Staff

1. If you are looking for sources of research funding check out Research Alert on the RMIT web site.
http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=cmksiexvqpu4 *** You must be logged in for this site to open up. Research Alert is an index of funding opportunities that enables you to browse by deadline, by discipline or alphabetically by funding agency. You can also search by keyword or subscribe to the Research Alert – recently added opportunities (RSS).

Research Alert - If you forget go to the RMIT main site – Research - Grants and Funding and on the right hand side you will find Research Alert.

Congratulations to A/P David Forrest on the publication of his two new books. The Doctoral Journey in Art Education: Reflections on Doctoral Studies by Australian and New Zealand Art Educators. Editors David Forrest and Elizabeth Grierson. Journeying: Reflections on Doctoral Studies by Australian Music Educators. Editor David Forrest

Staff and Students

1. Don’t forget the School of Education Research Seminar this Friday the 29th of October, at 3.30pm in 202.3.34 Staff Lounge Willem Goeman and Deputy Head, Research & Innovation, Assoc Prof. Heather Fehring.

Willem Goeman will present ‘Applying the Learning Organisation Frame to Drive School Reform.’ What characteristics and processes define schools as learning organisations? How useful is it to use the Learning Organisation frame to describe schools? How might this frame inform us about the strategies for school reform and the role of leadership in it? The research is a multi-site case study of organisational learning.

Assoc Prof. Heather Fehring will present ‘Research Issues 2011: Open Questions and Discussion’ (4.15pm onwards).

2. Please note the following key dates if you wish to graduate in 2010. Friday 22 October. Final day to confirm your attendance at the Melbourne Graduation Ceremony and pay the fee. Graduation Parade registration closes. Friday 12 November Final date for students to submit their final archival thesis/project to the School of Graduate Research in order to be eligible to participate in the ceremony. Final date for citations to be submitted to the School of Graduate Research for inclusion in the graduation program (doctoral candidates only).
Research Students

1. Congratulations Ahmed Alhazmi

Ahmed has been awarded the ISANA: International Education Association Bursary 2010 for his paper *Saudi international students in Australia and intercultural engagement: A study in transitioning from gender segregated culture to a mixed gender environment*. Ahmed is presenting the paper in December 2010.

2. The Research Student Conference on Friday the 19th of November 2010, for 2pm – 7.30pm. Spots are booking up quickly so please check with Louise Prentice in the Research Office, Ph: 9925 7877.

Please remember it is an expectation of your candidature to attend both Research Student Conferences in June and November and present at least a Work in Progress (WIP) at one of the two conferences. The only presentations that count as Work in Progress (WIP) are those delivered at the June and November School of Education Research Student Conferences.

2. The SGR Postgraduate Research Student International Conference Fund aims to provide HDR candidates with experience in participation at conferences of international standing. These conferences are essential to the dissemination of research and provide HDR students with an opportunity to further their professional development.

Further details about the scheme together with the application form are available from: [http://www.rmit.edu.au/graduate/research/conf fund](http://www.rmit.edu.au/graduate/research/conf fund).

Already be thinking about a Semester 1 2011 application.

Research Staff

The ARC has released the Funding Rules and Instructions to Applicants for the ARC Linkage for 2010.

*** Round 2 closes - 17 November, 2010

Expression of Interest to lorraine.bridger@rmit.edu.au

Changes to ARC Linkage for 2010 applications

1. The minimum per annum budget request for ARC funding is now $30,000. For an application to be eligible, each year's budget must meet this figure.

2. All applications submitted must meet a minimum requirement of 20% cash for any budget request of between $30,000 and $500,000. All ARC Linkage applications must be supported by cash and in-kind from Partner Organisations at the same level as the budget requested from the ARC. Projects requesting more than $500,000 are accepted however, they must meet a minimum requirement of 50% cash commitment from the Partner Organisations.

3. ARC APAI stipends are no longer a "stand alone" application enumerated request. How to explain this. For those familiar with ARC Linkage, applicants could specific the number and type of Stipends being requested, eg. "regional or IT". The successful grant offer would then specify the number of APAIs awarded as part of the funding. APAIs also required specific post award reporting, e.g. commencement of student(s), etc. The NEW Linkage Funding Rules, simply indicate that to make a request for a stipend it is an entry as a line item in the "Personnel" section of the project budget. The funded project will no longer specify a stipend and you may use the funding in any way eg. as a part time RA, stipend or whatever, you see fit.

4. Please note the ARC Stipend value for 2010 applications is $27,222. Therefore a "stipend only" application no longer meets the ARC minimum funding requirement of $30,000 per annum budget request.

5. The ARC Linkage application in now via the RMS on line system. I suggest you plan some additional time in data entry, especially if you have a number of Partner Organisations.