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Hi all,

Research Integrity and Good Research Practice

Guidance on Good Research Practice and how to implement the Research Integrity Policy has been developed by the UoA Research Integrity Officer, [Dr Elizabeth Visser](#), with input from Faculty Research Integrity Advisors. The Good Research Practice link on [Research Hub](#) is organised in five sections: Introduction to good research practice, Research misconduct and questionable research practices, Authorship and publication, Notebook keeping & GenAI in research practice, and Conflict of interest.

Two online workshops are being held in October to discuss research integrity issues and share tools for navigating through the complexity of these topics – details can be found in the final section of this Update.

Visiting Scholars Programme

In the September 2025 round, the Faculty Research Committee reviewed four and approved two applications for our Visiting Scholars Programme. The Department of Economics will host [Prof Francis Bloch](#) from the Paris School of Economics, Université Paris, with [Assoc Prof Steffen Lippert](#) serving as the lead host. The Department of Marketing will welcome [Prof Murali K. Mantrala](#) from the University of Kansas School of Business, with [Dr Tim Kalwey](#) acting as the lead host. The two visits will take place in 2026. In both cases, there will be sessions relevant to researchers across the Business School.

Reset, Re-Imagine, Reframe: Call for Applications for Universitas 21 Mid-Career Researcher Programme

Mid-career researchers (MCRs) are invited to apply to participate in the online [U21 MCR Programme](#) from 20 February to 19 March 2026 (2-5 hours/week). U21's definition of a MCR is someone "at the level of Senior Lecturer or Associate Professor (or equivalent)"; however, there is scope for the organiser to be flexible with this definition.

The programme aims to inspire, equip, empower, and connect MCRs so they can respond to both their current and future challenges with confidence and courage. [Assoc Prof Lisa Callaghan](#) is a previous participant in this programme. Interested MCRs can apply by completing the attached form that should be emailed, together with a CV, to internationalnetworks@auckland.ac.nz by 5pm 24 November 2025.

From the MCR Taskforce

The Business School MCR writing retreat will take place 19-21 November. There is one last spot available; if you want to take it, please contact [Dr Dan Tisch](#).

The fourth and final event in the 2025 MCR workshop series is "Why Mindfulness Matters at Mid-Career" with [Prof Paul Hibbert](#) (St Andrews University). This research-informed practical workshop is scheduled for 25 November, 10.30am-12pm in 260.325. Meeting invite coming soon.

From the ECR Committee

As this Update reaches your inbox, ten of our early-career researchers (ECRs) would be at the ECR annual writing retreat at Castaways Resort (6-8 October). As part of the programme, [Assoc Prof Julia Fehrer](#) was invited to deliver a session titled "Creating Compelling Tensions: Hooking Reviewers and Avoiding Rejection". [Dr Fred Ng](#) is attending the retreat in his role as mentor to the ECR Committee.

The next informal catch-up for Business School ECRs will take place 20 October at 10.00am in the Toroa Collaboration Space (Level 3). This event offers an opportunity for colleagues – particularly those new to the School – to connect over coffee and conversation.

Further information about ECR activities can be found on the Committee's website: [ECRC Activities and Events](#).

Other Upcoming Research Events and Deadlines

15-16 October, 1-5pm: Introduction to Machine Learning Workshop hosted by the Centre for eResearch. More details and registration link are available [here](#).

15 October, 11am-12.30pm: Valuing Good Research Practice Part 1: The Basics and More. This workshop covers general Good Research Practice concepts, acceptable practices of GenAI tools when writing papers, notebook keeping and the difference between Questionable Research Practices and Research Misconduct. Register [here](#).

15 October: International Day of Action for Academic Integrity – international online webinar including full day of live events with panels, reflections and debates, all discussing integrity. Register [here](#).

20–26 October: International Open Access Week is an annual, global campaign that raises awareness and fosters engagement in open access to scholarly research and knowledge. In 2025 the topic is “Who owns our knowledge?”. Open Access Australasia is running a series of webinars through the week to discuss various topics. More detail and registration links are available [here](#).

22 October, 11am-12.30pm: Valuing Good Research Practice Part 2: Good Research Practices related to Authorship and Publishing. Register [here](#).

28 October: [Amazon Research Awards](#), up to \$175,000 for 1-year projects on topics related to AI, cybersecurity, and sustainability.

29 October, 10am-12.30pm in 201-440: Marsden 2026 kick-off, including presentations from Research Funding Team and Research Impact Manager, Panel Q&A and networking over light refreshments. Register [here](#).

31 October (internal deadline): Lloyds’s Register Foundation – Small grants scheme. For funding call information click [here](#).

31 October: Deadline for [KU Leuven Global Seed Fund \(GSF\)](#). 1-year projects, up to €30,000 per project (KU Leuven), plus \$25,000 NZD (UoA, apply for matched funding through the [Global Research Engagement Fund](#)). Eligible activities include organising joint workshops, reciprocal travel between institutions, other activities that support the proposed research and strengthen the partnership (to be approved by both institutions). Contact international.research@auckland.ac.nz for further details.

31 October: Deadline for [Global Research Engagement Fund](#), up to \$10k for Networking and Engagement Grants, and \$12k (partner) to \$25K (project lead) for Project Planning Grants. Notifying intention to submit is required by 24 October.

5 November: Deadline for [Spencer Foundation - Research-Practice Partnerships: Collaborative Research for Educational Change](#) for projects up to \$680,000 for up to 3 years.

4 December: [Spencer Foundation Small Grants](#) for up to \$83,000 for up to 60 months project duration.

Take care,
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](#).