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BUSINESS SCHOOL

From the Associate Dean (Research)



Update #5, 2024

Hi all,

Research Excellence Awards

We received 15 nominations for the Business School Research Excellence Awards. The process of assessing the nominations is underway. We also have two individual applications in the running for Excellence Awards at university level – one for a Research Medal and one for Research Impact.

Preparing for the next round of the Transdisciplinary Ideation Fund

The Business School will host an interfaculty collaboration and ideation workshop on 11 July to support researchers in meeting with colleagues across UoA and to consider proposals for the Transdisciplinary Ideation Fund (TIF) and/or other external funding rounds. Our Associate Deputy VC Research Prof Simon Holdaway will open the event, and recipients of earlier TIF grants will share what they have learned in the process of conducting [transdisciplinary research](#). A networking and ideation session will conclude the event. You can register for the workshop [here](#).

AI in research

The e-Research Governance Group (eRGG) was established in November 2023 at UoA to guide the best investment in e-research tools and training. The group is drafting two position papers – “AI in Research” and “Next AI advances”. They will be available in late June for consultation. An e-Research Strategy will be delivered by September. We will keep you updated on this initiative and when opportunities arise for providing feedback on the strategy and the policies.

From the Early Career Researchers Committee

Our recent PhD Job Market Sharing event received very positive feedback, so we consider making this an annual event. We are pleased to welcome Fan Zhang, a postdoc in the Department of Economics, as the postdoc representative on the ECR Committee. Finally, we are looking forward to our ECR writing retreat 12–13 October at Castaways (registration details to follow).

Aotearoa Business and Economics Research Translation Competition 2024

This year’s national Research Translation Competition is being organised by the University of Canterbury Business School. All eight Business Schools in NZ have confirmed their participation. The idea is to convey and showcase business and economics research that is useful for policymakers, businesspeople, and our wider communities. Colleagues with a research component in their contract and Professional Teaching Fellows are invited to take one (or more!) of their journal articles from the last three years, re-write it in 750 words eliminating abstract language, inaccessible jargon, overwhelming acronyms, and instead, communicate it in digestible and attractive manner to non-academics. The submission deadline is 31 July, 5 pm. You can find all details on [the Competition website](#). For queries, please email [UC Research Manager Dr Liz Liu](#).

Hood Fellowships

This scheme funds distinguished overseas academics to visit UoA and our distinguished scholars to travel outside New Zealand to build stronger international networks. Four awards of \$15,000 to \$25,000 are made each year, and the fellowship must be completed in 2025. Guidelines and application forms can be found [here](#); [Sharissa Naidoo](#) can answer questions about the fund. The deadline for applications is 30 June 2024. [Juan Rodriguez](#) can assist with the submission process.

International Central Networks and Partnerships Grants 2024

These grants assist staff in accessing collaboration opportunities with members of the Association of Pacific Rim Universities (APRU),

Universitas 21 (U21), the Worldwide Universities Network (WUN), and other strategic partners. Grants can support long haul travel to attend network-branded events and activities with strategic partners and short haul travel to visit network and strategic partners. Details and the application form can be found [here](#), including a list of [network and strategic partner Universities](#). The submission deadline is 28 June 2024.

ResBaz Aotearoa 2024, 8-12 July

ResBaz is a free online research workforce development event for the Aotearoa research community. It is hosted by our university, in collaboration with other NZ research institutions. Last year 1500 individuals made 5000+ session registrations. One can register [here](#). The [ResBaz Aotearoa programme](#) includes 45 workshops covering a wide range of topics, including:

- Programming languages – Python, R, command line, Rust, & Julia
- Research data management, data management planning, REDCap, Qualtrics, NVIVO, & OpenRefine
- Māori Data Sovereignty, Trusted Research, cybersecurity, impact, and Open Access
- Transcription using digital tools, APIs, and tools for reproducibility
- Career planning, poster design, and graphic abstracts
- Research compute options

Other upcoming research events and deadlines

12 June, 12.30–2 pm: [Writing for The Conversation](#). Decima Glenn; sign up and details [here](#)

19 June: EOI's due for [BRANZ Building Research Levy](#) funding.

4–5 July: Applications close for the free [Media SAVVY Workshops for Māori Researchers](#) in Auckland

9 July: Deadline for [RSNZ Catalyst Seeding Grants](#) – various opportunities up to \$80k for up to 2 years.

11 July, 1–4 pm: OGGB 260-325: Interfaculty networking and ideation for transdisciplinary research. Register [here](#)

12 July: Applications close for the August [Researcher Hatchery](#)

16 July: Deadline for [RSNZ Aotearoa New Zealand Tāwhia te Mana Research Fellowships](#) – 3 different fellowship opportunities for researchers at different career stages providing funding of \$220k to \$1.16million for 2 – 4 years.

31 July, 1–2 pm: UABS Book Celebration, Level 4 Social Bridge

31 July, 5 pm: Aotearoa Business and Economics Research Translation Competition 2024 submissions close

28–30 August: Mid-Career Researchers Writing Retreat

16 September: Annual ECR Symposium, Decima Glenn

18 September: Cohort 2 in the Mid-career Researchers Development Programme starts with a 3-day off-site retreat

25 September, 2.30–3.30 pm: Research Impact Competition prize-giving ceremony, Decima Glenn

2–4 October: Qualitative Paper Development Workshop. [Register your interest here](#).

25 October: Aotearoa Business and Economics Research Translation Competition 2024 award celebration, Christchurch

Did you know?

If the statistical data you need is not publicly available from Statistics New Zealand, you may be able to use the [Customised Data Service](#). Our university has an annual allocation of hours for requests from staff and students. This applies to all datasets produced by Statistics New Zealand.

Here is an [article on peer review reports and their size](#). This [blog](#) titled “The best review reports are at least 947 words” summarises the key points of the article.

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This Update is intended to keep University of Auckland Business School staff informed about research developments, news, events, and funding opportunities. The Update has been issued since 2018. You can view editions from 2023 onwards on the [Research section of the Business School internet pages](#).