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National Housing Research Program (NHRP) 2018 funding

Further to last year's success in the 2018 NHRP funding round, we are delighted to congratulate two additional UniSA recipients of the AHURI PhD Top-up Scholarships:

- Ms Jessica Porter (BUE). Thesis working title: 'Governance of affordable housing in non-metropolitan Australia'; and
- Ms Christa Viljoen (BUE). Thesis working title: 'Financial stress and older homeowners in Australia'.

NHRP 2019

The agenda for AHURI's NHRP 2019 funding round was announced on 16 April 2018. It reflects a broad spectrum of potential topics, some of which include:

- population growth, migration and agglomeration
- housing and energy costs
- indigenous homelessness in urban settings
- companion animals as inhibitors to rental mobility.

Our centre director, Assoc. Prof. Garnaut has also been working closely with AHURI research centres at partner institutions around Australia to connect UniSA members with other applicants in the 2019 round. We look forward to seeing how our researchers at UniSA respond to the 2019 topics and offer our best wishes and ongoing support for their application endeavours. Applications for NHRP 2019 close at 12pm, August 10, 2018.

Research Centre Workgroup Initiative

Our workgroups have evolved to incorporate three primary research themes, which are: housing, homelessness, and ageing-related housing inquiry. Within these broader themes, researchers are exploring sub themes including: alternative housing models in support of changing demographic patterns; housing that considers changing social, financial, cultural and neighbourhood conditions; financial modelling of alternative housing options; infill; specialist disability accommodation; financial capability and housing decisions; ageing in place; housing options for older people e.g. independent living, retirement villages; financial stress and older homeowners; mortgage debt and retirement; effective provision of services; understanding homelessness in diverse communities e.g. refugees and migrants, LGBTIQI, rural/remote settings; Indigenous

homelessness; domestic violence; parenting without a home; and the effects of homelessness on children. Researchers from across the divisions of BUE and EASS have met to discuss collaborative research opportunities under these and other themes, and some are having follow-up discussions about opportunities for a potential research team for the RTIS seed funding application. They are also considering potential PhD topics and development of collaborative, cross divisional supervisory panels.

Centre Administrative and Management News

We have held several events over the last six months, beginning with a grant-writing workshop and official launch and networking event for our research centre at UniSA on 22 March. The event was attended by UniSA researchers and HDR candidates, as well as industry partners, research partners from other SA institutions and representatives from the AHURI national office. At the launch we heard from several members of our research centre who are current recipients in the 2018 NHRP funding round, as well as from two HDR candidates who are doing research on AHURI-related topics. Other events have included:

- Roadshow event for NHRP 2019 meeting and discussion with AHURI representatives about the 2019 NHRP agenda and application process
- Lunch gathering for HDRs and supervisors working on housing related topics
- Internal workgroup meetings

We also now have an active webpage where we share news about activities and upcoming events. Please visit us at: www.unisa.edu.au/ahuri-research-centre

Upcoming Events

AHURI Research Centre Symposium at the University of South Australia

Date: Thursday 18 October, 10am – 4pm

Venue: Pridham Hall Function Rooms, City West Campus

AHURI National News

AHURI reports from the research being undertaken based on previous NHRP agendas are regularly published on their website. Please see:

www.ahuri.edu.au/research/key-research-themes

