



School of Economics

Annual Report 2007

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Introduction

Economics has existed as a discipline at the University of Wollongong since 1975. It offers a full range of undergraduate and postgraduate subjects. An undergraduate major in Economics is provided together with an honours program and postgraduate courses of study at masters and doctoral levels. The discipline has a very active research profile, attracting regular competitive grant monies from the Australian Research Council and other awarding bodies, and ranking highly amongst Australian economics departments in terms of the output of scholarly publications. It also operates an active seminar program, a working paper series and is home to four research centres. Research specialisations include: Labour and Human Resources, Health Economics, International Trade and Investment, Economic Development and Economic History, Innovation and Business Enterprise.

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Head of School Report

Organisational Changes

2007 was a year of significant organisational, managerial, and administrative changes. The School of Economics and Information Systems was reformed into the School of Economics following a university review that recommended the transfer of most of Information Systems to the Faculty of Informatics. A new management team was established to operate the new School – Simon Ville as Head of School, Charles Harvie as Associate Head of School, and Abbas Valadkhani as School Research Director. The School's administration team was restructured to put in place a full time supervisory professional officer.

Personnel

Congratulations to Elias Sanidas who was promoted to senior lecturer.

The School has been pleased to welcome three new academic and two new administrative members:

- Arusha Cooray, Senior Lecturer
- Peter Siminski, Lecturer
- Guibin Zhang, Lecturer
- Michelle Rankin, Professional Officer
- Lesley Simes, Administrative Assistant

The following staff left the School and we wish them well:

- Nelson Perera, Senior Lecturer
- Chia-Hung (Dennis) Sun, Senior Lecturer
- Julie Sutherland, Lecturer
- Ali Salman Saleh, Lecturer
- Wolfgang Brodesser, Professional Officer
- Hazel Jones, Administrative Assistant

The School continues to seek a suitable candidate for the unfilled Chair of Economics.

Teaching

The School continued to offer a wide program of subjects to students in the Bachelor of Commerce and other undergraduate degrees and to supervise a range of honours, masters, and doctoral students. The School's EFTSU for 2007 was 781.77, a 1.71% decrease on last year. The fail rate aggregated across all subjects was 10.45%. 4 students completed honours in economics and 1 student completed his doctoral degree.

A new major in business innovation was accepted by the university to commence in 2008. It will be jointly taught by the Schools of Economics and Management & Marketing. Eduardo Pol bore most of the responsibility for carrying this project to fruition. A new regional development specialisation has been accepted in principle for the Master of Commerce.

Martin O'Brien and Reetu Verma participated in a cross-faculty university funded project on embedding mathematics and statistics learning support.

Ann Hodgkinson's Environmental Economics subject (ECON309) was taught to local Wollongong campus students using online learning options as part of an experiment in new delivery methods, funded by an Education Strategies Development Fund (ESDF) grant.

The School put in place a new framework for the appointment and allocation of new tutors.

Thesis reviews for honours students were brought forward into the first session with the objective of early identification of potential problems. Finally, moves to standardise the assessment and teaching of ECON101, COMM121 and ECON111 were commenced.

Research

Members of the School continued to publish in a wide range of refereed and highly ranked national and international journals. Per capita output of more than 2.2 articles in ranked journals is the best performance in the Faculty. Other distinguishing features of research performance in the School are the relatively even distribution of output and the fact that almost all members of the School contributed to this output. The School ran a weekly research seminar series with internal and external presenters; the latter attracted a range of distinguished scholars including Professor Johannes Jüttner (Macquarie), Professor Russell Smyth (Monash), Professor John Mangan (Queensland), Professor Kunal Sengupta (Sydney), and Professor Deborah Oxley (NSW and Nuffield College Oxford).

Grants

The School had many grant successes. Australian Research Council funding was awarded to Joan Rodgers (Discovery Project) and Simon Ville (Linkage Project and Learned Academies Special Project). Helen Hasan secured funding from the Defence Science and Technology Organisation and Martin O'Brien was awarded a University Research Council grant. Ann Hodgkinson received an Education Strategies Development Fund grant.

Awards

The School was successful in three categories of faculty awards. The administration team (Michelle Rankin, Lesley Simes, and Carol Borgatti) won the Faculty's team award which was specifically designed to reward a team for outstanding service.

Reetu Verma and Surachai Chancharat won the Faculty's doctoral students award and Simon Ville won the Faculty's professional service award.



Team Achievement Award: Economics Professional Staff Team: Michelle Rankin, Lesley Simes, Carol Borgatti. Supervisor: Simon Ville – pictured with Dean Shirley Leitch



Higher Degree Research Award for Excellence
First Place: Reetu Verma.
Pictured with Dean Shirley Leitch



Higher Degree Research Award for Excellence:
Second Place (tied) Surachai Chancharat.
Pictured with Dean Shirley Leitch



Professional Service Award:
Simon Ville
Pictured with Dean Shirley Leitch

Service to the University

The school provided memberships of the University promotions committee (Abbas Valadkhani), University Education Committee (Ann Hodgkinson), the Human Research Ethics Committee (Ed Wilson), and the University Council (Nadia Verrucci).

External Relationships

Members of the School continue to play an active role in the milieu of the discipline nationally and internationally through membership of editorial boards, by refereeing articles and graduate theses, and by participation in academic societies. Ed Wilson is President of the Economic Society (NSW) and Simon Ville is President of the Economic History Society of Australia and New Zealand. Relationships with other universities and organisations continue to flourish. The second joint research workshop with Seoul National University was hosted by the School in February. Under the direction of Charles Harvie and Elias Sanidas, the School also played host to the Asia Pacific Economic Forum conference and a conference on Korea and the World Economy. The Illawarra Business Chamber kindly agreed to sponsor a student prize for intermediate macroeconomics. Simon Ville facilitated Wollongong City Council's Youth Unemployment Forum and chaired the subsequent research steering committee. Helen Hasan played an active committee role for Standards Australia.



Among staff and PhD students from UOW and SNU at the second joint research workshop were the Director of the Centre for China Studies at SNU, Professor Keun Lee (front row, third from left); workshop organiser, Professor Ed Wilson (front row, second from left); and Associate Professor Charles Harvie (front row, centre).

Annual Public Lecture in Economic and Social Policy

The School's annual lecture was delivered by Ross Gittins, Economics Editor of the *Sydney Morning Herald*, and was entitled 'Can old economists learn new tricks?' An audience of over 100 attended.



Speaker Ross Gittins pictured here with Professor Simon Ville

Visitors

Professor Rick Garside visited the School from the University of Otago while working on his book, published at the end of 2007, *Institutions and Market Economics. The Political Economy of Growth and Development*

Professor Simon Ville
Head, School of Economics

Teaching Activity

School EFTSU for 2007 reached a total of 781.77; this consisted of 597.24 EFTSU in Economics and 184.53 EFTSU in COMM subjects, which include a core first year subject and integrating 3rd year subjects.

Economics Subjects Offered in 2007: Undergraduate

Subject	Subject Name	Enrolments for 2007
COMM290	APPLIED LEARNING	10
COMM327	BUSINES INNOVATION, TECHNOLOGY, AND POLICY	581
COMM121	QUANTATIVE METHODS I	642
ECON101	MACROECONOMIC ESSENTIALS FOR BUSINESS	719
ECON111	INTRODUCTORY MICROECONOMICS	724
ECON205	MACROECONOMIC THEORY AND POLICY	146
ECON208	GENDER, WORK AND THE FAMILY	33
ECON215	MICROECONOMIC THEORY AND POLICY	132
ECON216	INTERNATIONAL TRADE THEORY AND POLICY	197
ECON222	QUANTATIVE METHODS II	171
ECON230	QUANTATIVE ANALYSIS FOR DECISION MAKING	55
ECON231	BUSINESS STATISTICS AND FORECASTING	0
ECON240	FINANCIAL MODELLING	119
ECON251	INDUSTRY AND TRADE IN EAST ASIA	137
ECON301	MONETARY ECONOMICS	28
ECON302	TRANSITION ECONOMICS	7
ECON303	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ISSUES	25
ECON304	THE HISTORICAL FOUNDATIONS OF THE MODERN AUSTRALIAN ECONOMY	66
ECON305	ECONOMIC POLICY	87
ECON307	INTERNATIONAL MONETARY ECONOMICS	11
ECON308	LABOUR ECONOMICS	27
ECON309	ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS	70
ECON310	COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS	12
ECON311	NATURAL RESOURCE ECONOMICS	18
ECON312	INDUSTRIAL ECONOMICS	11
ECON315	APPLIED MICROECONOMICS	0
ECON316	HISTORY OF ECONOMIC THOUGHT	28
ECON317	ECONOMICS OF HEALTH CARE	5
ECON318	ECONOMICS OF HEALTH CARE – A	6
ECON319	ELECTRONIC COMMERCE AND THE ECONOMICS OF INFORMATION	42
ECON320	ECONOMICS OF SMALL MEDIUM ENTERPRISES	19
ECON327	ADVANCED ECONOMETRICS	7
ECON331	FINANCIAL ECONOMICS	54

Economics Subjects Offered in 2007: Postgraduate

Subject	Subject Name	Enrolments for 2007
COMM401	ADVANCED MACROECONOMIC THEORY	9
COMM401	ADVANCED MICROECONOMIC THEORY	9
ECON910	ECONS FOR ACCOUNTING PROFESSIONALS	230
ECON918	ECONOMICS OF HEALTH CARE	14
ECON940	STATISTICS FOR DECISION MAKING	230
ECON983	INDUSTRY TRADE IN EAST ASIA	2
ECON996	ADVANCED MACROECONOMIC THEORY	1
ECON997	ADVANCED MICROECONOMIC THEORY	1

Student Awards and Prizes

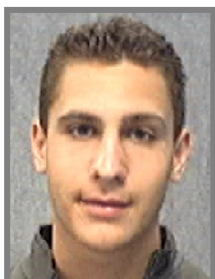
Illawarra Regional Information Service - John Steinke Prize in Economics



Awarded to the student who has earned the highest mark (achieving a WAM of 75 or above) in 300 level Economics subjects during the same academic year (Autumn/Spring Session) and enrolled in at least 16 credit points of Economics 300 level subjects.

Joseph Caruana

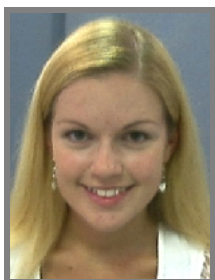
Pearson Education Australia Prize in Introductory Macroeconomics



Awarded to the student who attained the highest aggregate mark in ECON101 (Macroeconomic Essentials for Business) on the Wollongong Campus in Summer, Autumn or Spring session of a given academic year.

**Adam Cosic
Iltaf Khan
Matthew Moffitt**

Pearson Education Australia Prize in Quantitative Methods I



Awarded to the student who attained the highest aggregate mark in COMM121 (Quantitative Methods I) on the Wollongong Campus in Summer, Autumn or Spring session of a given academic year.

Keren Green

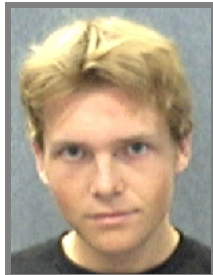
Prize in Introductory Microeconomics



Awarded to the student who attained the highest aggregate mark in ECON111 (Introductory Microeconomics) on the Wollongong Campus in Summer, Autumn or Spring session of a given academic year.

Kylie White

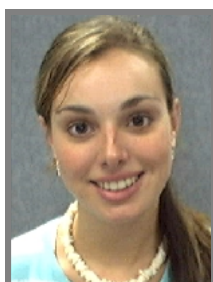
Prize in Intermediate Macroeconomics



Awarded to the student who attained the highest aggregate mark in ECON205 (Macroeconomic Theory and Policy) on the Wollongong Campus in Summer, Autumn or Spring session of a given academic year.

James Bishop
Lidia Bolla

Kenneth A. Blakey Prize in Intermediate Microeconomics



Awarded to the student who attained the highest aggregate mark in ECON215 (Microeconomic Theory and Policy) on the Wollongong Campus in Summer, Autumn or Spring session of a given academic year.

Alexandra McDermott

Meyrick and Associates Prize in Economics



Awarded to the student who, in the final year of their degree at the first attempt, attained the best overall mark for ECON305 Economic Policy during the previous academic year.

Daniel Argent

Research Activity

Research Students

PhD Students – Completed

Name	Thesis	Supervisor
Aksym Afandi	Transmission Mechanism of Monetary Policy in Indonesia	K Chowdhury

PhD Students – Enrolled

Name	Thesis	Supervisor
Boitunelo Mmolawa	Efficiency of Financial Institutions in Botswana	A Valadkhani
Charmaine Pfaff	Harnessing Wiki Technology for Learning Organizations	H Hasan
Doy Sundarasaradula	A Thermodynamical Perspective on Organisations: Their Structure and Evolution	H Hasan
H Wang	A Framework to Support Strategic Decision-Making in Business-to-Business Electronic Commerce	H Hasan
Irit Alony	The Influence of Organizational Culture on Supply Chain Decision Making	H Hasan
Jamal Hor	Socio-Economic Factors Affecting International Accounting Standards	M O'Brien
JG Findlay	Learning as a Game	H Hasan
Koloud Alkayid	Using System Dynamics Modelling for Identification Needs of E-Health Web Portal Users	H Hasan
Khalid Alkhamis	Efficiency of Land Use in the Agriculture Sector of Saudi Arabia	M O'Brien A Levy
Krittakorn Sahakijpicharn	The role of Guanxi in the Business Performance of Thai-Sino SMEs	C Harvie
Le Cong Luyen Viet	The role of SMEs in Vietnam's Economic Development	C Harvie
Leanne Johns ANU)	Social Network Analysis of Colonial Commerce	S Ville
Mahmoud Al-dalahmed	The Application of Information Systems in Marketing: A Study of Acceptance of Electronic Commerce Technology	A Hodgkinson
Margret Schuller	Analysis of Parent Subsidiary Relationships in the Medical Diagnostic Industry	A Hodgkinson
Mira Kartiwi	Information Systems Development and Implication in Small – Medium Sized Enterprises	A Hodgkinson

Murray Stewart	Australian Country Towns: Is there a future?	A Hodgkinson
Nandini Kaul	Analysis of Intra-Trade between GCC Countries	K Jayanthakumaran
NH Hashim	Evaluating Internet Advertising Websites: A User's Perspective	H Hasan
Paul McPhee	The role of Information Sectors in Regional Development: An Input Output Approach	A Hodgkinson
Rekha Bhabra	An Evaluation of Sutherland Business Incubator	A Hodgkinson
RJ Kingsford	Development and Support of Complex Information Systems in Emergent organizations: Structures, Processes and Governance	H Hasan
Sumayya Banna	Web-based Information Systems in e-health	H Hasan
Selina Akhter	The Impact of Female Education of Development: Bangladesh Perspective	A Hodgkinson
Shao-Wei Lee	Economic Reforms in Poverty in China	K Jayanthakumaran
Surachai Chancharat	An Economic Analysis of the Thai Stock Market	A Valadkhani C Harvie
Yumiko Meloche	Comparative Analysis of Perceptions on the Trade Relationship between Australia and Japan	K Jayanthakumaran M O'Brien

Masters Students

A A Al-Bakri	The Adoption and Diffusion of Internet-Electronic Data Interchange (I-EDI) by Jordanian SMEs	H Hasan
HM Ha	The Development of a Spatial Technical Writing Technique: the application of Concept Mapping and Sentence Diagramming	H Hasan
M Glinski	From Vision Statement to Performance: a Historical View of Potential Knowledge Use in the Australian Defence Industry	H Hasan
N Mok	Online Health Services: Study of User Perceptions of the Perceived Usefulness of the Evolving Web-Based Health Community Using Q Methodology and Activity Theory	H Hasan
Ramesh Chandra Paudel	Financial Liberalisation in Sri Lanka: an Economic Analysis	K Jayanthakumaran
Shao-Wei Lee	Foreign Direct Investment and Export Performance: The case of Taiwan	K Jayanthakumaran

Honours Students

Ben Mowatt	The Contribution of Financial Market Volatility Towards Future Economic Activity	E Wilson
Douglas Robson	Working Poverty in Australia, 2001-05	J R Rodgers
Leanne Van Keulen	Labour Earnings of Immigrants by Visa Category in Australia: a Comparison with the Native Born	C Harvie with M O'Brien
Tim Atkin	A Shifting Economic Environment and Micro Level Export Performance: A Case Study of the Shoalhaven	A Hodgkinson

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- Hasan, H., Pfaff, C., Meloche, J. and Willis, D. 'Beyond Ubiquity: co-creating Corporate Knowledge of Wiki' UBICOM, Tahiti, 2007
- Hasan, H., Warne, L. and Mitchard, H. 'Lessons from Go*Team Simulations on Shares Situation Awareness' *Awarded Best paper SIMTECT, Brisbane 2007
- Hasan, H., Warne, L. and Crawford, K. 'Emergent cooperative activity in distributed team performance in Go*Team' SIMTECT, Brisbane 2007
- Hasan, H., Crawford, K. 'Network-Centric Characteristic in Organisations: the Application of Gaming' UKAIS, Manchester 2007
- Hasan, H., Pfaff, C. 'Collaborative knowledge at the grass-roots Level: the risks and rewards of Corporate Wikis' PACIS, Auckland, NZ 2007
- Hasan, H. 'A cultural-Historical Activity Theory Approach to Users, Usability and usefulness' PACIS, Auckland, NZ 2007
- Hasan, H., Pfaff, C. 'Can Knowledge management be open Source?' OSS, Limerick 2007
- Hodgkinson, A. 'What drives regional export performance? Comparing the relative significance of market determination and internal resource factors' Small Enterprise Conference, Referred proceedings, Paul Dalziel (Ed.), Manukau City, N.Z, pp. 65 – 86
- Pol, E. 'Student Engagement in Economics: An Integrated Solution' The 2007 Oxford Business & Economics Conference, June 24-26, 2007, Oxford University, UK
- Sanidas, E. 'Revealed comparative advantage and economic development with emphasis on East Asia' The Korea in the World Economy, VI conference, University of Wollongong, Wollongong, Australia, 2-3 July, 2007, pp. 445-463.
- Sanidas, E. 'SMEs in the Australian Marine Industry and Organizational/Growth Characteristics: An Application of the PROBB Model of Management/Organization' The 4th SMEs in a Global Economy conference, 9–10 July 2007, Shah Alam, Malaysia paper No. 23 on conference CD.
- Siminski, P. 'The effect of increases to concession card income eligibility thresholds on pharmaceutical consumption' 4th Summer Workshop in Health Economics, 1 – 2nd February 2007, CAER UNSW, Sydney
- Siminski, P. 'The Price Elasticity of Demand for pharmaceuticals amongst High Income Older People in Australia: A Natural Experiment PHD Conference in Economics and Business' 31 – 2nd November 2007, UWA
- Valadkhani, A., Chancharat, S. and Harvie, C. 'A Factor Analysis of International Portfolio Diversification' Global Academy of Business and Economic Research (GABER) International Conference, 27 – 29th December 2007, First Hotel, Bangkok
- Valadkhani, A., Ville, S. 'An Assessment of the Research Performance of Commerce Faculties in Australia' 36th Annual Conference of Economists, 24 – 26th September 2007, Hotel Grand Chancellor, Hobart, Tasmania

- Valadkhani, A., Chancharat, S. 'Dynamic linkages between the Thai and International Stock markets' 6th Asia-Pacific Economic Forum (APEF) conference, 30 – 1st July 2007, University of Wollongong, Australia
- Valadkhani, A., Chancharat, S. 'Mean reversion versus random walk in Asian stock prices: Evidence from Multiple Structural Breaks' The 2007 European Applied Business Research (EABR) business Conference, 4 – 7th June 2007, The Clute Institute for Academic Research, Venice, Italy
- Valadkhani, A., Chancharat, S. 'Structural Breaks and Testing for the Random Walk Hypothesis in International Stock Prices' Korea and the World Economy VI Conference: Towards Asian Economic Community, 2 – 3rd July 2007, University of Wollongong, Australia
- Valadkhani, A., Chancharat, S. 'Dynamic Linkages between the Thai and International Stock Markets' 3rd International Conference of Asian Academy of Applied business, 14th – 16th June, 2007, Asian Academy of Applied Business, Hadyai, Thailand
- Verma, R., Perera, N. 'An Empirical Analysis of Sustainability of Trade Deficit: Evidence from Sri Lanka' International Economic Conference on Trade and Industry, 3 – 5th December 2007, University of Utara, Malaysia
- Verma, R., Jayanthakumaran, K. 'International Trade and Regional Income Convergence: The ASEAN-5 evidence' 6th International Conference of the Japan Economic Policy Association, 8 – 9th December 2007, Hosei University, Tokyo, Japan
- Ville, S., Merrett, D. 'Tariffs, subsidies and profits: a re-assessment of structural change in Australia 1901 – 1939' Asia-Pacific Economic and Business History Conference, University of Sydney
<http://ehsanz.econ.usyd.edu.au/papers/MerrettandVilleTariffs.pdf>
- Ville, S., Merrett, D. 'Size, profitability and survivorship: the performance of large scale enterprise in Australia' Asia-Pacific Economic and Business History Conference, University of Sydney
<http://ehsanz.econ.usyd.edu.au/papers/VilleMerrettsizeprofit.pdf>
- Wilson, E.J. 'A Critique of the Granger Representation Theorem' The 36th Australian Conference of Economists, Hotel Grand Chancellor, Hobart, 24th – 26th September, 2007 ISBN: 978-0-9593371-1-3

Conference Presentations

- Chowdhury, K., Mallik, G.S. 'Pair-wise output convergence in East Asia and the Pacific: An application of stochastic unit roots test'. International Conference on Business, International Competitiveness and Sustainable Development of the Asia Pacific Economics, 3 – 4th December 2007, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- Cooray, A. 'The Financial Sector and Economic Growth'. Western Economic Association International, Seattle, USA, June – July 2007
- Harvie, C. 'Progress, prospects and potential outcomes from an AFTA-CER FTA' Australia – China Free Trade Agreements: Econometric Modelling and Regional Development Issues, Central University of Finance and Economics, Beijing, China 17 – 18th March 2007

- Harvie, C. 'Enhancing dynamic and competitive SMEs in the Global Economy'. 4th SMEs in a Global Economy conference: Responding to Global Challenges and Opportunities, Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia 9 – 10th July 2007
- Jayanthakumaran, K., Lee, S. 'The FDI-led hypotheses: a comparison of Taiwan and China'. Global Business Development Institute International Conference, 13 – 14th June 2007, Bangkok, Thailand
- O'Brien, M. 'Job Mobility, older workers and an ageing Australia'. The 3rd Asian Academy of Applied Business Conference, Regency Hotel, Hadyai, Thailand, 14 – 16th June 2007
- Pol, E. 'Student Engagement in Economics: An Integrated Solution'. The 2007 Oxford Business & Economics Conference, June 24-26, 2007, Oxford University, UK
- Sanidas, E. 'The impact of socio-economic factors on economic development in the Asian Pacific countries: preliminary results'. The 6th APEF International Conference, 30th of June to 1st of July 2007, Wollongong, UOW, pp. 81-92
- Siminski, P. 'The effect of increases to concession card income eligibility thresholds on pharmaceutical consumption'. 4th Summer Workshop in Health Economics, CAER UNSW, February 1 – 2nd 2007
- Siminski, P. 'The price Elasticity of Demand for Pharmaceuticals amongst High Income older People in Australia: A natural Experiment PhD conference in Economics & Business'. UWA 31 Oct – 2nd Nov 2007
- Valadkhani, A., Chancharat, S. and Harvie, C. 'A factor Analysis of International Portfolio Diversification'. Global Academy of Business and Economic Research (GABER) International Conference, 27 -29th December 2007, First Hotel, Bangkok
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- Verma, R.
Jayanthakumaran, K. 'International trade and regional income convergence: the ASEAN-5 evidence'. 6th International Conference of the Japan Economic Policy Association, 8 – 9th December 2007, Tokyo, Japan
- Ville, S. Merrett, D. and Parnell, A. 'Capital formation and structural change in interwar Australia'. University of Melbourne Economic History workshop
- Ville, S. 'Historical Approaches to Creativity and Innovation'. ARC Linkage Learned Academies Special Projects for ASSA, University of New South Wales
- Ville, S., Valadkhani, A. 'Ranking and Clustering of the Faculties of Commerce Research Performance in Australia'. The Contribution of Human & Social Capital to Academic Productivity Workshop, Centre for Human and Social Capital research, University of Wollongong

Seminar Presentations

- Cooray, A. 'The financial sector of Economic growth'. School of Economics and Finance, University of Tasmania
- Harvie, C. 'Private sector take-off in Vietnam's Booming Economy' Centre for small Business and Regional Research, 31st August 2007
- Harvie, C. 'Enhancing dynamic and competitive SMEs in the Global Economy' University Technology, MARA, Shah Alam, Malaysia, 12th July 2007
- Hasan, H. 'The KM Standard' Monash University August 2007
- Hasan, H. 'Lessons from Go*Team Simulations' DSTO Sydney, July 2007
- Hasan, H. 'Activity Theory – a practical approach to complexity' Workshop on Experimentation and Organisational Learning, DSTO Melbourne, June 2007
- Hodgkinson, A. 'What drives regional export performance? Comparing the relative significance of market determined and internal resource factors' School of Economics, Wollongong University
- Levy, A. 'Socialising the Homo Economicus: Material Capital, Sincere Capital and Happiness' School of Economics, Wollongong University, March 2007
- Pol, E. 'An Appreciative Model of Schumpeterian Evolution' School of Economics, University of Wollongong, 2007.
- Sanidas, E. 'SMEs in the Australian marine industry and organizational/growth characteristics: an application of the PROBB model of management/organization'. 26th of October 2007, Centre for Small Business and Regional Research (CSBRR), UOW
- Siminski, P. 'The price elasticity of demand for PBS pharmaceuticals amongst high income elderly Australians'. School of Economics, Wollongong University, 12th April 2007
- Valadkhani, A., Ville, S. 'Ranking and clustering of the faculties of commerce research performance in Australia'. School of Business, Monash University Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur, 16th April 2007

Valadkhani, A.	'Dynamic Pre- and Post GST Effects on various goods and services included in the CPI basket'. Discipline of Economics, Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Sydney, 7 th February 2007
Verma, R.	'Structural break and the long run relationship between Savings, Investment and Economic Growth: The Indian Case'. Joint Workshop Seoul National University and University of Wollongong, 7 th February 2007
Ville, S.	'Investing in Inter-Organisational Communication: Theory and Experience'. Australian National University
Zhang, G.	'The choice of formal or informal finance by private firms: evidence from Chengdu, China'. South Western University of Finance and Economics, China, December 2007

Research Grants

Cooray, A.	Research Grant, Faculty of Business, University of Tasmania, Education and Economic Growth.	\$4,000
Hasan, H.	DSTO Canberra, Human Dimensions of Future War fighting.	\$35,000
Hasan, H.	ARC Discovery Grant DP0557108 Socio-technical determinants of agile, network-centric organisations.	\$157,000 (2005 - 2007)
Hodgkinson, A.	NSW Environmental Trust, Community valuations of environment quality in coastal lakes. ESDF (Educational Strategies Development Fund), University of Wollongong, Improving student engagement utilizing online learning options: A pilot conducted in ECON309: Environmental Economics.	
O'Brien, M.	URC small grant. The reserve army of labour: An analysis of older working labour markets in OECD countries in the context of an ageing society.	\$5,470
Rodgers, J.R.	ARC Discovery Grant: An Investigation of chronic and transitory poverty in Australia in the 21 st Century.	\$28,000 (2008) \$30,000 (2009)
Sanidas, E.	Research Partnerships Grant. Interaction between cluster competitiveness and infrastructure in regional marine industries.	\$20,000
Valadkhani, A.	URC Small Grant. Disciplinary-focused research performance in Australian universities.	\$7,951
Verma, R. O'Brien, M.	Embedding Mathematics and Statistics learning support across disciplines, a university wide grant.	\$100,000 Over 2 yrs
Ville, S.	ARC Linkage grant (2007-9), Dolnicar, S., Lyons, L., Ville, S., 'The role of community connectedness in retaining skilled migrant women in Australia'.	\$75,000
	ARC Learned Academies Special Projects grant (2007): Chan, J. Mann, L., Christie, A. Dodgson, M. Gans, J. Marceau, J. Sweller, J. Ville, S 'Creativity and Innovation: Social Science Perspectives and Policy Implications'.	\$60,000
	University of Wollongong, Faculty of Commerce ARC Pilot grant; "A reassessment of industry associations in the Australian and New Zealand wool industry".	\$5,000

Research Centres

Centre for Small Business and Regional Research (CSBRR)

The Centre for Small Business and Regional Research (CSBRR), originally established in 2000 as the Centre for SME Research and Development, was established as a centre of excellence to provide expertise on issues of concern to small and medium-sized enterprises, subsequently expanded to include regional development related issues. Its creation brings together researchers from across the University of Wollongong who share a common interest in this area. Since its establishment the CSBRR has developed an extensive network of researchers from other institutions and bodies both in Australia and internationally interested in SME related research, resulting in international collaborative research initiatives and activities.

In 2007 CSBRR activities included the organisation or co-organisation of three international conferences

- (1) the *Association of Korean Economic Studies* annual conference;
- (2) the 6th *Asia-Pacific Economic Forum* annual conference; and
- (3) in collaboration with the Universiti Teknologi, Malaysia and Senshu University, Japan the 5th *SMEs in A Global Economy* conference held in Malaysia.

Members – academic staff

Charles Harvie
Helen Hasan
Ann Hodgkinson
Sam Garrett-Jones
Robert MacGregor
Greg Kerr
Ali Salman Saleh
Elias Sanidas
Lejla Vrazalic
Guibin Zhang

Centre for Human & Social Capital Research (CHSCR)

The Centre for Human and Social Capital Research (CHSCR) is a member of the Social Innovation Network in the Faculty of Commerce. The Centre was established in 2006 with the objective of fostering high quality research into issues that involve aspects of human and social capital. It brings together a strong research concentration in the field of human capital in Australia and, to our knowledge, is the first Centre of its kind nationally. Members are actively engaged in collaborative (as well as individual) research, on topics such as education, health, household-time allocation, innovation, labour markets, poverty and inequality, productivity, and social-capital networks. By drawing upon a wide range of complementary skills, knowledge and research methodologies – theoretical, empirical and historical – members aim to publish their research output in prestigious refereed journals. The Centre was awarded a grant of \$9 000 in 2007 in support of its activities.



Director of the Centre for Applied Economic Research, UNSW, Professor Kevin Fox, addresses participants at the Centre for Human and Social Capital Research workshop

Centre Members, 2007

The Centre has eight members, all of whom are members of the School of Economics:

Frank Neri, Martin O'Brien, Eduardo Pol, Peter Siminski, Joan Rodgers (Director), John Rodgers, Abbas Valadkhani, Simon Ville.

Workshop

The CHSCR conducted a workshop in June 2007 titled, *"The Contribution of Human & Social Capital to Academic Productivity"*. Invited speakers were Kevin Fox, University of New South Wales, Richard Pomfret, University of Adelaide and Chris Doucouliagos, Deakin University. The following papers were presented:

- "Research Productivity of Australian Academic Economists: Human-Capital and Fixed Effects" (Rodgers/Neri, UOW)
- "Is it Harder to Soar with Eagles When you Work with Turkeys" (Fox/Milbourne, UNSW)
- "Why do Australian Universities Fare so Poorly in International Rankings" (Pomfret, Adelaide U)

- “Ranking Australian Economics Departments by Research Productivity” (Neri/Rodgers, UOW)
- “Substitution and Complementarity in the Creation and Communication of Australian University Research” (Doucouliagos/Burgio-Ficca, Deakin U)
- “Ranking and Clustering of the Faculties of Commerce Research Performance in Australia” (Valadkhani/Ville, UOW)

HEDGE (Health, Environmental, Development and Growth Economics)

HEDGE was formed in 2007 as a research centre with a focus on the interrelated issues of health, environment and economic development and growth. The principal objective of the centre is to serve as a forum for generating ideas and fostering socioeconomic research in the said areas that lead to high quality studies and publications. The centre joined the university-based Social Innovation Network in mid 2007.

Members in 2007: Reetu Verma, Dennis Sun, Kankesu Jayanthakumaran, Khorshed Chowdhury, Ann Hodgkinson, Ed Wilson, Amnon Levy (co-ordinator)



ATUL (Activity Theory Usability Laboratory)

In 2007 ATUL moved from 117 Northfields Avenue to Building 19, Room 1023. They also performed the following activities:

- Conducted Usability Tests to assist the redevelopment of the UoW research website, as well as the ICU information site for NSW health and the CareSearch website on Palliative care.
- Undertook Q-method evaluations using the Zing groupware system to assess attitudes to a corporate Wiki at BlueScope Steel.
- Conducted numerous experiments using the Go*Team application from DSTO Canberra to collect data on collaborative team behaviour and to develop the capability of Go*Team sessions as team-building tools for businesses.

Seminar Series

Mahmoud Ali Al-dalahmeh - UoW PhD Student

An Explanatory Study on the Impact of Perceived Self-Efficacy on the Intention to Use E-Commerce

Tim Atkin - UoW Honours Student

A Conceptual Framework for an Integrative Approach to Export Performance in Individual Firms

Surachai Chancharat - UoW PhD Student

Interdependence and dynamic linkages between stock markets of Thailand and its major trading partners

Dr Lance Fisher - University of New South Wales

Housing booms, Non Financial Wealth and Consumption: Lessons from the Australian Experience

Associate Professor Helen Hassan - School of Economics

Structures, Tools and Systems for research in social science: where ATUL fits into the School of Economics

Professor D Juttner - Macquarie University

Towards Decoding Currency Volatilities

Neil Dias Karunaratne - The University of Queensland

The Sustainability of Australia's Current Account Deficits

Professor John Mangan - School of Economics, UQ

Living here, born there. The economic life of Australia's immigrants.

Yumiko Meloche - UoW PhD Student

Bilateral Trade & Investment between Australia & Japan

Professor Mokhtar Metwally - School of Economics

Optimization of Advertising Expenditure: An Australian case study

Ben Mowatt - UoW Honours Student

Financial volatility and Australian economic activity

Associate Professor Deborah Oxley - University of New South Wales

Body Mass Index: A new approach in biometric history

Professor Satya Paul - University of Western Sydney

Modelling Productivity Effects of Trade Openness in Manufacturing industries: A cost function approach

Associate Professor Len Perry - University of Technology Sydney

Neo-Liberal Labour market Reform and Labour Productivity: New Evidence for New Zealand

Eduardo Pol - School of Economics

An appreciative model of Schumpeterian evolution

Doug Robson - UoW Honours Student
The Working Poor in Australia

Dr Elias Sanidas - School of Economics
Exploring the long term Chinese economic absorptive capacity with neighbouring countries

Professor Kunal Sengupta - University of Sydney
Name ordering in economics publication

Peter Siminski - The price elasticity of demand for PBS pharmaceuticals amongst high income elderly people in Australia

Professor Russel Smyth - Monash University
Firm Compliance with Social Insurance Obligations where there is a Weak Surveillance and Enforcement Mechanism: Empirical Evidence from Shanghai

Dr Dennis Sun - School of Economics
The Determinants of Price in Online Auctions: More Evidence from Quantile Regression

Associate Professor Abbas Valadkhani - School of Economics
Analysing the Dynamic Effects of the GST on Various Goods and Services Included in the CPI Basket

Leanne van Keulen - UoW Honours Student
Labour Earning of Migrant by Visa category in Australia: A Comparison with the Native Born

Associate Professor Ed Wilson - School of Economics
The Granger Representation Theorem: A case of Misrepresentation?

Associate Professor Pat Wilson - University of Technology Sydney
Modelling Price movements in Housing Micro-markets: Identifying Long-term Components in Local Housing Market Dynamics

Andrew Worthington - The decline of calendar seasonality in the Australian stock exchange, 1958 – 2005

Abdusalam F Yahia - UoW PhD Student
The Effects of the Fluctuations in Oil Prices on the Libyan Economy

Working Paper Series

- 07 – 01 **A Levy**, A Theoretical Analysis of Rational Diet of Healthy and Junk Foods
- 07 – 02 **A Levy**, A Mean – Variance Portfolio Analysis of the Demand and Supply of a Potentially Infectious Service
- 07 – 03 **K Jayanthakumaran and S Lee**, An initial push for successful transition from import substitution to export-orientation in Taiwan and China: The FDI-led hypothesis,
- 07 – 04 **C Harvie and A Saleh**, Lebanon’s Fiscal Crisis and Economic Reconstruction after War: the case of a bridge too far?
- 07 – 05 **K Chowdhury**, Are the Real Exchange Rate Indices of Australia Non-Stationary in the Presence of Structural Break?
- 07 – 06 **J R Rodgers**, Statistically Significant Changes in the Poverty-Rate, 1997 – 98 to 2002 - 03
- 07 – 07 **K Chowdhury and G Malik**, Pair-Wise Output Convergence in East Asia and the pacific: An application of Stochastic Unit Root Test
- 07 – 08 **A Levy**, Wealth, Social Capital and Happiness: The Case of Status Sensitive People
- 07 – 09 **K Chowdhury and A Saleh**, Testing the Keynesian Proposition of Twin Deficits in the Presence of Trade Liberalisation: Evidence from Sri Lanka
- 07 – 10 **A Levy and M Caputo**, Optimal Control of Locusts in Subsistence Farming Areas
- 07 – 11 **K Chowdhury**, Ballassa – Samuelson Effect Approaching Fifty Years: Is it retiring early in Australia?
- 07 – 12 **S Ville and A Valadkhani**, A Disciplinary Analysis of PHD Completions in Australian Universities
- 07 – 13 **A Valadkhani and S Chancharat**, An empirical Analysis of the Thai and major international stock markets

- 07 – 14 **A Valadkhani**, Macroeconometric modelling in an Oil exporting Country: The case of Iran
- 07 – 15 **A Valadkhani and S Chancharat**, Testing for the random walk hypotheses and structural breaks in International stock prices
- 07 – 16 **A Valadkhani, M O'Brien, P Waring and R Denniss**, New developments in the Australian Labour Market in 2006.
- 07 – 17 **E Pol**, An Appreciative Model of Schumpeterian Evolution
- 07 – 18 **C Sun**, The Determinants of Price in Online Auctions: More Evidence from Quantile Regression
- 07 – 19 **M Cortes**, Composition of Trade between Australia and Latin America: Gravity Model
- 07 – 20 **M Cortes**, Examining Patterns of bilateral Trade between Australia and Columbia by using Co integration Analysis and Error-Correction Models

Staff Research Interests

Khorshed Chowdhury	Macroeconomics; international monetary economics; applied time series econometrics; international trade, growth and developmental economics.
Arusha Cooray	Applied macroeconomics, specifically, development macroeconomics, macro finance and open economy macroeconomics; development Economics.
Charles Harvie	Small business and economic development; East Asian economic development; East Asian economic integration, macroeconomics; monetary economics.
Helen Hasan	Information for strategic decision-making; Executive Information Systems (EIS) and Online Analytic Processing (OLAP); Human Computer Interaction (HCI) and Usability; Knowledge Management (KM); KM Systems and online communities of practice; Cultural-Historical Activity Theory (CHAT); Interpretive Research Methods – Action Research, Qualitative Data Analysis.
Ann Hodgkinson	Organisational change in response to international market conditions; employee participation; regional development of exports; small and medium enterprises.
Kankesu Jayanthakumaran	Trade reforms and manufactures exports in Australia; automobile industry in Australia; ASEAN free trade area; India's re-entry in the global trade.
Amnon Levy	Health economics; defence and peace economics; developmental and growth economics; socio-economics.
Yumiko Meloche	International trade and foreign direct investment.
Frank Neri	The causes of economic growth across countries; the impact of human capital on economic growth; geographic mobility of industry, human capital and economics growth; economics education – practices and outcomes.
Martin O'Brien	Older worker employment issues; ageing society policy; hidden unemployment; segmented labour market theory; econometrics.
Eduardo Pol	Business innovation and social innovation; Schumpeterian growth models and venture capital; models for student engagement in economics; teaching and learning business innovation.
John Rodgers	The incidence and causes of poverty and economic inequality; labour market behaviour and human-capital formation; history of microeconomic theory.
Joan Rodgers	Labour economics; poverty and economic inequality; applied microeconomics.
Elias Sanidas	Technology and economic growth/development; organizational aspects of technology; growth of SMEs versus growth of large firms economic integration; international business and economics econometrics; use of primary data in economics and management: quantitative methods.
Peter Siminski	Applied microeconomics; health, labour, poverty and inequality; econometrics; research methods; economic evaluation.

- Abbas Valadkhani** Applied econometrics; macro econometric model-building; international financial and monetary economics; development economics; and input-output analysis. My current research interests include productivity and growth; Australian macroeconomic policy issues; the pre- and post- GST effects on inflation; and multi-dimensional ranking of Australian universities.
- Reetu Verma** Macroeconomics; applied econometrics; economic growth, savings and investment in India.
- Nadia Verrucci** Indigenous Australians and their labour market participation; gender and the labour market; the role of government in developing policies to protect minority groups from labour market discrimination.
- Simon Ville** Corporate leadership in Australia; business profitability; social capital; institutions and economic development; industry associations; inter-organisational collaboration.
- Ed Wilson** Economic growth and poverty; agricultural policies in India; savings and investment in Australia, India & China; productivity growth and employment creation in developing countries.
- Guibin Zhang** Private sector finance, modern Chinese economic history, China's economic reforms, private business development in China, SMEs and private entrepreneurship, business innovation, informal economy and labour economics.

Outreach and Administration

Services to the School, University and Profession

- Khorshed Chowdhury** · Primary Investigation Officer
- Arusha Cooray** · Reviewed articles for: Applied economics, Labour and Management in Development, Economic Modelling, Economic Record (special issue)
 · Reviewer Australian Conference of Economists, 2007, Tasmania
 · Honours Coordinator, School of Economics & Finance, University of Tasmania
 · Research Associate, Centre for Applied Microeconomics Analysis, Australian National University
 · Member of Economic Society of Australia, American Economic Society and Sri Lanka Association of Economists
- Charles Harvie** · Faculty Research Committee member
 · Associate Head of School of Economics
 · School teaching Committee Chair
 · School selection Committee member
 · Faculty of Commerce promotions Committee member
 · Faculty of Commerce workloads Committee member
 · Faculty Assessment Committee member
 · Director, Centre for small business and regional research (CSBRR)
 · CSBRR seminar co-coordinator
 · Judge for the Illawarra Business Chamber business of the year award for Mining and Manufacturing
 · External examiner, PHD thesis, University of Queensland
 · External examiner, PHD thesis, Monash University
 · Associate Editor, the Journal of the Korean Economy
 · Associate member, Centre for SME studies, Senshu University, Japan
 · Local conference organiser, Asia Pacific Economic Forum conference, University of Wollongong 29 – 30th June 2007
 · Local conference organiser, Korea and the World Economy, VI, Towards an Asian Economic Community, University of Wollongong 2 -3rd July 2007
 · WIN TV interview/comment on RBA increase in the cash rate and impact on local economy, August & November 2007
- Helen Hasan** · Standards Australia: Committee for knowledge management, Committee for small business
 · Member, Editorial Board, Journal of Knowledge, Management Research and Practice
- Ann Hodgkinson** · Senior Academic Representative, Non-Academic Matters Investigation committee
 · Academic staff Development committee
 · Commerce Faculty representative
 · Elected Staff representative – Academic senate
 · University Education Committee
 · Faculty representative ELTS committee

- Kankesu Jayanthakumaran**
- Library Liaison Officer
 - Postgraduate Advisor
- Amnon Levy**
- Served as referee to: Mathematical Social Science; Southern Journal of Economics
 - Member of the Board of Editors of The Open Operational Research Journal
- Yumiko Meloche**
- Casual Tutor Co-ordinator with School of Economics
 - Commerce Sessional Staff Working Committee Member – School Representative
 - Teaching Committee Member within the School of Economics
- Martin O'Brien**
- School representative on IT committee
 - School Media Liaison
 - School Director of Postgraduate studies
 - School Research Committee
 - Commerce representative on Arts Faculty Committee
 - Referee for Australian Economic review, Australian Journal of Labour Economics
- Eduardo Pol**
- Proposal for a new Major/Minor in Business Innovation
 - Creation of a new core subject in the Major/Minor in Business Innovation, namely ECON 219: Economic Essentials of business Innovation
 - Economics Undergraduate Advisor
- Joan Rodgers**
- Director, Centre for Human and Social Capital Research
 - Mentor, Commerce Dean's Scholars Program
 - Refereed articles for The International Economic Review and The Economic Record
 - External examiner for a Masters thesis, Deakin University
- John Rodgers**
- Mentor for Commerce Dean's Scholars Program
 - Economics Undergraduate advisor
- Elias Sanidas**
- Editor of the School's Series of Working Papers
 - Faculty and School Selection Committee member
 - Sub-Director, Centre for Small Business and Regional Research (CSBRR)
 - Local conference organiser, Asia Pacific Economic Forum conference, University of Wollongong, 29-30 June, 2007
 - Local conference organiser, Korea and the World Economy, VI, Towards an Asian Economic Community, University of Wollongong, 2-3 July 2007

Abbas Valadkhani

- One of three members of the UOW probations standing Committee
- School research Director, School of Economics UOW
- Seminar Convener, School of Economics UOW
- Co-editor of Economics Working Papers, School of Economics UOW
- Member of the recruitment panel for the following appointments: Associate lecturer and lecturer positions, School of Accounting and Finance UOW; Lecturer and senior lecturer positions, School of Economics UOW; Professorial position, School of Economics UOW
- Appointed as an external examiner for a PHD Thesis submitted to the School of Economics and Finance, Curtin University of Technology
- Appointed as a referee for: Economic record; Economic Modelling; Journal of Development Economics; Journal of Economic Studies
- Served on the Editorial Board of: Global Business & Economics Review (USA); Applied Econometrics and International Development (Spain); Briefing notes in Economics (UK)

Nadia Verrucci

- Sub Dean, Faculty of Commerce
- Member of University of Wollongong Council

Reetu Verma

- School of Economics Undergraduate Adviser
- Commerce Sessional Staff Working Party – School of Economics representative
- Sessional Academic Staff Coordinator for the School of Economics
- Member of the School of Economics Research Committee
- Member of the E-Learning and Teaching Innovation Sub-Committee (ELTS)

Simon Ville

- Head of the School of Economics
- President of the Economic History Society of ANZ
- Chair Wollongong City Council research steering committee
- Committee work for the Academy of Social Sciences in Australia
- UOW Professorial public lecture series

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