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The Network for Early Career Academics at ANU



Event series: August 2023

What do ANU early-career university workers want? (And how can they get it?)

NECTAR is kicking off Semester 2, 2023 with a College-by-College series of **catered, facilitated, lunchtime workshop/discussion events**, with each one asking: What do early-career university teachers, researchers and academics in this College want, and how can they work together to get it?

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As the first set of predominantly in-person events NECTAR has run since 2020, the 90-minute sessions will focus participants in on the issues of greatest concern to

them in 2023, as well as laying the groundwork for identifying possible strategies and tactics to make improvements.

What's more, as classic NECTAR events, they'll be an opportunity to make connections with peers across your College. All ANU staff in the early stages of their university career are welcome, professional or academic, whether you're in teaching, research or research support.

The events are as follows, in chronological order:

- Tuesday 1 August, 12pm-1:30pm – College of Science
- Tuesday 8 August, 12:15pm-1:45pm – College of Business and Economics
- Thursday 10 August, 12pm-1:30pm – College of Asia and the Pacific
- Wednesday 16 August, 12:30pm-2pm – College of Health and Medicine
- Thursday 17 August, 12pm-1:30pm – College of Arts and Social Sciences
- Tuesday 22 August, 12pm-1:30pm – College of Law
- Thursday 24 August, 12pm-1:30pm – College of Engineering, Computing and Cybernetics

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(Full event details and a calendar invitation by email on registration.)

We apologise if the event scheduled for your College is not at a time that suits. Please note that all events have a hybrid option, however they will be catered and in-person attendance is strongly encouraged.

If you still can't make it, please email nectar@anu.edu.au with any ideas or feedback and we will gladly raise it at the event and include you in any follow-up.

Warmest regards,

The NECTAR Team

News and Updates

Read on for updates, or scroll down to find new and upcoming funding rounds, networking events, competitions and professional development opportunities for EMCRs at ANU.

New 'Research Impact Handbook' from ANU Engagement and Impact

Achieving and showcasing impact and engagement can be tricky for early-career researchers. But getting started early and planning for impact at the project development stage is critical to ensuring you can show the benefit of your research over time. The Engagement and Impact Unit have developed a suite of resources including the [Research Impact Handbook](#) to help you plan and embed impact into your research projects from the outset.

Browse the new [Engagement and Impact Sharepoint](#) site by clicking the cogs on the main page to navigate to the resources relevant to you, or head to the '[Plan for impact](#)' section for an overview on how to get started.

ANU Library subscribes to Lawyerly, signs 'read and publish' agreement with Company of Biologists

ANU researchers and students studying law now have access to a fantastic new resource. The ANU Library is now [subscribed to Lawyerly](#). Lawyerly provides a unique service as an independent news source devoted exclusively to legal news. It is the only publisher in this area with daily updates.

ANU Library has also signed a [new Read and Publish Agreement](#) with Company of Biologists for the period 2023-2025. The agreement allows ANU authors to publish open access in COB journals without paying Article Processing Charges (APC).

CartoGIS Services offers map-making, spatial analysis and 'storytelling with maps' training

CartoGIS Services is a team of cartographic and geographic information system specialists working at ANU. They offer a range of training sessions on the creation, analysis, management and promotion of maps and spatial data.

Starting in August, they're running a free suite of training to aid any ANU Staff or Student who's interested in bringing GIS into their work:

- [Intro to ArcGIS Pro](#) (Self-paced online course)
- [Intro to Story Maps](#) (August 10, 17, 24 and 31)
- [Intro to GIS Analysis for Research](#) (September 28 & October 5, 12 and 19)

For more information, visit the [CartoGIS training webpage](#). Note: CartoGIS events book up well in advance but joining waitlists is encouraged.

EMCR funding, networking and competitions

ANU Student Research Conference calls for judges

The ANU Student Research Conference is currently calling for judges for student presentations at the 2023 conference hosted on-campus from 6-8 September (first week of the mid-semester break). The SRC is the Australian National University's undergraduate, honours and Masters by coursework conference, open to students from all academic disciplines.

All ANU academic staff are welcome to apply as judges, including PhD candidates, and your role will be to provide support, offer feedback and

guidance, and give evaluations that decide the winners and runners-up. [Click here for more info and to register.](#)

Humanities Research Centre 'Work in Progress' talks

The HRC 'work in progress' session combines the Centre's regular morning teas with an opportunity to hear from academics currently resident with the HRC and meet other researchers for a friendly chat and some cake. A short morning tea is followed by the visiting fellow presenting their work-in-progress for 15 minutes. This will be followed by 15 minutes of feedback, questions, and discussion about the presentation, and then 15 minutes of more tea and conversation.

There is no need to register. The events are held every Tuesday, 10:15am-11:15am, in the Beryl Rawson Building, Level 2 tea room, starting 1 August and ending in November. [Find out more about upcoming speakers](#) or [register for the HRC mailing list](#) to be notified of upcoming events.

Events and opportunities



Write-on-site sessions, a.k.a. 'Shut up and write' »

Tuesdays from 1 August – 11:30am-1pm

A regular session to help you carve out some time for writing each week, with some friendly chat and support. All welcome but please register so we make sure we have enough seats and can let you know about any venue changes. BYO computer and power cords. [Email Kylie Message-Jones](#) to sign up.



ANU Careers training » Throughout August 2023

Including events on understanding the Australian job market, lean innovation, working at startups, using LinkedIn, and speed networking, the ANU Careers team provides vital training at the start of Semester 2. [Register here.](#)



CBRIN First Wednesday Connect »

Wednesday 2 August – 5pm-6:30pm

Hosted by UNSW Canberra, the August 2023 edition of the Canberra Innovation Network's First Wednesday Connect aims to energise and encourage collaboration between entrepreneurs, researchers, investors and innovators of all sorts. [Register here.](#)



Blade Runner: Director's Cut w. ECR discussion »

Friday 18 August – 6pm

Blade Runner (1982) encourages us to reflect on how memories, emotions and selfhood might define what it means to be human beyond the organic body. NECTAR's Dr Anna-Sophie Jürgens and Dr John Noel Viana join a post-film discussion. [Tickets here.](#)



Webinar series: Communicating for impact »

Tuesday 22 August – 12:30pm-1:30pm

This online session is the first in a series of three presented by the Engagement and Impact Unit and run via the ANU Communicators Network, looking at how communicators are uniquely positioned to promote impact by working alongside researchers from the planning stage of research projects. [Register here.](#)



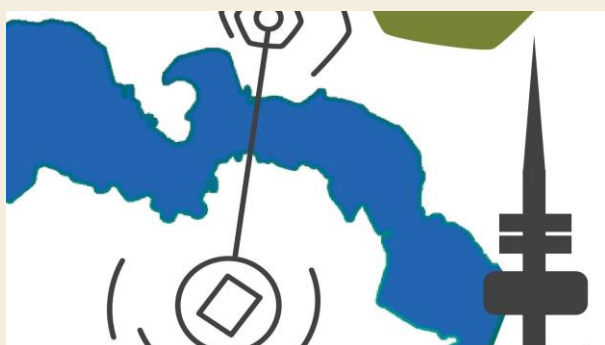
Webinar: Consumer engagement on grant writing » Wednesday 6 September – 10am-1pm

In this webinar, medical researchers will delve into the world of consumer engagement and its significant impact on grant writing. Discover how involving consumers in the research process can lead to more meaningful, impactful, and successful grant applications. [Register here.](#)



Extinction thwarted? The nexus between climate change, social equity and health » Wednesday 13 September – 9:15am-4:15pm

Join the Planetary Health Equity Hothouse's inaugural annual Policy Symposium. Attendees will hear government, non-government and academic experts, including ANU ECRs, discuss the political, economic, and social dimensions of planetary health equity. Free and catered. [Register here.](#)



ASBMB 2023 Conference » 15-17 November

Attend the annual conference of the Australian Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, to be held in Canberra this year. The program includes a special ECR lunch and sessions focused specially on education. [Register here.](#)

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