Over the next two years the development of the performance, relevance and impact of research within the School will be increasingly important. In some nursing and midwifery schools in Australia we see increasing focus on teaching as student numbers increase and university budgets become more dependent on nursing intakes. Such schools can be described as teaching intensive and rely heavily on their undergraduate program to support their activity. They often also rely on international student intakes and the funds that accompany this work. In some universities the resulting research inactivity of staff is used as a rationale for a proportion of the funding attracted by student load to be moved out of the school and into the support of more research active parts of the organisation. With the emergence of VET sector nursing Bachelor Degrees and Masters level graduate entry programs for Registration as a Nurse it is likely that the range of courses and the focus of nursing and midwifery teaching will shift in the coming years. To a very great extent the future strength of our School may be dependent on research performance. So what are we doing about this? In our School the Research Hub and the Research Committee have developed initiatives to push the development of our research strength at a faster pace. The Partnership Grants, Research Summit, new researcher mentorship, contribution to the selection of new staff, reshaping of our web pages to promote our research strengths and collaboration both within the University and with our clinical partners are all working to build the basis for a stronger research quantum within the School. All staff have a role to play in this and you will find many examples of this effort in the pages of this HUB Newsletter.

Professor Paul Arbon
Dean
Associate Dean (Research)

The research capacity in our School has been substantially increased with the co-location of researchers to the School’s North Wing Level 2. This investment in infrastructure facilitates the flow of information and knowledge-sharing across the disciplines. The Associate Dean for Research, Dr Sheryl DeLacey, will be joined by a new Associate Dean of Higher Degrees in July. Also, the Professor for Mental Health, Emeritus Professor Jan Paterson, will be joined by the Professor for Aged Care, Jan Paterson, once further refurbishment is completed. We also take this opportunity to welcome Ms Sandy Haecke, a Research Associate (Aged Care), a recent arrival to the Research Hub. Peer-to-peer and peer-mentor relationships are being strengthened formally, with FGDs to identify successful interventions that will be measured and replicated for new Doctoral and Post Doctoral students.

The Research Hub continues to develop as a vibrant area, conducive to articulation of concepts, planning and provision of enhanced opportunities for building relationships. One particularly productive time in the business development aspect of research was the submission of 12 Faculty Industry Partnerships (six @ $50,000). Congratulations! All were submitted with the required documentation and by the COB deadline! These are wonderfully tangible steps towards tackling bigger external grants and tenders. A specific requirement was to have a committed industry partner, and the diversity of both State and national partners committed to the research proposals was considerable. There were 23 different partners at State, national and international levels, and across diverse disciplines. The successful applicants will be notified at the end of June; but please keep in mind that funds will not be...
Research Activities

Congratulations

Paul Arbon has been appointed as the President (Elect) of the World Association for Disaster and Emergency Medicine (WADEM). It is the first non-Association for Disaster and Emergency Medicine (WADEM) member to be appointed to this position. Congratulations Paul.

Paul Bennett has been selected on the Grant Panel of the British Renal Society. Congratulations Paul.

Congratulations go to Julian Grant for giving her first invited keynote presentation in April 2009. The Third Biennial Conference of the Australian Association of Maternal, Child and Family Health Nurses was held at the Adelaide Convention centre on 2nd to 4th April 2009. With themes of ‘growing together, families, culture and diversity’, the conference hosted 650 delegates primarily from Australia and New Zealand. Julian’s keynote, titled ‘Colliding realities, managing identity and knowledge in intercultural communication’, resulted in much discussion around the changes required to support clinicians to become more culturally inclusive in their practice. Julian was also invited to present a workshop on ‘Moving from monocultural to multicultural thinking’. This was fully booked and resulted in energetic and frank explorations of participant values and beliefs around working with multicultural.

Congratulations to Krista Mossel (a member of the Mental Health Research Team) who was awarded a Commendation from Chancellor Sir Eric Neal for her outstanding achievement completing her Bachelor of Nursing (Honours).

Eimear Muir-Cochrane has been appointed as an editor for a two year term for the new online journal—International Journal of Nursing and Midwifery—published by Academic Journals US. Congratulations Eimear.

Mental Health Research Team—an update

Professor Eimear Muir-Cochrane has started work on an international research project grant of £2 million funded by the National Institute of Health Research Programme in the UK titled Reducing Conflict and Containment in Psychiatry. The lead investigator is Professor Len Browne at City University where Eimear has Visiting Professor status. This is a substantial and important piece of work and is designed to influence future practice in the UK health system. Hopefully the findings will be able to be transferred into the Australian system.

The team is currently undertaking a research project at Repatriation General Hospital on Ward 18 (older adult mental health services) entitled ‘Managing Risk: clinical decision making in aged care mental health services’ in collaboration with senior nursing staff and also prepared an internal Faculty Industry Partnership grant on absconding.

Eimear is undertaking contract work for Melbourne University in developing an online learning tool to support the National Standards for the Mental Health Workforce, to be rolled out to all mental health professionals across Australia in 2010 and has been invited to be the keynote speaker at the SA Branch of the Australian College of Mental Health Nurses Annual Symposium in Adelaide, June 2009. She is also an invited Chair for the Opening Day of the International Network of Psychiatric Nursing Research (Royal College of Nursing) Oxford, UK in September 2009.

Pat Backway has authored a new text to be published in late 2009 entitled Psychology for Health Professionals, Elsevier, Australia and Eimear and Pat are co-authors of a book entitled A Pocket Book of Mental.
The team recently attended the Australian College of Mental Health Nurses - SA Branch Annual Forum in conjunction with Consultation Liaison Special Interest Group Annual Conference (June 4-5). Professor Eimear Muir-Cochrane delivered the keynote address (Hypocrisy, irony and opportunity in mental health). Eimear also presented findings from a twelve-month study of absconding from inpatient settings conducted with Krista Mosel (PhD Student/Research Assistant), Adam Grice (Research Associate), Louise Roberts (PhD Student), and Jessica Groppo (Honours Student) presented papers at the Conference, ensuring the visibility of the School of Nursing & Midwifery at this important event.

School's Honours Scholarships

The 2009 School's Honours Scholarships have been awarded to Karen Miegel and Susan Dawson in recognition of the students' outstanding achievements in their Honours studies. Each scholarship is worth $2,500. Congratulations Karen and Susan.

2007 Summer Student Research Scholarship (publishing initiative) recipients reap success

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At the end of 2007, 11 graduates received Summer Student Research Scholarships (publishing initiative). In the last 18 months these graduates and their academic mentors submitted their literature review manuscripts to a range of journals. To date, six of the 11 manuscripts have been published or are in press with a further three currently under referee consideration (see tabled summary of details on the left).

One of the remaining two manuscripts are under author revision (with the final recipient choosing to cease publishing effort). What an outstanding level of success for the recipients of 2007, the inaugural year of this scholarship within our School!

Dr Lindy King
Chairperson,
Summer Student Research Scholarship (publishing initiative) Committee.

Reminder

Could you please remember to bring to the Hub your 2009 publications and copies of documentation for grants you have applied for.

Thank you
Grant/Funding Opportunities

ARC Funding
For the ARC fund research project and awards you can find more information under two main elements - Discovery and Linkage. For more information about the grants and the application procedure please refer to the University’s Office of Research web site - http://www.flinders.edu.au/research/Office/grants/arc.html or visit the ARC web site http://www.arc.gov.au/default.htm

NHMRC Funding
Research Fundings
Under this web address http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/funding/index.htm you will find a range of information about the research funding provided by the NHMRC.

The NHMRC provides funding for all areas of research relevant to human and medical research. Please refer to this web address http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/funding/types/index.htm to find a comprehensive list of the NHMRC’s funding types and the information about research, infrastructure and people support funding.

NHMRC Calendar Funding - this provides key dates and grant types for research funding.

NHMRC - Fellowships and Awards
The NHMRC supports a number of different Fellowship and Award schemes - please refer to the NHMRC web site.

More information, including the scheme guidelines and application forms can be found on http://www.flinders.edu.au/research/Office/grants/index.html

Faculty Funded Grants
The Faculty of Health Sciences offers a range of grants to its staff. Please refer to the Faculty web site for more information. http://www.flinders.edu.au/healthsc/research/grants/index.html

FMC Foundation Grants, Scholarships and Forms

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Funding opportunities
Information about external grants and tenders is sent out to the School regularly by the Research Hub. It is retrieved from various sources including the Grant Search database, which the Hub has subscribed to since 2007. For funding opportunities please refer also to the School’s research web site on http://nursing.flinders.edu.au/research/index.php?id=86.
Release of Research Funds

The new University's policy on release of research funds is now in place. According to this policy, all new approved projects (grants) must obtain ethics clearance before a project commences and funding releases. It applies to the NHMRC, ARC and to other funding agencies' grants as well as to internal grants. For more information about this policy please contact Faculty Research Administrator on x15892.

SONM Conversion Grant

SONM Conversion Grant is the continuation of the School's Research Development Fund. The Conversion Grant is intended to further support research related activities for Academic Staff and those with Academic Status. The funding level for an individual member of the School's academic staff is up to $500.00 in two year cycles. The second cycle of this grant started in July 2008 and will finish in June 2010.

Grants related procedures in the School

Procedure for submitting grant applications

School's procedure for submitting grant applications is available on the School's research web site, School's Common 'W' drive or from the Hub Coordinator. Please note that the Certification Form, which is a compulsory part of almost every grant application, is available on the Office of Research website, the Financial Services website or as a hard copy from the Hub.

Procedure of the office space allocation and Grant/project infrastructure checklists

The HUB has produced a checklist to assist researchers when they are considering infrastructure needs for grant requests. A copy of the checklist, and the procedure of the office space allocation for research assistants and research managers, are available on the School's research web site, School's Common 'W' drive or from the Hub Coordinator.

Research Events

Research Morning Tea

On April 1st, 2009 Associate Professor Judith Lyness from the University of British Columbia joined us to share her insights around community based research understood by social justice for vulnerable children and their families. Judith was invited to South Australia by Dr Julian Grant on behalf of the Australian Association of Maternal, Child and Family Health Nurses.

Judith spoke primarily of an innovative model of community engagement called the RICH-ER Model, standing for Responsive, Intersectorial and Interdisciplinary, Child Health Education and Research. Judith explained the central research concepts of the program as firstly, to explore the health effects of social and maternal exclusion and marginalisation, and secondly, to explore how intersectorial community based models can foster child development and wellbeing for vulnerable populations.

After a brief presentation, Judith adopted a discussion style format that engaged participants to reflect on their own research work and ask questions. Over a delicious morning tea, participants from many diverse areas of clinical interest in the School of Nursing and Midwifery took the opportunity to delve deeper into aspects of Judith's research that had resonance with their own experiences. We thanked Judith for her research generosity as she set off to present a research discussion for the Southgate Institute for Health, Society and Equity. Dr Julian Grant

Coming events

Research Morning Tea

The next Research Morning Tea is scheduled for the 21st of August and will be attended by Dr Kristine Gebbie, Dean of Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing, Hunter College, New York. Dr Gebbie will visit our School in the second half of August this year. Dr Gebbie's focus of teaching and research is health policy and health services, with particular attention to population based public health services and workforce preparedness.

Successful grants in 2009

Grant, J

Cultural competency and partnership: how do these terms support parents/care givers who gained entry into South Australia via humanitarian pathways?

Faculty Establishment Grant

$4,907

Jamieson, GO, Drew, PA, Smith, E, Rucklidge, AR, Kelly, JJ, & Liu, JF

MRNAs: biomarkers for outcome from surgical or medical treatments of reflux disease and neurodevelopmental therapy for cancer.

The Cancer Council SA

$72,250

Smith, C, Urschler, J, Perc, J & de Lacey, SS

A pilot pragmatic randomised controlled trial of acupuncture on psychosocial outcomes for women experiencing infertility.

University of Western Sydney Research Grants Scheme

$24,933

PhD Final Presentation

The Final Presentation of Ms Lean Keng Soon, the PhD Candidate, was re-scheduled and will be held on the 4th of August 2009 at 11.00am in M318. The title of the presentation is: 'Traditional Postpartum Beliefs and Practices Among Malays and Chinese in Malaysia Vs Midwifery Practice'.

2009 Research Week

Research Higher Degree (RHD) Research Week will take place in the School of Nursing and Midwifery, September 21-24.

School's Research Summit

The Sixth Annual School's Research Summit will be held on the 25th of September at the Education Development Centre at Hindmarsh. Research Summit's web page was launched on the 8th of May. For registration and abstract submission please visit http://nursing.flinders.edu.au/research/summit/register.php.
2009 Publications

Book chapters


Book & book chapters in press

Barkway, P, Psychology for the Health Sciences, Elsevier, Australia.

Bennett, PN & Simeloe PM, 'Care of the person with kidney disease', in Medical Surgical Nursing: Critical Thinking in Client Care, eds LeMone & NJ Bruce, Prentice Hall.


Gusain, P & Guerin, B 'The last years: adulthood and ageism', in P Barkway (ed.), Health Psychology in Australia, Elsevier.

Gusain, P & Guerin, B 'The last years: childhood and adolescence', in P Barkway (ed.), Health Psychology in Australia, Elsevier.


Taylor, K & Gusain, P, 'Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health', in Australian Issues and Case Studies for Health, Palgrave Macmillan.

Wachtel, T, Webster, R & Smith, J, 'Populations at Risk', in Acute Cardiac Care: A practical guide for nurses, eds A Kucia & T Quin, Blackwell Publishing Ltd, Oxford, UK.

Journal articles refereed


Penn, J, Oliver, M & Harrington, A 2009, 'Spirituality and spiritual engagement as perceived by palliative care clients and caregivers' Australian Journal of
Advanced Nursing, vol. 26, no. 4


Journal articles in press


Jones, L, King, L & Wilson, C, 'Factors that impact on nurses' effective use of the medical emergency team', Journal of Clinical Nursing.

Josep, K, Mui-Cochrane, E & Greaves, A, 'A retrospective analysis of increasing behaviour by acute care consumers in one psychiatric hospital campus in Australia', International Journal of Mental Health Nursing.


Res, J, King, L & Schmutz, K, 'Today's are our tomorrow's: nurses' perceptions of ethical practice in the care of elderly patients', Nursing Ethics.

Ros C, McNeill, L & Bannett, PN, 'Nurses are the key to improved nutrition in intensive care', Journal of Clinical Nursing.


Willis, E, Henderson, J, Toffoli, L & Walter, B, 'Gendered relations to working time and union agreements: contradictory outcomes in acute and community settings in Australia', Time & Society.

Journal articles submitted


Bennett, PN & Duguid, B, 'Use of the Broset aggression checklist in a general hospital', Clinical Nursing.

Bennett, PN & Mui-Cochrane, E, 'An evaluation of a primary care health team in a regional area', Australian e-journal for the Advancement of Mental Health.

Bennett, PN & Duguid, B, 'Use of the Broset aggression checklist in a general hospital', Clinical Nursing.

Dodd, M & Mui-Cochrane, E, 'How to care for patients with end-stage renal disease: A literature review', Australian Journal on Sostenability.


Hutton, J, 'Shared parenting and the best interests of the child', Health Sociology Review.


Kako, M & Rudge, T, 'The use of discourse analysis and intertextuality in nursing historical research: an example of professionalisation discourse', Nursing Inquiry.


Mui-Cochrane, E & Williams, J, 'What do graduating nurses know about their career options?', Collegian.


Conference and poster presentations


Arbon, P 2009, 'First aid and laser management for victims of road traffic', paper presented at the 16th World Congress on Disaster and Emergency Medicine in Victoria, Canada, 1-12 May.


Bennett, P 2009, 'People on dialysis will exercise, A review of intra-dialytic exercise', invited speaker, paper presented at the International Conference of Studi Society of Nephrology Riyadh, 21 March.


Kako, M & Matani, S 2009, 'Literature review of disaster health research in Japan', paper presented at the 7th World Congress on Disaster and Emergency Medicine in Victoria, Canada, 12-15 May.


Roberts, L & Muir-Cochrane, E 2009, ‘The identification, assessment, and management of psychiatric presentations by paramedics within the community’, paper presented at the Australian College of Mental Health Nurses - SA Branch Annual Forum in conjunction with Consultation Liaison Special Interest Group Annual Conference, Adelaide, 3 June.


The Association for Industrial Relations Academics of Australia and New Zealand, 29th Conference (AIRAANZ) Labour, Capital and Change, University of Newcastle, 4-6 February.


Other publications


School’s Publishing Initiative (SPI)

The intention of SPI initiative is to assist the School’s academic staff with their publishing activities. The SPI procedure document is available on the School’s research web site, the School’s Common "W" drive or from the Hub Coordinator.

Support of the Publishing Initiative

As part of the School’s Publication Initiative, Ms Leonie Porter-Nocella continues provision of writing mentorship. We would encourage those of you who are considering publication in 2009 to avail yourselves of this support. Please contact Ene-Mae Oks (613246) to make appointment to see Leonie.

For Your Information

SoNM Research Hub welcome afternoon tea

The School’s Research Hub welcome afternoon tea will be held on the 22nd of June (Monday) from 3:00 to 4:00pm in N1217, the Research Hub new location on the second floor of the North Wing. All School’s staff members are welcome to attend.

Mentoring for New Researchers

Recently, the terms of reference of the Sub-Committee on Mentoring for New Researchers, the working group of the School’s Research Committee, were reviewed and approved by the School Board. Research Committee on its next meeting in July will appoint new members to the Sub-Committee, who will work on the implementation of recommendations made at the New Staff evolution meeting held on the 5th of June 2009.

Acknowledgment

The Hub staff would like to acknowledge all of the School’s researchers for their prompt responses to and cooperation in the 2009 Publication Data Collection, particularly for their participation in the ERA System data collection. Thank you.