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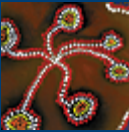
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Why the next giant leap in space will be an international effort

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by Will Venn

When humans last stepped onto the moon, President Nixon was in the White House and Gough Whitlam had just become Australia's Prime Minister.

The footprints are still there, as is the political will to return, but a 40 year-long lunar absence, punctuated by the end of NASA's space shuttle program in 2011, suggests human exploration of space has taken one giant leap backwards.

Listening to the students and three astronauts who are attending the UniSA and International Space University's (ISU) Southern Hemisphere Summer Space Program (SHSSP), it becomes evident there is optimism about our future in space and that optimism is both well placed and hinges on international collaboration.

The five week long SHSSP program features presentations by 35 lecturers, covering subjects which range from satellite remote sensing to issues of law associated with space, indicating that the study of space continues to ignite a passion and relevance across a variety of research fields on Earth.

Michael Davis, co-director of the SHSSP program, highlighted the range of useful topics that participants of the program are engaging in at Mawson Lakes campus.

"We have 38 students from 10 different countries who are learning about how space can help us on Earth through, for example, remote sensing, GPS systems, environmental monitoring – pertinent with the current bush fires, and satellite communications," he said.

"They will also look at space policy and legal issues surrounding space and will work on a project on space sustainability."

The international and collaborative approach to the program is evident not just in the range of nationalities represented by the students in attendance, but also by the astronauts who are involved in the program: Korea's first person in space Dr Soyeon Yi (pictured above), Adelaide born and NASA trained astronaut Dr Andy Thomas, and Italian astronaut Paolo Nespoli.

An enrapt public audience who attended the SHSSP's International Astronaut Event in the city's Italian Centre, to ask these astronauts questions about life in orbit, underlined the continued fascination space holds across the wider community.

In particular Andy Thomas (pictured right with SHSSP students) identified the financial difficulties involved with space programs, revealing that the price of individual shuttle



missions had risen from \$300 million – when he began his career – to an unsustainable \$1 billion per trip price tag.

With such phenomenal costs involved, the relevance of international collaboration and industry partnerships becomes apparent, as Andy explained.



“Space represents an extreme frontier – it’s fraught with risks and costs. In the past national space programs had a very centralised nationalistic program usually enthusiastically supported by governments; it showcased what a country could do,” he said.

“In the 1960s and 1970s that was true, that paradigm led to the Apollo program and the human landings on the moon, and later the Mir Russian Space Station.

“In the past, setting footprints and a flag on a dusty planetary surface was considered an expectation of an advanced society. Social priorities have now changed and communities are asking why do this? It’s a challenging time for space flight.

“The high cost of space exploration means international partnerships have now become the norm – not the exception.

“That is why the ISU is important because it teaches these attributes, the legal issues and how they fit in a geopolitical framework if the cause of human exploration of space is to continue.”

From freeze dried food, joysticks and microchips, the practical benefits and technological innovations that have resulted from space exploration are well documented, but the concept of international goodwill and cooperation is another vital outcome of space exploration and one which could seal its future.

It is also a concept embodied in the collaborative working practices of the SHSSP and the students attending the program in 2013.

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Sporting chance for seven UniSA students

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by Will Venn

Budding sports stars across the University have received a boost with the awarding of seven amateur sports grants, each worth \$1000.

Students who have competed at a national level in sports including sailing, cycling, orienteering, surf lifesaving, basketball and swimming are among the recipients of the inaugural grants which are designed to assist in meeting the costs of competing at high level.



One of the recipients, Ernest Lourens (pictured above), moved to Australia from South Africa 10 years ago and started competitive swimming through the State Swim program.

A weekly training regime that involves five swimming sessions, three resistance-training sessions, and cycling and running cross-training has seen Lourens consistently improve his personal best swimming times in backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly and freestyle.

As a national level swimmer, Lourens competes twice a year at the Australian Open National Championships in short and long course events and, in 2012, his passion and dedicated training paid off as he took part in Olympic trials.

"It was very rewarding," Lourens says.

"I was able to watch the top athletes conduct themselves in the pool and behind the scenes; it was a very humbling experience. Swimming at a high level allows you to develop crucial life skills such as dealing and performing under pressure and stress.

"This sport has taught me how to manage my time effectively, to work hard towards a goal and to be able to pick myself up again when setbacks come my way. Swimming is an excellent sport because it can be done all year round, has relatively low injury rates and caters for endurance and sprint athletes.

"The euphoria of improving your personal best times or winning a medal is by far the most enjoyable part of the swimming experience.

"It is difficult to make a career out of swimming; it's not a highly sponsored sport but it is a sport I really love doing. It takes at least a few years to master the techniques of swimming at this level and to develop the strength and power to be able to compete nationally.

"The grant will really help in various ways such as the travel costs to and from the 2013 Australian Championships in Sydney, the accommodation, coaching and training fees.

"Swimming is a sport which may not require much external equipment but when you consider that the cost of racing bathers is about \$300, there are costs involved."

Lourens' skills as a competitive swimmer also compliment his studies in physiotherapy. In his first year at UniSA he achieved the Chancellor's Academic award, being placed within the top 5 per cent of the physiotherapy cohort.

"The more I learn about physiotherapy the more I can apply its principles to swimming; for instance recovery techniques, massage, developing the ability to recognise injuries within myself and among other swimmers," he says.

"I wouldn't prescribe treatment but I can suggest or recommend when someone may need to see a specialist.

"I appreciate the way that the University has supported me, enabling me to continue my studies while I compete in swimming events and also through the provision of this grant.

"It indicates there is support for athletes and I would encourage others to apply for any future grants."

Professor Roger Eston, Head of the School of Health Sciences, helped to select award recipients and outlined the value of the scholarships.

"I was delighted to be involved in the selection process for these awards," says Prof Eston.

"The grants are awarded in recognition of the challenges of participating in elite sport and maintaining a high academic profile.

"I sincerely hope that the grants will help each of the worthy recipients towards the cost of competing and performing successfully in both their sports and academic programs."

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From a life of danger to a bright future

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by Will Venn

For many students who choose to study in Adelaide, the close proximity of the beaches and the vibrant festival season count among the state's top lifestyle draws. For UniSA business and law student, Pierre Nkuriye (pictured right), it is the absence of gunshot sounds and the ability to walk without fear down unfenced streets that provides the most appeal.



As a refugee whose parents escaped Burundi in 1988, the first 18 years of Nkuriye's life were spent within refugee camps across the African continent. The impact of civil war in Burundi in the 1990s had ramifications on Nkuriye's life that extended beyond the border of the country he fled, when he was just a few months old.

"I had cousins, uncles and grandparents who perished in Burundi. The history of Hutu and Tutsi violence meant that region of Africa was effectively at war. It was explosive and it reached Rwanda leading to the genocide there in 1994," he says.

"I went to Tanzania but this was unsafe as rebel groups came in and picked up young people in the camps to fight. From there I went to a refugee camp in Mozambique but many children were dying from malnutrition and so to stay there would have been a death penalty."

After a period of time in Malawi, Nkuriye moved to South Africa where he sold clothing on the street to make ends meet. It was in this environment, without his parents, that Nkuriye learnt to survive on his own. But it was also here that Nkuriye became a victim of xenophobic attacks.

Ultimately, having been identified by the United Nations as a long-term refugee eligible for a humanitarian visa, Nkuriye left South Africa in 2009 and travelled to South Australia. For Nkuriye the move was like an epiphany.

"Arriving in South Australia was spectacular. It is a peaceful place and the people are friendly. The absence of violence and the opportunity to actually make plans, beyond surviving day to day, was what I really appreciated for the first time," he says.

It was making plans which took Nkuriye away from cleaning and furniture removal jobs, into studying at UniSA College.

"When I was removing furniture I was staggered to see the amount of belongings in each house and it was strange to realise that someone would live in the same house for as long as 20 years before moving," he says.

"I enjoyed this work but I thought I could make a better contribution to society if I had a better

education.

“My wife encouraged me to apply for Foundation Studies at UniSA College and the support I have been given by the college has encouraged me to continue further with my education.”

Nkuriye was awarded the inaugural David Pank Undergraduate Scholarship by the College and has since completed the first year of a Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of Business double degree.

“I have learnt so much through this course within just one year. I can watch the business news now on TV and can understand about the changing value of the dollar and exchange rates,” he says.

“When I think of my earlier life, what I have learnt from that period is a respect for the value of human life, irrespective of class or background. The bad experiences I have been through have made me into a better person.

“What my education has taught me is that I can no longer be a victim of bad political practices anymore. Studying at UniSA has given me opportunities that my birth country could not do. I am appreciative of this and know that being here is something that would have made my family as happy as I am.

“I choose not to be bitter about my past, especially now as I have started a family of my own.”

Nkuriye reveals that it isn't a coincidence that he named his son after the legend of another individual who was delivered from a place of fear to a land of opportunity – Noah.

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Book explores our makeover culture [Back to story index](#)

by Michèle Nardelli

It is the stuff of programming for entire television channels – the notion that with the right exercise machine, the newest diet, the right night cream and a new attitude we can transform ourselves from what we were to something new and better.

In the 21st century we can be thinner. We can have whiter teeth, more hair, and younger looking skin. If we read the right books and download the right motivational mp3s we can grasp the brass ring and move into the corner office. We can move from rags to riches and – following three, five or six important steps – we can turn our lives around from unemployed and embittered to property magnate and guru.

It is this makeover culture that Director of UniSA's Hawke Research Institute, Professor Anthony Elliott unpacks in his latest book, *Reinvention*.

Explored in sometimes excruciating but thought-provoking depth, Prof Elliott considers 'makeover' culture in its most public and private incarnations from extreme plastic surgery and weight loss television to company restructure and rebranded cities, all the while unravelling the ubiquity of reinvention culture and its consequences for society now and into the future.

"In Australia alone, the revolution that is reinvention will see us spend to the tune of \$1.7 billion in 2013 on personal reinvention regimes – ranging across weight loss programs and gym memberships to cosmetic surgical procedures," Prof Elliott says.

"And those figures rise hugely for the UK and the US.

"But while the profit churn can be seen as a core driver of the reinvention market, at a deeper, personal level people have embraced reinvention as a part of normal life.

"There are a range of social forces at play – an environment of instant change, the radical intensification of the speed of change and the purveyance of short-term thinking.

"When you consider the globalised economic environment, off-shoring, rapid changes in technology and communications technology and the prevalence of multiple careers, it is clear we are seeing a huge shift from the culture of previous generations."

In his book Prof Elliott takes the reader from the personal and professional – so that we see how this revolution is expressing itself in our body image, our sense of health and well-being, our relationships, our notions of work and work practices and corporate culture – right through to the monolithic reinventions of cities.

He cites examples such as the European destination city of leisure, Gran Scala, located in the Spanish desert, a €17 billion entertainment project due to comprise 32 casinos, 232 restaurants, 70



hotels, five theme parks, a race track and a bullring. Similarly he says Singapore's Marina Bay Sands, which opened in 2010, is the world's most expensive casino resort, boasting a 2561 room hotel, a 1,300,000 ft² convention centre, a mega-mall, a museum, two floating crystal pavilions and an ice skating rink.

"At its most positive and exciting, this new cultural framework makes just about anything possible," he says.

"It gives individuals and organisations an opportunity to turn a fresh page, to start anew and an unprecedented freedom to live life differently. If you have time and money there are literally no limits to reinvention."

But he says the dark side of the reinvention phenomenon is the disruptive emotional consequences of all of this capacity for transformation.

"People can find themselves feeling inadequate and disposable," he says.

"The pervasiveness of the culture is intense so that it is not only upper middle class westerners seeking transformation but also the poor and disenfranchised, some of whom borrow heavily to meet their aspirations to take part in the culture of reinvention.

"This can be their undoing and it has the wider potential to leave people feeling discarded, resulting in a range of consequences from neurosis and depression, through to greater tragedies such as suicide."

[Published by Routledge](#), this absorbing book takes a close look at some of the most bizarre excesses of our times and analyses them in the broader context of 21st century culture. It is an important volume for social commentators, students of sociology, writers and those who are simply keen observers of our society. The book is available from bookshops and from PalgraveMcMillen for \$19.95 plus postage and handling.

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UniSA alliance helps next generation of electronic devices [Back to story index](#)

by Kelly Stone

The University of South Australia's Thin Film Coatings Group has entered into a strategic alliance with Swedish research and development company Arubedo AB to bring new electronic products to market.

With thin film coatings at the core of many high-tech products and devices, from solar cells to smart phones, Dr Drew Evans (pictured right) from the Thin Film Coatings Group, part of the University's Mawson Institute, has welcomed the collaboration.

"This collaboration is really exciting for the Thin Film Coatings Group and UniSA, as it connects us directly with international industry partners who can help take our research from the lab to real world devices out in society," Dr Evans said.

Arubedo AB will make novel polymer building blocks in Stockholm and ship their compounds direct to UniSA.

Dr Evans says his team will use a large-scale manufacturing technique to create nano-films of the different polymers.

"These nano-films are then tested for their optical and electrical performance, and constructed into a range of devices," Dr Evans says.

Dr Evans says most of society's everyday consumer products require thin film coatings to function.

"By creating these films from polymers, we hope to not only make the products cheaper, but to create new products that are more energy efficient and also flexible. For example, a cheap smart phone or solar cell that can be folded or rolled up and put in your pocket," he says.

"The team at Arubedo AB in Sweden are leaders in creating new polymer building blocks, which we can turn into novel nano-films for the development of the next generation of consumer electronics."

Arubedo AB CEO Dr Fredrik von Kieseritzky says new and unprecedented organic electronic devices and applications are expected to hit the market in record short time, as a result of the new collaboration.

"It's a match made in heaven," Dr Kieseritzky says.

For more information on the Mawson Institute's Thin Film Coatings Group, click [here](#).



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Group exercise key for Indigenous women's wellbeing

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by Katrina Phelps

A UniSA Women's Fitness Program has shown that organised group exercise may be the key to improvements in the physical and emotional well-being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women.

The three-year research project comprised six 12-week physical activity and nutritional programs with the aim of improving the metabolic health of the women who participated.

Karla Canuto, a Torres Strait Islander woman with training in Exercise Sports Science and Health Promotion, is using the research for the basis of her PhD. Canuto said there were positive results for those participants who were able to attend the program regularly and that many of them still had improvements after nine months.

"There are definite benefits to the health and well-being of women, in having long-term structured physical activity programs," Canuto said.

"We found that participants enjoyed the activities and that offering transport and child-minding enabled women to attend who otherwise would have missed out."

The project was completed at the end of 2012 at which time the University hosted a launch of the results to provide feedback to participants, their families, and community members.

Professor Robyn McDermott, Chief Investigator on the project, and Professor of Public Health in the School of Population Health, spoke at the event and encouraged the women to continue with their lifestyle changes.

"By simply moving more you are stimulating metabolic improvements in the body," Professor McDermott said.

"Even if the weight is not moving, don't be discouraged because the metabolic improvements are most important to your overall health."

The project was funded by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC). Collaborating parties included Nunkuwarrin Yunti of South Australia Inc and the Aboriginal Sobriety Group Incorporated.



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Emeritus Professor recognised for his life's work

Emeritus Professor Lloyd Sansom AO was recently awarded an Australasian Pharmaceutical Science Association Life Membership, which was presented to him by UniSA's Dr Des Williams, Program Director of Pharmaceutical Science.

Dr Williams says the life membership award acknowledges the outstanding role Prof Sansom has played in both pharmaceutical science and the wider community over a career that has spanned five decades.



"Life membership is given to eminent pharmacists, who have excelled in serving our society," Dr Williams says.

"Prof Sansom has been an active member of the Australasian Pharmaceutical Science Association and the wider pharmaceutical community for a long time. This award recognises his ongoing contributions throughout his impressive career.

"On a personal level, being able to present the award to Prof Sansom was very special, given that I have known Prof Sansom for many years and have had the opportunity to work with him in various capacities at UniSA and in industry."

Santos Tour Down Under



Team UniSA-Australia 2013 L-R: Calvin Watson, Anthony Giacoppo, Damien Howson, Bernie Sulzberger, Jordan Kerby, Adam Phelan, Zak Dempster, and team manager Dave Sanders.

The University is winding down from its 13th year of sponsorship of the Santos Tour Down Under, held from January 20-27.

Comprising the cream of Australia's young cycling talent, Team UniSA-Australia has once again given the race 110 per cent against the world's top cycling teams to finish with some solid individual and overall performances.

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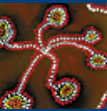
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New VC looks to build on our strengths

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by Michèle Nardelli

Time to listen, talk, engage and learn will be a first order priority for the University of South Australia's new Vice Chancellor Professor David Lloyd.

Speaking about the first few months ahead, Prof Lloyd is clearly enthusiastic.

He says while he's keen to take a fresh look at the University he intends to build on achievements to date.

"There is a great legacy, a kind of inheritance that I have been given in taking on leadership at the University," Prof Lloyd says.

"We are competitive as an institution and we should believe in our very real capacity to compete at the highest levels. One of my goals is to bring that kind of enthusiasm and confidence to the University."

Despite the more than 16,500 km between Professor Lloyd's home town of Dublin and his new home in Adelaide and a rather extraordinary difference in the weather in the past two weeks with Dublin temperatures hovering around 8C and Adelaide's topping 42C, he says it doesn't feel like such a giant leap.

"I think Irish people have a kind of genetic link with Australia - there is a real affinity between the two countries," he says.

"Having had relatives and colleagues holiday and work in Australia, even though we had never been here, we felt it was familiar."

But it is perhaps the similarity between UniSA itself and where he studied for his undergraduate degree, Dublin City University, which adds most to the familiarity.

He says both institutions have a focus on the professions.

"They are institutions that aim to prepare work-ready professional graduates," he says.

"My impression of UniSA is that it is welcoming and engaging and extremely professional and I have been wowed by efforts in areas such as the UniSA College.

"I have been impressed by our staff and the efficiency with which so many of our operations are managed and delivered."

He says having looked at UniSA's teaching and research domains there had been a step change in the University's activities.



"Our measured satisfaction in teaching and learning is at its highest and our performance in ERA has been impressive," Prof Lloyd says.

"Looking forward, I think we need to build more critical mass in our research areas so that we can cement a truly research-informed curriculum."

Bringing together research excellence and the notion of a relevant and connected institution is something Professor Lloyd says is particularly close to his heart.

He says research and industry are actually "great bedfellows" and he hopes to position UniSA research at the heart of industry requirements.

"I want UniSA to be known as the industry's partner of choice," he says.

"I think there is great scope to translate fundamental and curiosity-driven research into practice in the provision of new solutions for problems and new ideas for industry and society."

Prof Lloyd says he also wants to add something special to students' experience at UniSA.

He says the shape of universities has changed so that any definition of a learning environment now involves personal learning environments and is one in which e-content is pervasive across all courses.

Student evaluation of coursework and content is also increasingly an influence on both the curriculum and the delivery of education.

"I think UniSA is doing very well in the learning environment but where we can really improve is in delivering a fuller university experience," he says.

"The student experience has to be one of community, of networks of friends and peers, of engagement in clubs and societies. In creating a university community where these aspects are vibrant on campus it will give our students the rich, memorable and fulfilling university experience they deserve."

Prof Lloyd also wants to encourage Australian students to take up opportunities for international exchange.

"I think we need to build on the network and good standing we've developed across the Asia-Pacific," he says.

"Initiatives such as our China-Australia joint research centres can provide a base for more engagement. I would very much like to afford our students the chance to study abroad in our partner institutions because internationalisation is about two-way traffic."

He says the global network of UniSA alumni is also a great asset for the University.

"Universities deliver two key things to society – knowledge and graduates.

"We're blessed with a large alumni base and I think we need to continue to connect meaningfully with that group.

"Earning your degree from UniSA is just the beginning of your relationship with the University."

Prof Lloyd says it is important for there to be reciprocal pride between graduates and the University.

"We need to cultivate a two-way dialogue so that alumni can come back to see for themselves just how we are transforming education and research – what we are building for the future – and we can learn from and celebrate our graduates' successes."

He says in forging that relationship graduates can help us to improve our offering and be a part of UniSA's future institutional success.

"That might be experience-based input to the curriculum, support for the development of an outstanding digital collection for the library, contributing to student scholarships or simply bringing their industry or company around the table to talk to us about how we can work together," he says.

"My hope is that our graduates will feel genuinely proud of their alma mater, that they care about its future and are inspired by its development."

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Gearing up for the new uni year

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by Katrina Phelps



With a love for sports and nutrition, 19-year old Dian McMurtrie (pictured below) is thrilled about being one of the first students accepted in UniSA’s new Bachelor of Clinical Exercise Physiology.

McMurtrie, who studied at Henley High because of its specialist sports program, says the new course is the right fit for her because it’s very applicable to her life.

“When the course was announced mid last year, I thought it looked ideal for me,” she says.

“I started studying a different health course last year but it wasn’t for me so I deferred and then re-applied last year for the new course.”

The Bachelor of Clinical Exercise Physiology will equip students with the qualifications to deliver exercise-based lifestyle and behaviour modification programs to prevent and treat disease and injuries in patients of all ages.



Having gone through the start of university last year, McMurtrie knows what to expect this time.

“I feel a lot more prepared. I know that you need to be independent at university and need to stay on top of things,” she says.

“I am also really looking forward to the core subjects in my course, and am hoping with a smaller class size that it’s easy to talk to the other students and get to know each other.”

McMurtrie is one of thousands of new students getting ready to start the university year.

UniSA has made more than 7640 offers in 2013. UniSA is by far the largest university in the state with more than 34,000 students.

Health Sciences continues to be a key growth area – with increased places and demand in areas like

physiotherapy, medical science, medical imaging and medical radiology, and new areas such as clinical exercise physiology.

The demand for business programs has remained firm and there has been renewed interest in commerce with a boost in demand for this program.

New international students are encouraged to contact the [Learning and Teaching Unit](#), located on each campus, for any questions regarding their studies at UniSA, personal issues, student visas, health cover or future career plans.

Gear Up

As a welcome to students a special O-Week event will be held at the City West campus on February 27.

The Gear Up Music and Arts Festival will feature two stages with around 20 performers including Ball Park Music, Hungry Kids of Hungary, The Salvadors, Busby Marou, Asta and Koolha.

UniSA artists will make their mark on the campus, creating live art during the event. And students can find out more about the various UniSA clubs and societies during Gear Up.

Gear Up is free to all UniSA staff and students and will be run from 12-8pm.

If you want to bring a friend along who is not a UniSA commencing or current student, they can purchase tickets from Fringe Tix (\$30). See the Gear Up tickets [website](#) or the Gear Up [Facebook](#) site for more information.

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Bottle Light set to transform cycling safety

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by Kelly Stone

As UniSA unwinds from its 13th year as a sponsor of the Santos Tour Down Under, an invention by one of our lecturers is set to make cycling safer for all recreational riders.

Industrial Design lecturer Sandy Walker has invented Safety Bottle Light, a water bottle fitted with a removable and rechargeable LED light, which provides 360 degree visibility of the bike and rider for approaching drivers.

Walker is working with ITEK Ventures, the technology commercialisation arm of the University, to commercialise the product so it will be available for recreational riders to purchase sometime this year.

Walker says his primary motivation in inventing Safety Bottle Light is to decrease the risk of cyclist-car accidents due to poor visibility, particularly at dawn and dusk.

"I'm a cyclist myself and I usually ride in the early mornings. As a cyclist, one of your concerns is always visibility to other traffic," he says.

"Last year I was involved in a Design Institute of Australia exhibition around the theme of water and I was thinking what I could design for this exhibition. I was looking at sustainability, safety and cycling and then I started wondering if you could turn a water bottle, which all cyclists carry, into a light source which has a large surface area to increase visibility, particularly from the side view of a bike.

"One of the problems with current bike lights is the front light shines forward and the rear light shines backwards, but side visibility is a problem. When you're riding on the road or through a round-a-bout and you see a car approaching from the side, you think 'have they seen me, are they going to keep coming?'."

Walker produced prototypes for the exhibition and, after receiving positive feedback from fellow recreational cyclists, decided to approach ITEK with his final design.

ITEK has patented the invention and is currently negotiating with companies to take on manufacturing and distribution rights for the product.

Walker believes his invention will not only be popular with cyclists, but could also be used by early morning runners, for children's back packs, and for outdoor activities such as hiking



and bushwalking.

Walker has invented and commercialised other products in the past, including a range of sports surfaces for playing netball, basketball, inline hockey and volleyball, called Orbcourt, which is currently being manufactured in the United States.

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To watch ITEK’s video on Safety Bottle Light, click [here](#).

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Global tech giants invest in 'talking cars' technology

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by Kelly Stone

University of South Australia spin-off company Cohda Wireless has attracted a substantial, undisclosed investment deal from two global technology giants.

The 'Car-to-Car' communications technology company, based at North Adelaide, has won investment from global networking equipment firm Cisco Systems and NXP B.V. a top 10 global semiconductor company.

The decision by the two United States NASDAQ-listed firms is a coup for Cohda Wireless which was founded in 2005 by a group of research scientists working at UniSA's Institute for Telecommunications Research (ITR). Dr Paul Alexander, one of the inventors, is the Chief Technology Officer at Cohda, and Professor Alex Grant, another inventor, is now the Director of ITR.

With its roots originating from, and strong ongoing links with UniSA and the University's commercialisation arm ITEK Ventures (ITEK), Cohda Wireless will now be able to advance its connected car communications and further extend its reach into the global automotive industry.

Cohda Wireless' key patented technology, called Dedicated Short Range Communications, is embedded in the receive side of an 802.11p radio and Cohda has also developed complete software solutions (from network layer to applications) to run on this hardware.

The technology, which is currently being tested in major trials around the world in Germany, France, United States, Korea and Australia, effectively allows cars to 'talk' to each other and reduce or eliminate crashes through car-to-car data transmission that provides drivers with an audio or visual alert in the threat of an accident.

It is estimated by the US Department of Transport that these car-to-car technologies may address up to 82 per cent of crash scenarios.

Car-to-infrastructure network communications will also capture real-time data from on-board technology to better manage transportation system congestion and maximise vehicles operating maintenance and fuel efficiency.

Cohda Wireless' advanced radio signal processing techniques started development in 2004 at UniSA's ITR under a \$1m project and funding agreement funded by ITEK and Melbourne-based SciVentures Investments Pty Ltd.

Cohda Wireless was incubated through ITEK and in June 2005 the company was established, with further investment from ITEK and Canberra-based Epicorp Pre Seed Fund to commercialise the technology developed under the project and funding agreement.



ITEK Chief Financial Officer, and Director of Cohda Wireless, Bruce Tilbrook welcomed the announcement from Cisco and NXP Semiconductors.

“This investment from multi-billion dollar industry giants Cisco and NXP serves to validate the Cohda business model and its superior technology,” Tilbrook says.

“In addition, Cohda also has commercial agreements with both Cisco and NXP whereby the three companies will apply their collective expertise and technologies to developing on-board and roadside units that are ready for ‘Car-to-Car’ and ‘Car-to-Infrastructure’ deployment across the globe.

“The pay-off if everything goes right is very convincing.”

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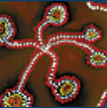
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- any other software you are using

- the nature of the problem you are experiencing.

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Welcome to the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS)
This is the official Australian Government website that lists all Australian education providers to offer courses to people studying in Australia on student visas and the courses offered.

Course Search

Use this search to find information about courses offered by Australian education institutions.



Institution Search

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Additional information about registration of institutions and courses for overseas students 

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If you've got an enquiry and would like get in touch with UniSA, you will find our contact information and campus location details listed below.

General enquiries

University of South Australia
GPO Box 2471
Adelaide, South Australia 5001
Australia
Ph 1300 301 703
Fax +61 8 8302 2466

The University switchboard is attended from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday. If you know the extension of the person you wish to contact, dial (08) 8302, followed by the last four digits of the extension. You can also search for staff telephone numbers in the [Directory](#).

Dialling information for external callers

Please note that all standard landline telephone numbers throughout Australia are eight digits in length. Australian mobile and toll-free numbers will differ. The numbers listed within this directory are internal university extension telephone numbers (unless otherwise indicated.)

For example, to call a university extension 26611:

- within the university, dial 26611
- within Adelaide (local number) and/or the 08 region, dial 830 followed by the extension eg 830 26611
- within Australia but outside of the 08, dial 08 83026611
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Security

All hours 1800 500 911 – free call
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Future student enquiries

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

Make an Enquiry

Address: Level 1, 101 Currie Street, Adelaide SA 5000
Mail: GPO Box 2471, Adelaide SA 5001

Open weekdays from 9:00am to 5:00pm, excluding public holidays.

International students enquiries

[Future student enquiries \(international\)](#)

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Adelaide SA 5000
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Email: campuscentral.cityeast@unisa.edu.au

City West - Campus Central

Level 2 - Jeffrey Smart Building
Adelaide SA 5000
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Email: campuscentral.citywest@unisa.edu.au

Magill - Campus Central

Level 1 Building B
Lorne Avenue
Magill SA 5072
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Email: campuscentral.magill@unisa.edu.au

Mawson Lakes - Campus Central

Ground Floor - C Building
Mawson Lakes Boulevard
Mawson Lakes SA 5095
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Whyalla - Campus Central

111 Nicolson Avenue
Whyalla Norrie SA 5608
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or +61 8 8647 6161 (Local)*
or +61 8 830 26161 (Metro)
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Wireless Road West
Mount Gambier SA 5290
PO BOX 798 MOUNT GAMBIER 5290

Ph: +61 8 8721 8900 (local)*
or +61 830 28900 (Metro)

Email: mountgambier.enquiries@unisa.edu.au

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Navigation

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If you have a disability, refer to our [web accessibility](#) information. The [Adobe Accessibility Resource](#)

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Open Day was held on Sunday 14 August

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

booths and 43 things to see and do. We hope you enjoyed your time on campus and found all the information you needed about your pathway and study options. If you still have questions, make sure you attend our Open August Events or contact our [Future Student Enquires Team](#).

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.

What's next?

UniSA's Open August Events

Open Day is held at our City West and City East campuses and is a great chance for you to explore all the study options on offer at UniSA in the one spot. Once you have decided on your direction, you will have another opportunity to step onto our Mawson Lakes, Magill and Whyalla campuses. You can explore the facilities and hear from current students, staff and industry professionals. Attend Magill @ Twilight if you are interested in studying Education, Psychology, Social Work, Communication, Media & Arts. Discover Mawson is for those thinking about careers in the areas of engineering, information technology, environmental science, geospatial science, science and advanced materials, aviation and mathematics. Find out about education, nursing, social work, business and Foundation Studies at Whyalla Open Day.

| Event | Date | Location |
|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Magill @ Twilight | Wednesday 24 August | Magill campus |
| Discover Mawson | Thursday 25 August | Mawson Lakes campus |
| Whyalla Open Day | Sunday 28 August | Whyalla campus |

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Open August events



UniSA's Open Day is part of Open August, a series of events giving prospective students and parents a range of

opportunities to visit our campuses, ask questions and assist with the selection of courses and careers.

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We're here to help



Contact Future Student Enquiries for more information on studying at UniSA.

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View our step-by-step video explaining how to submit your UniSA application.

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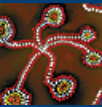
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Features

- reads aloud all website content including PDF and MS Word documents
- words are spoken aloud as you move your cursor over them
- choose the voice to use
- change the reading speed
- create shortcut/hotkeys to start/stop reading
- have the program start when the computer starts



System Requirements

In order to download and run BrowseAloud, you must have the following System Requirements:

PC users

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

Apple Mac users

OSX 10.3.9 or later (now supports Mac OSX Snow Leopard)
256 Mb RAM (512 Mb is preferable)
Compatibility with Power PC or Intel processor.
Browser: Safari v3 or later 20MB disk space



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