



18 December 2018



Acting Vice-Chancellor's message

As we head towards the end of the year, I thank all staff for their wonderful contributions to the University in what has been a very significant year.

I'm pleased that with the recent announcements of NHMRC and ARC funding many of our research staff and their teams now have some certainty for 2019 and beyond.

There is also good news for a number of staff in our academic promotions round, and I congratulate everyone who has secured promotion this year – the full list of names can be found on the [Academic Promotions webpage](#).



The University's promotions process recognises and rewards evidence of outstanding leadership and consistently high levels of performance. These academic staff have made, and will continue to make, substantial contributions to their disciplines, Schools, and Faculties, and to the community. Please join me in congratulating them.

No doubt 2019 will be an incredibly important year for our University as we adopt a new strategy and go on to achieve greater successes. In the meantime, I wish all staff a very safe and happy festive season with family and friends.

Professor Mike Brooks
Acting Vice-Chancellor and President

Achievements

Professor Andre Luiten (Director, Institute for Photonics and Advanced Sensing) has been awarded the 2018 Australian Institute of Physics (AIP) Alan Walsh Medal for Service to Industry. This medal recognises Professor Luiten for his outstanding research in photonics and optics and for his exceptional leadership in commercialising breakthrough research to support industry needs. The medal was presented at the 23rd AIP Congress held in Perth last week.



Professor Derek Abbott (School of Electrical and Electronic Engineering) has won the 2019 M A Sargent Medal, awarded by [Engineers Australia](#). It was awarded for Professor Abbott's significant contributions to science and engineering, including technical innovation and leadership, particularly for his pioneering research into terahertz radiation.



Clinical Associate Professor Andrew Kurmis (Adelaide Medical School) has been selected as the 2018 Australian Orthopaedic Association Trans-Tasman Fellow. He will represent Australia as the nominated envoy to the New Zealand Orthopaedic Association (NZOA).



Notice board

Strategic Plan consultation – virtual session

A virtual session for staff who haven't been able to join us face-to-face will be held Wednesday 19 December, 2–3 pm. To assist with meaningful engagement, places for the virtual session are limited. You can join the session [here](#). Before joining in, please watch Professor Pascale Quester's overview, and read the draft document [here](#). The University will also be launching an online-based consultation platform on Wednesday – more details to come via staff email. This platform will remain open until 17 January 2019.

Uni of Adelaide RCC Fringe Membership Program

The RCC Fringe is coming to campus, and it's bringing to all staff an exclusive benefits package. Special offers are now available, including 50% discount to all events that will run in Bonython Hall and Elder Hall for the whole season. [Sign up](#) now to receive your discount codes, and also further news and other offers as we get closer to the 2019 Fringe season.



Infrastructure Operations Update – RCC Fringe

An event management team based in the Infrastructure Branch has been established to work with the RCC Fringe and University stakeholders. Subscribe to the fortnightly Operations Update. [Further information.](#)



Staff News Christmas closure

This is the last issue of Staff News for 2018. The first issue of Staff News for 2019 will be on Monday 4 February, with a deadline of Wednesday 30 January, 5 pm.

Updated University ID cards

University identification cards now have a refreshed look. This will be rolled out for students, staff and visitors who require a new card. [Further information.](#)

Adelaide Festival – volunteering opportunity

University of Adelaide staff who would like to volunteer with the Adelaide Festival for 2019 are asked to register their interest by 31 December 2018. [Further information.](#) Full details of benefits for staff, students and alumni for the Adelaide Festival can be found [here](#).



Save the Date – Communities of Practice Symposium

Interested in joining a [UoA Community of Practice](#) in 2019? Save the date for the first annual CoP Symposium on Tuesday 12 February, to hear about 2018 achievements and 2019 plans, and meet with members in a series of informal workshops. Registrations will open in January.

Future Directions Discussion Paper

Have your say on future directions for learning, teaching and assessment and the University of Adelaide. The deadline to provide input the future directions discussion paper has been extended until 14 January 2019. [Read the paper and provide feedback here.](#)

Australian String Quartet (ASQ): Christmas special

University staff can purchase two adult subscriptions for the price of one, for the ASQ's [2019 national season](#). Including three stellar concerts, purchase two subscriptions for \$216 (+booking fee). Valid until 21 December in Adelaide (and for other mainland capital cities). Call 8313 3261 and quote 'UofA subscription offer'.



Finance and travel approvals

If you usually approve (or code) financial transactions or travel, please ensure that you have reassigned your approvals while on leave over the Christmas period. [Further information.](#)

Adelaide Microscopy equipment booking

Adelaide Microscopy is implementing a new equipment booking system from 1 January 2019. The new web-based tool replaces Calcium and aims to streamline and improve equipment booking, charging and reporting processes. [Further information.](#)

Gawler Place Medical Practice

With the end of the academic year fast approaching, take some time for yourself to support your health and wellbeing. The practice is open until 4 pm on

Monday 24 December and reopens Wednesday 2 January. The practice offers many services including skin cancer screening, health checks and travel medicine. [Further information](#).

Post office Christmas closure

The University post office will close on Friday 21 December, 2 pm and reopen on Wednesday 2 January, 9 am. Please note that the post shop will not be open on 24 December.

Fitness Hub bootcamp over summer

A summer bootcamp will be on offer each Monday and Wednesday, 14 January to 20 February. [Further information](#) or phone 8313 6999.



Mental Health First Aid Training

Book now for a two-day training program on 21 and 22 January, available at a reduced cost of \$200. For further information look under [Mental Health First Aid Course](#) or email [Jillian Allen](#) in Student Life.

Executive Education short courses

New: *Negotiation for Researchers* (date TBC – [register](#) your interest).

Leading and Managing People (30 and 31 January).

Systems Thinking with presenter Barry V Bales from University of Austin, Texas (11 and 12 February).

Project Management (20 and 21 February).

Register now to develop your career in the New Year.

[Further information](#) and [registration](#).

Course Readings for Semester 1

A Course Readings button is now visible in all MyUni courses. For Semester 1, build your reading list and let the Library handle purchases, moves to the High Use Collection and copyright compliance. Electronic materials will be available immediately. [Further information](#), course readings@adelaide.edu.au or call extension 32963.

Closure of the Image and Copy Centre

The University Image and Copy Centre will be closed down permanently at the end of 2018, with the final

day of operation being Wed 19 December. High volume printing of exams and course readers will be outsourced in 2019 and a tender process is currently underway for a commercial supplier to provide this service. Students and staff doing basic copying and printing will still be able to use some facilities on campus. Contact icc@adelaide.edu.au for further information.

Analysing the software system of life

Bioinformaticians and non-computational researchers now have the Genomics Repository to aid research analysis without specialist data processing knowledge. The new software system is capable of safely storing extremely large and complex sets of data and running workflows through the Phoenix High Performance Computer system. [Further information.](#)

Update to Project Creation Form – Finance and Procurement

The [project creation form](#) has been updated to enable the implementation of a Robotic Process Automation (RPA) solution. Project Requesters should continue to use existing project creation processes and seek advice from their Faculty / Division Finance Team if required. [Further information.](#)

IBP-R relaunches as iCaRST in 2019

Following an extensive review, the Integrated Bridging Program – Research (IBP-R) will relaunch in 2019 with a new structure and name as the International Career and Research Skills Training (iCaRST) program. iCaRST will continue to support international HDR students in their first 4-6 months of candidature but the revised program will now feature increased flexibility, greater transparency, and improved integration with CaRST. The redesign also includes expanded access to iCaRST training with lectures open to all HDRs through CaRST. [Further information.](#)

Grid Transformation Professional Development Seminar

A two-day professional development seminar has been organised for April 2019 on microgrid and battery storage technologies. This is a technical seminar intended for: microgrid developers; design engineers; distribution network planning engineers; managers and decision makers; consultants; educators and graduate students. [Further information.](#)



Events

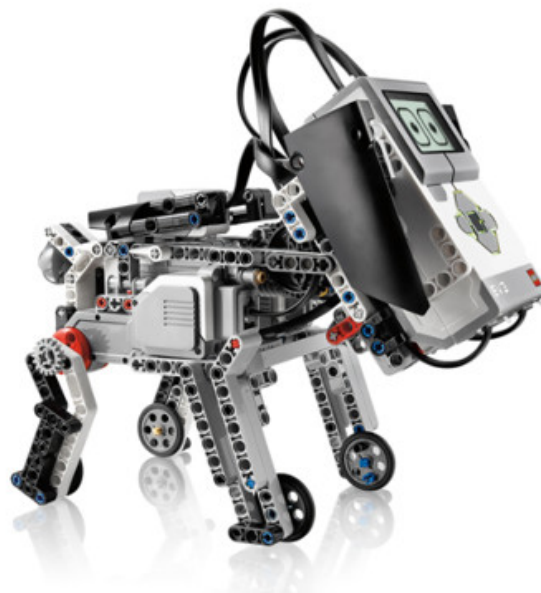
Please remember to email your events, lectures and seminars to [Staff News](#).

Sports Cardiology and Heart Health Symposium

The Centre for Heart Rhythm Disorders at the University of Adelaide will be hosting the Adelaide Sports Cardiology and Heart Health Symposium, *Exploring the Athlete's Heart*. Saturday 12 January 2019, 1.30–4.30 pm. SAHMRI. [Registration](#). [Further information](#).

RoboHobby Summer Code Camp 2019

The ECMS Faculty will host the RoboHobby Summer Code Camp in January. The camp is an educational opportunity for children aged 10–14 with an aptitude and enthusiasm for robotics, programming and engineering projects. To receive 5% discount use the promo code: UNISTAFF. 14-21 January 2019. Ingkarni Wardli, North Terrace campus. [Further information](#).



Northern Lights concert

Hosted by the Adelaide University Choral Society, the Australian Intervarsity Festival comes to Adelaide in

January 2019. The Festival will culminate in the spectacular 'Northern Lights' concert at St Peter's Cathedral on Saturday 19 January, and will feature the Australian premiere of Kim Andre Arnesen's Grammy-nominated *Magnificat*. [Tickets](#).

Policies and reviews

Academic Credit Arrangements Policy

The revised [Academic Credit Arrangements Policy](#) was approved on 14 December and becomes effective from 1 January 2019. Please contact [Learning Quality Support](#) for assistance.

Corporate Credit Card Procedure

The revised Corporate Credit Card Procedure was recently approved and is available on the [Finance and Procurement website](#).

Health, Safety and Wellbeing Chapter – Noise and Sound Safety Management (V2.0)

Feedback is being sought from the University community on the draft version of the chapter. Any comments may be submitted via the [draft policies page](#) before Monday 28 January, 5 pm.

Fraud and Corruption Control Policy

The revised *Fraud and Corruption Control Policy* was recently approved by University Council and is now available on the [Policies website](#). Fraud and corruption control is everyone's responsibility – prevent, detect or report all wrongdoing. Learn more on the [Legal and Risk website](#) or complete the [online induction](#).

Job opportunities

CURRENTLY AVAILABLE POSITIONS

INTERNAL POSITIONS



Staff News deadline

The deadline for submissions to Staff News is each Wednesday at 5 pm. See the [Staff News website](#) for our submission guidelines. Please see the [form](#) for submitting content.

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