Human Sciences Research Alert (including funding opportunities, news & events and more)

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Dear Colleagues

Please find below the latest edition of the Faculty’s Research Alert.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND UPDATES

PAGES TO BOOKMARK: Here are some quick links to the FRO’s intranet pages to bookmark for future reference: Funding Opportunities, Research News and Events (page includes archived issues of the Newsletter), Resources and Advice (including information on statistics support and budgets) and Ethics.

DEVELOPING YOUR RESEARCH OUTPUTS AND TRACK RECORD NARRATIVE: ONE-ON-ONE SESSIONS AVAILABLE The MQ Library now offers a bespoke service to help researchers with developing a narrative around their track record and research outputs for scheme applications. Specifically, the library can build a report - encompassing metrics from platforms such as Web of Science, SciVal, Scopus and AltMetrics - for an individual researcher and then meet with that researcher to discuss how they should interpret the report. The service allows researchers to develop a complimentary narrative around their research performance using relevant metrics. If you are interested in this service, please contact Access & Advisory Services Librarians Heather Cooper and Grai Calvey (grai.calvey@mq.edu.au, heather.cooper@mq.edu.au). It is imperative that you make contact early (and not just before a grant is due) as it may take a few weeks to organise the service.

UPCOMING FACULTY RAPID WRITING RETREATS. From now until the end of the year we will be running four "rapid" writing retreats. These retreats, held from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm at the MQ City Campus (Level 24 of Angel Place, 123 Pitt Street, Sydney), are a one-stop shop for colleagues who are preparing any grant application. Not only is it an opportunity to write but attendees can also pitch their project to experienced panel members, get feedback on their application from senior academics, meet with the Faculty statistician, get budget advice, ask questions around eligibility as well as receive guidance around their research output metrics and track record. Each session will have a specific focus namely partnerships (Thursday 22 August), ARC DECRAs (Wednesday 18 September), NHMRC Investigator Grants (Wednesday 16 October) and Major Grants (Thursday 12 December). Despite each session having a focus, anyone preparing a grant is welcome to attend any of the sessions. Places are limited so please complete the registration form as soon as possible to secure a place.

COURTNEY BENDALL, RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT MANAGER AND NHMRC SCHEME EXPERT, WILL BE IN THE FACULTY EVERY TUESDAY. Courtney Bendall, MQ Research Development Manager and an expert in all things NHMRC-scheme related, will be sitting in the Faculty (at a desk on Level 5 of the Australian Hearing Hub) on Tuesday afternoons (1:00 pm - 4:00 pm), starting next week (Tuesday 20 August 2019). Should you require any help or guidance with an NHMRC application, or if you would simply like to discuss a project idea for an application, we encourage you to email Courtney (courtney.bendall@mq.edu.au) to set up a meeting.

NOMINATE TO PARTICIPATE IN NHMRC PEER REVIEW PANELS FOR 2020. Researchers are now able to nominate themselves to be considered for appointment to NHMRC expert review panels...
through RGMS (see also a guide to using RGMS at this link). Currently, nominations are open for Investigator Grants, Development Grants, Ideas Grants, Centres of Research Excellence, Clinical Trials and Cohort Studies Grants, Partnership Projects, MRFF Clinical Trials Activity (RCRDUN and ICTC), MRFF Targeted Health System and Community Organisation Research and Postgraduate Scholarships. A guide to aid researchers in determining the most appropriate funding programs to which they might contribute their expertise and experience is available on the NHMRC’s website at this link. Self-nominations must be entered in RGMS by Wednesday 28 August 2019.

**FACULTY MENTORS WANTED: MENTORING PROGRAM AND ECR EVENT.** The Faculty of Human Sciences Early Career Researcher Mentoring Program is looking for additional mentors who can participate in their upcoming ECR Speed Mentoring Event on Wednesday 25 September 2019 (from 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm in the Recreation Room 3.202 on Level 3 of the Australian Hearing Hub). If you are interested in being a Faculty Mentor and/or providing mentoring advice at this event, please contact Celia Harris (celia.harris@mq.edu.au) by Friday 30 August 2019. At the event, mentors will provide advice to ECRs who have requested help on a specific issue with drinks and nibbles to facilitate a relaxed atmosphere. The current mentor list is available on this page, and can be viewed under the dropdown tab titled ‘Early Career Researcher Mentoring Program’.

**EOIs FOR ARC FUTURE FELLOWSHIPS AND DECRAS.** Eois for these two schemes will close today. However, if you know of any excellent candidates who are still considering applying, please prompt them to contact humansciencesresearch@mq.edu.au as soon as possible.

**INTERNAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

PLEASE NOTE: Researchers who are applying for any scheme need to submit a Faculty Research Heads Up (HUp) form. Details on how to submit applications through PURE can also be accessed here.

**MQ RESEARCH SEEDING GRANTS (MQRSG) NOW OPEN.** The MQ Research Seeding Grants are now open and are designed to assist Macquarie University staff to increase their competitiveness in attracting external research funding by enabling them to develop a research project into a viable proposal for submission to an external funding body. Notably, this year the rules have been updated to include all competitive external schemes as acceptable targets as a goal for Seeding Scheme applications. Please also note that applicants cannot apply for both the Seeding Scheme and the Macquarie Enterprise Partnership Scheme (EPS) for the same project within the same year. Further information is available here. If you are interested in applying, please complete the Faculty Research HUp Form so that we can provide support during the application process. A full draft of your application must be submitted through PURE by Wednesday 28 August 2019 (as advertised previously) to ensure that feedback, checking and sign off can be undertaken prior to the University deadline (5:00 pm AEST on the 18 September 2019).

**MQ RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE SCHEME (LARGE) NOW OPEN.** The MQRIS (Large) scheme is now open and aims to provide more general research infrastructure support to Faculties (up to $150,000). A supplementary aim of the scheme is to provide infrastructure resources which will assist in making external research funding applications from the Faculty more competitive. Please note that funding through this scheme can no longer be used to support personnel and further information is available here. As the Faculty can only submit 4 applications, we will be running an EoI process. If you are interested in applying, please complete the Faculty Research HUp Form so that we can provide you with an EoI form and support during the application process. Completed EoIs will need to be emailed to the FRO (humansciencesresearch@mq.edu.au) by Wednesday 25 September 2019 to ensure that full applications can be developed and submitted by the University’s deadline (9am on 23 October 2019).

**MQ RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE SCHEME (SMALL) NOW OPEN.** The MQRIS (Small) scheme is now open and aims to provide specific infrastructure to the research programs of individual researchers and research groups (up to $100,000). Please note that funding through this scheme can no longer be used to support personnel and further information is available here. As the Faculty can only submit 4 applications, we will be running an EoI process. If you are interested in applying,
please complete the Faculty Research HUp Form so that we can provide you with an EoI form and support during the application process. Completed EoIs will need to be emailed to the FRO (humansciencesresearch@mq.edu.au) by Wednesday 25 September 2019 (5pm) to ensure that full applications can be developed and submitted by the University's deadline (5pm on 23 October 2019).

EXTERNAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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PERPETUAL IMPACT FUNDING ROUND 2020 MQ EOI PROCESS NOW OPEN. Perpetual distributes more than $100 million annually from the charitable trusts and endowments they manage, in areas such as social welfare, health, education, medical research, conservation and the environment, as well as arts and culture. As it is a highly competitive funding scheme, with only 20 per cent of applications being funded in each round, each university is limited to 3 applications. Further information is available here. As such, the MQ Advancement Office, in partnership with the Faculty Research Offices, will be running an internal EOI process. If you are interested in applying, please complete the Faculty Research HUp Form so that we can provide you with the EoI form and support during the EoI application process. A full EoI application must be sent to advancement.grants@mq.edu.au by 5pm on Tuesday 3 September 2019.

NIB FOUNDATION HEALTH SMART GRANTS EOI NOW OPEN. The Health Smart Grants are designed to support projects specialising in health promotion and primary prevention, and have a track record of engaging and empowering people to be Health Smart in their everyday lives. Preference will be given to initiatives that are inclusive and relevant for youth and young adult audiences. Further information is available here. If you are interested in applying, please complete the Faculty Research HUp Form so that we can provide support during the application process. A full draft of your application must be submitted through PURE by the 16 August 2019 to ensure that feedback, checking and sign off can be undertaken prior to the organisation's deadline of 30 August 2019.

FINANCIAL MARKETS: EOI FOR FOUNDATION FOR CHILDREN GRANTS. The purpose of the Financial Markets Foundation for Children is the promotion of the health and welfare of children of Australia. The Foundation funds research programs and other projects designed specifically for the prevention, treatment or alleviation of sickness, suffering, distress, illnesses and disease in children including the promotion of wellness and good health of children of Australia. Further information is available here. If you are interested in applying, please complete the Faculty Research HUp Form so that we can provide support during the application process. A full draft of your application must be submitted through PURE by Monday 16 September 2019 to ensure that feedback, checking and sign off can be undertaken prior to the organisation's deadline of 30 September 2019.

NHMRC INVESTIGATOR GRANTS MQ EOI PROCESS CLOSING SOON. The University's internal Investigator Grants Eol* process is now open and further information is available here. You can also access some presentation slides about the scheme here. If you are interested in applying, please complete the Faculty Research HUp Form so that we can send you a copy of the Faculty's Eol form which must be submitted by Wednesday 28 August 2019. *Please note that if you are still awaiting an outcome from the previous round you do not need to submit an Eol.

NHMRC PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS: ROUND 3 NOW CLOSING SOON. The NHMRC Partnerships for Better Health – Partnership Projects scheme is designed by the NHMRC to more effectively integrate evidence into health policy and service delivery. The third round is now open and further information is available here. If you are interested in applying, please complete the Faculty Research HUp Form so that we can provide support during the application process. A full draft of your application must be submitted through PURE by the 17 October 2019 to ensure that feedback, checking and sign off can be undertaken by the Faculty Research Office prior to the University deadline on the 7 November 2019.
EUROPEAN UNION HORIZON 2020 TOPICS FOR FUNDING IN 2020: APPLICATIONS OPEN NOVEMBER. The European Union Horizon 2020 topics have been announced, including a topic focusing on scaling up innovation for active and healthy ageing (SC1-HCC-08-2020). As the project must be led by an EU institution, MQ applicants will need to have established partners in the EU. Further information is available here. Note that while applications open on 19 November 2019, the NHMRC is considering (and will confirm if they will do so at a later date) supporting these Horizon 2020 topics to enable Australian researchers to form collaborations with EU partners. As such, it is important that applicants begin to organise a strategy around their proposed project early so that appropriate discussions with the Faculty Research Office and relevant Department and Faculty members can take place before the application is developed. If you are interested in applying, please complete the Faculty Research HUp Form so that we can provide support during the application process.

UPCOMING DATES FOR ARC AND NHMRC SCHEMES

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RESEARCH NEWS

PLEASE NOTE: If you have any research related news that you would like to share with the Faculty, please contact the Faculty Research Office.

DR ERIN SEMON APPOINTED AS NEW PRE-AWARD TEAM MANAGER. The Faculty congratulates Dr Erin Semon on her appointment as Manager of the Pre Award Team in Research Services following Julian Zipparo’s departure. Erin will commence her role in Research Services on Monday 7 October 2019.

INTERNAL DEADLINES FOR EXTERNAL RESEARCH FUNDING APPLICATIONS. Research Services have informed Faculty Research Offices that they will be implementing an internal deadline for all external miscellaneous grants. This will come into effect on 7 October and is designed to allow the central team ample time to undertake relevant checks, obtain sign offs and submit to the funding body on behalf of the applicant. The FRO will ensure that these timeframes are built into the deadlines outlined in this newsletter. Therefore please can we request that you submit as per the instructions outlined in the newsletter to ensure no difficulties arise.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PLEASE NOTE: To submit an event to this newsletter, please follow this link to our online submission form and enter your event details. Please also visit myRDC (Researcher Development Calendar) to view upcoming development opportunities at the University.
**WEDNESDAY 21 AUGUST: Engaging with external partners: understanding needs and articulating your value.** Would you like to enhance the impact of your research and engage with external partners, but don't know where to start or how to identify and approach potential collaborators? This workshop, which runs from 2:00 – 4:00 pm, will be facilitated by Dr Lara Moroko and run in conjunction with the Office of Corporate Engagement. In two hours, we will take you through the basics of translating your research agenda into language which communicates its value effectively beyond the academy. In addition, you'll be given guidance about identifying stakeholders, understanding how their organisations work and how you build long term productive relationships with them. Alongside this workshop is the opportunity to pitch for support and access to small funding from the Office of Corporate Engagement to help get started on building a relationship with a targeted stakeholder. Following the workshop, stay for refreshments and networking with your Faculty Engagement Managers from 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm. Please register at [this link](mailto:humansciencesresearch@mq.edu.au) for catering purposes.

**THURSDAY 22 AUGUST: Faculty Writing "Rapid Retreat" on Partnerships: Register Your Interest.** A Faculty Writing "Rapid Retreat" will be held on Thursday 22 August from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at MQ City Campus (Level 24 of Angel Place, 123 Pitt Street, Sydney). This one-day off-campus workshop will provide writing time, support and information for colleagues around partnerships. However, anyone who is preparing a grant and would benefit from dedicated writing time is welcome to attend. Places are limited so please complete the registration form as soon as possible to secure a place.

**THURSDAY 22 AUGUST: eResearch Talk and Coffee session featuring Dr Cormac Purcell.** In his eResearch presentation titled 'Sharks, tombs and cosmic bubbles: how machine-learning spans diverse scientific fields, Dr Cormac Purcell, from the Department of Physics and Astronomy at Macquarie University, will talk about his own experiences in establishing collaborations across disciplines. Dr Purcell will discuss his personal experience with widening his horizons as an astronomer, to embrace ecology and archaeology in his career. These eResearch and Coffee session are designed to spark thinking and sharing across disciplines about how technology can enhance our research and will feature speakers from all disciplines across the year. The session will be held from 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm on Level 4 (Room 4.03) of the MQ Library and afternoon tea will be provided. Please register at [this link](mailto:humansciencesresearch@mq.edu.au).

**TUESDAY 27 AUGUST: How to Prepare for an Early Career Research Fellowship: Track Record Building During Your PhD.** This workshop, held from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm in Room 801 (Level 8) of 12 Wally's Walk, is targeted at current PhD candidates and will provide information and advice on how to apply for an ARC Discovery Early Career Researcher Award and a NHMRC Investigator Grant. Dr Ross Hill and Courtney Bendall from Research Services will discuss scheme objectives, selection criteria, eligibility, application process and past success rates for both schemes, as well as provide guidance on what type of track record applicants will need to be competitive.

**MONDAY 9 SEPTEMBER: Pure drop-in clinic.** Come at any time during this 2 hour window for one-on-one assistance with your questions about PURE. The session will be held from 2.00 pm-4.00 pm in the Library, Room 4.02. Further information is available [here](mailto:humansciencesresearch@mq.edu.au).

**TUESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER – THURSDAY 12 SEPTEMBER: Sydney ResBaz.** General registration for Sydney ResBaz (Research Bazaar) is now open. This year's event will be hosted by the University of New South Wales at their Kensington Campus. If you missed out on the fun and buzz of ResBaz at Macquarie last year, now's your chance to get trained in computational and digital data skills essential for your research as well as network with peers from across the state. Training workshops, which will run in the morning, attract a small registration fee of $33 (for the three days). Festival activities in the afternoon are free to attend. The festival will feature a number of speakers from Macquarie who will present on a range of very interesting topics. See below. You can register by clicking the REGISTER NOW button at the top of the [Sydney ResBaz website](mailto:humansciencesresearch@mq.edu.au).

**MONDAY 16 SEPTEMBER: MUCHE seminar: The cost and quality of mental healthcare provision and the value of service quality in the English NHS.** Improving efficiency in mental health services in the English NHS is a key policy priority, including driving quality improvements and reducing unwarranted variations. Our research examines the efficiency, cost and quality of mental health services in the English NHS.

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healthcare provision in the English NHS. This talk, presented by Rowena Jacobs, Professor of Health Economics in the Centre for Health Economics at the University of York, will provide an overview of this research project and results to date. Please register at this link.

WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER: Faculty Writing "Rapid Retreat" on ARC DECRAs and other Major Grants: Register Your Interest. A writing retreat will be held on Wednesday 18 September from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at MQ City Campus (Level 24 of Angel Place, 123 Pitt Street, Sydney). This one-day off-campus workshop will provide writing time, support and information for colleagues preparing submissions for the ARC Discovery Early Career Researcher Award (DECRA) scheme, as well as other major schemes. However, anyone who is preparing a grant and would benefit from dedicated writing time is welcome to attend. Places are limited so please complete the registration form as soon as possible to secure a place.

WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER: Researchers in the Wild: How to Pursue your Research Career Beyond the University. Have you considered a research career outside the university? In this workshop early career researchers will showcase diverse research pathways, provide information about what government and industry employers want from researchers, and give tips on how to use your university experience to develop relationships with research industries outside the academy. This session will suit ECRs who want to broaden the appeal of their research and want to know more about research careers outside the university. Please register at this link.

WEDNESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER: ECR Speed Mentoring Event: Meet Faculty Mentors And Navigate Your Career Hurdles. A speed mentoring event will be held on Wednesday 25 September 2019 from 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm in the Rec Room (Room 3.202) on Level 3 of the Australian Hearing Hub. ECRs who would like general advice or specific guidance in any research or career related area will be paired with two mentees in a 20 minute session to discuss and plan an approach, with drinks and nibbles being available throughout the session. Please register your interest by emailing your Department ECR Representative (Ann Carrigan for Psychology, Jean Cho for Linguistics, Yeshe Colliver for Educational Studies, Celia Harris for Cognitive Science).

CONTACT US: Please feel free to contact us if you have any suggestions on items to include or if you have research opportunities and/or events that you’d like us to disseminate in the future. Please email the team via the Faculty Research Office (FRO) email address.

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