016 National Social Survey (NSS). This is an opportunity to obtain national population data derived from questions designed by YOU (with assistance from the PRL), in order to meet your specific research needs. These tailored questions are included in our final survey for a fee (minimum of 5 questions for \$9,750). The resultant data set contains 1,200+ cases with your variables and over 30 demographic and core variables.

The NSS utilises a cost-shared omnibus survey model, which affords researchers the opportunity to collect high quality data from a sizeable national sample at a far lower cost than an independent survey. The NSS gathers information from a random sample (n=1200) of the Australian adult population using the Computer-Assisted-Telephone-Interview (CATI) technology resident in the PRL, incorporating dual-frame random digit-dialling (landline and mobile telephone).

#### **We welcome researchers to submit their questions for inclusion in the National Survey.**

Written cost estimates are provided upon receipt of draft questions. Questions do not need to be in their final form at the point of inquiry as we can provide advice on how to best design and formulate.

If you require any additional information or would like to discuss your ideas, please contact me on the details below. Further information about the National Social Survey is also available here on the [PRL Website](#)

#### **We will accept expressions of interest in NSS participation until Monday 26 September, 2016**

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### **Cooperative Research Centres Association - Newsletter**

[Click the here to view this newsletter in your browser.](#)

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### **Townsville Startup Weekend, 23 – 25 September 2016**

The goal of Startup Weekend is to bring passionate potential entrepreneurs - **just like you!** - together to collaborate on innovative ideas, and have a life-changing experience. Startup Weekend is a global phenomenon. With over 1500 events held in more than 150 countries, it's your connection to the world of entrepreneurship.

It's a 54-hour event over a weekend, starting with ideas and pitches on Friday evening, creating and validating throughout the weekend and it all wraps up on Sunday afternoon where you pitch to a panel of local startup figures! There's some exciting prizes, though the skills you learn and connections you'll make will be the real win. We've got a team of experts to mentor you across the Startup Weekend in all aspects of your fledgling ideas - from IT to business to design and more; you might even score some investment to keep going!

For more information see the [website](#).

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## **The Playful and Problematic? Space of the Creative Practice Research Degree**

HDR student seminar 26 September 3---5pm

Cairns Campus with video---link to Townsville Rooms: 004---255, D003---003

**See the attached flyer for more information.**

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## **The National Library of Australia's Summer Scholarships are open for applications**

**Applications close on September 30, 2016.** <http://www.nla.gov.au/awards-and-grants/fellowships-and-scholarships/summer-scholarships>

These scholarships, funded through philanthropy, directly support postgraduate researchers (aged 30 and under) requiring special access to the Library's rich and diverse collections for their research. These fund travel, accommodation and a living allowance for a period of residency of six weeks over January-February, as well as provide intensive collection access, staff interaction and special facilities in a supportive research environment. Previous Summer Scholars have generally described their experience of the Library and the collections as 'transformative' for their research.

These scholarships are particularly relevant for younger scholars (aged 30 and under) in the disciplines of Australian history and culture, Australian literature, librarianship, archives administration or museum studies, or for those undertaking biographical research in any field.

The Library's Japan Studies Grants are also open for application and close on September 30. These support scholars and researchers resident in Australia whose work in any field would benefit from access to the rich Japanese language and Japan-related collections of the National Library. Grants are offered for periods of up to four weeks. These are available to established and early career scholars and to PhD students. <http://www.nla.gov.au/awards-and-grants/fellowships-and-scholarships/japan-and-asia-study-grants>

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## **The Australia New Zealand Marine Biotechnology Society - Scholarships**

The Australia New Zealand Marine Biotechnology Society (ANZMBS) is offering 2 competitive scholarships in form of registration for this fantastic summer course in microbial ecology – see attached flyer and poster. If you are not a member, you can visit the website for membership details (student memberships are \$20, and via the AIMS corporate membership would be cheaper).

**Marine Biotech Student Scholarships for CMB Summer Course in Microbial Ecology @ SIMS 20-25 Nov 2016**

ANZMBS is pleased to offer scholarships for 2 registrations (\$570 ea) to postgraduate student members of ANZMBS to attend this course. To apply for one of these scholarships please send an email to [marine.bioproducts@flinders.edu.au](mailto:marine.bioproducts@flinders.edu.au) detailing in no longer than 300 words "How this course will help my research". Please include a statement that you are able to cover the other costs of this course, accommodation, travel etc. Attach your resume including of one of your supervisors as a referee. Students who are not already members of the Society should join before or at the same time as their application. For membership forms see information below. **Applications close September 30th 2016**

<https://www.flinders.edu.au/medicine/sites/marine-bioproducts/network/marine-biotech-network.cfm>

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## **Grant applications are now open for the 2017 Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.**

If you're 18-35, this is your chance to apply for a grant of up to \$22,000 to fund your project on an innovative or emerging scientific issue that will benefit Australia's primary industries.

More information? Visit <http://www.agriculture.gov.au/scienceawards>.

Applications close Friday 14 October 2016.

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