1. Staffing

In January 2010, Associate Professor Andrew O’Neil will take up the position of Professor of International Relations in the School of Business at Griffith University. Andrew will also take up a concurrent appointment as Director of the Griffith Asia Institute for an initial five-year term. Andrew has been an academic staff member in the School of Political and International Studies since June 2000.

2. Retirement

Dr Jim Schiller will retire from the University on 25 October after 20 years in the former Discipline of Asian Studies and Languages (1990-2006) and for the last four years in the School of Political and International Studies.

Jim (who hails from Dayton, Ohio), came to Flinders with a unique perspective on local government, having done his PhD fieldwork in the district of Jepara on Java’s north coast, and then worked as a development advisor to USAID and the Indonesian Ministry for Home Affairs for 8 years. What Jim doesn’t know about Indonesian state-society relations, the politics of elections, democratic reforms, and connections between electoral and everyday politics, is probably not worth knowing. His fieldwork has kept him up to date in unorthodox ways, such as playing tennis with local officials. This gave him political gossip about local government not necessarily revealed in formal interviews. He seems to know just about every official in town, including leaders of all the major secular and religious political parties.

Jim’s internationally recognised research among Indonesiavists (including two large ARC grants) is reflected in his teaching, including convenorship of upper level topics in the Asian Studies major such as ‘Island Southeast Asia’, ‘Democracy and Human Rights in Asia’, ‘Business and Politics in Asia’ and ‘Modern Indonesian Political Thinking’. His open conference on the East Java mudflow brought many Indonesian experts to Flinders in 2007.

Jim is a skilled supervisor of international postgraduates, having supervised 23 PhD students from Indonesia, 7 Masters and 12 Honours students, writing on topics related to Indonesian politics, decentralisation and development and to Southeast Asian political economy. Many of his former students are now known nationally in Indonesia as researchers in the Indonesian Institute of Sciences and as academic administrators. Through them the University’s reputation in Indonesia as a centre for postgraduate studies has been greatly enhanced.

Jim always makes spot on intellectual contributions on theses drafts and in seminars. He’s a ‘quiet achiever’ who never feels the need to be centre stage, or grab the spotlight, and believes everyone has as important a contribution to make as himself. Jim’s passion for decaf lattes, chocolate chip biscuits and intense conversations on Indonesian politics are a lethal combination. Between visits back to Jepara we hope to see Jim at School postgraduate seminars as often as he can make it (health permitting), where a thesis proposal will often be changed because of Jim’s insightful questions and comments.

3. Flinders Partners in the Faculty

Flinders Partners now has a presence in Social Sciences to work with social sciences staff to further research, consulting and commercial opportunities. For more details, see Research News, p.16.

4. Reminder

Two Con Marinos AM Prizes are offered each year to undergraduates for an outstanding student essay. Cover sheets are available from the Enquiries Office, SSSth. Submissions must be lodged by the second Friday in December.
Applications for Outside Studies Programmes in Semester Two 2010

Eligible members of staff are invited to apply for an Outside Studies Programme to commence in Semester 2 next year. The closing date for S2 2010 applications is **Friday 30 October 2009**. Please use the Faculty OSP application form – at [http://www.flinders.edu.au/socsci/research/outside-studies-and-conferences/osp.cfm](http://www.flinders.edu.au/socsci/research/outside-studies-and-conferences/osp.cfm) – and send it to Joan Stephenson, Secretary of the Faculty's Outside Studies Committee. See the **University's Outside Studies Scheme rules at:** [http://www.flinders.edu.au/ppmanual/staff/outstudy.html](http://www.flinders.edu.au/ppmanual/staff/outstudy.html) for further information.

Any financial support granted to a staff member through the Outside Studies Scheme is paid via the payroll, normally four weeks prior to commencement of the programme. The grant may be made available earlier upon production of evidence of the need to pay for airfares. The sum advanced must be reimbursed to the University in full if the staff member does not subsequently undertake the approved programme, and repayment of all or part of an advance may be required when the OSP has been significantly changed.

**AWARDS AND GRANTS**

Nominations are hereby called for the Vice-Chancellor’s Awards for Excellence in Teaching and submissions for the Flinders Teaching & Learning Innovation Grants for 2009. Time-lines for both the Awards and Grants are set out below.

**Vice-Chancellor’s Awards for Excellence in Teaching**

The Vice-Chancellor’s Awards for Excellence in Teaching encourage, recognise and reward teaching excellence. There will be up to five awards made each year. Guidelines and application requirements can be found at: [www.flinders.edu.au/teaching/vc-awards](http://www.flinders.edu.au/teaching/vc-awards)

**Flinders Teaching & Learning Innovation Grants**

Teaching & Learning Innovation Grants provide funding to successful recipients to encourage new developments in teaching and learning. There are generally up to five grants made each year. However, there is provision for an additional one or two to be made in the event that the number of meritorious submissions received at Stage 2 of the Grants exceeds the standard number of grants usually awarded. Information and selection criteria can be found at: [www.flinders.edu.au/teaching/innovation-grants](http://www.flinders.edu.au/teaching/innovation-grants)

Professor Andrew Parkin
Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)

**2009 Timetable**

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### Seminars and Colloquia

**School of Geography, Population and Environmental Management, Tuesdays at 11:15 a.m, Room 242 SSN**
- **20th October**  
  Associate Professor Alaric Maude  
  *Towards a national school geography curriculum for Australia: the process so far*
- **27th October**  
  Emeritus Professor Chris Paris, University of Ulster, Magee Campus  
  *Housing booms and housing busts: mansions, booms and holiday homes in Ireland and the UK*

**Department of History, Fridays at 11.15am, Room 154 SSS**
- **9 October**  
  John Fitzpatrick  
  *Great divergences: environmental history and the fates of human societies*
- **16 October**  
  Honours theses seminars
- **23 October**  
  David Palmer  
  *The structure of the forced labour system in wartime Nagasaki*
- **30 October**  
  Honours theses seminars

**School of Political & International Studies**  
**Postgraduate Seminars, 1pm on Wednesdays, in Room 014 SSS**
- **7 October**  
  Robert Manwaring  
  *As good as it gets? The 2020 summit and democratic renewal under Rudd*
- **14 October**  
  Novi Kurnia  
  *Women's films in post-new order Indonesian cinema*
- **21 October**  
  Zatul Himmah Adnan  
  *A study of Islamisation policy and plural society in Malaysia*
- **28 October**  
  Natasha Cowan  
  *The internet and democracy/public sphere deliberations*

**SPIS – Staff Seminar, Friday at 2.00pm, Room 115 SSS**
- **9 October**  
  Michael Barr  
  *Networks of power and influence in Singapore?*

**School of Psychology, Thursday at 1.00pm, Room 223 SSN**
- **October 8**  
  Dr Ralph Bayer, School of Economics, University of Adelaide,  
  *Confusion and reinforcement learning in public goods games.*
- **October 22**  
  Prof. Leon Lack, School of Psychology,  
  *Elements of cognitive therapy for treatment of insomnia*
- **29 October**  
  Professor Marika Tiggemann, School of Psychology  
  *"They’re still all so just perfect": A causal role for mass media in negative body image?*
Department of Sociology – Thursday at 4.00pm, Room 241 SSN

1 October  Professor John Coveney, Flinders University  
*Who or what was Foucault’s subject?: Exploring the government and ethics of subjectivity*

8 October  Associate Professor Fiona Verity, Flinders University  
*Safe but sorry? Risk and civil society*

15 October  Professor Peter Beilharz, La Trobe University  
*Zygmunt Bauman – moving on*

29 October  Dr Mary Zournazi, University of New South Wales  
*The future of images*

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**News from AOUs in Social Sciences**

**Flinders Business School**

On the 28th of August, Graham Jones attended the Adelaide TAFE Financial Services graduation ceremony. He presented the Flinders Business School prizes for academic excellence to TAFE Diploma of accounting students Leida Taylor and Sharlene Franke.

Graham Jones with student prize winners Leida Taylor and Sharlene Franke.

On the 23rd of September, the school launched an innovative Internship Program for graduates. This is a new postgraduate program providing work readiness skills and applied learning. The program delivers tuition through intensive seminar based learning experiences and a significant work placement.

The program incorporates the **Skilled Migration Internship Program - Accounting (SMIPA)** which is an approved by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) and was jointly developed by CPA Australia, the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Australia and the National Institute of Accountants.
The Internship Program benefits graduates seeking orientation to the workplace in preparation for a business career. It is particularly relevant to international graduates who hold an Australian degree qualification as a result of at least two years study in Australia.

Enrolments are still open, anyone wishing to find out further information should contact the course coordinator, Damien Mills.

SMIPA coordinator Damien Mills with students Yasif Multani, Ronald Chan, Melissa Chin and Edward Kwok with FBS Dean Angèle Cavaye at the SMIPA orientation session for new students.

**School of Geography, Population and Environmental Management**
**Gender Consortium / Centre for Development Studies**

**Grants**

A research group lead by FIHURE’s Professor Andrew Beer and Assoc Professor Michele Slatter received a grant from the recent Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth – NHMRC seed funding round for a project entitled ‘Future voices: Developing youth-focused policy and practice at the intersections of voicelessness and homelessness’. The group also includes Murray Drummond (School of Education, Flinders) Judy Cashmore (Sydney University) together with Anglicare-SA, the South Australian Youth Affairs Council and the National Children’s and Youth Law Centre.

Professor Andrew Beer and Dr Selina Tually (FIHURE), with Dr Lorna Hallahan (School of Social Work at Flinders University) and Dr Peta Raftery (Anglicare SA) have commenced research into the role of housing assistance in influencing social inclusion for people with a disability. State Housing Authorities and other social landlords are increasingly focussed on meeting the housing needs of persons with a disability. Funded by the Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, this research will involve in-depth interviews with people with a disability in South Australia, NSW and Victoria, as well as social housing and service providers in these jurisdictions.
Professor Andrew Beer and Dr Selina Tually (FIHURE), with colleagues from the University of Western Australia and RMIT have recently commenced a research project on the drivers of housing supply and demand in rural and regional Australia. This project, funded by the Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, will see the research team analyse a range of statistics on housing markets in 15 case study locations across the country, as well as undertake interviews with key stakeholders in the locations to determine the impact of new government housing supply programs on different communities.

**Conferences, Seminars, Symposiums....**

In September Associate Professor Susanne Schech, Centre for Development Studies, welcomed Professor Xudong Zhao under the Social Sciences Visiting Research Fellow Short program and with support by the Flinders International Asia Pacific Institute. Professor Zhao is Head of the Department of Sociology at the China Agricultural University in Beijing and a prolific interdisciplinary researcher on topics as diverse as poverty reduction, the post-Maoist legal system in China, ritual revival and the state modernity, and cultural critiques of western orientalism. Professor Zhao’s work on the social and cultural impacts of the Wenchuan earthquake is of particular interest to Flinders researchers. Professor Zhao presented a seminar, *Rethinking Culture, Society and Man after the Wenchuan Earthquake in China*, at the School of Political and International Studies and participated in the first gathering of the Migration and Refugee Research Cluster (MARRC) on the theme of “Development, Disasters and Displacement”. Professor Zhao’s productive visit involved a number of research discussions with several Flinders staff as well as being interviewed by Associate Professor Susanne Schech on the topic of human rights in China for her first year students of DVST 1002 Culture and Development.

Dr Meryl Pearce, the 2009 Faculty Scholar, along with the Scholars from the three other Faculties across Flinders University, and Faculty Scholars from La Trobe University, James Cook University and the University of Canberra met with delegates from across the country at the Australian Learning and Teaching Council (ALTC) Distributive Leadership Project: National Roundtable on Assessment in Melbourne on 15 September. The forum was entitled ‘*From the Coalface: Assessment Driving Curriculum Renewal*’. The meeting not only provided a forum for the Faculty Scholars to report on the findings of their research projects on assessment, but also served as a roundtable discussion on 5 themes: curriculum renewal, standards, e-assessment, social justice and student workloads. The roundtable garnered valuable input from leaders in teaching and learning on the 5 themes. Attendees included a range of PVCs (Academic), Deans, Associate Deans, a representative from AUQA, University Directors of Teaching and Learning, ALTC Scholars and past Faculty Scholars from previous partner Universities. This year’s roundtable forum was collaboratively organised by the Faculty Scholars from the four partner Universities, with Flinders University (under Prof. Heather Smigiel) as the 2009 project coordinator.

Dr Debbie Faulkner and Dr Selina Tually, Flinders Institute for Housing, Urban and Regional Environments (FIHURE) Research Fellows, submitted posters for the Ageing Research Expo being coordinated by the Healthy Ageing Research Cluster, with support of ARC/NHMRC Research Network in Ageing Well. The Expo was part of the launch of the Office for the Ageing’s report: State of the Ageing in South Australia, held at the Hyatt Regency Ballroom on September 17 2009. Dr Faulkner’s poster presents the results of an extensive body of research that has been undertaken by FIHURRE researchers on age specific housing and whether such housing meets the aspirations and needs of the older
population. Dr Tually’s poster presents the findings of research for Planning SA on ageing and access to housing and services.

Dr Udoy Saikia and Dr Gour Dasvarma and another will present their paper on The world’s highest fertility in Asia’s newest nation: an investigation into reproductive behaviour of women in Timor-Leste, at the XXVI IUSSP (International Union for Scientific Study of Population), Marrakech, Morocco, 27th Sept-2nd October 2009.

Notable Achievements

Dr Simon Benger and others were finalists in the SA Science Excellence Award for Collaboration for their research work on the 3 year $5.2 million project, ‘CLLAMMecology (Coorong, Lower Lakes and Murray Mouth Ecology)’.

Three years ago Dr Udoy Saikia, Population Studies, together with a number of other Flinders University staff members, formed the community based project, Australian Supporting Children and Women in Assam (SASCWA), to assist with early child development in the tribal communities of Assam, Northeast India where the child mortality rate was exceptionally high. This project has developed a strong partnership with local research and community organisations in Assam through the support it provides to the region. SASCWA hold various fundraising events in Adelaide to fund their projects. Among its many achievements SASCWA successfully established the first ever Toy Library in Northeast India. This library caters for around 150 children from 70 households across two villages and also employs two local girls who look after the library. SASCWA regularly send educational toys from Adelaide to various organisations in Assam with the generous support of Malaysian Airlines, who ship the toys free of cost. Other projects have included the provision of salaries for three primary school teachers and funding for two sewing machines to enable the community to generate an income. Earlier this year 210 children participated in a painting competition of which the best will exhibited in Adelaide. More information about SASCWA can be found on: http://sascwa.blogspot.com/

School children from the village of Titabar welcome new toys. Gavin Malone, Doctoral candidate, was one of twenty scholars and post graduate students selected to participate in the 2009 Inaugural Edward Said Memorial Class held in Adelaide last month. Entitled ‘When two become one: the collision of identities in a (post?) colonial context’ the class was conducted by Prof. Saree Makdisi, University of California, utilising the Palestinian - Israeli conflict and a hypothetical post conflict Arab / Jewish nation as the exemplar. Prof. Makdisi, a nephew of Prof. Said, was in Adelaide to deliver the Edward Said Memorial Lecture. The Master Class was organised by the Universities of Adelaide and South Australia.
Visiting Chinese Scholars

International scholars Ms Zhang Hongran and Ms Hu Yan spent four months in the School of Geography, Population and Environmental Management as part of the joint mentoring scheme between Flinders University and the Beijing Teachers’ Training Centre for Higher Education. Hongran and Yan, both Architects from the North China University of Technology College of Architects, are among the 12 visiting scholars who are being mentored by senior Flinders researchers across all four faculties, working together on areas of common academic interest. Ms Hongran (right) and Ms Yan (left) returned to Beijing in July and are pictured below on a sightseeing trip to the Adelaide Hills with SGPEM lecturer Cecile Cutler.

Coming Event

“Housing and Ageing in Northern Ireland”, Tuesday 20 October 2009 seminar to be presented by Emeritus Professor Chris Paris, University of Ulster and visiting Research Fellow, Flinders University at the Art Gallery of South Australia, North Terrace Adelaide, Radford Auditorium - 5.00 – 7.00 pm. RSVP: FIHURR@Flinders.edu.au

School of Social Work

The School of Social Work welcomes Lisa Crowder to the administrative team of the school.

The School also welcomes Priscilla Dunk-West. Priscilla, a sociologist and social worker, has held a number of appointments in Australia and England in social work practice and academia. She joins us from the School of Social Work at Kingston University, London.

Michael Bull was invited to the Out of Home Care Practice Forum, Life Without Barriers on 8 September. His presentation was entitled: "Children, loss and grief: implications for practice with children in care”.

Chris Miller and Fiona Verity presented at the Community Development Journal International Symposium: Community Development in an Age of Uncertainty: Connections and Fragmentations, 3-5th September, London.
Philippa Edge, MSW graduate, was awarded the Department for Correctional Services Prize 2008. Janine Harrison attended the ceremony on behalf of the School. Well done, Pippa.

The Southern Child and Family Clinic opened on 22\textsuperscript{nd} September on the Flinders University campus, adding four student psychologists to assist with DFC-related work.

In attendance at the opening was the Statewide Manager for Families SA, Nancy Penna, the Principle Senior Psychologist for the Southern Region of Families SA, Claire Simmons, various other psychologists from Families SA, as well as John Browett and Rhonda Domin from the Faculty of Social Sciences. Neil Brewer, Head of the School of Psychology, the Clinic supervisor Shelley-Anne Ball, other School of Psychology staff and postgraduate students also attended the opening.

**Conference Presentations**

Robyn Young was a keynote speaker at the Asia Pacific Autism Conference 2009 in Sydney (20 -22 August). Her keynote address was titled *Early identification and intervention for young children.*

Papers presented at the conference were:

- An evaluation of the Early Intervention Research Program (EIRP) for children with Autistic Disorder (AD) at Flinders University in South Australia. (Robyn Young)
- Cross Cultural evaluation of the ADEC (Autism Detection in Early Childhood) in Mexico. - Darren Hedley, Robyn Young, Carlos Marcin-Salazar, Maria-Angelica Juarez-Gallegos.
- Face Recognition and Metacognitive monitoring in Individuals with Asperger’s Disorder. - Ambika Nagesh, Neil Brewer, Robyn Young.
- When does typical development become atypical. - Robyn Young, Paul Williamson, Neil Brewer, Genevieve Bradshaw
• Making sense of sensory processing in autism: evidence for the existence of sensory subtypes. - Alison Lane, Robyn Young, Amy Baker, Manya Angley.

POSTERS presented at conference:

• The link between Autistic Behaviours and Feeding and Eating Problems - Amelia Kasauskas, Robyn Young, Paul Williamson
• Towards individualised treatment of autism, understanding the folate/methionine pathway. - Penelope Main, Manya Angley, Michael Fenech, Philip Thomas, Robyn Young, Ross McKinnon.
• Using repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation to influence imitation ability: implications for individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders. - Anna Moffat, Robyn Young, Michael Ridding.
• Does urinary indolyl-3-acryloylglycine (IAG) have potential to distinguish autism subtypes. - Lynn Wang, Manya Angley, Cobus Gerber, Robyn Young, Damien Aabarno, Ross McKinnon, Michael Sorich.
• The Development of Infants with an Increased Risk of Autism. - Danielle Robson, Robyn Young.
• Understanding the eyes: Face processing and emotion recognition in Autism Spectrum Disorders. - Alyssa Sawyer, Robyn Young, Paul Williamson.
• Robinson, J., & Henley, J. 2009, September). Adaptation among refugee and other migrant children and adolescents who are newly arrived in Australia, Australasian Refugee Conference, Perth, Australia
• Tracey Wade gave one of the keynote addresses at the Australian Association for Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (AACBT) annual Conference in Perth on 9th September on "perfectionism and eating disorders". At the conference she also gave a one day workshop on how to work clinically with perfectionism and participated in an expert panel discussion on the use of homework in CBT and a debate on the use of relaxation in CBT. She also gave a half day workshop to professionals working in Perth in the area of prevention of eating disorders.
• Posters presented at the Health Ageing Research Cluster Ageing Research Expo, Adelaide, Australia
• Edwards, P.R., Walker, R., & Luszcz, M.A. *Residential Transitions among Older Couples in the Australian Longitudinal Study of Ageing.*


• Materne, C., Luszcz, M.A. & Bond, M. "I Think I Can, I Thought I Could!" *Memory Efficacy in Alzheimer’s Disease*

**Other**

• Reg Nixon gave a talk on *Cognitive Processing Therapy Trial at Yarrow Place: An update* to the Yarrow Place Rape and Sexual Assault Service.


• Sarah Paine gave a presentation at the Southern School Counsellor’s District Meeting (Thursday 20th Aug) on, sleep problems in primary school students.

• Neil Brewer was an invited panelist at the recent ARC - ERA meeting to finalise journal rankings for the Social, Behavioural and Economic Sciences cluster.

• Neil Brewer gave an invited professional development session in September for the Australian Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators on *Assessing the credibility of witnesses.*

• Robyn Young attended the ElectraNet Staff BBQ to accept a donation from ElectraNet who raised funds for the EIRP.

• From Mary Luszcz

  • presented a talk on *Psychology and Ageing* at the Dental Hygienists’ Association of Australia National Conference Symposium - "Changing Faces, dental hygiene care across the lifespan", on Saturday 12th September.

  • Has joined the Board of the Sisters of St Joseph, Aged Care Taskforce which has been newly formed to oversee the consolidation of individual Boards of their 3 Aged Care Facilities into a single Board, which will comprise Taskforce members, commencing January 2010.

• On September 17th 2009 Mary Luszcz and others from the Flinders Centre for Ageing Studies attended the *Aging Research Expo.* The Expo was co-sponsored by the DFC Office for the Ageing and the ARC/NH&MRC Research Network in Ageing Well, which Mary convenes on behalf of SA.

  o The Minister of Ageing, Justine Rankin, launched the *State of the Ageing Report.* This report was a tri-university project which provides an in-depth look at what population ageing means for South Australia. Mary Luszcz led the research group for the Flinders University contribution to this report.

  o DVC-R’s from each of the Universities in SA spoke about research on ageing at their respective University. Dr. Rosemary Crowley, Chair of the Ministerial Advisory Group on Ageing, Mr Ian Yates CEO of COTA-Seniors’ Voice, as well as senior executives of several aged care service providers were among the audience of more than 150 people.

  o The Expo showcased the current work of researchers in diverse ageing related fields across South Australia.

  • Ms Petra Hammann is currently completing an honorary visiting research internship for 4 months from July to November with Mary and Ruth Walker and other from the Flinders Centre for Ageing Studies (FCAS). Petra is currently undertaking a MA in Gerontology from the Freidrich Alexander University, Nunberg, Germany and comes from a background in geriatric nursing. Petra’s previous areas of research interest have included the caregiver burden of dementia and the implementation of geronto-psychiatric nursing concepts. While at the Flinders, Petra is working with data from the Australian Longitudinal Study Of Ageing (ALSA). She hopes to use the data on older adults’ sexuality to write a cross-sectional paper and may use longitudinal data for her MA thesis when she returns to
Germany. She has also been granted permission to attend or audit several of our honours topics, which she has described as excellent.

Department of Sociology

Professor Anthony Elliott has been elected a Fellow of the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia. In September, he delivered in Tokyo the keynote address to The Society for Sociological Theory in Japan - "The New Individualism after The Great Global Crash". He also gave a lecture, titled "The Global New Individualist Debate", to the Department of Sociology at Keio University, Tokyo. Further research in Tokyo was conducted for his ARC Discovery project on Globalization, Transnationalism and the New Individualism, with interviews undertaken with various Japanese senior executives. Finally, the Spanish translation of his book "Making The Cut: How Cosmetic Surgery is Transforming Our Lives" was published by 451 Editions in Madrid.

An article by Professor Riaz Hassan, “What Motivates the Suicide Bombers?” appeared recently in Yale Global Online and was reported in news papers around the world.

Brad West recently attended a 2-day workshop entitled ‘Festivals and Public Culture’ held at the Institute of Modern Art in Brisbane’s Fortitude Valley district. Organised by Professor Andy Bennett from Griffith University the workshop brought together academics from around Australia to develop a large scale research project focusing on the socio-cultural significance of festivals in Australia. Amongst the speakers was Gerard Delanty, Professor of Sociology and Social and Political Thought at the University of Sussex, who heads a European Community funded project examining the role of festivals as sites of trans-national identifications and democratic debate (see www.euro-festival.org/research.html).

Mary Holmes gave a paper at the European Sociological Association conference in Lisbon (2-5 September), where she also organised and chaired sessions for the ESA Emotions Research network of which she is a member. She has now prepared a proposal for a volume she will co-edit (with Silvana Greco, University of Milan) on Emotions and friendship, which will collect some of the best papers from the conference.

Nik Taylor's human-animal studies group now has a web page in process:


School of Political and International Studies

As part of Mongolia’s aim to improve human resource management practices across the public sector, 16 senior officials from the Mongolian Ministry of Education, Culture and Science completed an intensive study program at the Flinders Institute of Public Policy and Management. The three-week short course, funded through the Federal Government’s AusAID Australian Leadership Awards Fellowships program, is a blend of theoretical knowledge and skills practice and included visits to South Australian government agencies.

George Crowder attended the annual conference of the American Political Science Association at Toronto, 3-6 September, where he presented a paper on ‘Berlin and Rawls’.
Professor Eric Richards and Dr Karen Agutter attended the first meeting of the Flinders Migrant and Refugee Research Cluster (MARRC) on 14 September. The cluster is a focal point for research that explores issues relating to migrants and refugees. The first meeting, on Development, Disasters and Displacement, discussed the current displacement of peoples as a result of disasters such as the Chinese earthquake and potential future displacement as a result of global issues such as climate change.

In early September Catherine Kevin presented a paper at a conference on Limits of the Human: Philosophical, Historical and Ecological Perspectives hosted by the Research School of Humanities, at the ANU. Her paper explored the impact of humanist and postmodern discourses on conceptualisations of pregnancy loss.

Carol Fort attended the first World Congress of environmental historians in Copenhagen. There, she addressed a plenary session on her research project ‘Towards an Environmental Typology of Frontier Violence, South Australia 1836-46’. She also attended meetings of the executive committee of the International Water History Association and the launch of the journal Water History (she is a member of the editorial board) and generally had a good time. Carol has also been appointed to a team analysing the national history curriculum by the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority and will attend curriculum development workshops during the forthcoming non-teaching break.

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**2009 Prime Minister's Prize for Australian History**

Nominations are open for the 2009 Prime Minister’s Prize for Australian History which comprises an embossed gold medallion and a tax free grant of $100,000.

Nominations are sought from an individual or a group for any work first published, produced or broadcast between 1 January 2008 and 30 June 2009. This may include a published book, a documentary film, a documentary for radio or television, CD-ROM, DVD, other form of multimedia or a series of these works.

The subjects of works submitted can include, but are not limited to, historical events, historical figures (including biographies), and work covering a particular subject.


Nominations close at 5.00 pm AEDT, 9 October 2009.

Further information about the Prime Minister's Prize for Australian History, including information about how to nominate, can be obtained by contacting:

- Prime Minister's Prize for Australian History Secretariat: (02) 6240 9047
- Email address: pmhistoryprize@deewr.gov.au
The University have revised the Cost Recovery and Pricing Policy and have stated that a new general infrastructure levy rate of 25% will be applied to income received.

The new rate will take effect from 1 January 2010 – any income received from this date, regardless of when it was despatched or the invoice created, will be charged the 25% infrastructure levy.

What this means for you?

- Grants and contracts will continue to be run as agreements between the parties and the levy may increase/decrease depending on the agreement.
- Income to Consulting (source 005), Special Purpose (source 004) and Recovery (source 007) accounts will be levied at the new rate of 25%. To ensure you cover all costs from a project remember to add 25% when invoicing. Please see Carmel in the FSO if you require help when costing a project.
- Journal transfers from one Flinders University area to another are not considered income and will not attract the levy (eg transfer $100 from Social Sciences, School of Psychology project to Health Sciences, School of Medicine project).
- Any project that currently has an exemption from the levy will continue to be exempt unless otherwise notified.

For further information please refer to the policy and guidelines which can be found at:
The guidelines are located at http://www.flinders.edu.au/ppmanual/financial/guidepric.html
FLINDERS RESEARCH GRANT SCHEME (FRG)

Reminder

Key dates: closing date: October 13 2009 (this is an absolute deadline; there will be no extensions)

The new forms and guidelines for the 2009 for 2010 funding round can be found on the Faculty research web site at http://www.flinders.edu.au/socsci/research/faculty-funding/frg.cfm

There are two forms for applications:

1. New Project form (NP) is for a new project application for funding from the Flinders Research Grants Scheme.
2. Modified Proposal form [MP (Fall-Back)] is for ARC Discovery—Projects and NHMRC Project Grant applicants who wish to seek Flinders Research Grant support should their ARC Discovery or NHMRC Project Grant application be unsuccessful. Please note, a fall-in to the Flinders Research Grant process is not automatic. The MP application form is for this purpose.

Please read the guidelines and instructions on the application forms carefully.

Note in particular:

- Current members of the Faculty who will not be members of the Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences in 2010 will be eligible to apply as first named CIs for this round as an interim measure to facilitate their on-going research activities
- A research associate/research fellow who is employed 100% on another research project(s) is not eligible to apply for a Flinders Research Grant project.
- Additional guidance provided on the New Project form (pg 11 on) as a professional development exercise.

AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH COUNCIL (ARC) LINKAGE GRANTS (ROUND 2)
FOR FUNDING COMMENCING JULY 2010

Key dates: ARC Linkage Grant (Round 2) Funding Rules released: March 2009

Proposal open: TBA

Lodge Expression of Interest (EoI) to Office of Research by: Friday 25 September

Closing date pre-submission eligibility Exemption/advice requests: 14 October

Flinders closing date: Friday 30th October.

ARC Closing date: 5 p.m. 18 November 2009

Information on obtaining or updating an RMS ID is available at http://www.arc.gov.au/applicants/system_default.htm
Pre-Submission Eligibility Exemption/Advice Requests for Linkage Projects proposals for funding commencing in July 2010 (LP10 Round 2) are now open in the ARC Research Management System (RMS), accessible via the ARC website (https://rms.arc.gov.au). The closing date for Pre-Submission Eligibility Exemption/Advice Requests is 17.00 (AEDST) on Wednesday 14 October 2009. Linkage Projects Eligibility Exemption/Advice Request instructions and forms are available on the ARC website at: http://www.arc.gov.au/ncgp/lp/lp_eligibility.htm

**Faculty Research Grant Round Outcome**

There were no applications for VRF Standard, or Establishment Grants for the most recent round. Congratulations to the following staff who were successful in their application for a Faculty Research Support Grant.

- Dr Curtis Andressen (Political and International Studies): Project Support for *The Export of Yunnan’s Hydroelectric Power to Southeast Asia under the China-Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Free Trade Agreement*
- Prof Iain Hay (Geography, Population and Environmental Management): Publication Support for *In Their Own Words: Autoethnographies Applied*
- Dr Debra King (National Institute for Labour Studies): Publication Support for *Getting By: Farmers facing climate variation*
- Prof Mary Luszcz and Dr Ruth Walker (Psychology): Project Support for *Applying daily-life time sampling techniques with oldest-old participants: findings from a pilot study*
- Dr Peter Monteath (History): Project Support for *Groote Eylandt and the Anthropological Imagination: The Case of Frederick Rose*
- Dr Anuradha Mundkur (Geography, Population and Environmental Management) and Mr David Green (SDTU): Project Support for *E-learning: Does what we believe about teaching and learning drive how we use technology?*
- Dr Damien Riggs (Social Work): Project and Publication Support for *Comparing support available to lesbian and gay foster carers across four States*
- Dr Julie Robinson (Psychology) and Mr Dicky Pelupessy (Director, Crisis Center, Faculty of Psychology, University of Indonesia): Project Support for *Resilience and vulnerability among survivors of the Asian tsunami living in Aceh Province, Indonesia*
- A/Prof Susanne Schech (Geography, Population and Environmental Management): Publication Support for *From refugee to citizen: human, modernity and community*
- Dr Andrekos Varnava (History): Project and Publication Support for *The British Position on the Armenian Proposal to Establish an Armenian Legion in Cyprus and the Ultimate Creation of the French Legion d’Orient, 1915-1916 (Provisional Title of Article)*
- A/Prof Robyn Young and Prof Neil Brewer (Psychology): External Grant support for *Dimensions of Autistic Spectrum Disorder*

**Flinders Partners in the Faculty**

*Reminder*

Flinders Partners (FP) staff an office in the Social Sciences Faculty on Wednesday mornings, 9.00 - 11.00 am. The office is located Room 385, Social Sciences North, extension 17964.
**EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH FOR AUSTRALIA: INDICATORS CONSULTATION PAPER**

Australian Research Council (ARC) released a consultation paper September 7 on the proposed indicator matrices and esteem indicators for the Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) initiative. Consultation during 2009 has resulted in a "proposed framework for evaluating the quality of research, which particularly takes into account the research of the humanities and creative arts."

Institutions were required to submit their responses to the ERA Indicators Consultation Paper by COB Friday 25 September 2009.


**INAUGURAL 'HIGHER DEGREE RESEARCH NETWORK' GATHERING**

The Faculty of Social Sciences invites Higher Degree researchers and supervisors, and other interested academic and general staff, to the first afternoon tea gathering of the Higher Degree Research Network:

**Key Dates/Time**
- Friday, 16 October 2009
- From 3:15pm - 4.15 pm
- In the Social Sciences South Common Room.

*Please RSVP to sue.boehm@flinders.edu.au by 12 October 2009*, for catering purposes, advising if you have any specific dietary requirements (Halal / Kosher / Vegan / Vegetarian / Other).

*Non alcoholic drinks will be provided as well as food to suit diverse dietary requirements.*

The first of these social networking opportunities will be facilitated by Associate Professor Barbara Baird (Women's Studies) and Dr Budi Sulistiyanto (Political and International Studies).

**FLINDERS PARTNERS RESEARCH DEMONSTRATION IN THE FACULTY**

Opening comments by Professor Andrew Beer, Interim DVCR

Demonstration: how the web-based Ask software can help researchers in the social sciences
- Friday 20 November
- 112 SSS
- 12.00 p.m. to 1.00 p.m.

*RSVP: Heather.Paull@flinders.edu.au*

Too much time taken up by administration, project management, & identifying commercial opportunities etc?

Could your research have commercial potential?

Do you need better processes in place to manage research projects?

Would you like a one stop shop (program) to manage your research projects and identify commercial opportunities?

Then Flinders Partners new software Ask is the tool you need for managing opportunities to get your research ideas moving. The demonstration will show how Ask can help SS researchers including those who usually do not think in terms of commercialising a product.

A current social sciences research project will be used in the demonstration to highlight both the project management and commercial aspects of the tool. The latter is not just about the commercialisation of a technical innovation or similar. Rather, it can be as simple as getting the benefits of your research out into the community.

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Factiva is not just newspapers. The database holds extensive resources useful to Business topics.

The Companies and Markets section provides details on over 32 000 public company profiles and 12.4 million company reports from 72 countries.

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