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## NECTAR Co-Chair team back to full strength»

Welcome to Ehsan Kheradpezhouh and Mari Kondo who have just joined the NECTAR Co-Chair team. Ehsan and Mari have self-nominated to take on this leadership role as part of the latest recruitment round and are replacing Rebecca Gidley and Youssef Hafiz who have left ANU. You can find out more about Ehsan and Mari and their visions for NECTAR [here](#).

A big thank you to Co-Chair alumni Rebecca and Youssef for their contributions to NECTAR!



## Returning to campus – what could it look like for ECAs?»

**Thursday 21 April – 10.30am-12pm**

What will it take to return to campus successfully and safely? What challenges are you dealing with now and expecting once you return to campus? The University Executive is keen to find out what returning to campus could look like for ECAs.

Join this focus group and share your perspective: Zoom ID 713 109 312 and password 051575.



## Share your research at NECTAR's fortnightly webinar series»

**Every 2nd Thursday – 3pm**

Are you keen to share your research stories, challenges and successes with other ANU ECAs? We are looking for speakers from all disciplines for our fortnightly webinar series 'Learning never stops'. Contact [NECTAR](#) to secure your speaker spot.

Find out more about the speakers in upcoming events [here](#) or join the webinar via Zoom ID 713 109 734 and password 081103.



## A trip to the coast from the comfort of your house»

ANU ECA Jennie Mallela and her awesome students have compiled some marine/reef themed activities for kids (and kids at heart). Perfect for entertaining the kids during the school holidays.



## HDR Supervisor of the Month» Nominations open online

Do you know anyone who is an amazing supervisor or goes above and beyond to support HDR candidates? ANU now has a HDR Supervisor of the Month award. Find out more and submit a nomination [here](#).



### **Free access to scholarly materials»**

In response to the challenges of COVID-19, many publishers have opened access to resources, including to a wide range of content to support academics in distance learning and research.

You can find a list of available resources [here](#), thanks to our fantastic colleagues at the ANU Library.



### **Free access to Epigeum online teaching courses»**

**Only until 31 May**

Did you have to abruptly transition to online teaching? Would you like to learn more about how you can improve your online teaching skills?

Epigeum has made some of their most relevant online training resources freely available.



### **eLife ECR webinar series»**

Curious what other ECAs from around the world are working on? eLife is currently hosting a webinar series with speakers from the life sciences and biomedical field who are presenting their latest research results.

You can either register to participate in the Zoom session or watch a replay on Youtube.



### **FFC Facebook group»**

Are you a parent? Join the ANU Family-Friendly Committee Facebook group for some extra support during the COVID-19 crisis.



**Black Dog  
Institute**

### **Anxiety, stress and wellbeing during the COVID-19 crisis»**

The Black Dog Institute has put together tools and resources related to anxiety, stress and wellbeing during the COVID-19 crisis.

They include tips on how to talk to your children about the crisis, how to create a self-care plan, how to manage anxiety during the crisis and much more.



### **Join the NECTAR Custodians» Next meeting 6 May – 12pm**

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

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