



# The Buzz



By NECTAR  
The Network of Early Career Teachers  
Academics and Researchers

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## 5 / 37 entries to the Grand Challenges Scheme are collaborations formed at recent NECTAR events

One of the challenges forged at NECTAR events, led by Anna-Sophie and Sabrina (photo) has had the most views of any of the films on the portal!

It's team building time for the Grand Challenges so you can still get involved. In this newsletter are some related team building events.

» Read more [here](#).

### Team-building and networking event: Wednesday 16 August 12 - 1pm Fellows Café.

» Register here <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/emcr-team-building-for-grand-challenges-meeting-nectar-tickets-36915671768?aff=Buzz>



### Westpac Fellowships

Westpac offer a collection of fellowships and scholarships and the due dates for these are late August /early September.

» [More info](#)

### Events coming up



Tuesday 15 Aug 12-1.30pm  
Coombs Ext 1.13  
Gender Equity Grand Challenge - open meeting.  
» [fiona.jenkins@anu.edu.au](mailto:fiona.jenkins@anu.edu.au)



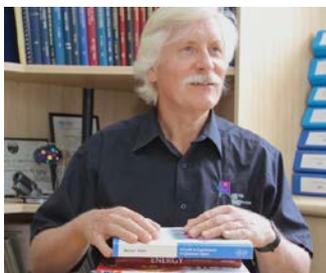
Wednesday 16 Aug 12 -1pm  
Network teams for Grand Challenges, Fellows Café  
» [Registrations welcome](#)



Thursday 31 Aug 12-1pm  
NECTAR planning meeting, Fellows Café



Tuesday 5 Sep 12-1pm  
Fellows Café  
On equity of casual staff. » »  
» [Registrations welcome](#)



## Are casual staff at ANU less equal?

Tuesday 5 September, 12-1pm

At the NECTAR retreat attendees raised the concern that casual staff and sessional staff are not included into the community, "How can we ensure that they are included and have equitable access to the university services?"

Prof Schmidt said "If you can funnel these concerns through NECTAR's collective voice then it WILL get attention".

» Read more [here](#)

Thursday 7 Sep 4.30-5.30pm Fellows Café Graduates Lounge.

NECTAR Social evening event with Speaker on career support for ECA and EMCRs from ANU's Staff Development team.

Followed by optional FREE dinner! Limited places.

Family members are actively encouraged to attend all NECTAR events!

Limited places.

» [Register here](#)

## Grant-winning course

Fri 8 and Fri 15 September 10.30am-2pm (venue TBA)

NECTAR has a grant application writing course coming up with Emeritus Professor Hans-Albert Bachor. This will be for a group of about 12 with a concept session on the 8 Sep followed by a practical workshop on 15<sup>th</sup> Sep.

» Register [here](#)

## ARC DECRA WORKSHOP

Thursday 7 September 10am-2pm

College of Science Early Career Academic Development Scheme have coordinated a fantastic event to help you with your applications.

» Read more [here](#)



Thursday 7 Sep 4.30-

5.30pm Fellows Café

Graduates Lounge.

NECTAR Social event with Speaker and FREE dinner!

» [Register here](#)



22 Aug 2pm Seminar on

ANU Grand Challenge:

"Peace through superior

education". With Tom

Worthington at CECS.

» [Register](#)

## Invitation to collaborate

from the [Negative Emissions](#)

[Grand Challenge](#). If you

want to get involved or find

out more contact Bec

[rebecca.colvin@anu.edu.au](mailto:rebecca.colvin@anu.edu.au)

## Leadership in Education?



There is a suite of courses

coming up at CHELT,

including some on

leadership, the lists are at

the bottom of the pages

here: [academic leadership](#)

[courses](#).

**Want a partner to walk with on a regular basis?**



### Redefining the ANU PhD – NECTAR writing a collective letter

ANU is redefining its PhD and we want to hear from you on what you want to add to our collective voice on this issue.

» Share your views with [nectar@anu.edu.au](mailto:nectar@anu.edu.au)

Join the get up and go program. » [More info](#)

### Check you get the Research and Innovation Newsletter

Note from Academic Board Meeting: please check you are receiving Prof Margaret Harding's all staff email newsletter (make sure it's not going into your junk mail). This has important information on things like the ANU Grand Challenge Scheme.

### Media Training with Fresh Science

Due 31 Aug

Early-career researchers who have peer-reviewed results, a discovery, or an invention can enter: [Fresh Science](#), a national competition that helps early-career researchers find, and then share, their stories of discovery. Winners get a day of media training and the chance to share their work.



### Thank you!

An enormous thank you to all the volunteers of NECTAR who help with the day to day coordination of NECTARs efforts! I enjoy being part of this team.

I would like to thank our new volunteers for stepping up and joining the team. Including our new College Contact at CBE, Idione Meneghel - Welcome!

### Join NECTAR

NECTAR – the Early Career Academic Network of ANU is led by a collective of volunteers who we call the NECTAR Custodians and College Contacts. If you are interested in becoming a NECTAR Custodian please [contact us](#) and come along to one of our [regular meetings](#).

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