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The next issue of the FRC Newsletter will be published in October and the deadline for submissions is the third week of September

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News from the Chair

Professor Sandra Jones

It has been a busy three months for research, with a number of new research grants awarded in the Faculty and people busy with submitting more grants and working on NHMRC and ARC rejoinders. This has been a harder task than usual with the introduction of the new ARC grant software – congratulations to everyone on persevering and getting everything in on time.

Staff and students have also been busy entering publications into the RIS system in preparation for ERA, and will continue to be busy the next few months assigning FOR codes and other items of data collection.

The ARC are conducting an ERA information session on **28 August**, and all staff and HDR students are encouraged to attend.

We have also had a number of events in the Faculty, and our staff and students have been recognised with a range of awards (see pages 3-5). Please join me in congratulating our colleagues on their success, and remember to submit your items for the next issue.

Sandra



Staff Profile

Professor Rodney Croft



The Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences is delighted to announce the appointment of Professor Rodney Croft to the newly created Chair of Health Psychology. Rodney has just completed an 8-year stint at Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, where he was Professor of Cognitive Neuroscience and Director of the Australian Centre for Radiofrequency Bioeffects Research (ACRBR; an NHMRC Centre of Research Excellence). Prior to that he worked as a postdoctoral fellow both here within HBS and at Imperial College in London. This followed undergraduate degrees in Philosophy and Psychology. He obtained his PhD in Psychology from the University of Wollongong.

'Health Psychology' is a branch of psychology that attempts to keep people healthy by reducing the chances of illness developing. For example, it involves both clarifying the causes of heart disease (such as diet),

as well as researching and implementing strategies for changing behaviours associated with heart disease (such as improving dietary behaviour). Rodney's role within HBS will thus be to teach, research and foster research collaborations within this broad area, where a primary focus will be his research into possible negative health outcomes associated with mobile telephony.

The possibility of such mobile phone-related health effects has become particularly topical of late, with great debate as to whether they in fact do exist, as well as the implementation of advertising campaigns aimed at reducing use in some localities internationally. Rodney is well situated to engage in this fascinating area as he has brought the ACRBR directorship here to UOW, is heavily involved in the 2 international electromagnetic emission standards settings bodies (International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection; IEEE International Committee on Electromagnetic Safety), and runs a number of basic and risk perception studies addressing such issues.

Rodney also has strong research interests in human neurophysiology, working at elucidating the role of different neurotransmitter systems in schizophrenia and mood disorders, as well as clarifying the basic neurophysiology of cognitive and affected processes in healthy populations. Rodney is located in the School of Psychology in room 41.131, and as he is an enthusiastic collaborator, he assures us that his door is always open for discussion. At home Rodney is married with 3 children, dislikes but engages in substantial home renovation, and enjoys movies and literature.

Winter Graduations

On July 22 the Faculty proudly watched 12 of its students graduate with Doctoral degrees. Congratulations to Mitchell Byrne (Psych), Samantha Clarke (Psych), Elizabeth Cooper (Psych), Teresa du Bois (Psych), Lynne Mason (Psych), Jane Middleby-Clements (Psych), Samantha Reis (Psych), Jacqueline Rushby (Psych), Timothy South (SHS), Lynne Smith (Psych), Karen Walton (SHS), Yinghua Yu (Psych) and Parastoo Somayeh Jafari (Psych), a Masters graduate.

Congratulations to Teresa du Bois, Timothy Smith and Yinghua Yu, three doctoral graduates from the Centre for Translational Neuroscience (CTN) who have produced 16 full research papers during their study in our faculty. More excitingly, all three new doctors are now NHMRC post doctoral fellows.

We are very proud of all Graduands and they have our best wishes.

Congratulations

Drug and Alcohol Awards



The Director of UOW's Centre for Health Initiatives, whose area of expertise includes alcohol advertising and marketing, was one of three finalists in this year's National Drug and Alcohol Awards in the category of Research Excellence. Professor Sandra Jones was among participants invited to attend the awards gala dinner held in the Great Hall of Parliament House in Canberra on Friday 26 June. The hotly-contested 'Research Excellence' category award was won by a team of psychologists from Queensland who have developed an online counselling program for dual diagnosis.

Professor Jones' research on alcohol advertising and alcohol marketing has been widely recognised as academically innovative as well as receiving strong recognition in government circles. She was a keynote speaker at the Network of Alcohol and Drug Agencies' "Creating Synergy Conference" at UOW on July 3, and the "Thinking Drinking" conference in August.

Professor Jones' work on alcohol advertising and young people resulted in a recent invitation for her to present evidence at the recent Senate Committee Hearing on the Alcohol Toll Reduction Bill. She has been invited to present her research findings to government agencies (in Australia and overseas) including a presentation to the NSW Office of Drug and Alcohol Policy on her work into compliance with the industry self-regulatory codes on alcohol advertising. She has also been invited to present the results of her findings from just-completed research on the impact of ready-to-drink alcohol products on young people's drinking to the NSW Department of Health's Expert Advisory Group on Drug and Alcohol and to the NSW Minister for Health.

Dieticians Conference Award

Congratulations to Associate Professor Karen Charlton who won the 'Research In Practice' Oral Presentation Award at the recent 27th National Conference of the Dietitians Association of Australia : Exploring New Territory. The award, sponsored by Unilever Australasia, followed a very well delivered oral presentation entitled 'Sub-optimal iodine status of pregnant women reflects poor knowledge and practices related to iodine nutrition'. The presentation reflected research supported by the Smart Foods Centre through a small grant Karen and her co-authors Heather Yeatman and Luke Gemming (summer scholarship recipient).



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Congratulations

Food Standards Board

In a recent announcement of Board Members to Food Standards Australia and New Zealand, the continuing appointment of Associate Professor Peter Williams from the School of Health Sciences was confirmed. Food Standards is the independent statutory agency that develops food standards and joint codes of practice with industry for the content and labelling of food sold in Australia and New Zealand. Mark Butler, the Parliamentary Secretary for Health, said that these appointments, made with the agreement of the Australia and New Zealand Food Regulation Ministerial Council, would ensure stability and a strong consumer voice in the development of food standards for Australia and New Zealand. Dr Williams served a two-year term as President of the Dieticians Association of Australia from 2001 and has served on National Health and Medical Research Council working parties for the review of Dietary Guidelines for Australia and the review of recommended nutrient intakes.

Clinical Biomechanics Award

SHS PhD student, Karen Mickle from the Biomechanics Research Laboratory, has been selected by an international jury as the winner of the highly prestigious Clinical Biomechanics Award for her paper entitled Are toe weakness and deformity associated with falls in older people? The paper was co-authored by her supervisors from the SHS Bridget Munro and Julie Steele, as well as her external co-supervisors, Hylton Menz and Stephen Lord. This award is only presented once every 2 years and is an Open category award that is highly sought after. As part of her prize Karen will present a plenary session at the XXIIInd Congress of the International Society of Biomechanics, to be held in July 2009 in Cape Town, South Africa, as well as receive a substantial monetary award. Her full manuscript will also be published as the ISB Clinical Biomechanics Award paper in the international journal Clinical Biomechanics. This is an outstanding achievement for a PhD student.

Best Emerging Research in CHI



Lance Barrie from the Centre for Health Initiatives recently presented two papers at the 2009 International Nonprofit and Social Marketing Conference in Melbourne. Lance was awarded Best Emerging Researcher for his paper "Ice is crazy but if you just smoke a bit of dope it's not that bad" : Formative research for a drug-driving social marketing campaign in the ACT, Lance Barrie, Sandra C. Jones and Elizabeth Wiese. As part of the award, Lance's paper will be published in a relevant social marketing journal (exact journal to be confirmed).

Congratulations to Lance and the rest of the team.

Congratulations

Trailblazers

Huge congratulations to Sayne Dalton, Sheridan Gho and Bridget Munro who competed in the finals of the Trailblazer competition held on today. From the 18 finalists, Sheridan and her team from the Biomechanics Research Laboratory were successfully awarded a Highly Commended (3rd Place) in the Student's section, while Bridget and her team, also from the Biomechanics Research Laboratory in collaboration with the Intelligent Polymer Research Institute, won the Open category. Sayne was nominated for her project entitled 'Andy's Fun Food Adventures', and Sheridan's Highly Commended award was for her project entitled 'Better bras for women living with a breast cancer diagnosis'.

Dr Munro's team won the open section for its project titled 'Controlling lymphoedema in an intelligent fashion – lymphoedema support device for breast cancer patients'. Lymphoedema is a substantial problem suffered post-operatively by breast cancer patients. Insufficient lymph flow can lead to swelling of the arm, disfigurement, pain and reduced function. UOW researchers have now devised a unique wearable sleeve that can provide enhanced lymph flow. The 'student highly commended' team was recognised for a project looking at building better bras for women living with a breast cancer diagnosis. The team aims to design innovative comfortable and effective bras that will allow women with a breast cancer diagnosis to enjoy the benefits of exercise in comfort.

Trailblazer was open to all UOW researchers and students. Now in its fifth year, the competition has helped UOW motivate and showcase the vast range of talents among researchers and students. The competition is run in conjunction with UniQuest Pty Ltd which is one of Australia's leading technology transfer organisations.



Pictured at the Trailblazer awards announcement for 2009 are Professor Judy Raper (Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Research) and Dr Bridget Munro (open – winner), with fellow award recipients and runners up.

Research News

Hungry for Change



Participants in the Illawarra Regional Food Forum (from left) Dr George Rubin (South Eastern Sydney and Illawarra Area Health), Jenny Norman (Healthy Cities Illawarra), Susan Thompson (UNSW), Rosemary Stanton, Karen Tavener-Smith (South Eastern Sydney and Illawarra Area Health) and Associate Professor Heather Yeatman (UOW)

Food Fairness Illawarra in conjunction with the University of Wollongong hosted an Illawarra Regional Food Forum on Wednesday July 1. The forum focused on a safe, fair and sustainable food system in NSW and featured celebrated nutritionist Dr Rosemary Stanton. Dr George Rubin, Director of Population Health, Planning and Statistics, South Eastern Sydney Area Health, NSW Health Department, opened the forum with attendees coming from a wide range of organisation in the Illawarra. Urban planning expert, Associate Professor Susan Thompson from the University of NSW, presented on ways to build a sustainable fair food system for the Illawarra region. Associate Professor Heather Yeatman, from UOW, facilitated discussion around health and food safety. Additional discussion sessions focused on access to healthy food, urban planning for a healthy food supply, and sustainable agriculture and food.

Food Fairness Illawarra is an alliance of members under the umbrella of Healthy Cities Illawarra, and includes members from the University of Wollongong, South East Sydney Area Health Service, Wollongong City and Kiama Councils, the Cancer Council, food aid providers such as Manna House, and other organisations and community members. The Illawarra Regional Food Forum held at the University of Wollongong is linked to a network of regional forums as part of the lead-up to a food summit in October: "Hungry for change: NSW Food Summit".

Research News

Food Meets Function Conference

Professor Linda Tapsell, director of the Smart Foods Centre, was recently a plenary speaker at the Food Meets Function: The Science and Business of Functional Foods conference in Ontario, Canada. The conference examined advances in the field that support healthy living with the aim of putting that information into the hands of Registered Dietitians, while supplying value chain innovators with information to develop beneficial products and capture new markets. Professor Tapsell gave both an opening and closing address focusing on functional foods in Australia as a vehicle for public health, and on making a food for health policy work in Canada. The conference was sponsored by the Dietitians of Canada, and the government of Ontario.

NHMRC Grant Workshop

Professor Linda Tapsell will be running a workshop on September 11 to help people prepare for 2010 NHMRC grant applications. The workshop will focus on issues such as:

- the application process, what happens to your application once it is submitted;
- the key areas that assessors look at and what can kill your application;
- key areas of application writing, e.g., significance/innovation, track record/the team, approach and methodology (esp. clinical trials), statistics and budget;
- how to present a clear hypothesis with clear analytical strategies;
- linking to priority areas.

We would also be interested in people bringing along particular problems they encounter or reviews from previous applications for discussion.

The workshop will be held in the Kemira Rooms from 9:30am - 12:30pm.

If you would like to attend please contact Kylie Smith as soon as possible on kyliesm@uow.edu.au

The Perfect Diet

Professor Tapsell was also involved with a symposium "The Perfect Diet: Reality Check – A rational assessment of the evidence from the experts" organised by the Institute of Obesity, Nutrition and Exercise at the University of Sydney, held in Sydney on June 30. Professor Tapsell gave a presentation on Diabetes and was involved in a panel discussion about the evolution of diets and dietary guidelines.



Research News

Schizophrenia Awareness

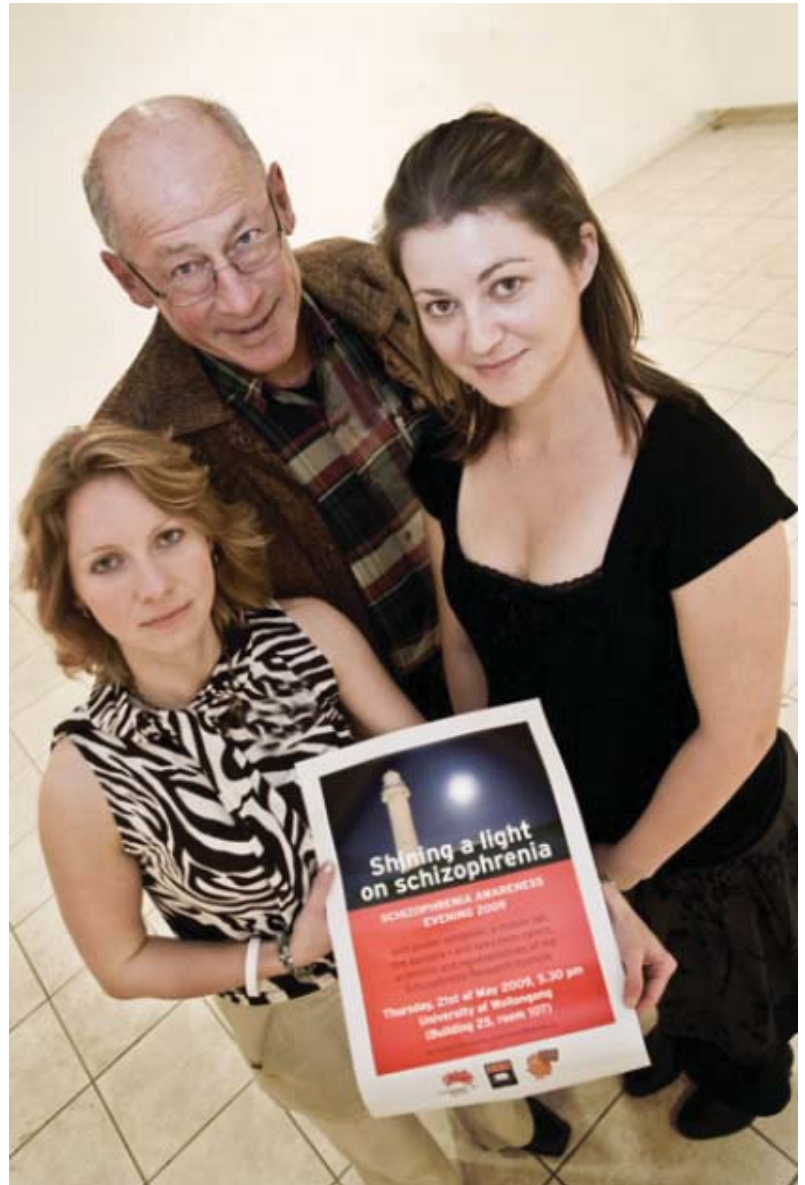
The world of schizophrenia sufferers is not only impacted by debilitating symptoms, but also the stigma that is often directed towards them. Whether it is through lack of understanding or fear, the reality of stigma is one we can tackle here and now.

As part of Schizophrenia Awareness Week, the University of Wollongong hosted a Schizophrenia Awareness event on Thursday the 21st of May 2009, organised by members of the Centre for Translational Neuroscience (CTN), Schizophrenia Research Institute (SRI) and the Student Health Alliance for Rural Populations (SHARP).

The event attracted about 200 people comprising people from the Illawarra community, family members and carers of schizophrenia patients, UOW researchers, staff and students and members of mental health organisations. Talks from schizophrenia clinicians, a schizophrenia patient, a family member, researchers and members of mental health organisations highlighted the different dimensions of schizophrenia.

Following the talks, the audience took the chance to see laboratory science demonstrations and further research posters and get additional information about the work of participating mental health organisations while light refreshments were served. Participating organisations included the Schizophrenia Research Institute, the Student Health Alliance for Rural Populations (SHARP), UOW's Illawarra Institute for Mental Health, Psychiatric Rehabilitation Australia, Schizophrenia Fellowship NSW Respite Services and ARAFMI.

Further events to raise awareness for schizophrenia and mental disorders are planned to take place in 2010 and beyond. For further information contact Dr Elisabeth Frank (efrank@uow.edu.au) or Dr Kelly Newell (knewell@uow.edu.au).



Helping to "shine the light" are from left Dr Elisabeth Frank (Schizophrenia Research Institute [SRI] and Research Fellow within the Centre for Translational Neurosciences); Mr Don McDonald (father of a schizophrenia sufferer and Life Governor of the SRI) and Dr Kelly Newell (Lecturer in Health Sciences and SRI affiliated scientist)

Research News

Midwifery and Maternity Care

Dr Allison Shorten from the School of Nursing, Midwifery and Indigenous Health was recently commissioned by the prestigious British Medical Journal to write an editorial (co-authored with Brett Shorten) 'Independent midwifery care versus NHS care in the UK', which was published in June 2009. The article can be found at this link: http://bmj.com/cgi/content/extract/338/jun11_2/b2210. This is Allison's second commissioned editorial for the BMJ, a wonderful honour. The editorial has been extremely well received by midwifery leaders in the UK, who expressed their gratitude for the integrity and thoroughness of the author's analysis.

Allison was also invited to attend Childbirth Connection's 'Transforming Maternity Care Symposium' in Washington DC during April. As the only Australian present Allison was able to share her unique perspective on midwifery models of care and healthcare delivery, and used the opportunity to build networks with leading maternity care researchers in the US.

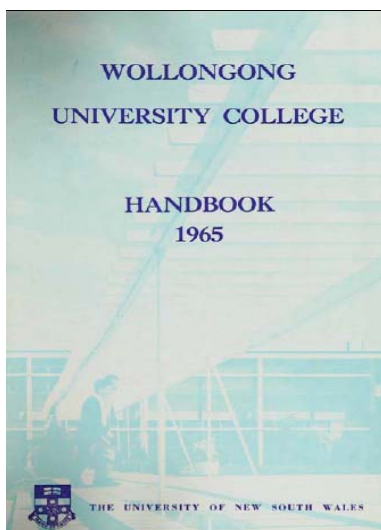
Library News

Spring Session Resources

Have you identified new resources for your reading lists? To ensure your students have access to critical information resources at the start of session, please send Alison Pepper orders for any new resources you are adding to your reading lists. You might also like to check whether we have later editions of existing readings via the Library catalogue <http://iii.library.uow.edu.au/>.

For more information and links to publishers see the link below:

<http://uow.libguides.com/content.php?pid=28220&sid=0>



Course Handbooks Archived

For those of you that have need to consult older copies of the Course Handbook (also known as the University Calendar and the Student Handbook at various points in time), the Library have now finished the digital archive of all Calendars/Handbooks going back to 1965.

You can access these as needed via the following link:

<http://www.library.uow.edu.au/uowlibraries/digitalarchive/index.html#calendars>

Grant Success

Some recent success for HBS staff in a number of grants, congratulations to all successful members and good luck with the projects:

Frank P. Deane, Joseph Ciarrochi, Lindsay G. Oades, Trevor P. Crowe
School of Psychology

Facilitating the transfer of training through values clarification

Funding: \$390,000 over four years

ARC Linkage Psychology

Sandra C. Jones, Tony Worsley, Don Iverson

PI's - Mr Greg Smith; Ms Michele Goldman; Ms Rachael White (Asthma Foundation NSW)

The use of social marketing strategies and adult education principles to improve asthma self management in older people

Funding: \$355,234 also includes 2x APA(I) awards

ARC Linkage Grant

Robert Alisin, James Zacher, Stephen Palmisano

School of Psychology

Effects of Adaptation to Gravity/Microgravity on Jitter-enhancedvection

Funding: \$293,912 over three years (2010-2012)

Canadian Space Agency (CSA) Grant

UOW Research Infrastructure Block Grants

Members of HBS have been part of three successful RIBG grants, two based in this Faculty and one in Education.

HBS: Xu-Feng Huang, Chao Deng, Kelly Newell, Jiezhong Chen, Francesca Fernandez, Herb Groeller, Todd Mitchell, Stephen Blanksby, Andrew Aquilina, Barbara Meyer, Dave Mazzochi-Jones. Centre for Translational Neuroscience, Metabolic Research Centre, Centre for Medical Chemistry & Pharmacology, Centre for Medical Bioscience, GSM: Molecular Pathology Infrastructure \$65,750

HBS: Robert J. Barry, Adam Clarke, Stephen Palmisano, Rodney Croft, Stuart Johnstone, Harold Hill, Simone Favelle. Brain & Behaviour Research Institute: High-speed infrared pupilometer \$38,000

Education: Anthony Okely, Rachel Jones, Marijka Batterham, Karen Charlton, Herb Groeller, Linda Tapsell, Dylan Cliff, Sandra Jones. Child Obesity Research Centre, IHMRI: Actigraph accelerometers \$20,000

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Current Grant Opportunities

(as on 31st July 2009)

Closing Date	Scheme	Details	Contact
17th Aug	Leukaemia Foundation	<p>Applications for the Leukaemia Foundation National Research Program 2010 are now open. In 2010 the Foundation is calling for innovative research applications for Scholarships. The Foundation will consider funding applications in fields of study that are in accordance with the objectives of the Foundation, namely research into the causes, prevention, treatments or cure of leukaemia, lymphoma, myeloma and related blood and bone marrow cancers.</p> <p>PhD Scholarships Scholarships are open to students commencing their PhD or who have completed no more than one year of fulltime study toward their PhD.</p> <p>All details can be found on The Leukaemia Foundation website at http://www.leukaemia.org.au/web/research/researchgrants.php.</p>	Elizabeth Phillips x 4522 eliza@uow.edu.au
21st Aug	The Heart Foundation	<p>The Heart Foundation is offering funding to support researchers to undertake PhD studies in the area of cardiovascular disease and related disorders. The research may be pursued as an investigation in biomedical, clinical or public health research (including health services research).</p> <p><i>Postgraduate Scholarships:</i> Postgraduate Scholarships are offered to medical, science, allied health, nursing graduates or other relevant postgraduates seeking support for full-time or part-time studies leading to a PhD at an Australian university or institution. Postgraduate Scholarships are normally awarded for three years.</p> <p><i>Stroke Foundation co-funded Postgraduate Scholarships:</i> The Heart Foundation and the National Stroke Foundation are partnering to offer funding for Postgraduate Scholarships for research into the prevention, causes, diagnosis, treatment and long term support for stroke.</p> <p>Scholarships are only awarded to postgraduate students to support study towards a PhD. Part-time applicants will also be considered. A separate application is not required for part-time awards. If you wish to be considered for these co-funded Scholarships, please indicate this by ticking the box on the Postgraduate Research Scholarship application form, available on the Heart Foundation website.</p>	(03) 9321 1581 or email research@heartfoundation.org.au

Current Grant Opportunities

(as on 31st July 2009)

Closing Date	Scheme	Details	Contact
24th Aug	General Sir John Monash Foundation	<p><i>Purpose:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Awards are to develop Australia's future leaders. • They recognise and promote excellence in scholarship and leadership. • They assist in the education of outstanding young Australian achievers at the best universities overseas. • They enable the formation of global networks by Australia's future leaders. • The Awards are Australia's equivalent of prestigious scholarships offered by other countries. <p>About the Awards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each Award provides up to \$150,000 (Australian income tax exempt) over three years. • Awards support study for a degree of PhD, DPhil or equivalent or to a relevant professional Masters Degree at universities, which are the best in the field. • Eight Awards are made annually –forty eight Awards have been made to date. <p>The Awards are open to Australian citizens of any age or gender. In their careers, Award Winners are expected to make a significant contribution to Australia.</p> <p>The Award Winners are chosen on a national basis by a National Awards Committee. Applicants are interviewed and short-listed first by State and Territory Panels, chaired by current or retired Vice-Chancellors. The Committee and Panels include academic, business and community leaders.</p>	
4th Sept	AINSE Research Awards	<p>Applications for AINSE Research Awards are now open. This is the link to the AINSE Research Awards 2010 http://www.ainse.edu.au/ainse/for_academic_researchers/ainse_awards.html</p> <p>Nuclear science at the Lucas Heights Science and Technology Centre is devoted to supporting activities and research in a wide range of disciplines especially those which incorporate Australia's national research priorities. Areas of particular interest include: researching climate change, the management of water resources, the study of air pollution, studying the structural integrity of materials, radiobiological research, medical physics and imaging, materials science.</p> <p>Each application should be prepared by the staff member responsible for the project using the electronic form on AINSE's home page. Once you have completed the form you should press the submit button and then print a copy, sign it and have the AINSE Councillor for UOW Prof Allan Chivas (x3263 or email allan_chivas@uow.edu.au) countersign the application.</p> <p>The signed original of the completed application form, with a signed UOW External Grants Submission form http://www.uow.edu.au/research/rso/grants/UOW009250.html, must be submitted to the Research Office for signature by the Grants Manager by Friday 11 September 2009 to reach AINSE by the closing date of Tuesday 15 September, 2009.</p>	Cheryl Jecht x5874 or email cjecht@uow.edu.au
12th Sept	The Heart Foundation	<p>The Heart Foundation is offering funding to support researchers working in the area of cardiovascular disease and related disorders. They are now calling for applications for Summer Scholarships. Summer Scholarships are offered to assist undergraduates who have completed at least two years of a medical or science degree to obtain laboratory experience. Summer Scholarships are for a duration of 6-8 weeks. For more information on Summer Scholarships, please click http://www.heartfoundation.org.au/Professional_Information/Research/Available_Funding/Summer_Scholarships/Pages/default.aspx</p> <p>Please ensure that you read the instructions carefully, fill the application form in its entirety and provide ALL supporting documentation with your application.</p>	(03) 9321 1581 or email research@heartfoundation.org.au
23rd October	The Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia	<p>The Workshop Program of the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia funds several workshops each year that enable workshop organizers to bring together leading scholars to present and discuss the implications of their work. Academy of the Social Sciences Workshop Program now calls for proposals for workshops commencing in July 2009 and to be completed no later than June, 2010. Applicants do not have to be Fellows of ASSA.</p> <p>Successful applicants will need to focus on addressing significant issues and ideas in the social sciences. ASSA Workshops are interdisciplinary and participants should be drawn from a range of social science disciplines.</p> <p>Further details on the Workshop Program are available on the Academy website at: http://www.assa.edu.au/Workshop/call.htm</p>	Sarah Tynan Project Manager Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia Ph: 02 6249 1788; Fax: 02 6247 4335 tynan.assa@anu.edu.au www.assa.edu.au