Upcoming Events

25 Aug  Managing Inner Landscapes: Mental Health Support Strategies for RHD Advisors
   When: 10am – 11:30am
   Where: 63-360

27 Aug  Sem 1 2011 timetable information due to timetables@eait.uq.edu.au

30 Aug  CARRS-Q Breakfast Seminar: Prof Claude Laurgeau on "Intelligent Vehicles, Towards an Automated Road".
   When: 7:30am
   Where: Hotel Conrad, William St, Brisbane
   Register: http://www.carrsq.qut.edu.au/community/events.jsp

30 Aug  Workshop: Building English language support into curriculum. This workshop will introduce participants to practical time efficient strategies for supporting the emerging disciplinary literacy of all of their students, particularly those from international and EAL (English as Additional Language) backgrounds.
   When: 9am – 12pm
   Where: International House, Seminar Room

1 Sept  EndNote workshop
   Where: PSE Library (Hawken building)
   When: 1:30-4:30 pm
   Register: https://www.library.uq.edu.au/training/#END07

13 Sept  End of semester papers (sem 2, 2010) due to Chief Examiner

16 Sept  Experts Exchange
   Prof Max Lu, DVC (Research), will provide an overview of UQ's guidelines for evidencing research engagement within the framework of academic achievement.
   When: 4pm-5pm
   Where: Innes Room, Student Union Bldg 21

UQ Wellness

The University is committed to the ongoing promotion of the good health and wellbeing of staff through the development and implementation of a staff wellness program – UQ Wellness. You can find the program for their seminars online: http://www.uq.edu.au/current-staff/uq-wellness

Equity Alert

Equity Alert in a newsletter that provides updates on:
- UQ policy and committee activities
- state and national case studies
- conference, seminar and workshop notices
- links to resources.
The newsletter is sent twice monthly to the UQ Equity and Diversity Information Network (EDIN), and you can access a copy here: http://www.uq.edu.au/equity/index.html?page=66267&pid=11086

Mansergh Shaw Update

The Queensland Fire and Rescue Service (QFRS) has advised the University that from close of business Tuesday (24 August 2010), there can be no further access to Level 2 and above of the Mansergh Shaw Building by staff and students. The reason for this is there is no ability to reasonably guarantee safe egress from the building in the event of a fire and if we are unable to comply, it could jeopardise the on time completion of the building works. The work is now likely to be completed in mid-late February 2011, rather than late January as previously advised. No further access to Level 2 or above of the Mansergh Shaw can be permitted for the duration of the construction project.
UQ Collaboration and Industry Engagement Fund 2010

The UQ Collaboration and Industry Engagement Fund (UQ CIEF) is a new internal scheme that has been established as a mechanism to support the development of highly competitive ARC Linkage Projects and NHMRC Development Grants, by funding pilot research that will facilitate the establishment of new or emerging linkages with Partner Organisations.

The general objectives of the Scheme are:

• To encourage novel industry-linked research;
• To provide seed funding as a means of generating pilot data for high quality ARC Linkage Projects or NHMRC Development Grants applications;
• To enhance relationships with industry Partner Organisations, by providing them with a stronger basis for commitment to an ARC or NHMRC funded project; and
• To support, on a competitive basis, high quality cross-disciplinary research projects.

Funding for successful projects will be as follows:

Research group: 12.5%
School: 12.5%
Faculty: 25%
Centre: 50%

Applications are due to the Head of School by Monday 6 September 2010. Further information can be found here:
http://www.uq.edu.au/research/rid/?page=138499&sid=124c1839c89f4c85ff1d5b45a420d281

Enterprise Connect

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Awards, Scholarships, Internships

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2010 Edgeworth David Medal

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* Build new partnerships and a track record with the ARC
* Identify potential industry partners for ARC Linkage grants
* Familiarise interns with how industry works
* Provide employment opportunities for interns

Further information is available on the ASMI website: http://www.amsi.org.au/index.php/industry/internship/overview

Global Change Institute

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Proposals must be multidisciplinary and involve two or more researchers from across at least two Faculties, Schools, Centres or Institutes. This grant scheme is open to UQ researchers only (external partners may be included). The closing date for proposals is Friday, 17 September 2010. Proposals must follow the guidelines outlined on the website: www.gci.uq.edu.au

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Thesis Hub Tours

The Thesis Hub has been designed as a dedicated office space for RHD students who have completed their thesis review milestone and expect to submit their thesis within 6 months. The aim of the Thesis Hub is to provide students with a space which is supportive and conducive to completing the writing up of their RHD thesis. To encourage other RHD students to take advantage of the space, the Graduate School will be running tours of the Thesis Hub on Thursday 26 August between 10-11am and 3-4pm. (No appointments are necessary).

Changes to Thesis Submission

The Graduate School has reviewed the thesis examination procedures and with advice from a working party of stakeholders they have made changes to streamline some processes and to bring UQ policy within the framework for best practice in doctoral examination in Australia (DDOGS 2005).

Some changes have been implemented already, namely:

- term assessor has been replaced by Examiner
- Length of time an examiner given to examine a PhD thesis reduced from 8 weeks to 6 weeks for all examinations. MPhil thesis still 4 weeks.
- Changes to thesis outcomes
  - Nomenclature change from substantial changes to major changes
  - An examiner is not given the option to award an MPhil to a PhD thesis on a first submission
  - A revised and resubmitted thesis cannot be revised and resubmitted a second time

More changes will come online as at 1 September:

- **Nomination of Examiners.** At thesis review potential examiners are discussed by candidate and advisory team. One month prior to submission a minimum of 3 examiners are to be nominated. Examiner details are to be entered onto the Nomination of Examiners form and sent to Graduate School along with a copy of the thesis abstract.
- **Inviting Examiners.** Graduate School will send the formal invitation to the examiner including a copy of abstract.
- **Thesis Submission.** Before a thesis is considered successfully submitted the candidate is required to:
  - Upload a PDF of the thesis to the eSpace
  - Upload a PDF of the abstract to the eSpace
  - Upload a fully endorsed Thesis Submission form to the eSpace
  - Ensure that the preliminary pages in the thesis meet UQ requirements

EAIT Faculty Workshop Group

The name of the group comprising the workshops within the faculty has officially been changed to **EAIT Faculty Workshop Group (FWG)** with effect from 27/07/10. The previous Technical Services Unit (TSU) title was no longer suitable as it did not distinguish the fact that IT technical support was no longer a function of the group as it was in its inception over 10 years ago. The **EAIT IT Support Group (ITSG)** managed by Rik Taylor, became a standalone unit and now functions alongside the FWG within the EAIT Faculty.

This change of name also heralds a move forward for the workshops as their capabilities are enhanced with modern equipment, technology and processes. The EAIT Faculty Workshop Group is a multi-technical group that operates to support all academic and research disciplines within the EAIT Faculty seamlessly across all of those workshops which include;

- **Chemical Engineering Mechanical Workshop -** Contact Des Cameron, Ext. 54191, Room 74-107
- **Electrical Workshop -** Contact Bill Adams, Ext. 53631, Room 44-161A
- **Hawken Mechanical Workshop -** Contact Keith Lane, Ext. 53656, Room 50-S107B
- **Instrumentation Workshop -** Contact Malcolm Marker, Ext. 53576, Room 45-104
- **Mansergh-Shaw Mechanical Workshop -** Contact Petar Matanovic, Ext. 53623, Room 45-139
- **Zelman Cowen Mechanical Workshop -** Contact Matthew Dixon, Ext. 53724, Room 51-102
- **Seddon Mechanical Workshop -** Contact Shayne Gillis, Ext. 54035, Room 45-138

The workshop group will continue to service the electrical, instrumentation and mechanical requirements of all disciplines within the faculty and are continually striving to improve the quality, effectiveness and efficiency in meeting these requirements. The workshop staff within the faculty have a wealth of knowledge and abilities which are there for you to utilise so if you have any questions regarding the operation of the workshops or how they can assist you in your endeavours please feel free to Ray White, Manager (Acting) of the Faculty Workshop Group or any of the staff listed above.