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TOP STORIES



Landmark Accounting/Sustainable Business Program Launched

In an Australian first, USQ launched a landmark program aimed at producing the next generation of accountants, qualified to guide business through the process of becoming sustainable on Friday, 6 June 2008.

The degree will be integrated with the North American, City University of Seattle's (CityU) Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) through a credit guarantee option.

USQ Vice Chancellor, Professor Bill Lovegrove said the introduction of the Bachelor of Accounting and Sustainable Business (BASB) was the first of a new generation of degree programs designed to renew, revitalise and re-profile USQ.

"By reviewing our degrees and offering flagship programs such as the BASB we will now be able to equip graduates with a range of skills that will make them more employable," Professor Lovegrove said.

"The BASB fits this profile as it reflects the climate in which modern business now operate.

"Corporate sustainability reporting has become a high priority. There is strong evidence of a direct relationship between sustainability, share prices and long term profitability which business managers ignore at their own peril.

"The BASB will focus accountants on the triple bottom line of economic, social and environmental accountability to meet the public's expectations of corporate responsibility."

Professor Lovegrove said proving a company is sustainable had an effect on shareholder value.

"Sustainability attracts responsible investors and affects the ability of business to contract with host governments.

"It can also affect a company's ability to raise finance. For instance Westpac and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development will only consider lending to organisations that can demonstrate their impact analysis and remediation plans and the achievement of sustainability targets.

"Even large companies like Shell recognise sustainability in their mission and goals. Their websites promote their desire to meet the global energy demands in economically, environmentally and socially responsible ways.

"The BASB will give USQ students the administrative and management skills now required by organisations to compete in the global economic environment."

Professor Lovegrove said the four year BASB program also included an option for students to be eligible for the award of a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) from CityU of Seattle through a credit guarantee option.

"Nine of the courses within the BASB are co-accredited by USQ and CityU and seven of these are to be delivered on-campus by CityU staff through a contract with USQ.

"On completion of the BASB the students will be eligible to be awarded full credit towards the CityU Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) degree, provided they have met all academic requirements.

"These courses will provide broad business and communication skills which will compliment the remainder of the programs courses.

Chancellor of the CityU's International Division, Dr Fernando Garcia said CityU was excited to be working with USQ on the Bachelor of Accounting and Sustainable



Business.

“This effort brings together two of the top higher education systems in the world. The agreement between our two institutions will only add to the overall competitiveness of USQ graduates in the global arena,” Dr Garcia said.

“CityU’s extensive network of international partnerships is currently delivering the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in English in numerous locations throughout the world. This network will allow USQ BASB students to eventually have opportunities to undertake a portion of their BASB studies in the US or any of CityU’s overseas locations giving them a broad international experience.”

The Bachelor of Accounting and Sustainable Business is on offer at USQ Springfield campus from Semester 2, 2008. For further information about the BASB visit www.usq.edu.au or phone Professor Peter Best on (07) 4631 1231 or email bestp@usq.edu.au .

The Bachelor of Accounting and Sustainable Business is accredited by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia and is currently undergoing accreditation by the CPA.

CityU is accredited by the US Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities and the University’s business programs are also accredited by the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education

Story & photo: Jo-Ann Sparrow



First Learning and Teaching Fellowships Awarded at USQ

The first Learning and Teaching Fellowships have been awarded to staff at the University in an effort to advance learning and teaching.

Two Senior and four Associate Fellowships were awarded for semester two 2008, as part of the initiative which aims to support leading staff to undertake projects or activities of strategic benefit to the University.

The two Senior Fellowships entitle recipients release from their work commitments for one semester and up to \$50K in funding and were awarded to Dr Jacquie McDonald and Dr Joseph Mula.

The four Associate Fellowships entitle recipients release from some of their work commitments and up to \$20K in funding and were awarded to Lyn Brodie, Dr Birgit Loch, Dr Karen Noble & Dr Robyn Henderson and Dr Penny de Byl & Helen Ison.

Project Officer for the fellowships Christie White said the project is a two-year pilot which is replacing the Learning and Teaching Performance Fund grants.

"The fellowships are a way to award and recognise excellence in teaching within the University," Ms White said.

"The University gains a strategic benefit through the projects the fellows undertake. It also creates alignment with the Australian Learning and Teaching Council (formerly Carrick Institute) and builds capacity for our team to have opportunities nationally."

Senior Fellowship recipient Dr Joseph Mula was awarded a fellowship for his project, the Academic Interactive Dashboard (AID) to simplify educational technology use in classrooms and support education delivery.

"The concept involves trying to find ways to simplify technology," Dr Mula said.

"I will use an internet-based system that allows teachers, prior to the class, to pick the things they want in a particular classroom between certain hours.

"They could choose to have video, audio, digital tablet, have the class streamed live or recorded plus have a CD produced as well as the software they need. Basically they are just picking from a menu.

"I'm aiming to simplify the software and hardware so lecturers can walk into a classroom, touch a button and everything happens behind the scenes.

"In this way many lecturers will be able to use the education technologies available as opposed to the five to ten percent who are innovators in this field"

Winning the fellowship means Dr Mula will be able to focus completely on the project, he said.

"The fellowship gives me breathing space to concentrate 100 percent on the project to get this moving. I've been struggling to do this project and have a high level teaching load as well."

Dr McDonald's fellowship project involves establishing Communities of Practice (CoP) across the University in the area of learning and teaching.

"Communities of Practice are groups of people who share a common passion or concern about a topic and come together as a community to share and grow their knowledge and improve practice," Dr McDonald said.

"My CoP approach provides an opportunity for staff to get together and work on learning and teaching areas they are particularly passionate about.

"By having the course leaders working together it breaks down isolation the course leaders may experience as they focus on teaching in their discipline area.



“It also recognises people doing excellent work but who are often working in isolation. This will facilitate cutting across disciplines and faculties to encourage people to grow and share practice.”

Being awarded a fellowship will enable Dr McDonald to expand the project across the University, she said.

“I haven’t been able to get leverage to implement CoP across all faculties and the fellowship buys the time to focus on the project.”

Applications for 2009 fellowships are now open. For information and to apply visit the website <http://www.usq.edu.au/learnteach/grantsawards/grantsawards.htm> or contact Christie White, whitech@usq.edu.au or extension 2576.

Story: Jane Urquhart, Photo: Liza Mattiazzi



USQ hosts Western Corridor Summit

USQ Springfield campus has issued an invitation to residents and stakeholders of the Western Corridor to attend a Summit to present ideas and thoughts on the future directions of the region on 28 June 2008.

Participation in the Western Corridor Summit is open to those situated within the western corridor, which extends generally from Wacol through Ipswich City to Amberley and Marburg and includes Ebenezer, Swanbank, Ripley Valley and Springfield.

An initiative of the Faculty of Business, the Western Corridor Summit will follow the recent 2020 Summit process and provide an avenue for those with an interest in the area to contribute to developing a vision for the region in a number of key areas including:

- transport, facilities and sustainability;
- education, training, skills and innovation;
- communities, families and social inclusion; and,
- health, housing, well being and recreation.

Faculty of Business Lecturer Mustafa Ally said the western corridor is a key feature of the South East Queensland Regional Plan and would be undergoing many changes in the coming years.

“Delegates attending the Summit will be divided into groups and with the aid of an appointed facilitator will focus on one of the four areas.

“The outcomes of the Summit will be presented as a report to regional decision makers to use in their planning for the future,” Mr Ally said.

The Western Corridor Summit will be held on Wednesday, 28 June 2008 from 9am to 12.30pm in the USQ Springfield Auditorium. Refreshments and a light lunch will be provided.

For more information or to register for the summit go to www.usq.edu.au/westcorrsummit, email usqspringfieldsummit@usq.edu.au or phone 3470 4528. Registration closes 20 June, 2008.

The USQ Western Corridor Summit gratefully acknowledges the support of its sponsors: The Queensland Times, Ipswich City Council and Springfield Land Corporation.

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MOVERS AND SHAKERS



USQ student named Peace Scholarship Program Student of the Year

The 2008 IELTS Australia Peace Scholarship Program Student of the Year was announced on Friday 30 May in Brisbane. USQ student Froylan Garcia Medina was selected as one of five finalists and was awarded \$250 in prize money at a cocktail party hosted by Queensland University of Technology.

Guests celebrated the achievements of this year's Peace Scholars, where the five finalists spoke about their experiences while in Australia and how the Peace Scholarship Program has helped them grow academically and personally.

Froylan Garcia Medina is studying International Relations and has worked with the local chapters of amnesty international and endeavour foundation.

His main interest has been the promotion of the Mexican culture and the Latin American reality in Australia and has organised the photographic exhibition "Mexico: shapes of our identities" and coordinated it's national tour around our country.

The four other finalists were Anna Lee Mraz Bartra from Mexico studying at Queensland University of Technology (and overall winner of this year's Award), Arcelia Esther Paz Padilla from Mexico studying at Monash University, Renata Ram from Fiji studying at the Australian National University and Ursula Saldivar Davila from Mexico studying at the University of Newcastle.

The event was a great chance for students, IDP staff, and the many supporters of the Peace Scholarship Program to gather and celebrate the achievements of the Program, which is now in its fifth year and has so far awarded scholarships to 292 students from 13 countries.

The Peace Scholarship program will soon welcome another intake of approximately 44 students from Afghanistan, Cambodia, Indonesia, Mexico, Vanuatu and Vietnam. The Peace Scholarship Program is committed to providing opportunities for eligible students in selected countries worldwide to study abroad in Australia for one or two semesters. The Program operates on the principle that providing this opportunity will promote the interaction of diverse cultures through international education opportunities, improve cross-cultural understanding and lead to enduring global peace.

Further information about the Peace Scholarship Program is available at www.peacescholarship.idp.com.

Story & photo: Supplied



Professor Stone to provide advice and input at UN WMO meeting

Director of the ACSC, Professor Roger Stone will join a small Australian team in Geneva at a United Nations World Meteorological Organisation (UN WMO) meeting this month.

Professor Stone will assist Dr Geoff Love, Australia's permanent representative in UN WMO to provide expert advice and input into new policy areas in climate, meteorology and hydrology programs.

"It is an important role for a Queensland and a member of USQ to be involved in world policy forums such as this so that special aspects associated with Australia's unique climate and water resource needs are highlighted to international policy and program development organisations as prestigious as the UN WMO," Professor



Stone said.

Professor Stone's involvement in the meeting will take place while he is in Geneva for a short period leading a number of international projects in rural management and climate systems.



Glen Postle receives Queens Birthday Honours

Former USQ Associate Professor Glen Postle was awarded a Member of the Order of Australia on the 2008 Queens Birthday Honours list. Dr Postle was recognised for his service to education through the design and introduction of flexible learning programs for disadvantaged youth in rural and remote areas, and to professional development. Dr Postle is also the Past Chair of the USQ Student Guild Board.



USQ recognises 20 years of Learning and Teaching excellence

The past 20 years of Learning and Teaching excellence at USQ has been collated into a document recognising outstanding educators of the University.

The document details recipients of awards from the Carrick Institute and USQ bestowed between 1987 and 2007.

The list includes Faculty of Sciences Associate Professor and Associate Dean (Academic) Alfio Parisi, who has received four awards over the past 20 years.

In 1999 Associate Professor Parisi received the USQ Excellence in Research (Early Career) award. In 2004 he received the USQ Excellence in Research award and in 2007 he received an Excellence in Teaching award from the University and a Carrick Citation for his outstanding contribution to student learning.

"I'm a scientist and have a keen interest in what I do and I like to give that knowledge to students and hopefully make them interested in Science," Alfio said.

"To make the students interested I believe good teaching is very important."

Alfio said a variety of educational tools and technologies help lecturers meet the needs of each student.

"There are a whole range of new additional resources to present the information to students," he said.

"I started in 1987 when we were the Darling Downs Institute of Advanced Education so in my first lecture I turned up with a piece of chalk and started writing on the blackboard."

"Nowadays I use PowerPoint slides which are available to the students before the lecture on Study Desk."

"Some lectures are recorded so I have audio and I also use short video clips."

"It's good to make them available because different students learn in different ways. A blackboard and chalk is not the only way to learn."

"In my experience some students prefer PowerPoint slides, some prefer a recorded lecture."

"These resources also allow you to increase flexibility because not every student will be able to get to every lecture."

Alfio said his high school physics teacher was a source of inspiration when it comes to good teaching.

"My grade 11 physics teacher used lots of worked examples and I try to give lots of worked examples in my teaching because it reinforces concepts."

"If you can pick an example from real life you can make the students more enthusiastic."

Centre for Rural and Remote Area Health Researcher Dr David Turnbull was a student in a number of physics classes taught by Alfio.

"I think Alfio is an excellent teacher," Dr Turnbull said.

"I have always found him very approachable and he tries his best to answer all questions that are put to him."

"He also provides feedback in a very helpful and productive manner. He was my PhD supervisor and I have become a very productive postdoctoral researcher thanks to his effective teaching methods," he said.

For information on other recipients in the Past 20 years of Teaching Excellence at USQ document visit the website www.usq.edu.au/learn/teach/grantsawards.

Story: Jane Urquhart, Photo: Elizabeth Bull



Asia-Pacific community long overdue

The Rudd Government's plan to form an Asia-Pacific Community should have been implemented 30 years ago according to a USQ academic.

Senior Lecturer in Business Dr Joseph Mula established the concept of Pacific communities when he was commissioned to develop a model to simulate future scenarios for Australia nearly 30 years ago under the Fraser Government.

"Basically I developed an econometric-environment model to simulate Australia's future scenarios to look at the economic and environmental impacts over 50 year timeframes," Dr Mula said.

"The model considers the implications of policy decisions on future outcomes and takes a holistic approach by producing results in both physical and monetary units."

In the analysis Dr Mula came up with the idea of Pacific Economic Community (PEC) based on the model operating in the United Kingdom.

"The work indicated the best combination of regions/countries that would provide the best outcome for Australia. The research found that the optimal PEC grouping included Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Eastern South-East Asia and China. It did not include North America."

Dr Mula said The model was presented to the government but no significant actions were taken.

"The whole point is this was initiated by the Whitlam Government in mid 1975 then commissioned by the Fraser Government in late 1978 after overturning objections by then treasurer. The then Prime Minister overruled Treasury but then didn't utilize the results to any great extent. However, many other countries did.

"The scenarios went on to show environmental impacts and modelled the effects of the OECD's Polluter Pays Principal. The term PPP has in effect been replaced by the new term carbon trading. This model demonstrated the consequences of a pseudo carbon-trading system.

"The results indicated Australia's economy would need to suffer some short term pain but achieve long-term gain.

"Decisions in relation to carbon trading should have been made 20 to 30 years ago. Governments are reluctant to put voters through short-term pain to get long-term benefits."

Dr Mula has used his expertise in economic-environment modelling for long-term government policy analysis to develop courses for the Bachelor of Accounting and Sustainable Business launched recently at USQ and has also designed a course for the Sustainable Business major within the Master of Business which will be offered from semester two, 2008.

Story: Jane Urquhart, *Photo:* USQ Photography

Do you know someone who has been promoted, received an award or recognition internally or externally? Please [email us](#) with information about their achievement.



OTHER NEWS



New Radio Program Tunes into Disability Issues

A new radio program hosted by Queenslanders with a physical disability will shed a new light on the challenges faced by people with special needs.

The specialised radio program was launched at USQ Springfield on 5 June, 2008 by its new presenters, Nikki Portland, Suzanne McGreevy and Mary Albury, who all have cerebral palsy.

Issues such as employment opportunities for people with a disability, the services available to people with a disability and communicating through the stigma of a disability will be all up for discussion.

The program will be broadcast via Springfield's USQ radio station Phoenix Radio.

USQ lecturer Ashley Jones initiated the community project to give people with disabilities a voice, working in conjunction with the Cerebral Palsy League of Queensland's Springfield Day and Community Access Service.

"Living with a physical disability throws up a multitude of unique challenges for thousands of Queenslanders," said Mr Pedro Guillen-Cordon, Manager of Springfield Day and Community Access Service.

"This new radio program gives a voice and an ear to those facing and overcoming these challenges on a daily basis.

"It also highlights that people with a disability have a wide range of useful skills and abilities to offer the community.

"We applaud USQ for this great community initiative that will also promote a greater appreciation of people with special needs," he said.

USQ Lecturer Ashley Jones said USQ is delighted to partner with the Cerebral Palsy League to provide a much needed resource for all disabilities to support the Ipswich community.

"The uniqueness of a community station is that it provides opportunities for programs such as this, that would not likely occur in more a more traditional radio setting," said Mr Jones.

The program will run weekly on a Friday at 1pm and can be accessed via USQ's fully digital radio station at www.usq.edu.au/phoenixradio.

In addition to the new radio program, Springfield Day and Community Access Service offers people with a disability a range of other programs, including art, computer skills, health and nutrition and other life skills.

Story & photo: Jo-Ann Sparrow



Learn from the best at McGregor Arts Retreat

Local art enthusiasts have an opportunity to learn from some of Australia's finest artists at the USQ's 21st annual McGregor Winter School.

The renowned retreat offers visual and creative arts classes in an intensive five-day setting from Monday, 30 June to Friday, 4 July 2008.

McGregor Schools Program Administrator Christine Matthews said spaces are available in five of the twelve classes on offer this winter.

"We still have places in a few of the oil painting classes, as well as watercolour, pastels and digital photography," Ms Matthews said.

"The dynamic pastels class with Louise Corke is ideal for the artist who wants to explore basic principles with a broader vision," she said.

Acclaimed Brisbane artist Margaret Fredrickson will teach the observational skills necessary for capturing the essence of a portrait, while award-winning Gold Coast artist Helen Beaver will explore the art of portraying mood in watercolours.

Local photographer Don Hildred will explain the next step in capturing digital images and explore the endless possibilities with Adobe Photoshop in his Digital Photography workshop.

Ms Matthews said the McGregor Winter School offers participants the opportunity to completely immerse themselves in a world of art.

"The school is a chance to increase your artistic skills and improve your knowledge while working with some of the country's best teachers.

"It is a time when art enthusiasts can meet like-minded people and escape their normal daily lives."

For further information about classes, call Christine or Liz on (07) 4631 2755 or visit the website www.usq.edu.au/mcgregor

Story: Jane Urquhart, Photo: Cindy Laine



Australia scoops the top prizes at the IMS Global Learning Impact Awards

The University of Southern Queensland has a far reaching impact no matter how indirectly.

IDEA 2007, a USQ, DEEWR and IMS supported event, saw the ten nominees for the regional finals of Learning Impact Awards whittled down to three. It is to their credit that these three Australian entrants were awarded the top prizes at the recent IMS Global Learning Consortium Learning Impact Conference held in Austin, Texas on 14 May 2008:

- Online Learning Environment from University of Wollongong was the winner of the top Platinum Award
- The Schools Online Curriculum Services (SOCS) WA DET won the top Gold Award; and,
- The Learning Federation learning objects and support services was voted the best Content System.

This is a prestigious global event and demonstrates that Australia is at the forefront of using standards to develop technology that improves the quality of learning.

The full list of 23 nominees from across the world can be found at:

<http://www.imsglobal.org/learningimpact2008/2008LIAnominees.html>



Story: Supplied, Photo: Elizabeth Bull



First West-Star Motors Twilight Visual Arts Seminar

International award-winning jeweller Rex Steele Merten and his twin, acclaimed sculptor Carl Conrad Merten, will present the first West-Star Motors Twilight Visual Arts Seminar at the University of Southern Queensland (USQ) on Wednesday 2 July 2008.

The twins will present the seminar during their time as tutors-in-residence at the 2008 USQ McGregor Winter School.

The creative process and artistic motivations will be the focus of Rex's presentation.

"Emphasis will be on creativity and the myriad of stimuli that trigger creative ideas and their resolution in the finished piece, whether it be two or three dimensional," Rex said.

"The influence of contemporary and even future technologies will be a part of my presentation," he said.

A jeweller for 53 years Rex is the only Australian craftsman jeweller to have won four Diamonds International Awards, considered the 'Oscars' of the international jewellery world.

With experience in designing and making a wide range of styles and objects from silver hollowware to diamond jewellery, Rex has lead regular master classes in design, drawing and rendering and practical technique.

Carl said seminar attendees will gain insight into the artistic process from an artists' perspective.

"Basically we will talk on how we practice our art – the people and things that influence us, development of ideas, philosophy, the pleasure of making art," he said.

A sculptor since 1960 Carl is recognised as an enthusiastic and inspirational tutor with experience as a sculptor, silversmith and metallic artist.

Carl has been commissioned to produce large sculptures for communities in various New South Wales (NSW) towns including Gunnedah and Armidale.

The conversational-style seminar will include question time and an opportunity for attendees to meet the artists and view their works up-close.

The hour-long seminar begins at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, 2 July 2008 in the USQ Arts Theatre, and will be followed with a meet-the-artists reception including light refreshment.

For further information and booking details, visit the website www.usq.edu.au/artsworx/2008season/2008weststartwilight/vatwilight.htm or contact the USQ Box Office on 07 4631 1111 or boxoffice@usq.edu.au

Story: Jane Urquhart, Photo: Supplied



USQ NOTICES



'Lecturer of the Year' competition open

Nominations are now open for Lecturer of the Year 2008! The Lecturer of the Year competition is the means by which University staff and students can show their appreciation of our University lecturers from all over Australia by nominating for their favourite lecturers of 2008. For more information visit www.lectureroftheyear.com.au.

COMING EVENTS



28 June [Western Corridor Summit, Springfield](#)

30 June – 4 July [McGregor Winter School, Toowoomba](#)

2 July [West-Star Motors Twilight Visual Arts Seminar, Toowoomba](#)

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OUT AND ABOUT



[Vice Chancellor's June cocktail reception](#)

Our roving photographers are on the loose. Whether you are at a conference, event or the launch of a new centre you could be snapped!



STAFF PROFILE



Alice Brown

What is your position and what does it involve? This is my 5th year at USQ as a Lecturer in Education (Specialising in Early Childhood and Health and Wellbeing). I am passionate about empowering children and educators to embrace and integrate physical activity and wellbeing moments into their day and have recently celebrated the release of my new book 'Kids with More Zip' (Landy & Brown, 2008 – available at USQ Bookstore). My PhD and BUILD supervisor keep on telling me to resist taking additional projects on and focus on my PhD, but I am continually caught between my addition to research and my enjoyment and belief in the value of sharing my passion and love for children and physical activity with the community, professionals and children. On a daily basis the students are what I wake up for. I believe that a major part of my role is to ensure that both external and on campus students feel they belong to a supportive community of practice and that collectively they are able to engage with each other and myself on a valuable learning journey.

Funniest moment at the University? I wouldn't say it was my funniest moment.....but one of my most joyful times was coordinating the USQ Children's Festival for the last few years where on a Saturday in mid May the Quadrangle came alive with the voices of lots of little people and their families celebrating life and the joy of uninhibited play. I continue to believe that this is an amazing place to work and the Quadrangle and Japanese Gardens are hubs that should be proactively shared with the community.

What is the most satisfying part of your job? I love the diversity of roles that we as educators have at USQ. One day passing out tissues to a student or scaffolding them academically from being a C student to a HD. Where one moment you can be talking to online students in Dubai and Malaysia, another day working with a rural community researching determinants of physical activity and maybe later on in the week collaborating with fellow researchers in a shared book project. When the weather is nice I often take the students out to the Japanese Gardens for their lecture or under a palm tree in the Palm court....oh yeah....and the coffees pretty great here too!

What is one thing no one else knows about you? As a birthday present every year.....I always ask for lots of plants a load of compost to put on my garden.....it keeps me busy for at least 4 weeks!

What is your ideal holiday location? Mmmmm I really want to trek through South America for a few months!



STUDENT PROFILE



Sara Reti

What are you studying? I'm doing a Bachelor of Business majoring in Human Resource Management and Tourism Management.

Why did you choose USQ? After finishing high school I worked full-time for a few years before starting my degree with USQ externally. I found it difficult to study part-time whilst working full-time, so I deferred uni for a few years. Then in 2007 I decided to pick up where I had left off and study full-time at USQ's new Springfield campus and have been there ever since.

What is a highlight from your time studying Bachelor of Business? We recently went on some field trips as part of the tourism courses. The first one was an ecotour to Daisy Hill Forest Park and Redlands Indigiscapes. We also went to Harrisville where I've never been there before. I really enjoyed the character and history of the little town. It was a good chance to talk to the owners of local businesses and learn more about their business and customers.

What are you going to do when you finish studying? I hope to have an exciting and rewarding career in either Human Resource or Tourism industries or both if I'm lucky!

If you could have dinner with any three people alive or dead who would they be? God, my grandmother and Jensen Ackles

NEWSMAKERS



Making headlines this fortnight: Clint Moloney from the Australian Centre for Rural and Remote Evidence Based Practice was on the airwaves discussing a mock clinical ward being set up to train nurses to use PDAs. PhD candidate Jill Kinnear was featured in the *Australian* newspaper talking about her *Diaspora* exhibition and ACSC postgraduate student Bob Hansen spoke to ABC's *Landline* in his role as Managing Director of the Peanut Company of Australia.

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PHOTOS



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