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2022 Annual Report

SIR ROLAND WILSON FOUNDATION

The Australian National University acknowledges, celebrates and pays our respects to the Ngunnawal and Ngambri people of the Canberra region and to all First Nations Australians on whose traditional lands we meet and work, and whose cultures are among the oldest continuing cultures in human history.

Front cover: Sir Roland Wilson and Pat Turner scholars
at the 2022 Scholar Symposium





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SIR ROLAND WILSON

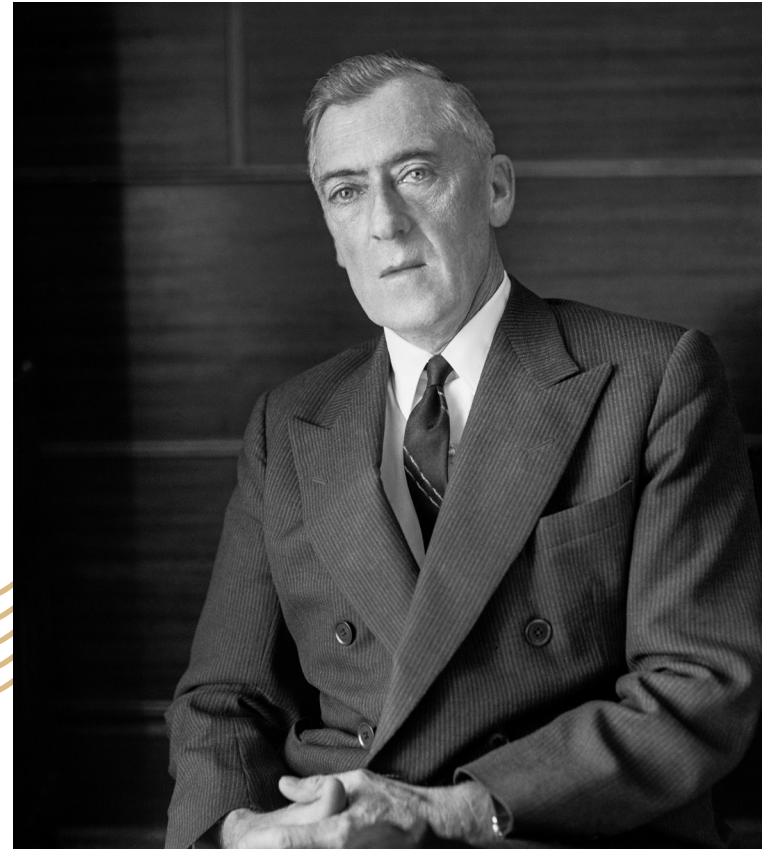
1904–1996

Sir Roland Wilson was an economist and acclaimed academic who had a remarkable career as a public servant. Born in 1904, Wilson was the first Rhodes Scholar from Tasmania. He completed two PhDs, one at University of Oxford and one at University of Chicago.

After a short academic career, Wilson joined the public service in 1932 and was quickly appointed Commonwealth Statistician. He then served as founding Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service where he coordinated Australia's economic approach to World War II.

In 1951, he was appointed Secretary of the Treasury – he remains Australia's longest serving Treasury Secretary, with almost 16 years of service. He was remembered in this role as an intellectual force, giving expert advice that shaped economic policy.

After retiring from the public service, Wilson was Chairman on the boards of Commonwealth Bank and Qantas Airways. In recognition of his outstanding contribution to public service, Wilson was appointed a Commander of the British Empire (CBE) in 1941; a Knight Bachelor in 1955; and, a Knight Commander of the British Empire (KBE) in 1965.



WHO WE ARE



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AUSTRALIA



Australian Government

The Sir Roland Wilson Foundation is a partnership between The Australian National University (ANU), Charles Darwin University (CDU) and the Australian Public Service (APS).

Honouring the legacy of Sir Roland Wilson, we build research and leadership capability in the APS and embed connections between policymaking and academia through postgraduate scholarships.

The Sir Roland Wilson scholarship is a three-year, full pay scholarship for PhD research at ANU for high performing EL1 and EL2 APS employees.

The Sir Roland Wilson Pat Turner Scholarship is a one-to-three-year, full pay scholarship for any level of postgraduate study at ANU or CDU for high performing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander APS 4 to SES Band 1 APS employees.



2022 commencing scholars with ANU Vice-Chancellor and Sir Roland Wilson Foundation Chair.

(left to right) Professor Brian P. Schmidt AC FAA FRS, Natalie Bryant, Nikolai Drahos, Genna Lehman, Kate Pennington, Timothy Holt, Dr Martin Parkinson AC PSM, Cecilia Karmel, James Gaetani and Lyndon Ang.

HIGHLIGHTS

75 scholarships awarded to date	
SIR ROLAND WILSON SCHOLARSHIP	SIR ROLAND WILSON PAT TURNER SCHOLARSHIP
9 Scholars commencing in 2023	2 Scholars commencing in 2023
27 Current scholars	9 Current scholars
18 Alumni	10 Alumni
18 Australian Public Service agencies	12 Australian Public Service agencies
20 Research schools	7 Research schools

Current as of 4 January 2023.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dr Martin Parkinson AC PSM

Sir Roland Wilson Foundation Chair

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ANU Representative

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ANU Representative

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Charles Darwin University

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ANU College of Law

ANU Representative

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



DR MARTIN PARKINSON AC PSM

Chair

Sir Roland Wilson Foundation

In 2022, Australia elected a new government with a clear agenda to position the nation to tackle the increasingly complex challenges we face.

Two crucial elements of the government's agenda are to rebuild trust in the public sector and to ensure the voices of First Nations Australians inform every aspect of policy. What better way to do this than to use expertise and evidence as the foundations of policy and programs? Sir Roland Wilson and Pat Turner scholars and alumni are perfectly placed to help lead the way.

The Foundation and our partners at ANU and CDU support the APS as it develops policy, implements programs and delivers services, founded on data and evidence, that help the government address contemporary challenges especially in the face of global uncertainty. Our scholars' research on topics of key interest to the government and the APS, and the investment being made in knowledge, capability and leadership will have enduring benefits over the years ahead.

Now in my second year as Chair, I continue to be impressed by the quality of the activities and programs the Foundation is providing to support the APS and to strengthen the links between the academy and the public sector. This truly is a joint effort and I am grateful for the ongoing support of our partners as we deliver on our shared vision.

After the last two years of disruption caused by COVID-19, 2022 brought a welcome opportunity for scholars and alumni to reconnect with each other and the wider community. It was a year of learning and reflection on both the transitory and permanent changes in how we study and work.

In 2022, the Foundation welcomed eight new Sir Roland Wilson and Pat Turner scholars. This brought our community to a total of 64 scholars and alumni from across 21 agencies, reflecting the continued deepening and broadening of our reach across the APS.

At the March Board meeting, we farewelled one of our longest-serving Board members, Ted Crook. As the Sir Roland Wilson family representative, Ted served on the Board for over twenty years. He played a key role in the establishment of the Foundation and the Sir Roland Wilson Scholarship program. We owe him a huge debt of gratitude for his untiring focus on commemorating Sir Roland, culminating in the unveiling of Sir Roland Wilson Place in the Treasury Courtyard in July 2022. The Board is deeply grateful to Ted for his long and dedicated service.

The Foundation continues to provide guidance and support to scholars as they manage the ongoing challenges of COVID-19, and enrichment activities to build scholars' research and professional skills.

This year, we were pleased to hold our two signature events for scholars in person: the Scholar Symposium in July and the Pat Turner Scholar Forum in September. We were honoured to welcome the Treasurer, the Hon Jim Chalmers MP, to the Scholar Symposium as our keynote speaker.

The Foundation continues to proudly promote First Nations' knowledge and culture. In 2022, we increased First Nations' voices in our activities and programs, recognising the important role that First Nations people play in our history and our future.

In particular, I was pleased the Foundation could support three Pat Turner scholars to travel to Darwin to attend CDU's inaugural Engaging Governance workshop in October.

As our scholar and alumni numbers continue to grow, so too does their network of influence and contribution to the nation – delivering on the Foundation's vision and purpose. I'm particularly pleased to see more scholars winning promotions, as well as increased opportunities for two-way learning and to embed knowledge and expertise.

The Foundation is committed to building on these achievements. We look forward to our scholar and alumni communities being at the forefront of the ambitious APS reform agenda, and to contributing to key policy priorities such as the National Agreement on Closing the Gap and Australia's response to climate change.

I extend my thanks to the entire Board for their dedication and contributions; we are lucky to have you all. Particular thanks goes to Sally-Anne and her fabulous, dedicated and committed team, for another year's strong progress against the Foundation objectives.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



SALLY-ANNE HENFRY

Executive Director
Sir Roland Wilson Foundation

In 2022, we welcomed the reopening of campuses and workplaces and opportunities to reconnect with each other.

Sir Roland Wilson and Pat Turner scholars made up for time lost to COVID-19. With the easing of travel restrictions and increased access to universities, laboratories and colleagues, scholars undertook their academic pursuits with renewed vigour, delivering impactful contributions to academia and the APS.

The Foundation continues to advance our agenda, launching a series of new alumni initiatives this year to help alumni stay connected with us and each other, and to build the alumni network.

In April, we hosted our second Alumni Networking Reception, with Professor Helen Sullivan delivering the keynote address. The event coincided with the publication of our *2022 Alumni Impact Report*, showcasing the diverse ways in which our alumni are contributing to improving evidence-informed policy outcomes.

Over 20 and 21 July, the Foundation hosted the Scholar Symposium on campus at ANU, with speakers from across academia and the APS. Topics included co-design, leadership and APS reform. It was wonderful to have the Treasurer the Hon Dr Jim Chalmers MP, open the symposium as keynote speaker. He spoke about the economic challenges facing the nation as we recover from the pandemic and the importance of building national capability, particularly in the APS.

On 16 September, the Foundation hosted the annual Pat Turner Scholar Forum. Seeing all of the Pat Turner scholars together was a reminder of the cohort's powerful contribution to diverse and inclusive policymaking.

An independent evaluation conducted earlier this year highlighted the important contribution of the Pat Turner Scholarship to building intellectual capital, two-way learning, and to addressing the gap in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leadership across the APS and academia.

In November, we welcomed Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs, the Hon Tim Watts MP, as our keynote speaker for the annual Wilson Dialogue. Assistant Minister Watts was joined by Zoe Daniel MP and the Lowy Institute's Susannah Patton for a wide-ranging discussion on the complex challenges facing our region and the important role of diplomacy in shaping the world in which we want to live.

As I reflect on the past year, I am exceptionally grateful for the continuing support of our partners, our dedicated Chair, Dr Martin Parkinson AC PSM, and the incredibly hard work of my team and our scholars and alumni.

I congratulate our 2022 Prize winners: Dr Melanie Broder, Anthony Cowley, Genna Lehman, Tristram Sainsbury and Tim Watson. All of our scholars achieved excellence in their academic work and have demonstrated the benefits of a genuinely supportive, connected community.

With another successful year for our scholars and alumni, I look forward to working with our partners to build on these achievements over the coming years.



“We need you now more than ever. We need all of your effort and energy and talent. All your ideas and experiences and expertise.”

The Hon Dr Jim Chalmers MP
Treasurer

IMPACT

Sir Roland Wilson and Pat Turner scholars return to their agencies with important academic connections and expertise in research, ready for successful leadership in the public service



MAKING NEW CONNECTIONS

Kayannie Denigan is putting her new knowledge of public policy into practice after completing a Master of Public Policy at ANU.

The Sir Roland Wilson Pat Turner alumna returned to the workforce in mid-2022 as a ministerial advisor.

Kayannie is Anangu Luritja with strong family and cultural ties to Bagarmuguwarra and Kuku Yalanji Bama of Cape York.

Prior to her scholarship, Kayannie had mixed experiences with university. After finishing high school, she enrolled in an undergraduate degree in political science and history, but found that it wasn't for her at the time. However subsequent work experience and an interest in career progression helped to renew her interest in study.

"Living in Cairns, there were a limited number of jobs. In order to be competitive, I found I needed to have a university qualification," Kayannie said.

Some years after her initial experience, Kayannie returned to university to study history and Aboriginal studies. She discovered her passion for learning.

"Learning is amazing. Studying gives you new content, ways to think and to talk to people. It helps you make new connections."

Kayannie is currently on leave from the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts, where she managed policy, operations and heritage responsibilities in Australian territories.

The Master of Public Policy covers foundations and evidence in public policy, public sector management, an introduction to economics and policy research. Kayannie also undertook electives in public sector ethics and Indigenous governance.

"I applied for the scholarship to do a Master of Public Policy because I felt it would help me tackle some of the challenges faced by the APS.

"Back at work now, I have a new toolkit to help me address these challenges. Every day I draw upon the skills I developed while on scholarship," Kayannie said.

In addition to her studies and work, Kayannie is a dedicated and talented artist. Her artwork below depicts the many connections of and between Sir Roland Wilson Pat Turner scholars.

Binaal gurralla, a digital painting by Kayannie Denigan, represents the connections Sir Roland Wilson Pat Turner scholars have with their communities, workplaces and universities. The title is from the Guugu Yimithirr language of Cape York. *Binaal* means knowing or learning and *gurralla* means telling or thinking.

The artwork recognises the dual roles that scholars have, both as learners and as teachers. Through the scholarship, they are able to gain knowledge in their chosen field to take back to their workplaces but also to their communities. As leaders, scholars share this knowledge to influence the work of their agencies and to benefit the broader APS.



BENCHMARKING GREEN BANK PERFORMANCE

Chell Lyons is developing an international performance benchmarking framework for green banks as part of her PhD research at ANU.

A Sir Roland Wilson scholar from the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, Chell is investigating the role green banks can play in accelerating sustainable investments.

“In recent years, achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement has shifted from being primarily a question of technological capability, to one of effective investment,” Chell explains.

The Paris Agreement, a 2015 international treaty on climate change, aims to limit global warming to well below two degrees Celsius, compared to pre-industrial levels.

“To achieve the goals of the Paris Agreement, it is estimated hundreds of trillions of dollars will need to be invested globally by 2050.

“We need to rapidly accelerate investment to mitigate and adapt to climate change. The next decade will be critical in making sure the Paris Agreement succeeds.”

This is where green banks can help.

A green investment bank is a public entity established specifically to facilitate private investment into domestic low-carbon, climate-resilient infrastructure.

Australia’s green bank, the Clean Energy Finance Corporation (CEFC), was founded in 2012 and is now the biggest in the world.

“The CEFC specialises in providing concessional finance to private companies which are unable to secure commercial funding – often due to the newness of technology and the limited availability of prior data on which to base risk analyses. The CEFC offers lower interest rates, longer loan terms and income-contingent repayments.

“The model for the CEFC has worked really well in Australia. As part of my research I’ll be looking into whether a similar model can be deployed elsewhere, possibly in Southeast Asia.”

Through her research, Chell also aims to develop a performance benchmarking framework for green banks around the world.

“Tracking the effectiveness of the investments that green banks make is quite complex. I hope to find a way to adequately capture the value of the non-monetary benefits of public investments in the transition to net zero emissions,” Chell said.



SUPPORTING TRADITIONAL DECISION-MAKING

Sir Roland Wilson scholar James Gaetani is investigating how Australia's public law framework supports traditional decision-making in Indigenous entities.

James is a Special Counsel from the National Indigenous Australians Agency and commenced his Sir Roland Wilson scholarship in 2022.

Several Australian laws require groups of Indigenous peoples, such as native title holders and traditional owners of Aboriginal land, to make particular decisions in accordance with traditional processes (where they exist).

These groups often manage, or are custodians for, significant interests – including large areas of land – which can considerably contribute to the advancement of Indigenous peoples.

“Often, government bodies or the courts will need to determine whether a traditional decision-making process has been followed. To do this, Australia's public law framework has to understand the application of traditional laws and customs in these circumstances” James explains.

Through his PhD research, James will map and evaluate how well, the Australian public law framework understands traditional decision-making.

He will also examine how some comparable overseas legal systems seek to understand the application of traditional or customary law in their respective jurisdictions and explore whether any strategies could be adopted in Australia.

“By investigating how the Australian legal system can better understand traditional laws and customs, particularly where they are central to the governance of Indigenous entities or groups, I believe my research has the potential to transform how the public sector supports entities or groups that drive Indigenous advancement.”

By providing scholarships to high-performing public servants such as James, the Sir Roland Wilson Foundation supports research of national significance, with the potential to improve the lives of all Australians.



SIR ROLAND WILSON PAT TURNER SCHOLARSHIP

It has been a big year for the Pat Turner Scholarship program, with plenty to celebrate. Most notably, four Pat Turner scholars completed coursework programs and joined our alumni community.

Each time the scholars gather, I'm reminded of how far we have come since the early days of the scholarship program. I am filled with pride when I see scholar and alumni contributions to their agencies and beyond – helping us to realise positive change across the APS.

At the outset of the 2022 academic year, Pat Turner AM welcomed new scholars at a lunch held on campus. Pat spoke about the importance of collaboration for delivering on the commitments in the National Agreement on Closing the Gap. Her comments resonated widely, with collaboration between strategic partners also key to the Foundation's success.



*Anthony Cowley
Pat Turner Prize (Research)*



*Genna Lehman
Pat Turner Prize (Coursework)*

This year we hosted two professional development masterclasses for Pat Turner scholars. To help scholars prepare to return to their agencies, the tailored sessions covered resume writing and interview techniques. Given over half the cohort has been promoted during their scholarship or post-return, I'd like to think that the additional professional development provided by the Foundation is contributing to their success.

The third annual Pat Turner Scholar Forum, held in September, was our liveliest and most engaging yet. We were delighted to hear from the Hon Linda Burney MP, Minister for Indigenous Australians, on the important role of the APS in helping the government deliver on its priorities. What made this year's forum extra special was having a number of alumni generously contribute recent experiences from their workplaces. The Pat Turner cohort is truly becoming an influential network across the APS.

An independent evaluation conducted early this year concluded the Pat Turner Scholarship program is meeting its objectives of providing opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander APS employees to complete post-graduate qualifications, strengthen their skills and networks and provide support for career progression. As such, we were thrilled the ANU and the APS have signed a new agreement to extend the Pat Turner scholarship program for a further five and a half years from July 2023. This agreement is testament to our shared commitment to increasing the number of First Nations leaders within the APS.

Through our partnership with CDU, the Foundation supported three Pat Turner scholars to participate in 'Engaging Governance', a week-long program on First Nations governance and diplomacy on campus in Darwin in October. The program fosters deep personal and professional understanding for participants as researchers and as First Nations public servants. Led by Yolgnu researchers and members of the Ground Up research team at CDU, they explored key concepts of Yolgnu ways of governance and research. The Foundation aims to offer this program annually.

I offer my congratulations to the Pat Turner prize winners for 2022; Anthony Cowley (Research) and Genna Lehman (Coursework). Every scholar achieved outstanding results this year and I'm proud of you all.

Building the pipeline of Pat Turner scholars and supporting the development of more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander APS leaders will be critical to our ongoing success. The Foundation welcomes the genuine engagement from all program partners which is essential to achieve this goal.

Finally, I thank my colleagues on the Pat Turner Scholarship Advisory Group and at the ANU First Nations Portfolio for their unwavering commitment and support throughout the year.

Professor Anne Martin AM

Chair

Pat Turner Scholarship Advisory Group



Sir Roland Wilson Pat Turner scholars and alumni at the 2022 Pat Turner Scholar Forum with Professor Anne Martin AM and Professor Ruth Wallace.

"My favourite part about being a scholar is the people, whether they are my Sir Roland Wilson peers, lecturers, MBA colleagues, professors, Foundation staff or guest speakers, I have learnt something from each person that I have met."

Carlyn Waters

Sir Roland Wilson Pat Turner alumna

SCHOLARS



Lyndon Ang
(2022)

Australian Bureau of
Statistics

ANU Research School of
Finance, Actuarial Studies
and Statistics

Research title:
Filling in the blanks: Methods
to maximise the value of
administrative and big data for
producing statistics



Natalie Bryant
(2022)

Independent Hospital
Pricing Authority

ANU Centre for Aboriginal
Economic Policy Research

Research title:
The curious case of the National
Aboriginal and Torres Strait
Islander Health Authority:
Investigating the absence of
reforms to facilitate Indigenous
self-determination in Australia's
hospital system



Lisa Conway
(2020)

Services Australia

ANU Crawford School of
Public Policy

Research title:
Improving decision making in
the Australian Public Service:
towards culturally responsive
policy



Martine Cosgrove
(2014)

Department of Defence

ANU National Centre
for Epidemiology and
Population Health

Research title:
Ecological perspectives on
strategic military mental health
policy



**Anthony Cowley
(2019)**

Department of Social
Services

College of Indigenous
Futures
Charles Darwin University

Research title:
Beyond consultation: co-design
as a process for redefining
success for Indigenous
communities



**Lee-Anne Daffy
(2020)**

Services Australia

College of Indigenous
Futures
Charles Darwin University

Research title:
Hearing the whispers of
many: truth telling journeys of
Aboriginal Australian women
employed by the Australian
Public Service through entry
level programs



**Nikolai Drahos
(2022)**

Department of Climate
Change, Energy, the
Environment and Water

ANU School of Regulation
and Global Governance

Research title:
Governing gas in a world
transitioning to net zero



**Fiona Dunne
(2019)**

Attorney-General's
Department

ANU Research School of
Psychology

Research title:
The Walker Talker Project:
can a structured professional
judgement tool help predict
those at risk of violent
extremism?



Tess Evenstar
(2017)

Attorney-General's
Department

ANU Crawford School of
Public Policy

Research title:
Maternal employability,
conditionality and the role of
family services in the Australian
social security system



Anna Fieldhouse
(2020)

Department of Social
Services

ANU School of Regulation
and Global Governance

Research title:
Welfare service consumers
as regulators: case studies
of welfare service regulation
and consumer influence in
commodified welfare markets



Cathy Fussell
(2020)

Department of Health and
Aged Care

ANU Crawford School of
Public Policy

Research title:
Realising the collective value of
data



James Gaetani
(2022)

National Indigenous
Australians Agency

ANU College of Law

Research title:
Mapping, evaluating and
reforming the Commonwealth's
accommodation of traditional
decision-making in Indigenous
groups



Emma Graham
(2020)

Attorney-General's
Department

ANU Centre for
International and Public
Law

Research title:
Maternity discrimination resulting
in job loss: examining the role of
labour laws



Timothy Holt
(2022)

Department of Finance

ANU Centre for Social
Research and Methods

Research title:
Implications for the
Commonwealth Government's
Data scheme on the conduct of
Government business in relation
to data custodianship



Szabina Horvath
(2016)

Department of Defence

ANU Centre for Military and
Security Law

Research title:
Satisfying Australia's applicable
human rights obligations during
extra-territorial armed conflict



Katrina Howe
(2020)

Department of Health and
Aged Care

ANU National Centre for
Epidemiology and Population
Health

Research title:
Understanding the challenges
associated with 'off-label' prescribing
and repurposing of older medicines
currently on the Australian Register
of Therapeutic Goods (ARTG) to
inform future policy development



Jennifer Jackett
(2021)

Department of the Prime
Minister and Cabinet

ANU National Security
College

Research title:
The role of United States'
allies in US-China technology
competition



Shane Johnson
(2013)

Department of the Prime
Minister and Cabinet

ANU Crawford School of
Public Policy

Research title:
An analytical history of
government debt financing and
management



Katy Jones
(2015)

Australian Institute of Health
and Welfare

ANU Centre for Social
Research and Methods

Research title:
School attendance and primary
school-aged Indigenous children



Cecilia Karmel
(2022)

The Treasury

ANU Crawford School of
Public Policy

Research title:
Migration, skills shortages and
COVID-19



Dr Therese Keane
(2019)

Department of Defence

ANU John Curtin School of
Medical Research

Research title:
Development of new detection
methods for novel viruses,
serotyping for pathogens of
concern, using third generation
sequencing techniques and
the development of bespoke
bioinformatic tools



Genna Lehman
(2022)

Department of Foreign Affairs
and Trade

ANU College of Asia and the
Pacific

Master of Asian and Pacific
Studies



Craig Leon
(2019)

Services Australia

ANU Centre for Social
Research and Methods

Research title:
Unconscious bias in the
Australian Public Service:
implications for Aboriginal
and Torres Strait Islander
employment



Hannah Lord
(2021)

Department of Foreign
Affairs and Trade

ANU School of Regulation
and Global Governance

Research title:
Governing energy transitions
in Southeast Asia: the role of
regional power trading



Chell Lyons
(2020)

Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

ANU Crawford School of Public Policy

Research title:
Banking on Paris: public investment governance and evaluation in the transition to net zero emissions



Helen Mitchell
(2021)

ANU Crawford School of Public Policy

Research title:
Australian strategy for a new geo-economic global order



Andrew Morgan
(2020)

Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts

ANU Crawford School of Public Policy

Research title:
Delivering outcomes through uncertainty: crafting policy in thin markets



Steve Munns
(2019)

Services Australia

ANU School of Regulation and Global Governance

Research title:
Violence at work: reducing assault and abuse directed at frontline staff in public service roles



Eliza Murray
(2013)

Climate Change Authority

ANU Crawford School of
Public Policy

Research title:
The international political
economy of carbon trading



Agnieszka Nelson
(2013)

Department of Social
Services

ANU Centre for Social
Research and Methods

Research title:
Income support dynamics among
vulnerable Australian youth in the
wake of economic downturn and
policy change – a quantitative
enquiry using administrative data



Kate Pennington
(2022)

Department of Health and
Aged Care

ANU National Centre
for Epidemiology and
Population Health

Research title:
Planning for an influenza
pandemic and responding to a
COVID-19 pandemic



Claire Sainsbury
(2020)

National Indigenous
Australians Agency

ANU Research School of
Social Sciences

Research title:
Factors affecting Indigenous
students' participation and
achievement in education



Tristram Sainsbury
(2020)

The Treasury

ANU Crawford School of
Public Policy

Research title:
Evaluating major Australian
COVID-19 fiscal measures
targeted at individuals



Penelope Sullivan
(2018)

Murray-Darling Basin
Authority

ANU Crawford School of
Public Policy

Research title:
The techniques and strategies
governments use to influence
one another in federal water
management: lessons for
Australia from the US and Europe



Timothy Watson
(2019)

Department of the Prime
Minister and Cabinet

ANU Crawford School
of Public Policy

Research title:
Hysteresis and fiscal policy
in Australia



Nu Nu Win
(2021)

The Treasury

ANU Crawford School of
Public Policy

Research title:
Business tax policy and the
macro-economy



ALUMNI ACTIVITIES

2022 has been a year of growth and consolidation for the alumni network

The alumni community has continued to grow and consolidate in 2022, supporting research-informed public policy capability and leadership in the APS.

This year, we welcomed four new alumni from the Pat Turner Scholarship Program, congratulating Sharna Bartley, Kayannie Denigan, Emily Pugin and Carlyn Waters on their graduations.

The year began with the annual Alumni Networking Reception, welcoming a vibrant group of alumni back to campus with their APS mentors and academic supervisors. In her keynote address, Professor Helen Sullivan, Dean of the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific, reiterated the importance of the Foundation's alumni as APS leaders, safeguarding the institution of the public service. The event also provided an opportunity to launch the *2022 Alumni Impact Report*, featuring research highlights and examples of alumni contributions to evidence-informed public policy across the APS.

Membership of the Alumni Advisory Group was refreshed in 2022. With thanks to outgoing Chair Dr Angelia Grant, and members Dr Camille Goodman, Dr Neal Hughes and Dr Michael McKenzie for their generous service, we received a warm welcome as co-chairs, alongside Carlyn Waters and Dr Rick Zentelis as ordinary members.

This year, we launched a number of new initiatives aimed at supporting knowledge mobilisation and networking opportunities for the alumni cohort. One such initiative, the Policy Reading Group, has already met three times, discussing a range of topical policy issues faced by the public service. We expect this initiative to grow steadily, including by extending the invitation to current scholars in 2023.



Sir Roland Wilson and Pat Turner alumni at the 2022 Alumni Networking Reception.

Three alumni – Mr Cris Castro, Dr Siddharth Shirodkar and Ms Carlyn Waters – were appointed as Alumni Ambassadors. They provide valuable support to the Foundation to promote the 2024 application round, raise awareness of the scholarship programs and help with recruiting new scholars.

We congratulate Dr Melanie Broder on being awarded the 2022 Ian Castles Alumni Prize. The prize is named after Ian Castles AO OBE, and recognises alumni who have achieved extraordinary success in their field, or made outstanding contributions to public policy in Australia or internationally.

Melanie is a cyber-security expert and is currently working as a Cyber Advisor to the Minister for Home Affairs and Cyber Security, the Hon Clare O'Neil MP. Melanie's PhD research evaluated the success of deterrence in cyberspace with the goal of identifying principles appropriate for the Australian strategic context and contribute to a global understanding of the efficacy of cyber deterrence policies for governments.

Throughout her public service career, Melanie has been a passionate advocate for women working in national security policy. Her deep understanding of cyber policy and international connections has made a valuable contribution to evidence-based cyber security policy.

We thank the Foundation, the Board, and the wider alumni network for their support in 2022. In particular, we offer our sincere thanks to Dr Angelia Grant for her leadership as the Chair of the Alumni Advisory Group for the last two and a half years.

With Angelia's oversight, the alumni group is consolidating as an influential network of public servants which is building links between the academy and the public sector.

We look forward to continuing this work to build the engagement and impact of the alumni network.

Ms Adina Jordan

Co-Chair - Pat Turner Scholarship

Dr Nathan Deutscher

Co-Chair - Sir Roland Wilson Scholarship

Alumni Advisory Group



Dr Melanie Broder receiving the 2022 Ian Castles Alumni Prize from ANU Vice-Chancellor Professor Brian P. Schmidt AC FAA FRS

ALUMNI



Patricia Akee

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Graduated 2021
ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences

Master of Culture, Health and Medicine



Dr Suzanne Akila

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Graduated 2016
ANU College of Asia and the Pacific

Research title:
Participation and the protection of citizens abroad in international law



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Sir Roland Wilson and Pat Turner scholars and alumni at the 2022 Secretaries Dinner with ANU Vice-Chancellor Professor Brian P. Schmidt AC FAA FRS, Foundation Chair Dr Martin Parkinson AC PSM, Board members Professor Ann Evans, Professor Ruth Wallace, Ms Cath Ingram and Executive Director Ms Sally-Anne Henfry

ENGAGEMENT AND EVENTS

The Foundation hosted several events across the year that engaged scholars, alumni, Board members, ANU Executive, and other distinguished speakers



Sir Roland Wilson Place unveiling

Commencement Dinner

The Foundation officially welcomed the 2022 Sir Roland Wilson and Pat Turner scholars at the Commencement Dinner in March.

The dinner was held at aMBUSH Gallery, and was hosted by Foundation Chair Dr Martin Parkinson AC PSM. ANU Vice-Chancellor Professor Brian Schmidt AC FAA FRS welcomed scholars to the university and encouraged them to take advantage of the networks ANU and the Foundation provide during their time on scholarship.

Sir Roland Wilson Place unveiling

At the July Board meeting, the Foundation celebrated the unveiling of Sir Roland Wilson Place within the Treasury courtyard in Parkes, ACT.

The courtyard was named in honour of Sir Roland's public service to the nation, in particular his 15 years as Treasury Secretary.

Scholar Symposium

Treasurer the Hon Dr Jim Chalmers MP told Sir Roland Wilson and Pat Turner scholars their expertise is needed now more than ever at the 2022 Scholar Symposium in July.

The annual Scholar Symposium is an opportunity for scholars to connect, extend their networks, and develop their professional and academic capabilities.

This year's symposium focused on the broad challenges faced by the APS and the role scholars will play in providing leadership and trusted expertise to assist national recovery from the pandemic.

Pat Turner Scholar Forum

Pat Turner scholars and alumni reflected on Indigenous innovation and leadership at the Pat Turner Scholar Forum in September.

In a pre-recorded message for scholars, Minister for Indigenous Australians the Hon Linda Burney MP, spoke of the importance of the Pat Turner scholarship program and of her desire to have more First Nations people working in and leading the public sector.

The forum was an opportunity for scholars and alumni to connect with leaders, experts and colleagues across government, academia and community.

Wilson Dialogue

The 2022 Wilson Dialogue, held in November, examined calls to better use diplomacy to support our national interests and shape the world we want to see.

The Hon Tim Watts MP, Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs, gave a keynote address on how competition among great powers is intensifying and reshaping our region.

Following his keynote, Assistant Minister Watts was joined by Zoe Daniel MP, Independent Member for Goldstein and Susannah Patton, Director of the Southeast Asia Program at the Lowy Institute for a panel discussion. The online event was moderated by ABC Foreign Affairs Reporter Stephen Dziedzic.



Left to right: Prize winners Genna Lehman, Dr Melanie Broder, Timothy Watson and Anthony Cowley at the 2022 Secretaries Dinner. (Absent: Tristram Sainsbury).

Secretaries Dinner

Professor Glyn Davis AC, Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, delivered a keynote address at the Foundation's annual Secretaries Dinner at Old Parliament House in December.

At the dinner, Foundation Chair Dr Martin Parkinson AC PSM acknowledged the contribution of long-serving former Board member Mr Ted Crook.

Four prizes were awarded this year: Genna Lehman won the Pat Turner Prize (Coursework); Anthony Cowley was awarded the Pat Turner Prize (Research); the Joan Uhr prize was jointly awarded to Sir Roland Wilson scholars Tristram Sainsbury and Timothy Watson; and the Ian Castles Alumni prize was awarded to Dr Melanie Broder.

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