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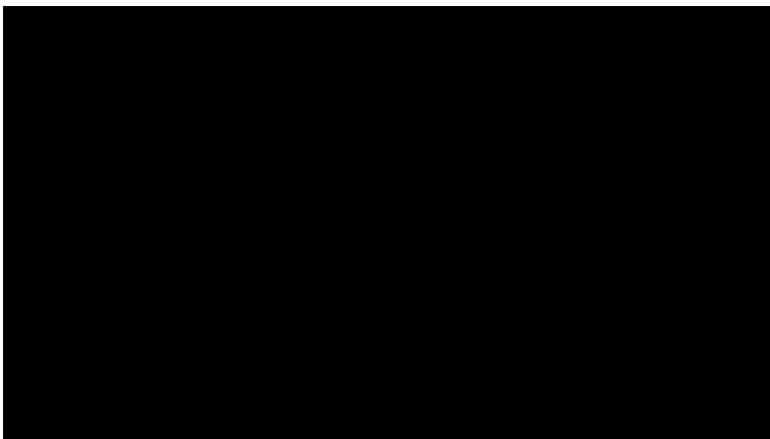
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Top teacher knows his class

by Michèle Nardelli

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Lecturer in engineering, Dr Aziz is well known among engineering students at UniSA as someone who really cares about them.

Third-year Bachelor of Engineering: Computer Systems student, Simon Kupke says what is clear about Dr Aziz is his personal commitment to his students.

"Dr Aziz is our lecturer but it is nothing for him to pop into our tutorials and practical sessions just to see how we are going and make sure we have a full understanding of what we are learning," Kupke says.

"He also is careful to make the relevance of what we are learning a key part of how he teaches, so he'll share his industry experience of the working applications of the theory.

"Everything we study with him is made relevant because he shows us why things are applied in certain ways. He also gives us extra exercises that support our chances of getting good jobs when we graduate. You always know he cares about how you are doing."

The premier university teaching award follows Dr Aziz' earlier recognition in the Australian Teaching and Learning Council's Awards for Teaching Excellence the field of physical sciences.

The \$50,000 award recognises an academic with an exceptional record of advancing student learning, educational leadership and scholarly contribution to teaching and learning.

Prof Aziz leads first year engineering programs across UniSA's Division of Information Technology, Engineering and the Environment.

His approach to teaching is deeply rooted in his belief that "one size fits all" never applies to people in a learning environment.

"I have to know my students – both their academic and their cultural backgrounds if I am to give them the best learning opportunities," Dr Aziz says.

"Increasingly, diversity is the hallmark of student populations – they are a mix of mature age and school leavers; local and international students; and those who have come to university via TAFE. It is vital to understand how both their educational and cultural experiences impact on how they learn.

"Interacting with students therefore is vital. You have to do more than just deliver lectures – you need to see how they are coping across the spectrum of their learning engagement – in tutes, practicals and all their other activities."

Dr Aziz says the award is a great honour but in no small part reflects UniSA's investment over the past three years in reinvigorating approaches to teaching.

"I'm grateful to be working for a university that is committed to delivering real excellence in teaching.

"The changes made in engineering – such as a common first year, a new specially designed experiential



learning space and systems to identify students who are struggling – help to prepare our students to succeed and our graduates to work in multidisciplinary teams.

"At a School level, I am also very grateful for the support and collaboration of my colleagues."

The Prime Minister's Teacher of the Year Award acknowledges Dr Aziz's sustained contributions in teaching and learning, locally and internationally over the past 20 years.

Moving from Bangladesh to Australia in 1999, Dr Aziz has used his experience of teaching in a new context to create programs that help students adapt to the new social and educational environment that university provides.

UniSA Vice Chancellor Professor Peter Høj said the entire university community is very proud of Dr Aziz's achievement.

"Mahfuz is a wonderful example of what it takes to be an excellent university teacher – he is dedicated to his students and has a real passion to ensure that they have a quality educational experience at university – one that is relevant, informed by the latest research and delivered with genuine enthusiasm and care," Prof Høj said.

"We have made a significant investment at UniSA in reshaping the student learning environment so that all students can benefit from the elements of good teaching that Mahfuz so clearly has brought to his students. This approach is invaluable because it helps us deliver the best graduates for the workforce."

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Climate truths unearthed

by Heather Leggett

Professor Ross Garnaut AO had a clear message for the nation at the 12th Annual Hawke Lecture held in early November: when it comes to climate change we are “facing a moment of truth”.

Speaking to a captivated audience, Prof Garnaut argued that it is in Australia’s national interest to seek an ambitious international agreement on climate change mitigation.

The economist and author of Australia’s most significant review of the national implications of climate change, *The Garnaut Climate Change Review*, emphasised that climate change is not a problem of the future, but of the present.

“In the early 21st century, emissions have been growing much more rapidly than before and than previously anticipated,” he said.

“We have squandered the time and the headroom that we had in the early 1990s. We need to change the trajectory of global emissions urgently if high risks of dangerous climate change are to be avoided.”

Presenting the day after returning from an overseas pre-meeting for December’s Copenhagen Summit, Prof Garnaut expressed the need for more developed countries to acknowledge the significance of their role.

“There can be no effective mitigation without all countries of substantial size making major contributions to the solution,” he said.

Garnaut acknowledged his former colleague, Bob Hawke AC, for environmental reforms during his time as Prime Minister.

“The reforms of the Hawke years demonstrate that a Prime Minister with strong electoral standing has considerable autonomy in executing a policy of reform in the national interest,” he said.

“It also shows that consistent messages to the community over long periods and commitment to gradual and steady progress towards long term goals can widen the scope of what is politically possible.”

In his vote of thanks at the Lecture, Hawke publicly supported the Garnaut position.

Hawke said that a public education campaign and discussion, supported by facts, would help Australia come to a decision on how best to tackle carbon emissions.

[Read the full Garnaut Hawke Lecture transcript.](#)



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Investigating autism links to folate and DNA

by Kelly Stone

Adelaide scientists have embarked on a new research program looking at whether DNA damage is greater in children with autism than in children without autism.

UniSA's Sansom Institute for Health Research, together with CSIRO Food and Nutritional Sciences and Flinders University, will also investigate whether certain vitamins and other nutrients can help treat some aspects of autism.

Dr Manya Angley from the Sansom Institute's Autism Research Group says United States researchers have shown that the folate-methionine metabolic pathway, which involves key chemical reactions in the body, is significantly different in many children with autism compared to non-autistic children.



"This pathway is involved in many key biochemical functions, especially maintenance of healthy DNA," she said.

Professor Michael Fenech from CSIRO and UniSA says the study will be carried out in two parts.

"The first part aims to establish whether Australian children with autism have an abnormal folate-methionine pathway by looking at levels of certain chemicals in their blood and determining if there is a relationship with autism behaviour," he said.

"The second part looks at whether giving supplements to correct the blood profile, improves autism behaviours.

"Specific combinations of vitamins and other nutrients can potentially reverse DNA damage associated with normal ageing and neurological disorders such as Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease and Down syndrome.

"We want to see whether DNA damage is elevated in autism and whether supplements are effective in treating some aspects of autism."

The researchers are hopeful that the study may lead to better outcomes for individuals with autism. The ultimate aim is to develop personalised nutrition based on an individual's own genetic makeup.

UniSA PhD student Penelope Main is currently seeking participants for the study. Main says participating in the study has many benefits including free blood testing for nutrient status and psychological assessment with carers being given a comprehensive report.

Children and adolescents with a diagnosis of Autistic Disorder, their siblings and controls (without a family history of autism) are currently being recruited. Interested individuals should be aged under 15 years and not currently taking folate or sodium valproate (Epilem). Contact Penelope Main by email on penelope.main@postgrads.unisa.edu.au

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Australia's China connection going strong

by Katrina Kalleske

Two UniSA alumni were among the winners at the Australia China Alumni Awards in Beijing last month.

The Australia China Alumni Association (ACAA), which is an inclusive organisation for all China-based alumni of Australian universities, held the annual awards for the first time this year.

UniSA was the only Australian university with two winners, including the top award – the CPA Australia Alumni of the Year to Hui Wing Mau. Mr Hui, who is the Chairman and Executive Director of Shimao Property Holdings, graduated with a Masters of Business Administration in 2003.

Mr Hui founded the Shimao Group in the 1980s, focusing on the development of high-end residential and business properties and luxury hotels. Under his leadership, the Shimao Group has not only changed the landscape of urban China, but also injected new vitality into urban living.

The Award citation also states that “apart from being a generous donor to charities, education and social welfare establishments, Mr Hui has always been the first to react to any relief effort for natural disasters. His generous offers during the Sichuan Earthquake made him a stand-out philanthropist.”

UniSA's other award winner was Luqiang Qiao who took out the award for culture and arts. Mr Qiao's association with Australia has stretched over 20 years.

In 1997 he was granted a scholarship to study a Graduate Diploma of Arts Management at UniSA. Mr Qiao said that at that time, there were no arts training courses like it in China. After completing that course, he stayed on to undertake a MBA. While he was in South Australia, he was involved with several cultural and arts events including the World Music Festival (Asian Theme), in 1999.

“The skills and knowledge, especially the way of thinking I obtained through the courses of arts management and the MBA, have been very beneficial to life and work,” Mr Qiao said.

Mr Qiao is now the Deputy Director of General Office at China's National Centre for the Performing Arts in Beijing. In this role he has made extensive contributions to cultural exchanges between Australia and China.

“My job for the past nearly 20 years can be considered a bridge between the two countries. I believe that each Chinese graduate from Australia can be considered a part of the big bridge.

“China-based Australian alumni are a great help in setting up a platform for graduates to make closer contacts with Australia, and at the same time help the development of the relationship between the two countries.”

Congratulations also go to Dr Hao Yalei who was a finalist in the Austrade Award for Entrepreneurship. A 2009 PhD graduate of UniSA, he has worked for major corporations and made significant progress in the exploration of natural gas, and currently works for PetroChina as the Deputy Director of the Foreign Cooperation Administration Department.

UniSA alumni living in China are encouraged to join the ACAA network. The ACAA run monthly social and professional networking events in Beijing and Shanghai, and regular events across a number of other cities in China. For more information, [visit the ACCA website](#).



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Top honour for young MBA student

by Michèle Nardelli

A student of the Masters of Business Administration at UniSA, Julian O'Shea, has just been named Young South Australian of the Year for 2009.

O'Shea is a firm believer in the power of education and has developed not only excellent engineering qualifications, (B Eng Hons, Adelaide University; M Eng Sc Australian Defence Force Academy) but also the management and leadership skills to apply his knowledge in a range of settings.

O'Shea is an engineer and serving as an officer in the Royal Australian Navy where he is managing, West Head Gunnery Range in Flinders, Victoria, a 15-acre live-fire training facility associated with the Navy's premier training facility, HMAS Cerberus.



In his citation for the award from SA Great, O'Shea was said to be an "inspiring young leader within the engineering profession, the Australian Defence Force and the wider community as an active volunteer".

His professional expertise has seen him represent Australia at international conferences as well as young engineers on the National Information, Telecommunications and Electronic Engineering College Board. Late last year Julian was an Australian delegate to the World Engineers convention in Brazil. He has also received the South Australian Department of Trade and Economic Development Achievement Award and the 2009 Advertiser Pride of Australia Medal in the Serving Australia category, which is presented to service personnel who show extraordinary courage and devotion to duty under extreme circumstances.

Given credit at UniSA for his officer training as part of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Australian Defence Force, at just 25 O'Shea is a surprisingly young MBA student.

Program Director for the MBA, Bob Gilliver, said the average age of MBA students is about 37 years.

"It is unusual to take on a 25-year-old, but he impressed us from the very beginning," Gilliver said.

"This award is a fitting tribute to his focus, his maturity, his determination and his vision."

Among the other awards, UniSA Adjunct Research Fellow in Psychology, Rosemary Wanganeen, was named winner of the Community category for her outstanding work in psychology through counselling, research and teaching. Wanganeen, herself very much impacted by difficult experiences in her life, is the founding director of the Australian Institute for Loss and Grief. Through the Institute, she runs the *Sacred Site Within Healing Centre*, which provides counselling and support for Indigenous and non-Indigenous clients.

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International art

by Katrina Kalleske

Two senior lecturers from UniSA have paved the way for a new partnership with one of China's most prestigious art institutions – the Guangzhou Academy of Fine Arts (GAFA).

Program Director Greg Donovan and Portfolio Leader Teaching and Learning Andrew Hill from the School of Art, Architecture and Design recently returned from Guangzhou where they had solo exhibitions at the Art Museum of the Academy.

Recently ranked third among China's art research bodies, the Art Museum of the Guangzhou Academy of Fine Arts hosts only two or three international exhibitions a year in its calendar of 24 exhibitions.

The work by the two UniSA lecturers was identified by GAFA in 2007 as being of international standard and of interest to its audience which potentially includes its 4500 undergraduate and postgraduate students who work across visual art, architecture and design disciplines, paralleling those of the School of Art, Architecture and Design.

Vice President (International) of the Academy, Zhao Jian said the art work is important for the manner in which it explored the relationship between the traditional arts practices of painting and drawing and the rapidly evolving medium of digital printmaking.

Jian also stressed the significance of the exhibition in building the Academy's international links, and highlighted UniSA's enthusiastic and outward looking approach towards international relationships.

On his return from China, Donovan said that the Academy is very keen to develop a Memorandum of Understanding with UniSA in regards to future staff and student exchanges.

"It is a terrific opportunity for the School," Donovan said. "The Academy is highly regarded in China and also has strong international links to the European art community."

The Art Museum will acquire a number of the works from the exhibition to add to its permanent collection.



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Employees awarded

Four individuals and seven teams won awards in the 2009 Vice Chancellor's Awards for Professional Staff Excellence, held in early November.

The Division of Business had a high number of winners, with three individual winners and two group winners, while the Marketing and Development Unit also had two group winners for its prospective student projects.



Vice Chancellor Peter Høj congratulated all recipients and nominees and thanked managers for taking the time to write the nominations.

Host of the awards presentation on November 6, Pro Vice Chancellor of International and Development Anna Ciccarelli said all the winners demonstrated significant achievements that were truly deserving of recognition.

"We have a very interesting range of recipients this year who have contributed to significant projects and the smooth and successful functioning of the University," Dr Ciccarelli said.

The winners were:

Individuals

- Sarah Collyer- Braham, Coordinator: Global Experience – Division of BUE for "Providing Quality Service"
- Sally Kok, Business Development Manager: International – Division of BUE for "Providing Quality Service"
- Tristana Sidoryn, Coordinator: Student Transition – Division of BUE for "Working Across Boundaries"
- Helen Clark, Finance Officer – School of Nursing and Midwifery for "Working Smarter/Getting Results"

Teams

- AQUA 2009 Writing Partnership for "Working Across Boundaries".
Team members: Holly McCausland and Greg Giles
- ERA Trial Support Team for "Working Across Boundaries".
Team members: Sally Carpenter, Michael Crisp, Emma Stoddart, Mary Mendrin, Angelica Healey, Jarrod Sharp, Ryan Bartsch, James Moyon, Jenny Quilliam, Kate Sergeant and Zakir Hossain
- Prospective Student CRM Team / The 1 to 1 Project for "Working Smarter/Getting Results".
Team members: Sharna McKenzie, Darren McInnes, Amy Tran, Jenny Clift, Carly Hocking, Rebecca Graeber, Kerry Purtle, Corey Wade, Ryan Bailey, Kolynda Maguire, Tahnee Blight and Lana Pearce
- Transnational Support Services Exit Team (BUE) for "Leading Change".
Team members: Mary McEwin, Renee Kavanagh and Cate McKenzie
- External Examinations Team for "Working Smarter/Getting Results".
Team members: Annika Danielsson, Cathy Agar, Kim Clark and Emma Hughes
- Open Day Team – Domestic Student Recruitment for "Providing Quality Services".
Team members: Ryan Bailey, Amy Tran, Darren McInnes, Kolynda Maguire, Tahnee Blight, Lana Pearce, Rebecca Graeber, Kerry Purtle, Corey Wade, Sharna McKenzie, Edmond Boey, Judy Sykes, Sheila Bailey, Andrew Bailey, Daniel Lawrance, Francis Chan and Son Chhoy

- Division of Business IT Support (BUE-IT) for "Providing Quality Services".
Team members: Shawn Carpenter, Rebecca Wang, Lisa Cortez, Mandy Towler, Miranda Trewren, Simon Clarke, Tony Mullord, Nick Thomas, Chris Borgardt, Duane Ferguson and Luis Sanguesa

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Green skills add up

by Heather Leggett

Accounting students should think seriously about gaining some 'green' skills before graduation day, according to a recent study by a UniSA researcher.

Conducted by Joanne Tingey-Holyoak from UniSA's Centre for Accounting Governance and Sustainability (CAGS), the study has revealed that many local accountants expect their new recruits to have attained accounting related sustainability skills at university.

Tingey-Holyoak surveyed 121 South Australian accountants as part of an honours project, supervised by founding director of CAGS Professor Roger Burritt, to determine the extent to which accountants are responding to pressure to engage with the environmental agenda.

She says that the research results indicated a link between the perceived personal importance of environmental issues and the perceived necessity of sustainability skills in new recruits.

"Accounting firm manager's perceptions of the importance of sustainability graduates were predicted by their perceptions of the importance of sustainability issues to society, their clients and accountancy professional bodies," she says.

"The results of the study are very positive, especially when considered alongside the fact that the majority of participants viewed the welfare of the environment as being personally important to them."

Tingey-Holyoak says the results indicate that the future for sustainability accounting in South Australia is encouraging.

"What also emerged from the study is confirmation that the accounting profession has acknowledged the critical link between business and sustainability," she says.

According to Tingey-Holyoak, the findings also indicate that the demand for sustainability education for future accountants is expected to intensify over time.

"Specific skills, such as sustainability assurance and emissions accounting, are expected to increase considerably over the next three years," she says.



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Caring for chronic illnesses

by Kelly Stone

A recently published South Australian study will have significant implications for the awareness and formulation of management and care strategies for people with many chronic illnesses.

Dr Gillian Caughey from UniSA's Sansom Institute for Health Research was the lead author of the study which showed combinations of certain chronic conditions in the elderly can significantly decrease life expectancy.



Published in the *Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health*, the study suggests primary health care which is more centred on the whole patient rather than on individual diseases, improves life expectancy.

Dr Caughey says increased knowledge of the most common combinations of chronic medical conditions and treatment outcomes in the elderly will help to support better management and care of those patients.

"Between 65 to 80 per cent of the elderly have multiple chronic conditions and that is projected to rise with the increasing age of our population," Dr Caughey said.

"We found elderly people with three or four chronic diseases have a 25 per cent increased risk of mortality, while those with five or more chronic diseases have an 80 per cent increased risk of mortality, by comparison to those with no chronic diseases.

"Mortality is also dependent on the specific disease combinations present within an individual, with cardiovascular disease and mental health problems associated with increased mortality."

Dr Caughey said the study also found that elderly people who have arthritis along with a number of other chronic health conditions have a higher life expectancy than those who don't have arthritis combined with those other conditions.

"These results raise the hypothesis that patients who have increased likelihood of opportunity for care from their doctor are more likely to have other chronic medical conditions detected earlier and be better managed," she said.

Dr Caughey worked on the 14-year study with UniSA colleagues Professor Andrew Gilbert, Dr Libby Roughead, Dr Agnes Vitry, along with Flinders University's Dr Mary Luszcz and the University of Adelaide's Professor Philip Ryan and Emmae Ramsay.

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Community voice wins recognition

A successful and innovative UniSA project that gives residents the opportunity to make an important contribution to local government has been named the best community engagement project at the 2009 Business-Higher Education Round Table Awards.

The Community Panel project developed by Dr Anne Sharp from UniSA Ehrenberg-Bass Institute for Marketing Science in collaboration with the City Councils of Tee Tree Gully, Burnside, Unley, Holdfast Bay and Campbelltown as well as the Local Government Association of South Australia, has grown from strength to strength.



There are now more than 2000 local residents registered as Community Panel members and they are regularly contributing feedback and opinion through online surveys about key decisions affecting the local community. Growing from a pilot project, it now includes five local councils with more communities adopting the Community Panel concept.

The panels help to engage residents from all groups, eliminating some of the traditional barriers to involvement. Research results from the surveys are then used by the council in the decision making process around policy or local issues.

Also featuring with an honorable mention in the best Research and Development category at the B-Hert Awards, was Professor Drew Dawson for a project he carried out in partnership with InterDynamics Pty Ltd and Safety Support Ltd, to develop tools to manage fatigue related risk in the workplace. The collaboration has produced a suite of software products and consultancy services that have generated a new category of scientific fatigue risk-management solutions both locally and internationally.

The B-Hert Awards recognise outstanding collaborations in research and development, higher education and training, vocational education and training, and community engagement.

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Data links build the big health picture

by Michèle Nardelli

South Australia and Northern Territory researchers will soon have access to some of the most comprehensive historical health and human services data in Australia with the foundation of SA NT DataLink.

Launched in November, the new secure environment will be based at UniSA's City East campus.

SA NT DataLink will link up routinely collected historical government health, education and community services data from SA and the NT giving researchers an opportunity to study the relationships between health and well-being in the community across a wide range of factors.

Director of SA NT DataLink, UniSA's Professor Robyn McDermott says the capacity to link this data will be of enormous importance to health and population research and service and policy planning.

"While the information will be completely anonymous and secure, access to the data and the capacity to research across the health, education and community services spectrum is very powerful," Prof McDermott said.

"It allows us to look at emerging population trends and problems in a much more sophisticated way than was possible previously.

"It means we can examine the relationships between location or education and health and provide a more holistic understanding of the development of our population over time and through that, devise better strategies to promote health and well-being across the community."

Speaking at the launch, SA Minister for Health John Hill said SA NT DataLink was an initiative that would build invaluable health and human services policy flexibility and responsiveness across the state and territory.

"The foundation of SA NT DataLink will mean researchers and policy makers can develop the most accurate and unbiased information to guide the development of the most effective public policy and practice," Minister Hill said.

SA NT DataLink was established as a consortium earlier this year comprising the SA Ministers for Health, Education, Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Early Childhood Development, Families and Communities, Housing, Ageing, Disability, and Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation, the Northern Territory of Australia, the Anti-Cancer Foundation of South Australia, SA's three Universities and the Motor Accident Commission.

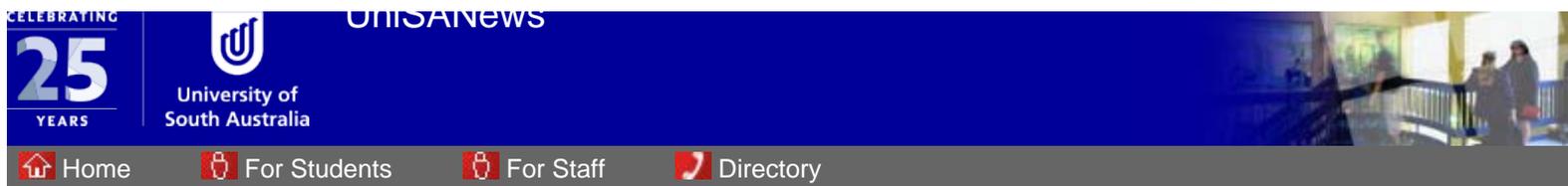
"SA NT DataLink is working closely with the Privacy Committee of South Australia and similarly with the authorities in the Northern Territory to develop processes and protocols to achieve world's best practice in protecting the privacy and confidentiality of the data," Prof Mc Dermott said.



SA Minister for Early Childhood Development, Jay Weatherill; Executive Director Policy for the SA Department of Education and Children's Services, Liz Furler; NT Minister for Health, Kon Vatskalis; Director SA NT DataLink, Prof Robyn McDermott and SA Minister for Health, John Hill at the launch of SA NT DataLink

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Lecturer of the Year

Seven UniSA lecturers were finalists in a Lecturer of the Year Award, run annually by UniJobs.com.au.

The following lecturers were nominated for their efforts in helping to enrich the lives of their students and co-workers:

- Mr Kent Wilson
- Mr Matthew McKinlay
- Ms Janine Pierce
- Prof Kazem Abhary
- Mr John Hendrickson
- Dr Kym Fraser
- Mr Nick Mermelengas

Established in 2007, the award aims to highlight the efforts of lecturers and teaching staff that go beyond the curriculum, and better their campus community.

While none of the UniSA nominees took out any of the top spots, Kent Wilson from the School of Commerce polled the highest number of votes among the UniSA lecturers.

The overall prize went to a lecturer from the University of New South Wales' School of Biomedical Engineering, Ross Odell.

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Environmental entrepreneur

by Katrina Kalleske

A PhD student who is running an environmental consultancy has been named the Young Entrepreneur of the Year by the South Australian Young Entrepreneur Scheme (SAYES).

Christopher Raymond took part in the year-long SAYES program along with about 50 other participants, and was judged to be the highest achieving out of them.

SAYES is run by Business SA to provide young South Australians with the skills and confidence to develop and implement their business ideas. Raymond said the biggest benefit he received from the program was having access to a network of mentors and corporate partners who provided invaluable advice during the start-up phase of his business, Enviroconnect.

Raymond is currently undertaking his PhD with the Centre for Rural Health and Community Development, UniSA, while running his business part-time. His PhD focuses on relationships among rural landholder values, place attachments and conservation behaviour in two areas of South Australia – the Eyre Peninsula and the SA Murray-Darling Basin.

"There is an enormous need in Australia and internationally to link local knowledge of the environment with scientific or managerial knowledge held by corporate and government bodies," he said.

"I am really enjoying the challenge of working with multiple stakeholders. Working in this industry aligns with my value system and mission of connecting multiple interest groups to environmental initiatives, and to personal and economic well-being."

Raymond said that more people are becoming aware of climate change and more broadly, environmental issues in the community.

"The challenge for every individual is to identify alternative ways of living with the environment, rather than against it," he said.

"Environmental values and the need to conserve the environment are often competing against the need for personal success such as owning your own home, the latest car or attaining the promotion at work. These personal success factors often lead to increased natural resource consumption rather than environmental sustainability."

Raymond's PhD follows his Honours Degree in Biodiversity, Environmental and Park Management at UniSA. He has been able to focus on his PhD this year after winning the Jean Pearce Environmental Scholarship.

Criteria for the Young Entrepreneur Award included quality of the business plan, self motivation and, of course, the resulting success of the business. SAYES Project Executive from Business SA Daniel Smith said Raymond excelled in all areas.

"He was eager to learn and prepared a very detailed plan for the future of the business," Smith said. "In just one year, his pursuit of the business saw him take on interstate and international clients."



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Celebrating 80 Hawke Years

by Heather Leggett

It was a jovial crowd that gathered in early November to attend a celebration for former Prime Minister Bob Hawke, held in honour of his upcoming 80th birthday.

Bob Hawke AC was in attendance at the 80 Hawke Years event, hosted by the Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre to recognise the man and his legacy, just over a month before his official birthday on December 9.

Guests ranged from those who would have been just infants when Hawke first became Prime Minister in 1983, to distinguished members of his former cabinet. But all gathered with the common goal of celebrating the man remembered for his commitment to peace, reconciliation and economic reform.

More than 150 guests attended, among them former Hawke cabinet members Nick Bolkus, Barry Jones, Neal Blewett, Gordon Bilney, Brian Howe, John Dawkins, Chris Hurford and Hawke Government Senator, Rosemary Crowley.

Others guests included 12th Annual Hawke Lecturer, Professor Ross Garnaut; WWF Chief Executive and former Hawke Lecturer Greg Bourne; Business SA Chief Peter Vaughan; and patrons, Lowitja O'Donoghue, Dr Basil Hetzel and Mrs Imelda Roche.

SA Premier Mike Rann and Minister for Climate Change and Senator for South Australia, Senator Penny Wong delivered warm congratulations to a gratified Hawke. Written birthday messages were received from former Prime Minister Gough Whitlam, former Leader of the Opposition Kim Beazley, former politicians Geoff Gallup, Gareth Evans, and Susan Ryan and patrons of the Hawke Centre, Michael Kirby, Sir Ninian Stephen and Sir Zelman Cowen.

Prime Minister Kevin Rudd recorded a personal video reciting Bob's standout achievements, which delighted the audience.

In the spirit of the occasion, Mr Hawke donned a replica of the famous jacket he wore for the America's Cup in 1983 during a cappella performance by the 'Silver Budgies' of the song Happy Birthday, with a distinctly Australian flavour.

The popular former Prime Minister expressed his delight at being a part of the earlybird celebrations.

"(The event) brought back so many happy memories of my career generally and my association with South Australia," he said.



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TDU Update

The Tour Down Under is less than two months away and UniSA is continuing its preparation for the big event.

The 2010 event, held from January 17-24, will mark UniSA's tenth year of support of the event.

Six of the seven members of Team UniSA-Australia are set to be finalised before Christmas, so keep an eye on our supporters website for the details.

On the website you can also find a guide to each stage of the Tour, with the local sights that spectators can see along the way highlighted.

The Team UniSA Supporters Club is again giving away prizes including posters and jerseys signed by the 2009 team which includes young riding star Jack Bobridge.

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New program to fight cybercrime

by Kelly Stone

UniSA is introducing the Master of Science (Information Assurance) in 2010 to help meet the growing demand for IT security professionals in Australia.

Dean of Research for the Division of Information Technology, Engineering and the Environment Associate Professor Jill Slay, said producing graduates with the technical skills to solve cybercrime would be the focus of the new program.

Associate Prof Slay said graduates would assist in tackling the increasing problems of computer hacking and threats to critical infrastructure.

"In the past 10 years, the amount of electronic crime evidence requiring analysis has increased 100,000 fold," said Associate Prof Slay who is also Director of UniSA's Forensic Computing Lab.

"There is actually a limit to the number of cases that forensic computing experts can take on due to shortages of qualified staff.

"This new program will train a new generation of forensic computing, critical infrastructure, defence, law enforcement, banking industry and IT security professionals who will be able to present scientific evidence in a court of law."

The program is the only one of its kind in Australia and is supported nationally by the Australian Federal Police, all state law enforcement agencies and the private sector.



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New Deputy Vice Chancellor

UniSA's new Deputy Vice Chancellor: Academic, will begin her role in Adelaide in February next year.

Professor Joanne Wright, currently Pro Vice Chancellor Education, and Professor of International Relations, at the University of Sussex in the UK, said that she was delighted to be joining such a dynamic, confident and forward looking university.

"I am particularly attracted to UniSA's aims of making a real difference to people and communities through both its educational programs and research," she said.

"I am also looking forward to meeting up with old friends and colleagues after over a decade in the UK."

At Sussex, Professor Wright has had University-wide responsibility for teaching and learning strategies, student recruitment (including international recruitment), the student experience, quality assurance and academic standards.

Announcing the appointment at the end of October, UniSA Vice Chancellor Professor Peter Høj said that he was confident that Professor Wright would make an outstanding contribution to the University in the priority area of teaching and learning, where much progress had already been made.

"I look forward to welcoming her to UniSA and to working with her as a senior colleague as we continue our efforts to make UniSA one of the leading contributors to Australian higher education," he said.

Professor Wright has a Master of Letters in Strategic Studies from the University of Aberdeen and a PhD in international studies from the Australian National University. She began her academic career as a lecturer in politics and international relations at the University of Melbourne. Her recent appointments have included Professor of International Relations, University of London, and Dean, Faculty of History and Social Sciences, Jean Monnet Chair in European Security Integration, and Director of European Studies at Royal Holloway, University of London. Much of her academic work has been in the areas of security and terrorism.



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Stand-out experience for Indian students

by Katrina Kalleske

Four Indian engineering students are returning home from a UniSA exchange with 'the best experience of their lives'.

The students – Vivek Sivagnanam, Gautam Atulya Manohar, Niranjan Ramprasad and Lohithaksha Chengappa – came to UniSA through an Endeavour Scholarship from PSG College Coimbatore.

Coming from the crowded streets of Coimbatore to Adelaide, the students found the green open spaces at the Mawson Lakes campus a big change from their normal study environment. While in Adelaide they joined in programs run by UniLife and really got a feel for Australian life.



They went to an AFL game, some soccer games, on a dolphin cruise, a hike of Mt Lofty, lawn bowls and tree planting – just to name a few. But the stand out seems to be the food, and in particular a visit to the Haighs chocolate factory. And while they weren't inspired to try vegemite they definitely got a taste for Tim Tams, citing the biscuits among their favourite Australian food.

They said that the organised activities they undertook also gave them a chance to meet lots of other students.

"Being involved in the UniLife activities completed our visit here," they said. "We met lots of people who are studying here and got to see what students in Australia do on a Sunday afternoon."

The mechanical and electrical engineering students were chosen to study at UniSA from about 50 other applications from PSG. They were interested in studying in Adelaide after hearing from other PSG students about their positive experience at UniSA. And it's an experience they will be recommending too.

"Studying at UniSA has been an enlightening experience that will be with us for the rest of our lives," Lohithaksha Chengappa said.

"Hopefully there will be more opportunities in the future for students from PSG to study at UniSA through exchange, as well as through doing their masters or research degree as full-time students."

All four students said they will consider returning for further study once they complete their degrees in the middle of 2011.

The Endeavour Awards is a program run by the Australian Government to provide opportunities for citizens of the Asia-Pacific, Middle East, Europe and the Americas to undertake study, research and professional development in Australia. Awards are also available for Australians to do the same abroad.

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Snake solution found down under

by Heather Leggett

Earlier this month a scientist from Myanmar (Burma) travelled to Adelaide with newfound hope of finding a solution to the thousands of deaths by snakebite that occur in her country each year.

Dr Aye Aye Myint, a Senior Scientist from the Department of Medical Research in Myanmar was funded by the World Health Organisation to learn how to make an antivenom to treat envenomation by the widespread Russell's Viper snakes.

Peter Mirtschin and Frank Madaras from UniSA's Venom Research Group and Dr Tim Kuchel and Richard Turnbull from the Veterinary Science Division of the Institute for Medical and Veterinary Science, are developers of the technology, which facilitates production of an 'affinity purified' avian antivenom made from the egg yolk *IgY immunoglobulin*.



Madaras said that affinity purified avian antivenom is superior to traditional equine antivenom.

"It offers a more purified form of the antibodies that attack specific snake venoms. As a result, it is a safer and more effective means of treatment," he said.

"Death by snake bite from the Russell's Viper presents a significant problem in Myanmar. A prolific breeder, the snake thrives in the tropical climate and accounts for 70 per cent of snakebites in the region.

"Though their toxicity is less than that of the Australian Brown Snake, their powerful jaws, half inch large fangs and large head result in an exceptionally large amount of venom being injected during each envenomation, with death a likely result if treatment is not sought."

Dr Myint, who was in Adelaide for six weeks for the intensive traineeship, said snakebites are an almost daily occurrence in Myanmar.

"There are a lot of snakes hidden in the fields where farmers work, where the snakes go to hunt their favoured prey of mice and rats," she said. "For many farmers, fear of snakebite is a part of daily life."

But she said that new technology brings new hope for what is becoming a globally acknowledged health issue.

"A tiny amount of antivenom can save a person's life. I will be able to take the skills I've learned in Adelaide and will use them to implement the production of affinity purified avian antivenom specific to the Russell's viper," she said.

"The training I received here will have positive effects in Myanmar indefinitely."

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All hours 1800 500 911 – free call
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Future student enquiries

Ph: (08) 8302 2376
Fax: (08) 8302 0977

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Address: Level 1, 101 Currie Street, Adelaide SA 5000
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Open weekdays from 9:00am to 5:00pm, excluding public holidays.

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Mawson Lakes SA 5095
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Whyalla Norrie SA 5608
Ph: 1800 808 957 (free call)

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Email: campuscentral.whyalla@unisa.edu.au

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Mt Gambier - Campus Central

Wireless Road West
Mount Gambier SA 5290
PO BOX 798 MOUNT GAMBIER 5290

Ph: +61 8 8721 8900 (local)*
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Open Day was held on Sunday 14 August

This year's Open Day was the biggest yet with over 90 presentations, 80 information

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Missed a presentation?

If you didn't manage to make it to Open Day, watch our [program overview videos](#) to find out more about the range of programs on offer.

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Information sessions



UniSA holds a number of information sessions where you can visit our campuses and ask questions to

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EU Doctoral Pedagogies Colloquium: Models, Challenges, Outcomes

14 September - 15 September 2016

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An exhibition exploring an 1887 Exhibition, held in the Jubilee Exhibition building, and tracks the...



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An exhibition created by members of the refugee community, who receive support from Kilburn's 'Mercy...



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11 November 2016

Are integrated decisions about water management better than stand-alone choices?



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- reads aloud all website content including PDF and MS Word documents
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- choose the voice to use
- change the reading speed
- create shortcut/hotkeys to start/stop reading
- have the program start when the computer starts



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Operating Systems: Windows XP, Vista and Windows 7
Pentium 4 1.8GHz Processor 512 MB RAM (1 GB RAM recommended on Windows Vista and above)
Sound Card + Speakers
15MB Free Disk Space

Recommended Browsers: Internet Explorer 6, 7 or 8. Firefox 3.6
For PDFs: Acrobat Reader 9

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