School of Mechanical and Mining Engineering

SCHOOL NEWS

Upcoming Events

02 Oct Supplementary/Deferred exam papers due to the Chief Examiner

05 Oct Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Mining Engineer Candidate Seminar: Dr Zhongwei Chen (Centre for Energy, UWA) on “A Green Mining Approach for Underground Coal Extraction with Waste Backfill”
When: 10:00am
Where: 8-388 (Goddard Building)

08 Oct Supplementary/Deferred exam papers (hard copy and soft copy on USB) due to School office

10 Oct Move your research in the right direction
When: 4:00pm-5:30pm
Where: Innes Room (Building 21)
For further details and to Register: www.uniquest.com.au/experts-exchange

12 Oct Supplementary/Deferred exam papers must be uploaded

29 Oct SIGEE / TLDP Lunch: We would like to get your opinion on many T&L issues including the T&L Development Program (TLDP); workshops, guests and topics for 2013; the upcoming T&L Forum; and what support you may need in 2013.
When: 12:00 – 13:30
Where: ELCX, Hawken Building #50
RSVP: tracey.papinczak@uq.edu.au by 15 October & indicate any special dietary needs

31 Oct The 2012 Chemical Inventory is due

27 Nov School Retreat
When: 8:00am Registration
8:30am - 4:30pm Retreat
4:30pm – 6:00pm Closing function
Where: Riverglen (70 Kate Street, Indooroopilly)

14 Dec Graduation
When: 2pm
Where: UQ Centre
Registration: opens early November

Congratulations

In the University Awards for Excellence in Research Higher Degree Supervision, Professor Richard Morgan was one of only three recipients across the University. The award was presented at Customs House on 18 September by Professor Aidan Byrne, CEO of the Australian Research Council, and The Hon Mr Dale Shuttleworth MP, Minister’s Parliamentary Special Adviser on Science and Innovation.

At the Faculty of EAIT Research, Innovation and Supervision Awards 2012, staff were successful in three of the four categories. Congratulations to -
- Dr. Kamel Hooman was awarded the Early Career Researcher Award.
- Associate Professor Martin Veidt was awarded one of two RHD Supervision Excellence Awards
- Professor Jin Zou was awarded one of two Internationalization Awards

Navigating Bureaucracy – Tips and Tricks

Assets

If you are ordering equipment, the finance staff will need the following information:

- Multiple items purchased that form one equipment (asset). Please advise if multiple items will be part of one piece of equipment.
- Please advise the finance team when the goods have arrived so we can place an asset sticker and record relevant information such as location, custodian and serial id in the system.
- Requisitions – please use the technical name of the equipment being purchased.

Why is this all important? When the School conducts its annual stocktake we can better record accurate information in the system for stocktake and insurance purposes.
US to Australia Fellowship Program
The American Australian Association is currently accepting applications for its US to Australia Fellowship Program. The program offers fellowships of up to AU$30,000 to American researchers or students wishing to undertake advanced research or study in Australia. Through these Educational Fellowships, the Association encourages intellectual collaboration and innovation, building on the strong social and economic partnerships between Australia and the United States. In addition, the University of Queensland supports an incoming student conducting advanced post graduate research in any of the above mentioned fields.

The general requirements are:
- Applicant’s research or study must be at graduate or postgraduate level
- Acceptance into an Australian educational institution for full time study
- American citizenship or permanent resident of America

The deadline for applications is 16 November 2012. For further information visit (you will need to register as a ‘site user’ to access application): www.americanaustralian.org/attachments/files/2923/Ut oAInstructions.pdf. For online applications click www.americanaustralian.org/en/users/login.asp?/forms /12/USA-to-Australia-Program/index.asp?. Please send enquiries to jhelum.bagchi@aaanyc.org.

Funding

Faculty Teaching Excellence Awards
In 2007, Faculty Teaching Excellence Awards were introduced to recognise and reward individuals or small teams who are renowned for the excellence of their teaching and make a significant contribution to the outstanding teaching and learning achievements in the Faculty. These awards are an annual celebration of teaching and teaching excellence in the Faculty.

There are 5 awards in total granted each year at the discretion of the selection committee. Each award will comprise a certificate and $5,000. The awards will be presented by the Executive Dean during the University’s Teaching and Learning Week. Nominations are due by 19 October 2012. For further information and to access application forms, visit: http://www.eait.uq.edu.au/teaching-learning.

EAIT Faculty T&L Development Grants
Applications are now invited for EAIT Faculty TQA development grants to support new teaching and learning projects and innovations that will enhance the quality of teaching and learning in the Faculty. Funding of up to $150,000 is available for allocation in 2012, for use in 2013. Funds may be sought for small scale projects to be completed over a short time period i.e. 1 year or for larger scale projects to be undertaken over a more extended time of up to 2 years. These are due with the Associate Dean (academic) by Friday October 26th. Criteria information and application forms were forwarded to staff on 18 September (please email enquiries@mechmining.uq.edu.au for a copy).

Teaching and Learning

Short Course Professional Development Workshops
ICTE-UQ offers 1-2 day short-course professional development workshops are delivered by experienced professional practitioners and use a combination of the latest research and best practice to enhance either your own or your teams’ workplace performance and skills.

Course content focuses on developing skills and techniques that will be immediately useful in the workplace and return results.

2012 workshops include:
- Advanced Management Skills
- Project Management: Better Results by Design
- Developing Management & Leadership Skills Workshop

For further details visit: http://www.icte.uq.edu.au/corporate-training

Schedule of UQ Fume Cupboards Service - OH&S

Please be advised that S2M Services will do scheduled servicing of Fume Cupboards for the following buildings listed below.

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For further information or any concerns you may have, please contact Glenn Shannon, Supervisor Fitters on 0422 005 172 or email g.shannon@pf.uq.edu.au, you can also contact Brian Airey, S2M Service Pty Ltd on 0402 393 264 or email s2m@tpg.com.au.

We apologise for the inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your patience during this time.
NAVIGATING THE LABYRINTH OF LEADERSHIP

In this Engaging Women Seminar Kathy identifies with an HBR article that a woman’s corporate career is more like a labyrinth than a glass ceiling.

“Rather than depicting just one absolute barrier at the penultimate stage of a distinguished career...passage through a labyrinth requires persistence, awareness of one’s progress, and a careful analysis of the puzzles that lie ahead. It also needs us as leaders to recognise the obstacles and help others along the way.”

Kathy will discuss the obstacles facing women today as they contemplate a journey through the labyrinth of leadership and will talk about the challenges she has faced in her progress to CEO of a $5 billion turnover company and now a company director. [“Women and the Labyrinth of Leadership” by Linda L. Carli and Alice H. Eagly, Harvard Business Review Sep 2007].

About the Speaker: Kathy Hirschfeld is a non-executive director of Snowy Hydro Limited, ASC Pty Ltd and the Queensland Reconstruction Authority and a Senator of the University of Queensland. She is President of the Qld Regional Council for children’s cancer charity Redkite and recently joined the board of UN Women in Australia.

A chemical engineer, Kathy’s 20 year career with BP included oil refining, logistics and exploration, located in Australia, the UK and Turkey. She left BP in 2010 after almost five years as Managing Director, BP Bulwer Island Refinery in Brisbane where she was responsible for all aspects of the business including major capital projects and risk reduction strategies. During that time she was also an Executive Director of BP Australia, and a non-executive director of New Zealand Refining Company (NZX:NZR).

Kathy is a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering, Engineers Australia and the Institution of Chemical Engineers (UK) and a member of Chief Executive Women. She is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. In 2007 Kathy was recognised by Engineers Australia as one of 25 of Australia’s most influential female engineers.

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