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## NECTAR's professional development training calendar Aug-Dec 2019 now online»

Are you looking for professional development opportunities? Registrations are now open for NECTAR's professional development program for the second half of 2019. From time and project management to grant writing to resilience in a high-pressure environment and publishing, NECTAR has you covered. Want to know more? Check out this Newsletter or have a look [here](#).

Limited placements for all workshops, [registration](#) is essential.



## **Managing time, workload and projects»**

**Wednesday 21 August**

These two back-to-back, half-day workshops are all about time and project management. Register for both or pick one.

In the morning session, you will look at strategies and actions that will make you more productive as an individual and a team. The afternoon workshop combines project management theory with a simulated project activity, enabling you to immediately practice your new skills.



## **The resilient academic»**

**Tuesday 10 September**

Would you like to become a more balanced and resilient researcher or teacher? Then register for one or both of the workshops with Shari Walsh.

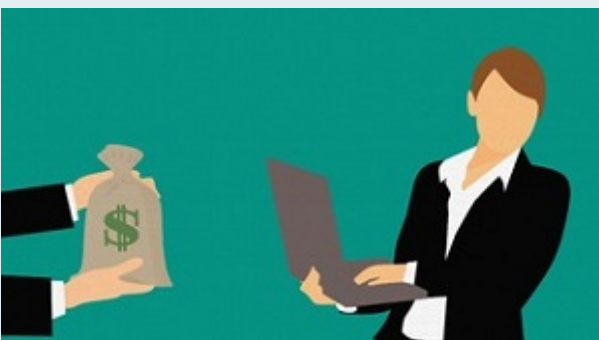
To learn more about how you can develop a positive mind frame and look after yourself, register for the workshop in the morning. If you are after some practical skills in managing life in the vortex and how to overcome perfectionism and procrastination, join the afternoon session.



## **Graphic design workshop»**

**Thursday 12 September**

Would you like to increase the visibility of your research? Join this workshop with Stacey McCormack and learn how you can develop your own graphics to communicate your knowledge and why it's worth the time investment.



## **ARC grant writing»**

**Monday 30 September**

Are you planning to apply for an ARC DECRA or Future Fellowship? Is applying for a grant part of your future plans? Meet grant winners and assessors and learn more about what makes a winning grant as well as the nitty-gritties of ARC applications in these two workshops;

developed and delivered in collaboration with ANU Research Managers.



### **NHMRC grant writing»**

**Date tbc**

Are you planning to apply for a NHMRC Investigator Grant at the Emerging Leadership or Leadership level? Is applying for a grant part of your future plans?

Meet grant winners and reviewers, learn more about application guidelines and practice writing about your research impact in these two workshops; developed and delivered in collaboration with the SHM Research Office.



### **Write that journal article in 7 days»**

**Wednesday 16 October**

In this workshop with Thesis Whisperer Inger Mewburn you will look at a 'fast track' method for getting a journal article together from work you already have. You will explore publishing strategies and writing techniques as well as go through a series of exercises designed to help you give your article focus.

This workshop is delivered in collaboration with ANU Research Skills and Training.



### **Five lessons for ECAs in interacting with policymakers»**

ANU ECA Dr Aparna Lal penned down five lessons from her first self-initiated engagement with policymakers.

Aparna is a computer modeller who explores the links between water-quality, climate and health. At the end of 2018, she decided to present some of her work to the ACT Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate.



### **Symposium: Art of the Collection» Friday 9 August, 9.30am–1pm**

In conjunction with an exhibition, artists and scholars will discuss themes of creative research fostered by the collaboration between Geoscience Australia and ANU School of Art & Design.

Free, but registrations are essential.



### **Fresh Science»**

#### **Closes Wednesday 14 August**

Are you no more than five years post-PhD? Have you got interesting research results, a discovery or invention? Consider nominating for Fresh Science – the national competition that helps ECAs find their story and share it.



### **Developing your teaching philosophy»**

#### **Tuesday 17 September, 12.15–1.45pm**

The EFS Module E2 is an opportunity to learn about other Fellows' teaching philosophies, and to discover what sparked their interest in teaching. You will also receive tips on how to write your teaching philosophy for your EFS application.

Guest speakers are Adrienne Nicotra SFHEA and Alex Webb SFHEA.



### **Join the NECTAR Custodians » Next meeting 4 September, 12–1pm**

Are you an ECA? Would you like to help shape or drive Early Career Academic experience at ANU? We meet regularly to discuss issues and share ideas. Come and join us!

### **Subscribe to The Early Career Academic »**

The NECTAR newsletter The Early Career Academic is open to all but not everyone gets it. Please forward this to your colleagues and invite them to join NECTAR!

Feel free to send in submissions to promote you research and ECA events, due 1st of each month.

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