



Welcome to the October 2008 edition of LTSU Alert, produced by USQ's Learning and Teaching Support Unit (LTSU). The aim of LTSU Alert is to disseminate news, information and events relating to learning and teaching – both in Australia and internationally.

Australian Learning & Teaching Council (ALTC) news update

- The latest issue of Communicate can be downloaded from the website <www.altc.edu.au>
- ALTC Grants Scheme 2009: Applications instructions now available. Due date for Round 1 applications for Competitive Grants: 6 November 2008.
Website: <<http://www.ecu.edu.au/CLT/pd/grants/index.htm> >
- AeP Final Report: The Australian ePortfolio Project (AeP) team is pleased to advise that the Final Report for the project has been released. The AeP project was funded by the Australian Learning and Teaching Council (ALTC). The report is available at <<http://www.eportfolioppractice.qut.edu.au/information/report/> >

Australian Universities Quality Agency (AUQA)

- Audit Reports for Griffith University and Moore Theological College
A PDF or WORD version of the Audit Report can be downloaded from the AUQA Website. <<http://www.auqa.edu.au/qualityaudit/universities/>>
- The full proceedings of AUQF2008 have now been published and are available online at: <<http://www.auqa.edu.au/qualityenhancement/publications/occasional/publications/>>

HERDSA news

- Reviewers for HERDSA 2009 conference
Looking for reviewers for both abstracts and papers for the HERDSA 2009 conference which Charles Darwin University will host in July 2009. HERDSA are providing two opportunities for papers and abstracts to be submitted: 20 November, 2008 and 20 Feb, 2009. Papers and abstracts will be sent out at the beginning of December and March and will be due back by the 16th of those months. Reviewers will be asked to review 2 papers OR 10 abstracts. All reviews will be conducted via (an updated) MyReview. Contact Janet Sincock (janet.sincock@cdu.edu.au) for more information.
- The Higher Education 2020 Newsletter aims to keep the sector and stakeholders informed about the Australian Government's higher education policies and programs. The current issue includes news on the 2008 Indigenous Education Advisory Council Elders Awards, updates on the Review of Australian Higher Education and on the Review of the National Innovation System, and other key developments. The newsletter will continue to be published on a bimonthly basis. This issue and copies of previous issues are available online at:
<www.dest.gov.au/sectors/higher_education/publications_resources/2020_newsletter/default.htm>

- The Oxford Centre for Staff and Learning Development Online Course Programme 2008/9 offers tailored courses, workshops and consultancy which are run 'in-house' for a particular group, team or institution in the UK and overseas. This is especially beneficial where there is sufficient need for training or where you are promoting institutional change. For the full listing, details about the courses, and to book your place please go to www.brookes.ac.uk/services/ocslld/online/index.html
- For more information on these and other news items please visit the HERDSA website at <http://www.herdsa.org.au/>

Learning and Teaching Books, Journals and Other Resources

New Learning and Teaching Books

Curriculum : Foundations, Principles, and Issues

Ornstein, Allan C. Hunkins, Francis P. 2008. Allyn & Bacon Inc

A thorough exploration of the historical, philosophical, psychological, and social context for the field of curriculum, "Curriculum: Foundations, Principles, and Issues" addresses the curriculum process and issues that influence it and encourages... [\[more\]](#)

Expertise in Second Language Learning and Teaching

Johnson, Keith. 2008. Palgrave Macmillan

This is the first book to collect together work in the field of expertise in second language learning and teaching. It features topicality and originality: there is much current research and professional interest in expertise in learning and teaching... [\[more\]](#)

Preparing to teach in the lifelong learning sector

Gravells, Ann. 2008. Learning Matters. Revised ed. 3

This is a comprehensive, clear and accessible introductory text for those on teacher training courses within the Lifelong Learning sector. This new edition has been fully revised and updated. It now includes amended terminology and additional... [\[more\]](#)

Technology Enhanced Learning : Best Practices

Lytras, Miltiadis D. 2008. Information Science Publishing.

With the shift towards the knowledge society, the change of working conditions, and the high-speed evolution of information and communication technologies, peoples' knowledge and skills need continuous updating. Learning based on collaborative... [\[more\]](#)

The History of Higher Education

Lowe, Roy. 2008. Taylor & Francis Ltd

This new major Work is a five-volume collection in Routledge's "Major Themes in Education" series. It charts the history and development of higher education. Encompassing the period since 1760, the principal focus is on the late-eighteenth and... [\[more\]](#)

Learning and Teaching Journals

- The latest issue of the International Review of Research in Open and Distance Learning (IRRODL) is now online at <<http://www.irrodl.org>>.
- Calandra, B., Barron, A. & Thompson-Sellers, I. (2008). *Audio Use in E-Learning: What, Why, When, and How?* International Journal on E-Learning. 7 (4), pp. 589-601. <http://www.editlib.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=Reader.ViewAbstract&paper_id=24297>
- **Education & Information Technology Digital Library (EdITLib)**
The EdITLib Digital Library is a valuable online resource of peer-reviewed and published international journal articles and proceedings papers on the latest research, developments, and applications related to all aspects of Educational Technology and E-Learning. Website <<http://www.EdITLib.org>>

Other resources

- LearnHigher CETL website <www.learnhigher.ac.uk>
LearnHigher is committed to improving student learning through the provision of resources that support learning development.

Learning and Teaching Conferences & Seminars

Within Australia

ECULTURE 2008 Conference

5 November 2008

Centre for Learning and Teaching (CLT)

Edith Cowan University

Perth, Western Australia

Website <www.ecu.edu.au/conferences/eculture/>

Learning Leaders Symposium: TRANSFORM 2008

11-12 November 2008

Sydney, Australia

Website: <<http://www.learningfactor.com.au/transform>>

Peer Review of Teaching in Australian Higher Education - Colloquium

21 November, 2008

ICT Building, Barry St

University of Melbourne

Parkville, Victoria

This colloquium will demonstrate the potential benefits of peer review of teaching in Universities, while also examining the challenges and decision points for institutions choosing to promote peer review activities. Information and online registration at website <<http://www.cshe.unimelb.edu.au/research/protcolloquium.html>>

International Symposium: Disciplinarity, Knowledge and Language,

8-10 December 2008

University of Sydney.

Website: <http://www.asfla.org.au/dkl08/>

The 2nd Enhancing Student Success Conference

12 December 2008

Working Collaboratively with Students in Diverse University Environments

The conference will be held at The Central Coast Campus of The University of Newcastle, for more information and registration see the conference web page:

<<http://www.newcastle.edu.au/conference/enhancing-student-success/> >

18th Annual Teaching and Learning Forum 2009,

29-30 January 2009

Curtin University of Technology

Perth Western Australia.

Theme: "Teaching and learning for global graduates". Submission deadline for full papers:

24 October 2008. Website: <<http://lsn.curtin.edu.au/tlf2009/index.html>>

FYE – Curriculum Design Symposium

5-6 February 2009

Queensland University of Technology

Brisbane, Qld.

Hosted by ALTC Senior Fellow, Professor Sally Kift.

Website: <www.fyecd2009.qut.edu.au >

AeP2 Symposium

9-10 February 2009

QUT, Brisbane, Qld.

The AeP team is hoping to host a second Australian ePortfolio Symposium (AeP2). The AeP2 symposium will provide an opportunity to discuss the key issues associated with ePortfolio policy and practice in higher education.

Website: <<http://www.eportfolioppractice.qut.edu.au/> >

HERDSA 2009.

6-9 July 2009

Charles Darwin University.

Conference is now open for registration.

Website: <<http://conference.herdsa.org.au/2009/>>

Overseas

SoTL Commons Conference: An International Conference for the Scholarship of Teaching & Learning in higher education

11-13 March 2009

Georgia Southern University

Statesboro, Georgia, USA.

Website: <<http://academics.georgiasouthern.edu/ijstl/conference/2009/index.htm>>

Early registration is open and the new deadline for online submission of proposals is November 15, 2008.

6th annual symposium of the Learning Development in Higher Education Network (LDHEN) "The Challenge of Learning Development"

6-7 April 2009

Bournemouth University.

Website: www.aldinhe.ac.uk

This year's symposium theme offers an opportunity to engage with a range of debates about the nature and purposes of learning development.

Postgraduate Supervision: Research and Practice

27-30 April 2009

Stellenbosch, Western Cape, South Africa

Website: <<http://www.postgraduate2009.co.za/>>

The 61st Annual NAFSA Conference,

May 24-29 2009, Los Angeles, CA. Website: <www.nafsa.org/proposals>

Teaching, Learning and Scholarship Knowledge Community (TLS/KC). Theme: "Fostering Global Engagement through International Education." Submission deadline for posters:

Friday, November 14, 2008.

Second Global Studies Conference

30 May - 1 June 2009

Zayed University

Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Website: <<http://www.GlobalStudiesConference.com>>

2nd International PBL Symposium

10 -12 June 2009. The Centre for Educational Development at Republic Polytechnic (Singapore). Website: <www.rp.sg/symposium>

Theme: "What are we Learning about Learning?" Submission deadline for abstracts: 20 November 2008.

IMSCI 2009

The 3rd International Multi-Conference on Society, Cybernetics And Informatics
10-13 July 2009. Orlando, Florida, USA.

Website: <<http://www.2009iisconferences.org/IMSCI>>

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