Special Lectures – Australia US Free Trade Agreement

**Thursday, 14 October Rebecca LaForgia**
**Senior Lecturer, International Trade Law, University of South Australia**

‘Public participation and the Australia Free Trade Agreement

Rebecca LaForgia speaks regularly on the role international trade law plays in cultural exchange and within transnational crime. Her main research interest is in the export of normative ideas, such as democracy and transparency, through United States bilateral free trade agreements. This research forms the basis of the PhD which she is currently undertaking.

**Thursday, 21 October Ms Tanya Smith**
**Principal, The Nous Group**

‘Present at the creation: How the free trade agreement happened’

Before joining Nous in 2010, Ms Smith was Deputy Chief Executive in the Department of Premier and Cabinet in South Australia and headed up the Cabinet and Policy Coordination group. Her diplomatic career with DFAT included postings to London and Washington. She was Minister-Counsellor in the Australian Embassy in Washington and headed the Congressional Liaison section. As such, she shaped and implemented the Australian government strategy to secure the passage of the Free Trade Agreement through an anti-free trade US Congress. She also negotiated passage of the E3 visa agreement. In State government she was responsible for leading and coordinating whole-of-government policy and negotiating State positions to adopt in COAG forums.

**2010 Seminar Series**
**Tuesday, 5 October, 3pm**

Estimates of Poverty and Social Exclusion in Australia: A Multidimensional Approach

**Dr Rosanna Scutella**
**Melbourne Institute - University of Melbourne,**

The thirteenth NILS seminar for 2010 is a presentation by Rosanna Scutella (University of Melbourne) on the paper ‘Estimates of Poverty and Social Exclusion in Australia: A Multidimensional Approach’, co-authored by Roger Wilkins and Weiping Kostenko. The paper measures the extent of poverty and social exclusion in Australia. Using data from the HILDA Survey, a multidimensional measure of social exclusion is constructed that considers its potential variability in depth at a point in time and persistence over time. The measure of exclusion identifies that 20 to 30 percent of the Australian population aged 15 years and over experience ‘marginal exclusion’ at any given time; 4 to 6 percent are ‘deeply excluded’; and, less than one percent are ‘very deeply excluded’. The paper finds that although there are commonalities in the demographic composition of the socially excluded and the income poor, there are also some important differences.

Dr Rosanna Scutella currently holds the position of Senior Research Fellow at the Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research at the University of Melbourne. Rosanna’s research has a focus on inequality, poverty and social welfare with a particular interest on issues of taxation and the labour market.

Law & Commerce building, Level 3, Room 3.18
To enquire about the NILS 2010 Seminar Series, please contact nils.seminars@flinders.edu.au or phone 08 8201 2265.
Alternatively, visit nils.flinders.edu.au.

The Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences Newsletter is published at the beginning of each month. It is available on the web at flinders.edu.au/sabs/about/news/events.cfm. Items for inclusion should reach the Faculty Office by the 25th day of the month prior to publication. Please email your news to joan.stephenson@flinders.edu.au.
Dr Malcolm Cook has been appointed to the position of Dean, School of International Studies. Dr Cook will commence his position on 24 January, 2011.

Malcolm completed a PhD in International Relations from the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies at the Australian National University in 2003, writing a dissertation on the political economy of banking reform in Southeast Asia. He also holds a Masters degree in International Relations from the International University of Japan (1995) and an honours degree, first class, from McGill University in Canada, his country of birth.

This is an excellent appointment for the University and the school. Malcolm is the founding Program Director, East Asia at the Lowy Institute for International Policy, Australia’s leading international affairs think tank, since 2003. During his tenure at the Lowy Institute, he also taught since 2003 at the University of Sydney in the Masters of International Studies Program. Before moving to Australia in 2000, Malcolm lived and taught in the Philippines, South Korea and Japan and spent much time in Singapore and Malaysia. In the Philippines from 1997-2000, he taught International Relations and Asian Studies at Ateneo de Manila University. While carrying out his doctoral studies, Malcolm also ran his own consulting practice on East Asian security and economic risk analysis.

Malcolm's recent publications include:


I look forward to working with Dr Cook in this new role. I would also like to take the opportunity to acknowledge the leadership provided to the School by its interim Dean, Professor Don DeBats. Don's expertise has been of enormous value in setting up the new School of International Studies and has assisted me greatly in my early days as Executive Dean of this Faculty, and for that I personally thank him.

I would like to congratulate Dr Cassandra Star on her achievement in being awarded $218,000 from the Australian Learning and Teaching Council in their Leadership Grants Program. She is joint Chief Investigator with Dr Jacqie McDonald from the University of Southern Queensland on the project entitled “Identifying, building and sustaining leadership capacity for communities of practice in higher education”. The focus of the grant is a large, cross-institutional project on leadership within higher education institutions, investigating the role of informal leadership within the formal hierarchy and the role of informal leadership in meeting institutional goals. The outcomes of the project aim to inform the development of leadership in higher education and to inform higher education policy and management debates.

This is a highly competitive award gained by Cassandra and Jacqie McDonald and I would like to congratulate her on this very significant achievement.

Phyllis Tharenou
Executive Dean
University News

Occupational Health & Safety Unit

Mr Stewart Allan has been appointed to the position of Manager, Occupational Health and Safety. Stewart will commence in this role on Tuesday 5 October 2010.

Stewart joins us from Lawson Risk Management Services, where he has been involved with all aspects of occupational health and safety, in particular, assisting employers like Flinders that are self-insured for workers' compensation. Stewart also has extensive experience in injury management and rehabilitation; policy development and review; auditing; training; contractor management and compliance activities. He has extensive formal qualifications, holding two degrees from Flinders, together with postgraduate qualifications in OH&S Management and numerous accreditations as an auditor. He also has recent and relevant experience in the Higher Education sector, having provided consulting services through Lawson's to the sector here in South Australia.

Enterprise Bargaining Update - Message from the Vice-Chancellor

Enterprise bargaining negotiations have continued at a steady pace throughout the year, within a relatively calm and productive industrial relations setting at Flinders. I am pleased to note that during this period many clauses for the new agreement have been agreed in principle. However, it is also appropriate to acknowledge that a number of significant matters are yet to be agreed at this time.

There are many pressures mounting on the University budget, including lower than anticipated salary indexation from the Federal government for 2011, a slowing of international enrolments and increased costs of operation. On a more positive note, domestic enrolments are projected to increase, the University’s strategic direction is clear and, all things considered, the University is performing well. Your contributions as staff members have been a crucial factor in this good performance.

The University remains absolutely committed to achieving an agreement that will provide good conditions for staff and will support Flinders’ future direction and prosperity. To accomplish this, negotiations between the University and the unions need to continue and this will take time and effort.

To ensure that staff are not disadvantaged while enterprise bargaining negotiations continue and to ensure that our salaries remain competitive in the sector, I have decided to award a 3.5% pay increase. This will come into effect from the pay period that commences on 20 November 2010 and will first appear in the payment you receive on 3 December 2010.

New Cost Centres for Physiotherapy & Occupational Therapy

Please be advised that as a result of the commencement of courses in Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy in 2011, effective immediately two new cost centres have been approved for each of these disciplines, to be located within the Flinders Clinical Effectiveness cluster in the School of Medicine.
Influence the Future of FLO

The Flinders Learning Online (FLO) platform has become a critical part of the University's infrastructure. The purpose of this message is to inform you of upcoming opportunities to become involved in an impending decision that we need to make about the future of FLO.

As you might be aware, the University needs to update FLO for the beginning of 2012 because the existing platform will no longer have external support. Two alternative products (Blackboard and Moodle) have been identified as potentially providing the best possible basis for FLO in the future. Demonstrations of these products, based upon themes and key requirements identified from previous consultations with staff and students, were held on 20 September 2010 and 24 September 2010.

Did you miss the FLO Upgrade demonstration sessions? Well videos are now available on the FLO Upgrade website (www.flinders.edu.au/cedict/flo-upgrade/get-involved.cfm). See Blackboard and Moodle in action, and let us know what you think, we appreciate all feedback.

It is envisaged that a final decision will be made by the end of October, with implementation during 2011.


Research Innovation Showcase

We have 12 innovation showcase booths:

- Eye & Vision and Nutrition
- Psychology
- Clinical Change & Cancer Prevention
- Medical Devices
- Molecular Technologies
- Health, Society and Equity
- Groundwater
- Marine Science
- Biofuels
- Neuroscience
- New Marine Biotech Industry
- Education

With three information tables for students: (i.e. International Office, Scholarships Office & Admissions/Prospective Students Office) & Flinders Partners. We have 20 researchers who will be giving capability speed pitches. We have the VC, DVCRR, Director Flinders Partners, CEO of Innovate SA and keynote speaker Mr Richard Sauerman, we are set.

Those involved in setting up booths, you will be given access to the SILC building at 10am on Thursday 30th. Please remembers to bring everything you think you may need (e.g. laptops, power boards and cables, velcro etc). Please note that the pack-up also needs to happen on Thursday 30th (5pm onwards)
Research News

FLINDERS RESEARCH GRANT SCHEME 2010 FOR FUNDING IN 2011

The 2010 for 2011 funding round of the Faculty’s Flinders Research Grant (FRG) round is now open ($5-15K).

Closing Date: c.o.b. 18 October 2010

(this is an absolute deadline; there will be no extensions)

Applications are to be lodged with Michele Lang, Rm 268S.

The forms and guidelines for the 2010 for 2011 FRG funding round can be found on the Faculty Research web site at http://flinders.edu.au/sabs/research/faculty-funding/frg.cfm

There are two forms for applications:

1. **New Project (NP) form** is for a new project application for funding from the Flinders Research Grants Scheme.

2. **Modified Proposal [MP (Fall-Back)] form** is for ARC Discovery Projects and NHMRC Project Grant applicants who wish to seek Flinders Research Grant support if their ARC Discovery or NHMRC Project Grant application is not successful. 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.

Please note that there will not be a Faculty Research Officer available from 1 October to 11 October 2010. Where possible, please make any enquiries to Michele Lang (michele.lang@flinders.edu.au Rm 268S, ph: 12715) or Mary Lyons (mary.lyons@flinders.edu.au Rm 267S, ph: 15115) before those dates.

If you do need assistance during this time and have general questions about how best to prepare a grant application, please consider contacting your School Research Committee in the first instance. If your query relates to issues of eligibility or specific questions related to the scheme please contact the FRG Committee Chair, A/Prof. Reg Nixon at reg.nixon@flinders.edu.au or on 8201 2748.

ARC LINKAGE PROJECTS, ROUND 2, 2010

Key dates:

- ARC Linkage Projects (Round 2) for funding commencing July 2011 opened for Proposals in RMS on 22 September 2010
- Eligibility Exemption Requests were due 29 Sept 2010
- ARC Linkage Project Grant Writing Workshop 7 October 2010 (see details below).
- Flinders Quality Review Process & Feedback to Researchers: 20 October – 10 November 2010
  [Draft application internal closing date to RSO 20 October]
- RSO Compliance Review: 20 October 20 – 12 November 2010
- Proposals Close in RMS 17 November 2010

If you intend to submit a Linkage Proposal in Round 2, 2010, please complete an Expression of Interest Form Linkage R2 EOI and return it to the Research Services Office.

For information about ARC Linkage Rules please go to http://www.arc.gov.au/ncgp/lp/lp_default.htm or call Christine Maher in the RSO on x12045 for further information.

Support for Researchers from the Faculty S&BS Research Officers:

The Faculty Research Officers can offer practical assistance to:

- set up RMS login
- find costings for budget items
- enter budget items into RMS
- upload material to RMS
- organise readers for your application

contact mary.lyons@flinders.edu.au or mchele.lang@flinders.edu.au
ARC LINKAGE PROJECT GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP

Thursday, 7 October at 9am-12noon
Deidre Jordan Village [map ref. 17]

• Key Success Factors (What The Assessors Look For)
  Presenter: Professor Mike Bull
• Writing up your Track Record (Secrets of ROPE)
  Presenter: Professor Phyllis Tharenou
• Funding Rules, RMS Budgets
  Presenter: Dr Gayle Morris

There will also be opportunity for dialogue with the presenters via Q&A and small group workshops sessions.

Professor Phyllis Tharenou and Professor Mike Bull both have extensive experience as ARC College of Expert reviewers and with ARC schemes and Phyllis wrote the ROPE questions when she was an Executive Director at the ARC. Their presentations will provide insights on how to improve your ARC grant writing success. Dr Gayle Morris has been and is currently CI on a number of Linkage projects, and Director of Research Services. She will provide information and advice on the Funding Rules and the application process.

The program will be hosted by Professor David Day, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research).

Morning tea will be provided
For catering purposes, please RSVP by Monday, 4 October, to
Nikki Johnson – nikki.johnson@flinders.edu.au
For enquiries please phone Christine Maher 8201 2045

RESEARCH PARTNERSHIPS

If you need assistance in identifying and contacting potential government, industry or community partners for your research projects Flinders Partners can help. Contact Tanya Newhouse x17745.

For assistance in identifying potential partners directly relating to community in Onkaparinga, Holdfast Bay, Mitcham and Marion council areas contact the Southern Knowledge Transfer Partnership – Kathryn Anderson, Manager Industry Partnerships http://www.flinders.edu.au/sktp/

ARC DISCOVERY 2011

If you intend to apply for ARC Discovery Project funding in 2011, now is the time to prepare. If you do not have your RMS login set up, contact the Faculty Research Officers mary.lyons@flinders.edu.au or Michele.lang@flinders.edu.au. Becoming familiar with the RMS system before the rush of submission at the deadline will be advantageous. Again, the Faculty Research Officers can offer practical assistance with Discovery Project applications as above.

CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS PROCEDURES

The Research Services Office has updated all Contract Management processes and general information - available on the Flinders University Research webpage www.flinders.edu.au/research/.


NOTICE OF THE OPENING OF ROUND FIVE OF THE AUSTRALIA-INDIA STRATEGIC RESEARCH FUND

Round 5 of the AISRF opened at 09:00 (Australian Eastern Standard Time) on Monday 20 September 2010. Applications under the Indo-Australian S&T Fund and Indo-Australian Biotechnology Fund will be accepted until 17:00 (Australian Eastern Daylight Saving Time) on Monday, 15 November 2010.

Guidelines for Round 5 detailing the level of funding available, eligible expenses, and the application process, are available on the AISRF website https://grants.innovation.gov.au/AISRF/Pages/Home.aspx
Faculty Services Office

Attendance records – Checking and Filing for Auditing Requirements

All general staff, up to and including HEO8 level, are required to accurately record time worked and leave taken, including flexitime leave. The method of recording time is on an Attendance Record spreadsheet which covers a 4 week period. Attendance records must be signed by the staff member’s supervisors as a true and accurate record of hours worked and leave taken.

The auditors may check these against Central Administration leave records for accuracy and any discrepancies would need to be explained as would the lack of an attendance record for a particular period.

Casual staff record hours worked using the casual timesheet available on the Employees Self Service, and this is submitted online for approval to the supervisor. General staff record hours worked using the attendance record available on the Faculty intranet. This is an Excel spreadsheet that is set up to record working hours for a full year with the reporting periods aligned to the HR Systems and Payroll pay deadlines. To ensure a consistent approach to the recording of hours worked only the Attendance Record template that is available from the Faculty intranet, G:\Docs\10Timessheet.xlt, will be accepted and this must not have been modified in any way. If staff are not using this template it is suggested that they transfer their current information to this template to avoid having their Attendance Record returned.

The Faculty Services Office is aware that the operational requirements of some areas may require a deviation from the leave and the recording of hours worked rules and procedures, and where this is the case it is the responsibility of the supervisor to explain any deviation in procedures to the Faculty Service Office via the Attendance Record.

The rules relating to the recording of hours worked and the taking of leave allow a supervisor to exercise a fair amount of discretion when applying the rules. Where a supervisor has used their discretion, an explanation needs to be provided on the Attendance record. There are two areas where there is no provision for a supervisor to use any discretion.

1. A minimum period of half an hour must be taken for lunch between the hours of 12.00 noon and 2.00 pm.
2. No more than 5 hours may be worked without a meal break.

All staff and supervisors should be encouraged to make themselves familiar with the current leave rules and the recording of work hours. The main responsibility in ensuring the attendance records are correct and self explanatory, rest firmly with the supervisor.

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Occupational Health & Safety

Supervisor training: All staff who supervise other staff are responsible for their safety and are required by law to complete the OHS on-line training package at www.flinders.edu.au/ohsw/SupTrng_Register/register.htm

First Aid: New Approved Code of Practice for First Aid in the Workplace 2009 is to be introduced on December 10 2010. All first aid kits in the Faculty will be required to have a Therapeutic Goods Administration tag, effective 2011, and the OH&S Unit nurse will be instrumental in this organisation. All kits will be collected and taken to a nominated place for this process to occur. Currently there are two documents (in draft form) - First Aid Procedures and First Aid Assessment, which have been disseminated to First Aid Coordinators in each Faculty for comments prior to being approved. The Procedures will be reviewed regularly in light of legislative and organisational changes, and in any case, every four years.

Senior First Aid Refresher Training: This will be scheduled in mid November after the exam period. Further information will be provided closer to that date.

An election will be held to replace the Health and Safety Representative in Work Group 1 (North building). John Murphy occupied this position but as a result of his relocation to the south building in the Faculty Services Office, a replacement is necessary. Anyone who has an interest in occupational health and safety issues is welcome to nominate (includes Geography staff who will be in SSN for a while longer).

Information relating to health and safety is available for all staff on the Faculty OH&S web page www.flinders.edu.au/sabs/staff/ohs&w/
School of Psychology

PhD Completions

• Anna McKinnon completed her PhD (Clinical), supervised by Reg Nixon, on “The relationship between children's autobiographical memories for traumatic experiences and the development of PTSD”.

Postgraduate Student Publications

• Cain, N., & Gradisar, M. (2010). Electronic media use and sleep in school-aged children and adolescents: A review. Sleep Medicine, 11, 735-742.


Conferences


• Nixon, R. (September, 2010). Can trauma-focussed CBT be effective for recent sexual assault victims? Australasian Conference on Traumatic Stress, Brisbane, Australia.

• Nixon, R. (September, 2010). Enhancing the effectiveness of cognitive behaviour for posttraumatic stress disorders. Australasian Conference on Traumatic Stress, Brisbane, Australia.


**Other**

Lisa Beatty was on the organising committee for the Inaugural Flinders Centre for Innovation in Cancer - Cancer Survivorship Conference, September 11 2010, Flinders Health Sciences Lecture Complex, which brought together clinicians, researchers and consumers. She presented a plenary presentation on 'Defining Survivorship from the Psychosocial Perspective', and conducted a rotational workshop on 'The benefits of relaxation during cancer treatment'.


Lisa Beatty presented a research concept at the South Australian Psycho-Oncology Cooperative Research Group Concept Development Workshop, September 9, 2010, Flinders Private Hospital, entitled 'The support needs of cancer carers: Identifying needs, preferences and access barriers'.

Robyn Young was appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Executive Council on August 26, 2010, as a member of the panel of the South Australian Health Practitioners Tribunal (the Tribunal) for a three year term, pursuant to section 10 of the *Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (South Australia) Act 2010* (the Act). Robyn Young's appointment commenced on August 26, 2010 and expires on August 25, 2013.

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**NILS News**

"The third issue of the *Australian Bulletin of Labour* for 2010 (volume 36, no. 3) contains a set of seven invited papers relating to minimum wage setting issues. On 3 June 2010, the new Minimum Wage Panel of Fair Work Australia, a creation of the Rudd Government, announced that minimum wages would increase by $26 per week from 1 July 2010. This was the first increase in minimum wages since October 2008. The editors of the *Australian Bulletin of Labour*, Keith Hancock and Josh Healy of NILS, invited seven Australian and international experts to contribute their perspectives on the decision. The contributors include Professor Ian Harper, the former chairman of the Australian Fair Pay Commission, Professor Richard Burkhauser of Cornell University in the USA, and Professor William Brown of the University of Cambridge in the UK. Further details about the journal are available from the NILS office: nils@flinders.edu.au"
School of International Studies

Department of History
A special edition of the Australian Journal of Politics and History, edited by the Department of History's Matt Fitzpatrick and Peter Monteath was published in September. The theme of the issue is 'Europe's Expansion and Contractions: The Internal and External Frontier of Europe.' It presents the work of scholars from Europe, North America as well as Australia.

Matt Fitzpatrick gave a paper at the German History Society Annual Conference, held in Manchester in September. The title of his paper was 'The Abject Response: From Genocide to Epistemic Violence in German South West Africa.'

Peter Monteath and Valerie Munt have received a grant from the Northern Territory Archives Service to continue their work on a biography of the anthropologist Frederick Rose.

Department of International Relations
Dr Tanya Lyons has been acting as the Adelaide Health Service (South)/Flinders University - Human Research Ethics Manager, and is located at the Flinders Medical Centre.

She attended a 2 day workshop in Canberra in late September, hosted by the editors of the book series Australia in World Affairs, James Cotton and John Ravenhill. Dr Lyons is contributing a chapter on Australia's Foreign Policy toward Africa between 2005-2010 (a theme not covered for the last 30 years) in this book series.

Dr Lyons with Dr Anuradha Mundkur will also address the UNIFEM Film Night at Adelaide University on 30 September. The film "Pray the devil back to Hell", discusses the role of women in rebuilding Liberia after a bloody civil war.

Dr Lyons continued as the Editor of the Australasian Review of African Studies. The December 2010 issue will include articles from one our current postgraduates Emily Bienvenue, entitled "The Safeguarding of International Shipping: A Solution to Somali Piracy?"; and also from one of our former postgraduates, Rachel Outhred and her article called "Human Rights Activism and the Silencing of Women". Another former postgraduate Jay Marlowe will guest edit the December 2011 issue of the journal - details at www.afsaap.org.au

Department of American Studies
Dr David Palmer has been invited to present at forums at Columbia University Seminar on Modern Japan; San Francisco State University, History Department; and the University of Maryland, History Department in November. The title of his talk is "The Business of Total War: Mitsubishi, DuPont and the Destruction of Nagasaki." He also will be conducting research at the National Archives in Washington, D.C., on the Manhattan Project.

Flinders Asia Centre
On Saturday 25 September, the Pendopo was the site for one of the OzAsia Festival events: Museum of Memory - a series of projects about displacement and memory developed collaboratively with students, artists and the community. The Pendopo united music, drama, language and screen studies students to reflect on the ecological situation of people in Sidoarjo who have been affected by an ongoing mud flow since May 2006. This work culminated in a moving storytelling-performance by visual artists Jumaadi and Mawarini about East Java's disappearing Kali Porong river together with musician David Kotlowy, Gamelan Sekar Laras, dancer Ade Suharto and Flinders University students.

Jumaadi will be resident at Flinders from 15 September to 23 October, with students from ASST2013 Indonesian Musical Cultures performing on the last day. During Jumaadi’s residency, the Pendopo will be an open house and students and staff are encouraged to call in and see what's happening.
Publications


Andrekos Varnava, “‘Martial Races’ in the Isle of Aphrodite”, *Journal of Military History*, October.

Centre for Development Studies: Gender Consortium

The Gender Consortium at Flinders University is conducting a Symposium entitled *Inclusion Matters: Gender and Disability in Local and Global Contexts* for policy makers, service providers, researchers, consumers and interested individuals to share knowledge and experiences in promoting the inclusion of gender and disability. The Symposium features a very impressive list of confirmed international, national and local keynote speakers:

**Kelly Vincent**
MLC: Dignity for Disability Member of the SA Legislative Council

**Dr Lorna Hallahan**
Senior Lecturer, School of Social and Policy Studies, Flinders University; Member, SA Social Inclusion Board; Chair, SA Minister's Disability Advisory Council; and Deputy Chair, National People with Disability and Carer Council

**Sue Salthouse**
President, Women with Disabilities Australia Inc Keran Howe: Executive Officer, Victorian Women with Disabilities Network

**Margie Charlesworth**
Vice President Women with Disabilities Australia Inc; and Board Member Julia Farr Association

**AusAID Australian Leadership Award Fellows**
Including Leadership Fellows from the Vietnam Women's Union, China Disabled Persons’ Federation and Indonesia Disabled People’s Association

*Seating is limited and registrations close Friday 8 October 2010.*

For more information about the symposium program and registration - please go to:

We look forward to seeing you at the Symposium.
Flinders Business School

Professor Carol Tilt, Associate Professor Deon Nel, Mr Ludek Seda, Ms Vicki Golsby, and research students Giao Reynolds and Kathy Kathyayini attended SymposiumSA on 22 July at the University of SA. This was a forum for PhD students to present their work which was discussed by a panel of national and international leading academics. Sponsored by Flinders, UniSA and Adelaide University, the symposium aims to promote quality doctoral research in the fields of accounting, finance and regulation. Flinders Business School will host the Symposium in 2011.

FBS Associate Professor Pi-Shen Seet along with Chris Graves from The Adelaide University Business School have won the award of best family business research paper at the FERA Lancaster 2010 – 10th Annual IFERA World Family Business Research Conference

FBS held "welcome back" drinks on the 27th of August for eight of their students who undertook short international courses in the break between semesters 1 and 2. Five students studied "Intercultural Management" on exchange in Norway, and three students undertook different business topics in Slovenia. All the students successfully completed subjects that will count toward their Flinders Business degrees. They had a fantastic time, learning about the culture, business practice in the country, visiting workplaces, sightseeing and mixing with other students who'd come from all over the globe to be there.

School of Social & Policy Studies

Nik Taylor has recently started a research project with colleagues from the University of Windsor, Canada and CQUUniversity, Queensland. The project entitled "What a disgrace: Differences in response to human-directed and animal – directed abuse" will be conducted throughout 2011.

Nik has also been invited to take part in an international study investigating the relationship between empathy, history of relationships with animals, experiences with animal abuse, and attitudes toward animals. This project will be concluded towards the end of 2011 and includes researchers from the University of Iceland, the University of Windsor, Canada, the Metropolitan State College of Denver and CQUUniversity, Queensland.

Damien Riggs spoke to JOY FM (Melbourne) and Triple J (National) radio in the lead up to the NSW Senate vote on the same-sex adoption bill.

Publications


