Welcome!

Since our last newsletter, there has been a lot of activity in the research landscape. During the University’s Research Week (28 August - 1 September 2017), SBaT held the following sessions:

- **Write Club**, which was a HRD event led by Associate Professor Michael Charles; and
- The **IT Showcase Industry Event**, which was led by Professor Dian Tjondronegoro.

Both sessions were well attended and served to highlight our research strengths and growing engagement with industry and the wider community. I would like to thank all the presenters for their time and effort and the professional staff for making these events run so smoothly.

In line with our **research strategy**, we continue to make strides towards implementing our research strategy, which includes:

- Establishing a reporting framework to monitor and assess our research performance as part of our move towards AACSB accreditation.

While we have taken several important steps to implementing our research strategy, much work remains in terms of building a culture of research excellence, attracting and training high quality research candidates, connecting and collaborating with stakeholders, and promoting our research strengths.

So, please take a moment to look at the achievements of our researchers and let us know about your success so that we can promote it in our next newsletter.

*Per ardua ad astra*

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Research Hits

The journal rankings below comply with the current ABDC journal quality ranking. However, please let us know if you publish in a Q1 ranked journal listed on Scimago (http://www.scimagojr.com/).

A* Ranked Journals


A Ranked Journals


B Ranked Journals


Scimago Ranked Journals (Q1/Q2)
Research Income

The following research projects have been transferred to SCU with Professor Dian Tjondronegoro:

- **Tjondronegoro D (2017).** Establishing Advanced Networks for Air Quality Sensing and Analyses, *ARC Linkage.*
  This 3 year ARC Linkage led by QUT has commenced and is currently in Year 1. SCU’s role involves responsibility for the visualisation of data.

- **Tjondronegoro D (2017).** Activity Based Working Environments, *Cachet Group $25,000.*
  Collaborative research project with the University of Sydney and Cachet Group to investigate the links between workspace layout configuration on workers’ productivity and wellbeing.

- **Tjondronegoro D (2017).** Helping young people to self-manage chronic pain: an integrated web/mobile program, *Ian Potter Foundation $60,000.*
  This project is led by Griffith University with SCU engaged in software development.

Engagement and Impact

Dr Scott “The Block” Niblock recently visited the Capital Market Cooperative Research Centre (CMCRC) and NASDAQ head office in The Rocks, Sydney. During his trip, Scott assisted SCU PhD candidate in Finance and CMCRC scholarship recipient, Mr Panha Heng, with his market quality and surveillance research. He also met with key CMCRC staff and industry representatives from the NASDAQ. Scott’s visit was well received and led to an invitation to supervise future SCU PhD candidates within the highly successful CMCRC-industry sponsored research program.

Dr Mieke Witsel, Dr Tamara Young (Newcastle University) and Dr Andrea Boyle (SCU) have been working as guest editors for a Special Issue of *JoHLSTE (Journal of Hospitality, Leisure, Sport and Tourism Education).* They are proud to have pulled together a fabulous collection of very pertinent articles. The final paragraph of their editorial really sums it up:

“Together, the collection of articles in this special issue deal with largely invisible discourses by bringing to the foreground matters that educators and practitioners might have hitherto overlooked. These articles contribute to the development of a critical perspective towards hospitality, leisure, sport and tourism education, and encourage readers to reconsider the relationship between students, educators, society, sustainability and morality. The authors of these articles also encourage us to transform our view of what education can and does achieve, and how it does so. As such, the works presented in this special issue have the potential to contribute to a reconstructed education for a less ethnocentric, more equitable, and more generous world”.


Congratulations Mieke!
The Gold Coast Student Hub was officially launched on the 1st August by Gold Coast Mayor Tom Tate and QLD Treasurer Curtis Pitt. **Associate Professor Michael Kortt** represented SCU at the official opening, which will provide a welcoming destination for local and international students who are studying on the Gold Coast. At the opening, Michael was pleased to meet Mr Trivedi of Study Gold Coast (who is an SCU graduate) and the SCU Ambassadors (who are current SCU students).

Share your research success with us

Do you have a news item to share with the school of Business and Tourism and the wider community? If so we would love to hear and promote your research achievements within the School. Please email your research achievements to michael.kortt@scu.edu.au and tanya.stewart@scu.edu.au