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SIR ROLAND WILSON FOUNDATION

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THE FOUNDATION

The Sir Roland Wilson Foundation was established with a donation from the Wilson family estate to the Australian National University. The Foundation's purpose is to honour his contribution to public policy by advancing the study and development of public policy in Australia, its regions and the rest of the world.

Sir Roland Wilson was a remarkable man who went from being the first person in his family to attend high school to winning both a Rhodes Scholarship and a precursor to the Harkness Fellowship, allowing him to attain two doctorates in economics. He went on to become one of Australia's most influential public servants. As a long serving Secretary to the Treasury, he had a major role in developing Australia's post WWII economic policy settings, and he also played an influential role in helping to design the post WWII international institutional arrangements.

The Foundation contributes to developing public policy by engaging in three arenas:

> The Sir Roland Wilson scholarship program

The scholarship program aims to help develop the capability of the Australian Public Service (APS) by awarding a small number of PhD scholarships to the ANU each year to high potential Executive Level staff in the APS. The intention of the scholarship program is help equip some of the future leaders of the APS with knowledge, skills and the capabilities they need to excel in their future roles.

This is a prestigious, highly competitive scholarship and enables scholarship winners to undertake a PhD on a topic of national significance and relevance to the APS, as well as providing an international travel component and targeted leadership development opportunities to complement the PhD program.

There are currently sixteen scholars from a range of APS agencies undertaking PhD studies across the ANU. Their research covers a diverse range of topics and disciplines.

> Public Lectures and events

The Foundation also hosts and supports public events by eminent speakers on topics of national significance. The purpose of these events is to bring together members of the policy community, and the interested public, to inform debate and engender a culture of critical analysis and debate and evidence based decision-making.

> Supporting links between the ANU and the APS

The Foundation helps to develop the interface between the APS and the ANU by facilitating the exchange of research ideas across the two institutions.

From the Director

In 2015, we had 17 scholars and I am pleased to report, our first two graduates. Angelia Grant and Neal Hughes were both awarded their doctorates and returned to their APS agencies ready and well equipped to take on new challenges. Several others are close to completion and as our alumni start to return to the APS fold we are starting to see the investment in their capability bear fruit.

We have now reached a critical mass of scholars and consequently, only three scholarships were offered this year. It was pleasing to see the fierce competition for scholarships and the high quality of applicants.

The Foundation hosted or supported a number of public events during the year. The highlight was the Foundation's Annual Oration and this year's eminent speaker was the former Prime Minister, the Hon John Howard OM, AC. We also hosted public lectures including, Professor Alan Auerback from the University of California, and Mr Michael Pezzullo, Secretary to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection. In addition we supported an initiative of one of our scholars, the International Conference on Welfare Reform held in September this year.

Through events like these, the Foundation has facilitated engagement with the APS and academics at the ANU.

The Foundation will continue to foster the links between the APS and the ANU through its current activities and Alumni engagement. As policy issues become increasingly complex it is vital to have a cadre of senior public servants who have academic credentials as well as extensive policy development experience. Most importantly, these leaders will be able to reinforce the bridge between academia and the public service.

Melanie Fisher
Executive Director



The Hon Mr John Howard OM, AC with Sir Roland Wilson Scholars, Eliza Murray, Rick Zentelis, Michael McKenzie, Martine Cosgrove, and Dr Ken Henry, AC (Chair of the Sir Roland Wilson Foundation Board). Photograph by Dorian Photography.

THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Sir Roland Wilson Scholarship program began in 2011 in partnership with the Commonwealth Government and offered the inaugural Sir Roland Wilson Foundation PhD scholarships for high performing Australian public servants.

The scholarship program brings together these public servants and some of the best academics at the Australian National University to tackle issues of national significance and enduring interest.

Current scholars are investigating topics ranging from climate change negotiations, understanding Chinese State Owned Enterprises, and irregular maritime migration.

Over the next 20 years the Foundation will graduate up to 65 doctorate scholars from the program, many of whom will become crucial in the next generation of leaders in the APS. They will bring to that role an intellectual rigor and appreciation for the place of rigorous research in the context of policy development. These scholars will have first-hand appreciation of the contribution academia can make to important policy deliberations. This can only strengthen the ties between policy makers and academic research.



In late 2015 the Foundation completed an installation in the foyer of Old Canberra House. The installation features a timeline of Sir Roland Wilson's life, and details on each of the Sir Roland Wilson Scholars.

EVENTS

In 2015 the Sir Roland Wilson Foundation hosted and supported a number of high profile events.

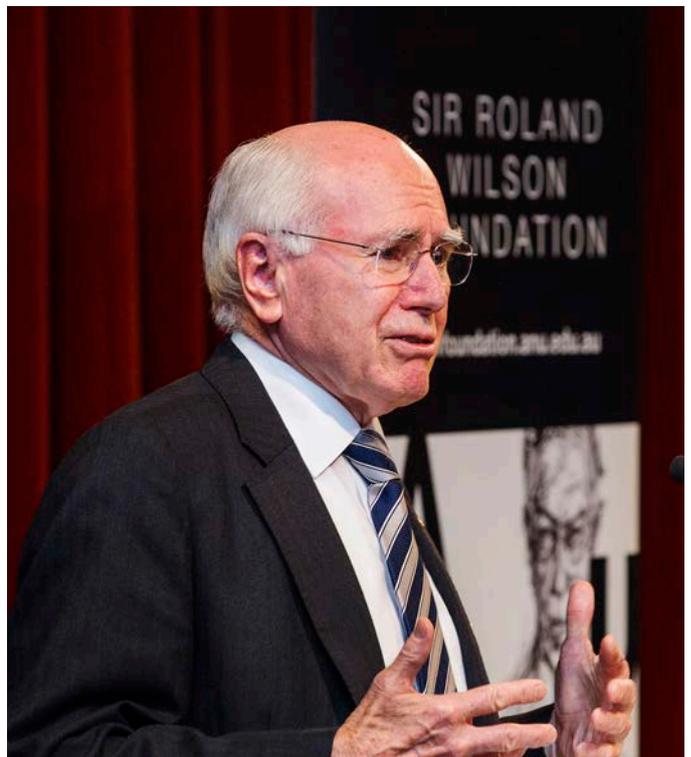
In April, in conjunction with the Tax and Transfer Policy Institute at the Crawford School of Public Policy, the Foundation hosted Professor Alan Auerbach from the Robert D Burch Center for Tax Policy and Public Finance at the University of California, Berkeley. As well as delivering Sir Roland Wilson Public Lecture, Professor Auerbach met with officials from the Treasury and the Australian Taxation Office, academics across the ANU and a number of PhD Scholars.

In May, former Prime Minister, Mr John Howard OM, AC gave the Sir Roland Wilson Annual Oration at the National Library. This address was attended by over 300 guests, and was followed by a dinner where Secretaries from the Public Service were able to engage with the Sir Roland Wilson Scholars.

The SRW scholars led the inaugural Sir Roland Wilson Foundation Budget Policy Forum. This forum was held a week after the Federal Budget was delivered and featured a number of policy commentators from across the University. The forum was well attended by academics, policy makers and scholars, and the Foundation was encouraged to expand the event in 2016 to allow for more indepth policy discussions.

Mr Michael Pezzullo, Secretary to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection gave another Sir Roland Wilson Public Lecture in early 2015. In this lecture, Mr Pezzullo gave his insights into the challenges and opportunities of the increasing international movement of people in a globalised world. This event was attended by a number of academic, post-graduate students and employees from the Australian Public Service.

Professor Peter Dwyer from the University of York delivered the final Sir Roland Wilson Public Lecture in September, as part of



the International Conference on Welfare Reform: Meeting the policy challenges of change. This unique conference highlighted how policy and academia can successfully come together to discuss the difficult problems faced by policy makers and academics alike on sensitive topics.



Top right: Mr John Howard OM AC, delivering the Sir Roland Wilson Foundation Annual Oration at the National Library of Australia

Bottom: Professor Matthew Gray, Professor Peter Dwyer, SRW Scholar Agnieszka Nelson, Dr John Hewson and Professor Bruce Chapman at the International Conference on Welfare reform at ANU Commons. Photography by Dorian Photography

ALUMNI



Angelia Grant 2012

Supervisor

Professor Warwick McKibbin
Crawford School of Public Policy
ANU College of Asia & the Pacific

Mentor

Dr David Gruen, Prime Minister & Cabinet

Angelia graduated in July 2015. Her thesis 'Three Essays on the US Business Cycle, Expectations Formation and Model Comparison' examined the role of particular shocks during the 2001 US economic slowdown and Great Recession, and whether the assumption of rational expectations or adaptive learning in a large macroeconomic model for the US economy provides a better model fit. Her thesis also proposed a new econometric method for computing a model selection criterion that is rarely used in applied work given its computational burden.

In her previous roles in Treasury and as an economic adviser in the Prime Minister's Office, Angelia has seen first-hand the relevance of macroeconomic modelling in the public policy process and the difficulty in dealing with model uncertainty, and this motivated her research. Angelia returned to Treasury after submitting her thesis and is currently working as a Principal Adviser in the Macroeconomic Conditions Division.

Neal Hughes 2012

Supervisor

Professor Quentin Grafton
Crawford School of Public Policy
ANU College of Asia & the Pacific

Mentor

Peter Gooday, Australian Bureau of Agricultural & Resource Economics and Sciences

Neal graduated in December 2015. His thesis "Water property rights in rivers with large dams", examined the allocation of water in heavily 'regulated' rivers like those of the Australian Murray-Darling Basin and the western US. Neal's thesis presented a series of computational experiments testing different systems of property rights for water and reservoir storage capacity, in order to determine which yields the most efficient allocation of water. To do this, he adapted novel artificial intelligence techniques from computer science, in order to populate his models with realistic selfish agents (e.g., water users).

Prior to receiving the scholarship, Neal worked as an economist at the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences (ABARES) undertaking research on water issues including economic assessment of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan. Neal has since returned to ABARES as a Senior Economist, working across the water, productivity and biosecurity areas, while also maintaining contact with the ANU via an honorary position in the Crawford School.



SCHOLARS



Suzanne Akila 2012

Supervisor

Professor Hilary Charlesworth
Regulatory Institutions Network
ANU College of Asia & the Pacific

Mentor

Bill Campbell QC, Attorney General's Department

Suzanne joined the Office of International Law at the Attorney-General's Department in 2010. In that time Suzanne prepared legal advice on domestic legal proceedings relating to Australia's international obligations and matters of international law. She has advised on international refugee law, international human rights, international criminal law, international humanitarian law, constitutional law and border protection.

Suzanne's research examines how and why States intervene to protect their citizens abroad. Informed by her experience as a legal adviser to government, she has undertaken an empirical investigation of three national case studies of State protection. This includes an in-depth study of Australia's consular and protection framework. Her work develops recommendations for government on the protection of Australian nationals abroad based on the comparative case studies in her research.

Suzanne has submitted her research thesis and hopes to graduate in July 2016.

Jennifer Chang 2012

Supervisor

Dr Jane Golley
China in the World
ANU College of Asia & the Pacific

Mentor

Mr Nigel Ray, The Treasury

Since starting as a graduate at the Treasury in 2004, Jennifer's work experience has covered a wide range of policy areas including: the rigorous analysis of Asian economies, a deep understanding of the Australian economy and an appreciation of the importance of effective international economic engagement.

Jennifer commenced her Sir Roland Wilson Foundation PhD Scholarship in 2012 and is currently examining the dynamics of the Chinese labour market and linking her findings to an analysis of China's broader economic growth prospects. A deeper understanding of the Chinese economy is of critical policy relevance, with China's overall growth trajectory of particular importance to Australia's prosperity.





Nerida Hunter 2012

Supervisor

Professor James Raymer

Australian Demographic & Social Research Institute
ANU College of Arts & Social Sciences

Mentor

Rebecca Cross, PSM, Prime Minister & Cabinet

Nerida returned to the Australian Public Service in March 2015, and is now managing the International Outlook Unit at the Treasury.

Nerida's thesis is titled 'Geodemographic and life course perspectives of population ageing in Australia: expanding the policy relevant evidence-base'.

Her thesis examines the geodemographic and life course perspectives of population ageing in Australia to expand the policy relevant evidence-base and address current policy concerns. I explore, in particular, the period 1901 to 2011 and a projection horizon of 2011 to 2031. The timeframe broadly equates to the life of the population living today and the early-aged years of the "baby boomers".

Shane Johnson 2013

Supervisor

Professor Warwick McKibbin

Crawford School of Public Policy
ANU College of Asia & the Pacific

Mentor

Dr David Gruen, Prime Minister & Cabinet

Shane joined the Treasury as a graduate in 2001 and has worked in a wide range of policy advising roles. Prior to commencing his PhD in 2013, Shane worked in the Department of the Treasury's Macroeconomic Policy Division. In this role, he managed a unit responsible for providing advice on monetary and fiscal policy and financial market conditions. Prior to this Shane was a senior advisor on the Australia's Future Tax System Secretariat, where he primarily focused on the taxation of savings and investment.

Shane's research interests include domestic and international tax policy and fiscal policy. His current research is focused on examining taxpayers' understanding of, and responses to, the Australian taxation system. Shane hopes his research will provide insights for the future design, implementation and administration of the tax system.



Opportunities with the Sir Roland Wilson travel scholarship

The SRW Foundation has supported me to undertake two quite different, and equally rewarding, visiting positions overseas. In late 2014, I spent three-months as a fellow at the Institute for the Independent Study of Public Policy in Jakarta. The Institute was an ideal base from which to pursue my PhD research into Australia-Indonesia crime cooperation, and gave me a unique insight into how civil society organisations contribute to public policy making in Indonesia.

In mid-2015, I spent three months as a visiting scholar at the Centre for the Study of Law & Society at the University of California, Berkeley. During the visit, I was able to discuss my work with some of the US' leading socio-legal scholars and foster links between the Centre and the Regulatory Institutions Network at ANU.



Michael visiting the Jakarta Centre for Law Enforcement Cooperation in late 2014.

Michael McKenzie 2013

Supervisor

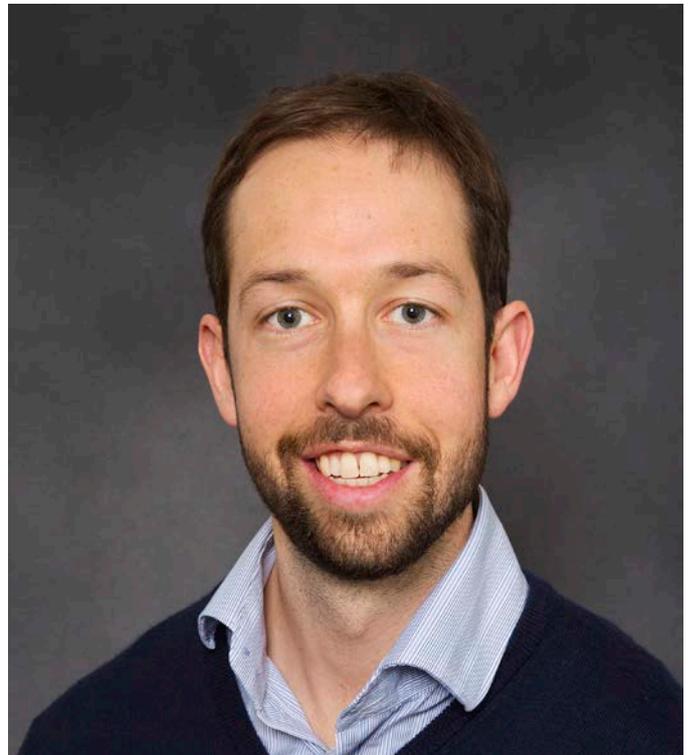
Professor Veronica Taylor
Regulatory Institutions Network
ANU College of Asia & the Pacific

Mentor

Katherine Jones, Attorney General's Department

Prior to commencing his PhD in 2013, Michael worked in the International Legal Assistance Branch of the Attorney-General's Department. In this role, he assisted countries in South-East Asia to strengthen and implement their transnational crime laws. Michael previously worked at the Australian Government Solicitor, and spent two years on secondment to AusAID helping to establish the Australian Civilian Corps.

Michael's research examines cooperation between Australia and Indonesia on criminal justice issues. Drawing on interviews with over eighty participants in the cooperative relationship, the research seeks to identify the conditions that promote cooperation between the two countries. Michael also hopes the research will provide insights for practitioners and scholars working on international cooperation in other regions and policy domains.





Eliza Murray 2013

Supervisor

Professor Frank Jotzo
Crawford School of Public Policy
ANU College of Asia & the Pacific

Since joining the Department of the Environment in 2007, Eliza has contributed to a wide range of biodiversity and climate change policies, covering everything from national parks and forests to light bulbs and landfills. Before commencing her PhD, she played an instrumental role in the design of Australia's Carbon Farming Initiative. Eliza graduated from the Master of Climate Change course at the ANU in 2012 and was awarded the Garnaut Prize for Academic Excellence.

Eliza is now conducting her research at the Crawford School of Public Policy. She is investigating whether the proliferation of climate change initiatives outside of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change is leading to a fragmented, inefficient system, and whether it is possible to establish linkages to deliver a more coordinated and effective global response.

Agnieszka Nelson 2013

Supervisor

Professor Matthew Gray
ANU Centre for Social Research and Methods
ANU College of Arts & Social Sciences

Mentor

Serena Wilson, Department of Social Services

Agnieszka Nelson has been employed by the Department of Social Services since 2001. In her capacity as Director of Evaluations, Agnieszka has worked to strengthen the Department's evaluation capability and culture through provision of training, advice and leading a team of researchers managing major policy evaluations.

Her thesis—a quantitative enquiry into the impact of welfare conditionality policy levers on youth disengaged from education, training and the labour market— seeks to understand the shifting objectives and impact of recent policy welfare reform initiatives in Australia. Specifically, Agnieszka is using econometric analysis (including survival analysis) and government longitudinal administrative data to examine the effects of recent policy initiatives on income support exits among different treatment and comparison groups.





Talia Avrahamzon 2014

Supervisor

Dr Naomi Priest

ANU Centre for Social Research and Methods

ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences

Mentor

Michael Lye, Department of Social Services

Talia has been employed by the Department of Social Services since 2002, primarily in roles that focused on children, family and Indigenous policy, program development and implementation.

Her thesis aims to explore how Australian primary school children aged 8 -10 years are socialised about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (Indigenous) history, culture, and people, and reconciliation. The mixed discipline qualitative study will provide understanding of what messages socialisation agents (including parents, teachers, the school, curriculum and education policies) are delivering to children and how children are interpreting the messages, from their perspective. A significant aim of the thesis is to contribute to future work, in developing and / or identifying interventions and policies to increase understanding specifically towards Indigenous people, history, culture and reconciliation. This study will contribute to the limited research in Australia about ways in which Australian children are socialised more generally about cultural diversity and intercultural understanding.

Martine Cosgrove 2014

Supervisor

Associate Professor Peter Butterworth

Centre for Research of Ageing, Health & Wellbeing

ANU College of Medicine, Biology & the Environment

Mentor

David Morton, Department of Defence

Martine has been employed by the Department of Defence since 2007. Martine's most recent role was coordinating the implementation of the 2011 ADF Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy in Southern NSW. Martine played a pivotal role in delivering a range of mental health services and mental health promotion initiatives to Army, Navy and Air force training in the area. She was involved in practice-policy forums which informed primary mental health care policy development that improved the delivery of mental health services to members of the ADF.

Martine's research will explore the determinants of wellbeing and mental health outcomes across the military lifecycle. She will examine the interaction between individual characteristics and institutional conditions to determine the kinds of support that influence health trajectories at points of occupational and personal transitions. The research will inform the development of policy and interventions which promote and sustain practices that support positive mental health outcomes.





Paul Hubbard 2014

Supervisor

Dr Shiro Armstrong
Crawford School of Public Policy
ANU College of Asia and the Pacific

Mentor

Rob Heferen, The Treasury

Paul joined the Treasury as a graduate in 2006. In that time he worked on tax policy, including the Australia's Future Tax System review. He was seconded in 2010 to the Office of National Assessments for two years, before returning the Treasury's International Economy Division. In 2013 Paul worked closely with the Indonesian hosts of APEC to launch a pilot Public Private Partnership (PPP) Centre, and managed the team responsible for the Treasurer's attendance at the APEC Finance Minister's Meeting in Bali.

Since commencing at ANU in February 2014, Paul has focused on understanding Chinese state owned enterprises (SOEs). This is important not just for Australian businesses and government dealing with individual Chinese firms, but also for understanding the likely long-term trajectory of the Chinese economy.

In 2015, Paul was a visiting scholar at Peking University. He writes for the East Asia Forum, and chronicles his ongoing research at chinaso.wordpress.com.

Learning Ancient Lessons about Modern Chinese SOEs

For 2015 I have been a visiting scholar at the Peking University's National School of Development (NSD). This school's mission is similar to that of the Crawford School in Canberra – providing policy-relevant research, education and engagement. State-owned enterprise (SOE) reform is a big part of China's current reform agenda, so being in Beijing is perfect for my research on the economics of SOEs.

Australia's average economic growth of 2-3 per cent each year means decades pass without big changes. Not in China. When I first came to China in 2002 as a language student at Nankai University, households in Tianjin still used coal for home heating and I needed a special card to make international telephone calls. When I came to Tsinghua University in 2007, Beijing had sprouted subway lines in all directions and my apartment had wifi. Returning to Beijing this year, I live in a new 28 story apartment block, rely on mobile internet to order takeout every day, and average twenty taobao purchases a month.



Thankfully not everywhere tries to be modern. The campus of Peking University, and particularly NSD's beautiful classrooms at Langrun Gardens (pictured) reflect Confucius' timeless maxim that amongst three people walking, one will be my teacher. Walking and talking with fellow students and teachers here at Peking University gives me the insights I need to develop my thesis and to help explain the Chinese economy to the rest of the world.

From the July 2015 E-Newsletter of the Education and Research Section, Australian Embassy, Beijing

Rick Zentelis 2014

Supervisor

Professor David Lindenmayer
Fenner School of Environment & Society
ANU College of Medicine, Biology & the Environment

Mentor

Michael Healy, Department of Defence

Rick has been employed by the Department of Defence since 2005. During this time Rick has been involved in the environmental management of the Defence Estate, developing policies and approaches on biodiversity, heritage, biosecurity, bushfire and erosion. Rick's last position prior to commencing his scholarship was the development and implementation of the Defence Environment Management System – arguably the biggest EMS in the world.

Rick's research is looking at a better way to manage military training areas (MTAs). His unique experience and in depth knowledge of environmental management ideally places him to develop a MTA management model that will increase training utility, reduce costs associated with training area management and increase environmental protection. The model will have wider applicability to sectors such as forestry and agriculture.



Nathan Deutscher 2015

Supervisor

Professor Bob Breunig
Crawford School of Public Policy
ANU College of Asia & the Pacific

Mentor

Jenny Wilkinson, The Treasury

Nathan has been working in the Treasury since 2008 in a variety of roles across social and tax policy. He worked as a Departmental Liaison Officer in the Deputy Prime Minister and Treasurer's Office between late 2011 and 2013, where he advised on individual income tax, indirect taxes and welfare policy. He is currently Acting Manager of the International Outlook Unit.

Nathan's PhD research, based in the Crawford School of Public Policy, will focus on intergenerational mobility - the extent to which economic outcomes are passed down from parents to children. Using maturing longitudinal datasets, twin studies and administrative data, his thesis will examine how mobility varies across groups in Australian society, and investigate causal mechanisms, such as the role of nature versus nurture, and the potential impact of public policy.



Camille Goodman 2015

Supervisor

Professor Donald Rothwell

Centre for International & Public Law, ANU College of Law

Mentor

David Fredericks, Attorney-General's Department

Camille Goodman joined the Attorney-General's Department in 2005, and the Office of International Law in 2007. Camille provided advice to Government on a wide range of public international law issues, has been the Australian Government legal adviser at international meetings and negotiations, and managed litigation before international courts and tribunals. She has a particular interest in maritime law and international fisheries law, on which she provided advice as an out-posted lawyer at the Department of Agriculture from 2010-2012.

Camille's PhD research, based in the College of Law, will examine coastal State powers at sea. Finding a legitimate basis to enact, apply and enforce legislation is crucial for any State wishing to regulate activity at sea – whether in relation to crimes at sea, oil and gas production, fisheries, workplace relations or pollution. This research will analyse the exercise of coastal State powers in the context of the rules-based international order, to ascertain the legitimate bases for, and extent of, coastal State jurisdiction in contemporary international law.



Katy Smith 2015

Supervisor

Professor Matthew Gray

Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research

Mentor

Michael Lye, Department of Social Services

Katy commenced work in 2006 at what is now the Department of Social Services. An interest in the well-being of Indigenous people, particularly in remote areas led her to take on work for the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH) in the Northern Territory, and also with the Indigenous Coordination Centre. Since 2012, Katy's work has been on the evaluation and policy development of income management.

Katy's PhD will explore the historical, political, social and economic context of the non-attendance of Indigenous primary school-age children. It will examine policies implemented domestically and internationally, particularly in regard to those that employ welfare conditionality at their core, and endeavour to find the policy responses to this issue that may be suited to Indigenous children in the Northern Territory. It will take a mixed-method approach, investigating attendance trends through use of school attendance data, and will use qualitative data to explore on individual and community levels the reasons why some policies may, or may not, work.

Rhodes Academy of Oceans Law and Policy

In July 2015 – six months into my PhD candidature, which is focused on coastal State jurisdiction in the law of the sea - I was fortunate to attend the 20th anniversary session of the Rhodes Academy of Oceans Law and Policy. The Rhodes Academy is a unique international collegial institution convened annually by six of the world's leading maritime law institutes, that offers a prominent three-week summer course in Rhodes, Greece. The objective of the Academy is to promote the rule of law in the world's oceans through education and discussion of the principles of modern oceans law and policy, including the provisions of the Law of the Sea Convention and related instruments. Since the foundations of historical maritime law were heavily influenced by the 8th century Lex Rhodia (the Rhodian Sea Code), the Greek island of Rhodes is not only a beautiful but very stimulating location to learn about law of the sea.

The course was taught by a distinguished faculty of 21 eminent academics, judges and practitioners, from 15 different countries. The student cohort (of 56 students from 32 countries) included people involved in the full spectrum of oceans law and policy issues – government legal and policy advisers, diplomats, geographers, hydrographers, oceanographers, UN officials, people from the submarine cable industry, and PhD and masters students from universities all over the world. Over the course of three weeks, 45 lectures and six workshops, we learned about every aspect of oceans law and policy - from the science of the seabed and ocean currents, to the legal and practical

issues involved in maritime delimitation and international fisheries management, and questions of dispute settlement.

To achieve the Rhodes Ocean Scholar Diploma, it was also necessary to complete both written and oral examinations, which were administered by judges from the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS). During my oral exam before President Golitsyn (Russia) and Judge Hoffman (South Africa), I was asked about a wide range of contemporary oceans law and policy issues, including the particularly sensitive sea area in the Great Barrier Reef, the system of pilotage in the Torres Strait, illegal fishing, and Australia's maritime boundary arrangements. I was very honoured to receive a prize of USD\$500 for the best result in the oral examination, presented by Judge Wolfrum of ITLOS, and to be asked to make a closing speech on behalf of the student body.

It was a great privilege to attend the Rhodes Academy and I gained an enormous amount from the experience, not only academically, but practically, professionally and personally. I was particularly grateful to have the opportunity to learn from, talk with and be examined by the members of the Rhodes Academy faculty. The relationships formed amongst the participants during the course will be a great asset over the course of our careers, and I have already found the alumni network to be a wonderful source of ongoing information and inspiration. The Rhodes Academy has also presented some great opportunities to share my research with the broader academic community; I am excited to be attending a conference on 'Natural Resources and the Law of the Sea' convened by the International Law Institute at Georgetown University in Washington, DC in December 2015 and to be contributing to the edited volume which will be published after the conference.

Camille Goodman





Inter-governmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum and Refugees

Marie McAuliffe presented two research projects at the Inter-governmental Consultations on Migration Asylum and Refugees (IGC) in Sydney on 1 May 2015: "Comparative analysis of print and online media reporting on migrants and migration in 13 selected countries" and "Migration-related decision making: Developing a better understanding of the views of potential migrants in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Pakistan and Sri Lanka". The two papers were co-authored with colleagues from ANU, the Lowy Institute and Cubit Media Research.

Marie McAuliffe 2015

Supervisor

Professor James Raymer
 Australian Demographic and Social Research Institute
 ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences

Marie McAuliffe commenced in the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) in 2000 and has worked in DIBP's offices in Canberra, Seoul and Moscow. Marie has led branches and sections in DIBP, the Australian Public Service Commission, and the Department of Workplace Relations, and has consulted to the International Labor Organization as well as in the private sector.

Marie's own research focuses on the conceptualisation of international migration, and irregular maritime migration specifically. She has recently published papers on migrant decision-making, Sri Lankan irregular migration, global irregular maritime migration and environmentally-related international migration. Her PhD research examines the migration patterns, processes and factors involved in irregular maritime migration to Australia of Afghan Hazaras and Sri Lankan Tamils between 2008 and 2013.



Joseph Chien 2016

Supervisor

Professor Alan Welsh
ANU Mathematical Science Institute
ANU College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences

Mentor

Jonathan Palmer, Australian Bureau of Statistics

Chien-Hung began his career in the APS as an ABS graduate in 2001. Prior to starting his PhD, Chien-Hung was a director in the Methodology Division responsible for data integration, access and confidentiality methodology. Before joining the division, he spent three years in the Economics Directorate at the OECD working on global macro simulation models.

Chien-Hung's research is analysing complex labour market dynamics to better understand the micro drivers of productivity. He will combine semantic web and network analysis methods to study the connections between firms and employees and their impacts on productivity. Chien-Hung hopes that his research will shed new insights on productivity drivers and help the Australian public service make better use administrative data.



Owen Freestone 2016

Supervisor

Professor Bob Breunig
Crawford School of Public Policy
ANU College of Asia & the Pacific

Mentor

Nigel Ray, The Treasury

Owen Freestone has worked in the APS since 2004. Since 2010 he has managed various teams within the Macroeconomic Group at Treasury, responsible for providing advice on the Australian and Chinese economies.

Over this time, Owen has also undertaken significant further studies at ANU in areas relevant to his work at Treasury. He holds master degrees in economics and finance, having graduated from ANU's economics honours program in 2006. Owen has also authored a number of research publications on economic topics such as Australian household saving behaviour and structural change in the Chinese economy.

Owen's PHD research will be designed to uncover the dynamic impacts of the tax-transfer system on people's labour market experiences using data from Australia's key longitudinal household



Szabina Horvath 2016

Supervisor

Associate Professor Rob McLaughlin
Centre for Military and Security Law
ANU College of Law

Mentor

Mark Cunliffe, Department of Defence

Szabina Horvath joined the Directorate of Operations and International Law at the Department of Defence in 2009. Szabina has provided advice on detainee management issues, maritime operations, domestic implementation of international legal obligations, gender issues, interrogation doctrine, a range of other international humanitarian law issues, as well as human rights matters relevant to military operations.

Szabina's PhD research, based in the College of Law, will examine Australia's extraterritorial human rights obligations. Specifically, the research will consider Australia's human rights obligations when engaged in extraterritorial armed conflict and will reference other extraterritorial situations which may enliven Australia's human rights obligations. The research will postulate on the means and mechanisms that could reasonably satisfy Australia's human rights obligations extraterritorially.



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