



Built Environment Research News

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From the Associate Dean Research

Maintaining high standards of research integrity is integral to research and research training processes in the Faculty of Built Environment. UNSW is currently reviewing its various codes and practices and it is intended to move from the current 'rule-based' Research Code of Conduct towards a more 'principles-orientated' approach. Providing a model is the Singapore Statement on Research Integrity (originally drafted in 2010) which is based around four main values: honesty in all aspects of research, accountability in the conduct of research, professional courtesy and fairness in working with others, and good stewardship of research on behalf of others. These will be elaborated in a raft of responsibilities covering research methods, authorship, peer review, public communications, ethical protocols, supervision and mentoring, collaboration and conflicts of interest. Any possible breaches of these principles, however inadvertent and innocent, are dealt with very seriously by the University. Fortunately they have been rare in Built Environment and that's hopefully the way of the future. Highlighting the review process provides a timely reminder for staff and research students to visit the research integrity pages on the UNSW Research Gateway (<https://research.unsw.edu.au/research-integrity-policies-and-procedures>). The review process to be rolled out will be consultative and give all stakeholders the opportunity to comment on and shape the final statement of best-practice principles.

Rob Freestone

Research Highlights

UNSW Major Research Infrastructure Initiative (MREII) Round Now Open

The 2015 MREII (research equipment and infrastructure) guidelines and application forms are now available. The guidelines attached are also available for download at <https://research.unsw.edu.au/unsw-internal-funding-opportunities>

BE typically has success with this funding source, with grants awarded in the past to support a GIS-based spatial data server, SMaRT laboratory equipment, and refurbishment of City Futures offices.

If you are thinking of submitting a proposal please let [Toni Hodge](#) know. All bids will need to be evaluated against Faculty research priorities, as set out in the Faculty Research Strategy, and must be prioritised before submission to the DVCR.

The internal deadline for fully completed application forms, to Toni Hodge, is **9.00am Monday 20 October**.

Proposing Changes to the UNSW List of Top Quality Outlets

Thank you to everyone in the faculty who submitted proposals to add items to the UNSW lists of top quality outlets. These lists will inform the university's new measure of research performance which is being trialled through 2014 and 2015.

Despite the tight deadline imposed by the PVCRA, 49 submissions were received, comprising proposals to add

- 10 book publishers
- 11 conference proceedings
- 17 journals
- 10 non-traditional creative outlets
- 1 standalone output.

The proposals are now being reviewed by the ADR before being forwarded for central assessment, with outcomes due to be notified on 1 October.

Meet the Researchers – Dr Christine Steinmetz



Christine is a Senior Lecturer in the Bachelor of Planning program. Since taking up a lecturing position in 2009 she has taught first, second, fourth and fifth year students. Currently she teaches a first year introduction to planning course, qualitative research methods, and co-teaches the final year thesis project with Dr Gethin Davison. In addition to supervising undergraduate theses, Christine has six PhD students and two masters students.

At the heart of her research interests are the complexities of people and place experiences. Her recent research focuses on adult entertainment and commercial sex industries in Sydney—the planning and regulation around these land uses, progressive and best models 'in practice' from a global perspective, and the significant contribution commercial sex brings to a night time economy. Of central concern are the impact of and on surrounding urban environments, the role of various stakeholder groups, subcultural sex-on-premises venues and the regulatory framework that surrounds them.

Christine has a book coming out in October 2014 to be published by Routledge called *(Sub)Urban Sexscapes: Geography and Regulation of the Sex Industry*. She will have four chapters in the book, co-edited by Dr Paul Maginn of University of Western Australia.

Christine is now broadening her knowledge of contentious land uses to include telecommunications and has recently had an abstract accepted for a Special Issue of *Australian Planner* on telecommunications.

BE Research in the Media

Katy Bridge: *Staying upwardly mobile for life*; Daily Telegraph, 26 July 2014. [Read article](#).

News from the Centres

City Futures Research Centre

Edgar Liu presented at a small one-day seminar on local belonging at the University College London, for the Living Together project on Thursday 17th July. Support for this was provided by the AGSU, ADR and the People and Place research cluster. The organiser, John Tomaney, will be visiting the faculty in early September to give an Utzon lecture as well as a one-day symposium hosted by the People and Place cluster.

Ilan Vazel presented the keynote at the Innovative Financing and Growth of Affordable Housing for People with Disability Symposium, held in Canberra on 24 July 2014. Earlier in July he was also a panel member at the "Implications of the NDIS for housing and social service reform" session at the Australian Conference of Economists, Hobart, 4th July 2014.

Congratulations to Ilan on his promotion to Senior Research Fellow.

News from the Clusters

Urban Typologies

Six members of the cluster presented papers at Translation, the 31st Annual Conference of the Society of Architectural Historians, Australia and New Zealand (SAHANZ), held in Auckland 2-5 July: Paola Favaro, Rob Freestone, Maryam Gusheh, Cath Lassen, Judith O'Callaghan and Russell Rodrigo.

As the next SAHANZ conference will be hosted by the BE in July 2015, Judith O'Callaghan presented a report to the SAHANZ AGM in Auckland on the preparations undertaken by the cluster to date.

Work proceeds on the cluster's current research and publication project on Martin Place.

Upcoming BE Events

Built Environment Research Workshop: *ARC Linkage Grants*

Tuesday 5 August 2014, 12.00pm (lunch provided), Room 4035, Red Centre. [RSVP](#)

James Walsh, of the Research Strategy Office, will be running a workshop for built environment covering:

- What is happening with Linkage in FOR Code 12xx
- What is happening with benchmark faculties at other institutions
- How to strategically manage Field of Research Code and Keyword selection to gain the best assessments
- What assessors like and don't like from our immediate past applications.

Built Environment Research Workshop: *Writing for Publication*

Tuesday 19 August 2014, 12.30pm (lunch provided), Room 4035, Red Centre. [RSVP](#)

Please join us for a one hour workshop with Adjunct Professor Mark Tewdwr-Jones from Newcastle University in the UK, focusing on strategies for quality writing in Built Environment research.

Mark is Professor of Town Planning at Newcastle University and one of the UK's leading authorities on planning, land use, and historic and contemporary urban change. He previously held a professorial position at the UCL Bartlett School. He is well qualified as the author or editor of 14 books including "Urban and regional Planning" (with Sir P Hall, 2011), "Urban Reflections: Narratives of Place, Planning and change" (2011); "Spatial Planning and Governance" (2012); and "The Collaborating Planner? Practitioners in the Neo-liberal Age" (with B Clifford, 2013).

Topics to be covered:

- Writing experiences: the strategies of an experienced researcher
- From conference papers to journal articles
- Identifying quality outlets
- The journal publication process
- Conceiving, research, writing and publishing books.

Did You Know...?

7 Essential Tips for your Google Scholar Profile

Check out this recently published [blog entry](#) providing some tips and tricks to make your Google Scholar Profile better and improve the impact of your research. (Thanks to Amy Barker from the Library for sending this through!)

UNSW Support for Category 1 Fellowships (non-ARC/NHMRC)

Applicants for non-ARC/NHMRC Fellowships listed on the [ACGR](#) (Cat1 Fellowships) may be entitled to Central support to meet salary gaps (where the salary is set a level below the equivalent UNSW rate) and/or where matching funding/co-contribution is a Scheme requirement. Please contact the Director RSO (l.rivory@unsw.edu.au) and/or Director GMO (d.owens@unsw.edu.au) to confirm arrangements. Please note, retrospective funding is NOT available - this applies to submissions in 2014 and onwards.

Other University Events

Women in Research Network (WiRN)

Next informal network lunch 20 August, [click here for details](#)

Join the WIRN discussion on [LinkedIn](#) - search for "UNSW Women in Research Network"

Postdoctoral Academy: *Academic Promotion: How does it work (and some insider tips for success)*

Professor Peter Smith and Mr David Gleeson

Thursday 14 August, 4.00pm, Level 4 Conference Room, Lowy Cancer Research Centre

An open discussion led by Professor Peter Smith and Mr David Gleeson, Academic Promotions Manager, on the academic promotions process. Discussion topics will include preparation, interview technique, CV production and avoiding interview pitfalls for those in all faculties.

[More information and to register.](#)

Three Minute Thesis Competition

Thursday 18 September 2014; 4.30pm - 7.30pm

Come and hear UNSW's best and brightest PhD candidates pitch their ideas. Discover future frontiers and research directions in areas such as medicine, science, law, engineering, business and arts. There will be high profile judges, great prizes and refreshments.

For more information and to register, [click here](#).

HDR News

1. A Wellbeing/Writing Workshop for HDR students was held on Thursday 17th July, with over forty in attendance. The first half of the day, run by Ed Lukaszewski of CAPS (UNSW Counselling and Psychological Services), focussed on the importance of maintaining mental health, resilience and wellbeing and how to achieve that. Helpful advice on a range of issues related to writing was also provided by Pamela Mort from the Learning Centre in the afternoon.
2. The next monthly cohort workshop for 2014 is scheduled for Wednesday 6 August. The DPGR will be attending and all HDR students are encouraged to come along to contribute their ideas and opinions.

3 Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition – SAVE THE DATE

- **3.00pm - 4.00pm, Monday 11th August - OMB G31 (Old Main Building G31 [LCTR]) – student presentations**
- **4:30pm - 5:30pm (Red Centre, room 2046) – announcement of winners and presentation of prizes by Alec Tzannes (drinks and nibbles will be provided)**

In this competition higher degree research candidates have three minutes to present a compelling oration on their thesis topic and its significance, in language appropriate to an intelligent but non-specialist audience.

The Competition supports the development of research candidates' capacity to communicate ideas effectively to a range of non-specialist audiences and to the wider community. Participation in the 3MT provides:

- a great networking opportunity for research candidates both within faculties and across UNSW
- the opportunity for candidates to 'crystallise' thoughts about their thesis and how they communicate their research
- internal and external promotion of the value of postgraduate research
- an opportunity to have fun, and to generate public and media interest in what our researchers do.

The winner of the UNSW Final will participate in the [2014 Trans-Tasman Three Minute Thesis Competition](#), to be held at The University of Western Australia on **Monday 3 November 2014**.

Research Training – Upcoming UNSW Events

Research Projects – Application principles and strategic considerations (repeat workshop)

Thursday 7 August 2014; 10.00am – 12.30pm

Led by Associate Professor Laurent Rivory, Director, Research Strategy Office, with presentations by experienced UNSW ARC and NHMRC panel members, this workshop will provide advice, practice and feedback in analysis and writing techniques that support a strategic application.

For more information and to register [click here](#).

Research Projects – Principles in preparing a budget

Wednesday 13 August 2014; 1.00pm – 4.00pm

Daniel Owens, Director, Grants Management Office (GMO), will provide practical advice on the challenge of costing and developing a budget for a grant application. In addition, Warwick Dawson, Director, Research Partnerships Unit (RPU), will demonstrate how the RPU pricing tool can be used to calculate indirect costs of research for budget preparation.

For more information and to register, [click here](#)

Building Your Research Profile - Planning and building your research profile

Wednesday 20 August 2014; 1.00pm – 4.00pm

This workshop explores the essential elements of an academic career: research, teaching, engagement and leadership. The workshop develops practical skills in communication critical to your profile as a researcher. Guest speakers will include David Gleeson, Academic Promotions Manager and Dr Lisa Williams, Faculty of Science.

For more information and to register, [click here](#).

Induction for Postgraduate Researchers

Wednesday 3 September 2014; 4.00pm – 6.00pm

Attendance at the Postgraduate Researchers Induction is compulsory for all candidates commencing a PhD or Masters research degrees and ensures a smooth transition to research study at UNSW.

For more information and to register, [click here](#).

Research Projects – Structuring a plan for your research project (repeat)

Thursday 4 September 2014; 10.00am – 1.00pm

Knowing how to establish a robust and flexible plan to implement your research grant project is critical. This workshop outlines the principles of planning and provides tools and techniques for effective project planning in a research context.

For more information and to register, [click here](#).

Building Your Research Profile – Planning to publish for impact (repeat)

Wednesday 10 September 2014; 10.00am – 1.00pm

The aims of this workshop are to develop a considered and effective approach to building your research profile for impact. This practical workshop will also equip you to sustainably manage your research outputs using selected techniques and resources.

For more information and to register, [click here](#).

Supervisor Development: Starting off on the right foot (repeat)

Wednesday 17 September 2014; 10.00am – 12.00pm

The aim of this workshop is to understand the roles and responsibilities of a supervisor during a period from the HDR accepting offer to the confirmation of candidature.

For more information and to register, [click here](#).

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For more information and to register, [click here](#).

Building Your Research Profile – Planning and building your research profile (Repeat 1)

Tuesday 23 September 2014; 10.00am – 1.00pm

Planning and building your research profile from the outset. How do you communicate scholarly research, teaching and engagement and leadership progress? What are the expectations? Where do you start? What are the options?

For more information and to register, [click here](#).

New External Grants

Congratulations to the following faculty members who have recently been awarded research grants:

Michael Neuman

Sponsor/Grant: CRC for Low Carbon Living

Value: \$55,000

Quantifying the Contribution of Green Infrastructure to Carbon and Energy Performance: Measuring the Sustainability Performance of Green Infrastructure (PhD Scholarship)

Jim Plume

Sponsor/Grant: CRC for Low Carbon Living

Value: \$272,432

PIM: An open digital information standard for the exchange of precinct information supporting carbon management throughout the urban development lifecycle

Publications

The following 2014 research activities have been entered into [ROS](#) and published since the release of the last newsletter.

Books

Pawson, H., Milligan, V. R., Phibbs, P., & Rowley, S. (2014). *Assessing management costs and tenant outcomes in social housing: developing a framework* (no. 160 ed.). Melbourne, Australia: Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute. Retrieved from <http://www.ahuri.edu.au/publications/projects/p71025>

Book Chapters

Alic, D. (2014). Ethnic Clubs: 'The dream of tomorrow'. In *Leisure Space; The Transformation of Sydney 1945-1970* (pp. 192-207).

Journal Articles

Harris, P., Haigh, F., Thornell, M., Molloy, L., & Sainsbury, P. (2014). Housing, health and master planning: rules of engagement. *Public Health*. doi:[10.1016/j.puhe.2014.01.006](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.puhe.2014.01.006)

Harris, P., Sainsbury, P., & Kemp, L. (2014). The fit between health impact assessment and public policy: Practice meets theory. *Social Science & Medicine*, 108, 46-53. doi:[10.1016/j.socscimed.2014.02.033](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2014.02.033)

Teo, M. M. M., & Loosemore, M. (2014). The role of core protest group members in sustaining protest against controversial construction and engineering projects. *Habitat International*, 44, 41-49. doi:[10.1016/j.habitatint.2014.04.005](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.habitatint.2014.04.005)

Conference Papers

Haddad, S., Osmond, P., King, S., & Heidari, S. (2014). Developing assumptions of metabolic rate estimation for primary school children in the calculation of the Fanger PMV model. In F. Nicol, S. Roaf, L. Brotas, & M. Humphreys (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 8th Windsor Conference 2014: Counting the Cost of Comfort in a changing world* (pp. 492-507). Cumberland Lodge, Windsor, UK: Network for comfort and Energy Use in Buildings. Retrieved from http://nceub.org.uk/W2014/webpage/pdfs/proceedings/Proceedings_Windsor_Conference_2014.pdf

Other

Altrock, U., & Fischer, K. F. (2014). 'Windows Upon Planning History' conference at the University of Kassel, Germany, 7-9 February 2013. *Planning Perspectives*, 29(3), 393-397. doi:[10.1080/02665433.2014.898591](https://doi.org/10.1080/02665433.2014.898591)

Wiesel, I., & Bigby, C. (2014, June 30). Encounter as a dimension of social inclusion for people with intellectual disability. In *Institute of Australian Geographers Annual Meeting*. Melbourne.

Adams, D., Wiesel, I., & Owen, C. (2014, July 1). Housing Panels: Implications of the NDIS for housing and social service reform. In *Australian Conference of Economists / Econometric Society of Australia*. Hobart.

Wiesel, I. (2014, May 25). Residential mobility and urban polarisation in Australian cities. In *Griffith University Urban Research Program Nathan Seminar Series*. Brisbane.

Herath, S., Choumert, J., & Maier, G. (2014, July 3). A spatial hedonic analysis of the value of the greenbelt in the city of Vienna, Austria. In *20th Annual Conference of the European Real Estate Society*. Vienna, Austria.

Current Funding Opportunities

General Sir John Monash Foundation | 2015 Scholarships

The General Sir John Monash Scholarships are Australia's prestigious postgraduate scholarship program...[more](#)

External Deadline: 13 August 2014

AHURI Funding Round 2015

The latest AHURI funding round is now open with a bidding deadline of **29 August 2014**.

[Research agenda](#).

[Funding guidelines](#).

Please contact [Hal Pawson](#) if you have any queries.

International Postdoctorate Fellowship Opportunities at the EPFL (Ecole Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne)

The EPFL is offering 2 year postdoctoral fellowships to early career researchers from anywhere in the world and who completed their PhD less than 5 years ago. Applications open on 1 July 2014 and close on **1 October 2014**. ...[more](#)

Academy of the Social Sciences Australia | Workshop Program

The Workshop Program is a principal component of the ASSA's promotion of excellence in research in the social sciences...[more](#)

Internal Deadline: 3 October 2014

UNSW Major Research Equipment and Infrastructure Initiative (MREII) 2015

Applications are now open for the 2015 MREII program. Funding under this scheme can be used to support the purchase of a significant single item (or complete system) required to support research activity. [More information](#).

Internal Deadline (to Toni Hodge): 9.00am Monday 20 October 2014.

Related Links

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