WELCOME

The next ANU Integration Network meeting will be held on Thursday, 23 July 2009, from 4-5.30 pm in the Drawing Room at University House. The meeting will be chaired by Professor Liz Deane, Pro Vice Chancellor for Education, and will involve sharing experiences for teaching and learning about integrating disciplinary and stakeholder knowledge. Please join us to discuss teaching programs, challenges and successes, and what would make education in "integration" at ANU more effective.

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NEWS & EVENTS

23 July 2009, 4-5.30pm, ANU Integration Network Meeting focused on “Education in Integrating Disciplinary and Stakeholder Knowledge”

Drawing Room, University House

The next ANU Integration Network meeting will be chaired by Professor Liz Deane, Pro Vice Chancellor for Education and aims to draw together faculty, staff and students across campus interested in teaching and learning about integrating disciplinary and stakeholder knowledge. Attendees will be invited to briefly present their areas of interest, along with ideas for moving this
agenda forward on campus, so come and join Shayne Flint (CECS), Catherine Summerhayes (CASS), Lorrae van Kerkhoff (CMBE), Alison Wain (CASS) and others.

Please come prepared to share your experiences in terms of teaching programs, challenges and successes, and what would make education in "integration" at ANU more effective.

No RSVP required. Light refreshments served; cash bar.

REPORT: 28 May 2009, 12.30p-2p “Bridging the research-policy divide in public health and environment in Asia”: A seminar by AusAID Australian Leadership Awards Fellows

Arif Goheer, Mary Elizabeth Miranda, Kashif Salik, Gyaneshwar Singh, Sam-ang Seubsman, and Guojie Wang, who are public health and environment researchers from China, India, Pakistan, The Philippines and Thailand presented the results of their work during a six week fellowship at ANU supported by the AusAID Australian Leadership Awards Fellowships program. The course focused on enhancing expertise and collaborations to bridge the research-policy divide in the areas of climate change, pandemics and health transition. During the six weeks the fellows developed policy briefs based on their research and action plans for implementing them, along with case studies of previous research translation experiences. Each fellow presented material from their policy brief and action plan which highlighted different concepts, tools or skills that were developed during the program.

New Conferences/Events

14 July 2009, Insider Voices: Human dimensions of low carbon technology with Professor Peter Reason and the Lowcarbonworks research team and a special presentation of the acclaimed documentary Hard Rain, Bailbrook House Hotel, Bath, UK (http://go.bath.ac.uk/lowcarbon)

8 October 2009, 9am-6pm, Dealing With Uncertainties In Policing Serious Crime, Coombs Extension, Building 8, The Australian National University
Sponsored by the ARC Centre of Excellence in Policing and Security (CEPS)

This conference aims to enhance policing effectiveness by catalysing research into the neglected area of how uncertainties are understood and managed in the policing of serious crime. The presenters are a select invited group of senior researchers and practitioners, including Robyn Attewell (Australian Federal Police), Hon Tim Carmody QC, Neil Fargher (ANU), Tracey Green (Charles Sturt University), Mark Kebbell (Griffith University), Carmen Lawrence (University of Western Australia), Steve Longford (NewIntelligence), Peter Martin (Queensland Police Service), Alastair Milroy (CEPS Executive in Residence), Michael Smithson (ANU), Don Weatherburn (NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research) and Sue Wilkinson (Australian New Zealand Policing Advisory Agency). The conference will help policing researchers, senior police and policing agency managers answer questions such as “How can police make effective decisions when information is limited?”; “How does confirmation bias affect investigations, and how can we overcome it?” and “Why do certainties in policing seem uncertain in court?”. 
Early bird registration of $250 closes on 23 August 2009. For more information and registration, go to: http://nceph.anu.edu.au/News/UncertaintyConference/.

Upcoming Conference Reminders

- 8-11 July 2009, Fourth International Conference on Interdisciplinary Social Sciences, Athens, Greece (http://i09.cgpublisher.com/)
- 12 July 2009, International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI) Workshop on Social Simulation, Pasadena, California, USA (http://ss-ijcai2009.di.fc.ul.pt/)
- 14-15 July 2009, Insider Voices: Human dimensions of low carbon technology conference, Bath, UK, contact kat21@management.bath.ac.uk. The conference will provide essential learning, practical support and cross-sector networking for policymakers, local authorities, businesses and activists - in fact, anyone interested in bridging the policy/practice gap and acting now for a low carbon future.
- 10-12 September 2009, OR51, The OR Society (Operational Research), Warwick, UK (http://www.orsoc.org.uk/orshop/(rnjaeqr3uyis455sewrui2)/orcontent.aspx?inc=or51_main.htm)
- 14-18 September 2009, 6th Conference of the European Social Simulation Association Conference, Univ. of Surrey, Guilford, UK (http://cress.soc.surrey.ac.uk/essa2009)
- 18-20 November 2009, 8th International Transformative Learning Conference, Bermuda (http://transformativelearningbermuda.com/)

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- 5-8 January 2010, 43rd Hawai’i International Conference on Systems Sciences, Koloa, Hawai’i, USA (http://www.hicss.hawaii.edu/hicss_43/apahome43.htm)

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Every year td-net, the Transdisciplinary Network funded by the Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences, compiles key references published on transdisciplinary research. The 2008 references are available from http://www.transdisciplinarity.ch/documents/TD_Literature2008.pdf Past Bibliographies, starting in 2005 are available from http://www.transdisciplinarity.ch/e/Bibliography/new

JOURNAL PROFILE

Sustainability Science and Technology: International Journal of the Center for Sustainable Development

Sustainability Science and Technology is a new international journal published by the Center for Sustainable Development at the University of Brazil. The mission of the Sustainability Science and Technology journal is “to publish original texts, based on interdisciplinary research, which can have a strong impact on studies conducted in the fields of sustainable development and technology, on a global scale. The journal is targeted at the international and national scientific community, as well as users of the knowledge concerning sustainable development in government, international agencies, civil society, NGOs and the private sector.

The journal will be published twice a year in English and all submitted texts must be interdisciplinary in their approaches, concepts and methodologies. Dossiers have been defined for the first two issues of SST: climate change and bio-fuels (September 2009) and the second (March 2010) on governance and socio-environmental conflicts. However, in both issues there will be space for pertinent articles on other topics.

* Center Website (primarily in Portuguese): http://www.unbcds.pro.br/pub/
* Profile and Calls for Papers: http://www.unbcds.pro.br/conteudo_arquivo/210509_635057.pdf

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This newsletter aims to share updates on events, visitors, activities, opportunities and resources among ANU staff and students with an interest in research integration (or inter- or trans-disciplinarity). In addition to current information, each issue will also highlight a relevant journal.

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