



HDR Update

I'm enjoying the recent crisp air and crunching on leaves during my walks across campus.

Would you like to learn how to communicate your research like a pro? The Three Minute Thesis competition provides training in presenting your research in a way that makes it easy to understand and demonstrates the impact of your work. Come along to the [launch and information session](#) on Monday 11 May to hear about this year's competition and how you can take part.

Professor Ann Evans

Pro Vice-Chancellor (Research Training)



HDR Candidate Lifecycle Project Update - HDR Candidates Wanted: Join the Digital Test Crew

Are you passionate about improving the digital experience for HDR candidates? We're seeking HDR candidates to help test new digital processes and share feedback. Your insights will directly inform improvements before these processes are released.

Why join the test crew?

- Be among the **first to try new digital processes** before they go live.
- Help **shape systems that directly impact HDR candidates**.
- Gain **behind-the-scenes insight** into how digital services are designed and improved.
- **Minimal time commitment**, maximum impact.

To join the digital test crew, email researchstream@anu.edu.au with a brief note saying you're keen, and we'll be in touch to organise the next steps.

Development Opportunities

Three Minute Thesis Competition Launch & Information Session



The Three Minute Thesis (3MT) competition is the ultimate research communication challenge – just three short minutes and only a single PowerPoint slide to convey the essence of your research in a way that absolutely anyone can understand. Famous around the world, with competitions now held in over 900 universities in 85 countries, success in 3MT can open doors for you, help you make new connections, and bring you untold acclaim, not to mention serious prize money.

Come along to this no-commitment information session and hear about this year's competition and how you can take part.

May 11 | [3MT Launch & Information Session](#)

Managing Research Data at ANU Training Module



Are you interested in strengthening your research practice? Explore our new online training module "[Managing Research Data at ANU](#)".

Built on the PAI-C framework, this self-paced course gives you practical, reliable strategies for planning, organising, storing, and sharing your data throughout the entire research lifecycle. With clear examples, flexible learning, and tools you can put to work right away, the module supports you in meeting institutional and funder expectations while developing confident, sustainable data practices.

Please email repository.admin@anu.edu.au to request enrolment in this course.

May

May 7 | [Oral Exam Workshop](#)

May 7 | [Oral Exam Drop-in Session](#)

May 7 | [ANUSA Shut Up and Write](#)

May 8 | [ANUSA Shut Up and Write](#)

May 11 | [Research Ethics Drop-in Session \(Online\)](#)

May 11 | [3MT Launch/Information Session](#)

May 12 | [Professional Networking](#)

May 14 | [PR for Academics: Standing and Talking](#)

May 14 | [ANUSA Shut Up and Write](#)

May 13 | [Simple Python Acceleration: Optimising Loops and Functions with](#)

[Numba](#)

May 15 | [ANUSA Shut Up and Write](#)

May 15 | [Editing Bootcamp](#)

May 19 | [How to Win 3MT - Workshop 1](#)

May 19 | [Seminar: Getting Started with Gadi](#)

May 21, 28, Jun 4 | [Literature Review Bootcamp](#)

May 21 | [ANUSA Shut Up and Write](#)

May 22 | [PR for Academics: Working With the Media and Giving Good Interviews](#)

May 22 | [ANUSA Shut Up and Write](#)

May 26 | [How to Win 3MT - Workshop 2](#)

May 27 | [Research Ethics Drop-in Session \(In Person\)](#)

May 27 | [Python Acceleration: GPU-Powered Array Computing with CuPy](#)

May 28 | [ANUSA Shut Up and Write](#)

May 29 | [PR for Academics: Presenting on Screen](#)

May 29 | [ANUSA Shut Up and Write](#)

June

Jun 3 | [PR for Academics: From TikTok to YouTube and Beyond](#)

Jun 4 | [3MT Tryouts #1](#)

Jun 5 | [Oral Exam Drop-in](#)

Jun 9 | [Freelancing: how to leverage your research skills](#)

Jun 10 | [PR for Academics: Influencer 101](#)

Jun 12 | [3MT Tryouts #2](#)

Jun 16 | [3MT Tryouts #3](#)

Jun 17 | [PR for Academics: Podcasting](#)

Jun 22 | [Research Ethics Drop-in Session \(Online\)](#)

Funding Opportunities

Annual Meeting of Hong Kong Baptist University International Advisory Board for Graduate Studies

Expressions of interest are now open for candidates to present their research on united nations sustainable development goals at Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU) (9-10 July 2026). HKBU will host a workshop with HDR candidates from participating universities. One ANU HDR candidate will be selected to present their research in a poster and oral competition. Funding is provided to cover return economy class airfare and accommodation.



Candidates will be selected by ANU based on the following eligibility criteria:

- Have already passed the ANU Confirmation of Candidature (CoC) or Thesis Proposal Review (TPR) milestone.
- Not be on an extension of program.
- Research topic must fit with the workshop theme of united nations sustainable development goals.

Please submit your [EOI here](#). Any questions please reach out to hdr.opportunities@anu.edu.au

11 May 2026 | Applications Close

ACSPRI Fellowship Program



PhD candidates are invited to apply now for the 2027-28 ACSPRI Fellowship Program. Valued at \$25,000, the fellowship will help PhD students to achieve their career goals, by providing direct financial support and professional development opportunities. Fellowship holders will receive an annual bursary for two years and financial support to participate in ACSPRI courses and events. Applicants from the full spectrum of social science disciplines and cogent fields are welcome to apply.

Value of the Fellowship: \$10,000 bursary payment per year for each of 2 years (\$20,000 in total), plus a fee waiver for enrolling in up to 2 x ACSPRI courses and financial support to attend the ACSPRI Biennial Conference (valued at approximately \$5,000).

To confirm eligibility and to apply, visit the [ACSPRI website](#), or contact info@acspri.org.au or 03 8376 6496 with any questions.

31 July 2026 | Applications Close



From the Thesis Whisperer

Read the latest The Thesis Whisperer post: [3 habits that help manage your ADHD in academia \(and one that doesn't\)](#)

Tune in and listen to the latest Podcast Episode: [A shameless plug!](#)

Roll of honour of candidates approved to graduate



- Andrew Peter Bryant Dillon, PhD, CASS
- Anna Naupa, PhD, CAP
- Robert Connell Paton, PhD, CASS
- Ruth Anne Beach, PhD, CSS

- Bobby Maher, PhD, CLGP
- Cyra Patel, PhD, CLGP
- Elaine Tao, PhD, CoSM
- Jiu Lian, PhD, CBE
- Li-chun Chang, PhD, CSS
- Marette Joy Dean, MPhil, CLGP
- Marie Heloury, MPhil, CLGP
- Sidra Asad Ali, PhD, CoSM
- Simon Mishricky, PhD, CBE
- Subrata Banarjee, PhD, CAP
- Talei Mangioni, PhD, CAP
- Thimthana Lee, PhD, CoSM
- Yabo Yan, PhD, CASS
- Yaodong Zhang, PhD, CBE
- Yifan Guo, PhD, CSS

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