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Items for inclusion in this bulletin

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Requests should include full information on application / nomination procedures, dates and deadlines, and contact details or web links to further information.

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PART A - NEWS

1. Research Office Weekly

The Research Office maintains a page of upcoming news and events for researchers at: www.monash.edu.au/research/contacts/research-office/weekly/thisweek.html

PART B - EVENTS

2. Research Supervisor Training Program: Master Classes

The Monash Research Graduate School (MRGS) is offering the first series of master classes, forming level 2 of the Research Supervision Training Program. Although master classes will not be a compulsory part of the program for accreditation until January 2006, experienced and new supervisors are strongly encouraged to attend.

Program

Seminars will be convened by Professor Max King, Director, MRGS or by Professor Rod Devenish, Deputy Director, MRGS. The program consists of the following seminars:

1. Case studies on the breakdown of the student-supervisor relationship

Friday, 16 September 2005

10:30 am - 12:30 pm (lunch at 12:30 pm)

Menzies Theatre H3 / Building 11, Clayton campus

Speakers:

- Ms Jenny Reeder, Monash Postgraduate Association
- Associate Professor Frada Burstein, Faculty of Information Technology
- Professor Andrew Markus, Faculty of Arts

2. External supervision and supervision in teams

Friday, 14 October 2005

3. Power relationships and dealing with students from different cultures

Friday, 21 October 2005

4. IP and authorship (existing exPERT seminar)

Monday, 19 September 2005 and Monday, 28 November 2005

5. How to examine a thesis

Friday, 11 November 2005

6. Case studies in building research teams

Friday, 9 December 2005

RSVP

Please RSVP to Dr Anna Lucas, Monash Research Graduate School, indicating whether you wish to stay for a light lunch: Anna.Lucas@adm.monash.edu.au

3. Research Office 'What's coming up?' web page

The Research Office maintains a page of upcoming news and events for researchers at www.monash.edu.au/resgrant/general/latestnews/index.html

PART C - FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

4. CASS Foundation Limited Science and Medicine Grants

In 2005 the CASS Foundation invites applications from Victorian organisations, for research and development projects in science and medicine undertaken substantially in Australia. The projects should preferably be completed in a 12 month period. Proof of concept projects are welcomed. Awards of up to \$60,000 may be offered as grants for specific projects or undertakings or grants for research and development.

Deadline for applications

Tuesday, 20 September 2005 with the Research Office

Further information

www.monash.edu.au/research/academics/funding/information/other/cassfoundation-scimed.html

5. DEST International Science Linkages (ISL) Programme

The International Science Linkages programme supports Australian scientists, from both the public and private sectors, to collaborate with international partners on leading edge science and technology in order to contribute to Australia's economic, social and environmental wellbeing. A total of \$2.5 million is available for this round.

Deadline for applications

Friday, 9 September 2005 with DEST

Further information

<https://sciencegrants.dest.gov.au/isl/Pages/Home.aspx>

6. AINSE Award Application 2006

The Australian Institute of Nuclear Science and Engineering (AINSE) provides funds to assist researchers from member universities to gain access to ANSTO and other AINSE facilities. Awards are awarded for one year commencing in January.

Deadlines for applications

Thursday, 15 September 2005 with AINSE (online application)

Further information / application form

www.ansto.gov.au/ainse/2006grant/grant.htm

7. ARC Federation Fellowships 2006

ARC Federation Fellowships are for outstanding internationally renowned researchers in any discipline, with leadership skills and experience in building research capacity, who propose ground-breaking research programs which are likely to deliver significant economic, environmental, social and cultural benefits to Australia.

Federation Fellows will receive a salary of \$A246,290 per annum (2005 dollars) plus 26 per cent on-costs. In addition to salary support, the ARC may provide some successful applicants with a start-up project grant of up to \$400,000.

Further information

<http://www.monash.edu.au/research/academics/funding/information/arc/arc-federationfellowships.html>

Deadlines for applications

- ~~Research Office: Thursday, 1 September 2005 (Draft applications)~~
- Research Office: Friday, 30 September 2005 (final applications)
- [ARC: Friday, 14 October 2005]

8. NHMRC Equipment Grant scheme 2005

The NHMRC has advised that a sum of \$789,836 has been allocated to Monash University as equipment grants for 2005. This amount has been calculated by allocating funds pro rata to the NHMRC health and medical research grants held by Monash University in 2005.

The following factors should be taken into consideration when making decisions on the equipment to be supported:

The equipment should support highest quality research health and medical research, as supported by the NHMRC (or other competitive grant support); Lack of access to similar equipment in the institution or region and; Collaborative gain through use of the equipment, e.g. - multi-user equipment which crosses disciplines, research groups and departments.

Note: If an item of equipment has been purchased in 2005, this Equipment Grant may be used as reimbursement for this purchase, but receipts must be provided. Final acquittal of funds is due by 30 June 2006 at NHMRC.

Deadline for applications

Monday, 24 October 2005 with the Faculty of Science office

Further information and application form

www.monash.edu.au/research/academics/funding/information/nhmrc/nhmrc-equipment.html

9. ARC Linkage – Projects (Round 2/2005 for funding in 2006)

The objectives of the ARC Linkage Projects are to:

- encourage and develop long-term strategic research alliances between higher education institutions and industry in order to apply advanced knowledge to problems, or to provide opportunities to obtain national economic or social benefits;
- support collaborative research on issues of benefit to regional and rural communities;
- enhance the scale and focus of research in Designated National Research Priorities;
- foster opportunities for postdoctoral researchers to pursue internationally competitive research in collaboration with industry, targeting those who have demonstrated a clear commitment to high quality research;
- provide industry-oriented research training to prepare high-calibre postgraduate research students; and
- produce a national pool of world-class researchers to meet the needs of Australian industry.

The Designated National Research Priorities and associated Priority Goals are:

- An Environmentally Sustainable Australia;
- Promoting and Maintaining Good Health;
- Frontier Technologies for Building and Transforming Australian Industries; and
- Safeguarding Australia.

Funding Amount

Linkage Project grants may be awarded for 1 - 5 years, the normal duration being 3 years. The minimum grant size is \$20,000 per annum and the maximum is \$500,000 per annum. Proposals must contain an industry contribution, in cash and/or in kind.

Deadline for requests for eligibility and exemption with the ARC

Friday, 14 October 2005 with the ARC

Deadlines for applications

Monday, 14 November 2005 with the Research Office

Further information / application form

www.monash.edu.au/research/academics/funding/information/arc/arc-linkageprojects.html

10. Research Office funding opportunities web page

The Research Office maintains monthly lists of research grant funding opportunities on its website at www.monash.edu.au/resgrant/grantinfo/digest/indexes/rgmonth.html

PART D - AWARDS AND PRIZES

11. Monash Postgraduate Association (MPA) Supervisor of the Year

The MPA is now calling for submissions for the MPA Supervisor of the Year competition. To quote the MPA: "We know there are lots of fantastic supervisors out there, doing a great job guiding, encouraging and inspiring their research postgraduates. It's time we gave these academics the recognition they deserve!"

The faculty office strongly encourages nominations as Science supervisors have been underrepresented in this competition.

Deadline for nominations

Friday, 30 September 2005 with the MPA

Nomination form

www.monash.edu.au/students/mpa/events/soty.html

Further information

Ms Jenny Reeder: jenny.reeder@adm.monash.edu.au

PART E – DATES AND DEADLINES

September 2005

Friday, 9 September 2005

- Deadline for applications for DEST International Science Linkages (ISL) Programme [item 5]

Thursday, 15 September 2005

- Deadline for applications for AINSE Award Application 2006 [item 6]

Tuesday, 20 September 2005

- Deadline for applications for CASS Foundation Limited Science and Medicine Grants [item 4]

Friday, 30 September 2005

- Deadline for final applications for ARC Federation Fellowships with the Research Office [item 7]
- Deadline for nominations for the MPA Supervisor of the Year [item 11]

October 2005

Friday, 14 October 2005

- Australian Research Council (ARC): Linkage Projects 2006 (Round 2 of 2005): deadline for requests for eligibility and exemption with the ARC [item 9]

Monday, 24 October 2005

- Deadline for applications for NHMRC Equipment Grant scheme 2005 [item 8]

November 2005

Monday, 14 November 2005

- Australian Research Council (ARC): Linkage Projects 2006 (round 2 of 2005): deadline for full applications with the Research Office [item 9]

December 2005

(No entries.)