Hi all,

**UoA Research Excellence and Research Impact Awards 2024**

The University of Auckland prizes and awards are a suite of medals and accolades which recognise exceptional research achievements across career stages. The awards aim to encourage and support excellence in our research community. The University is now calling for applications for Early Career Research Excellence Awards (ECREA), Research Excellence Medals (REM), and Research Impact Awards (RIA). Application forms and supporting documentation for ECREA and REM need to be e-mailed to Juan Rodriguez by 15 April (5 pm). He will submit the InfoEd record on behalf of the applicants. Please do not submit directly to InfoEd or the Office of Research Strategy and Integrity (ORSI). For ECREA and REM there is a faculty nomination process. Juan will manage the final submission of all faculty applications and endorsement to ORSI.

The deadline for applying for RIA is 13 May (1 pm). The same process applies, except that there is no faculty nomination process. The applicants will be notified of the decisions in June 2024, and the awards will be announced at the UoA Celebrating Research Excellence Event later in the year. ResearchHub contains further details, guidelines, and application forms.

**From the Early Career Researchers Committee’s desk**

This year, the ECRC plans to again hold its main annual events: a half-day symposium, a writing retreat, and a PhD job market talk. The Committee also plans to host an informal ECR gathering to facilitate networking and interaction among ECRs across the faculty, along with ad hoc events focusing on specific topics related to ECR support and development. We intend to continue our ongoing engagement with the post-doctoral and research fellow communities, including the election of a post-doc representative to the Committee. Please look out for announcements about upcoming events and feel free to reach out to committee members on matters relating to ECR support and development.

**From the Mid-Career Researchers Taskforce**

Cohort 1 in the Mid-Career Researchers Development Programme commences 20 March. Cohort 2 will follow from 18 September. There are three remaining available spaces for cohort 2 – interested MCRs can reach out to Lisa Callagher for further details. Additionally, the Taskforce will host a second writing retreat open to all MCRs in the Business School, with dates to be announced soon.

**Collaboration opportunities in energy research**

The Energy Centre (one of our three Faculty Research Centres) received a grant of 200,000 NZD from the Energy Education Trust of New Zealand to carry out a 2-year study. This will be on the economics of a community of interactive business and energy digital twins. The amount will be invested in hiring a research fellow. Colleagues in the Business School who would be interested in joining an interdisciplinary research group with researchers from the Energy Centre to examine economics- and business-related energy issues are welcome to contact the Director of the Energy Centre, Prof Emilson Silva.

**RSNZ Marsden round 2024**

In the recent Marsden round, researchers from our faculty submitted eight applications:

- One Marsden Council proposal (ECON)
- Five standard proposals (three from MKTG, one from ISOM, one from ECON)
- Two fast-start proposals (one from the Energy Centre, one from ISOM)

I wish our applicants all the best with their proposal submissions.

**Upcoming events and deadlines**

12 March, 12 – 1 pm: Online writing workshop with Write Ltd – Engaging your readers, explaining the science. Register here.

18 March: HRC Health Delivery Grants and Project EOIs – $20k to $1.4 million for up to 3 years
19 March, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm: Building your Knowledge Capability in Responsiveness to Māori within your Research; Workshop 1: Making Sense of the Treaty in a Research Context. Register [here](#).
26 March, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm: Building your Knowledge Capability in Responsiveness to Māori within your Research; Workshop 2: Putting the Treaty into Practice in a Research Context. Register [here](#).
26 March: Wellcome Trust – Climate Impact Awards – up to $4.9 million for 3 years
29 March: Turning the World Poll into Action – up to $508k
9 April: Catalyst Seeding and Leaders Grants from RSNZ to support strategic networking opportunities - $150k for up to 3 years.

Best regards,
Snejina

This Update is intended to keep University of Auckland Business School staff informed about research developments, news, events, and funding opportunities. The Update has been issued since 2018. You can view editions from 2022 onwards on the [Research section of the Business School internet pages](#).