

## Faculty of Education and Arts

### Postdoctoral Research Development Fellowships for International Applicants (Three Months) Semester 2, 2013 (Two Positions)

Position No. 2241

#### General Information

The University of Newcastle is one of Australia's leading research and teaching universities, with a global reputation for its innovative approaches to learning and research.

The Faculty of Education and Arts at the University of Newcastle is one of the leading faculties of its kind in Australia. Its purpose is to create and share knowledge to inspire, enrich and transform humanity.

The Faculty conducts research across numerous fields of study and in particular has identified a number of its strongest concentrations of excellence and targeted them for special investment of funding.

The Faculty is interested in identifying outstanding early career researchers within 5 working years since completing their doctoral qualification who would like an opportunity to be supported while developing an application for a full externally funded Postdoctoral Fellowship such as the ARC's DECRA or NHMRC's Postdoctoral Fellowships scheme to be undertaken within the School of Humanities and Social Science.

#### Position Description

**Position:**            **Three month Postdoctoral Fellowship for international applicants  
(Two positions available)**

The purpose of the three-month paid placement is to:

- Develop a full postdoctoral application for submission in 2014 with support from the relevant discipline and the Faculty's Research Unit;
- Work on publications;
- Participate in the academic life of the relevant discipline/s, including the presentation of a research seminar.

The placement is full time for three months. Remuneration is at Academic B Step 1 plus return economy airfare to Newcastle. Applicants will need to be able to start no later than September 16 2013, with earlier start dates negotiable.

Applications will be considered from individuals whose research aligns with any discipline(s) within the School of Humanities and Social Sciences (<http://www.newcastle.edu.au/school/hss/>). However, preference will be given to those aligned with one of the School's areas of established research strength:

- Social Work
- Endangered Languages
- Violence Studies

Applicants will be assessed on their fit with existing research clusters, the track record (relative to opportunity) of the applicant; and the quality of the proposed research project.

#### Eligibility

Applicants must have a PhD or equivalent Doctoral qualification from an international university awarded no earlier than 1<sup>st</sup> March 2010. Normally applicants would be expected to have graduated prior to appointment. The Faculty particularly encourages international applicants with two to three years' experience since completing their doctorate.

## Assessment Process

Applications will be assessed equally on:

### 1. The alignment with the research strengths of the School of Humanities and Social Science:

Assessment will include an evaluation of the relationship between the application and the strategic development of research in the Faculty.

### 2. Track record (relative to opportunity) of the applicant:

Applicants are expected to be excellent researchers who have made a significant contribution to their field of research and who would be competitive applicants for external postdoctoral grants. You should be able to demonstrate a track record of output in peer-reviewed literature as judged relative to opportunity and to discipline.

Your CV should provide evidence of:

- Original intellectual input into research;
- High quality research output published and presented in appropriate national and international forums;

## Conditions of the Fellowship

The Fellowship is awarded under the following conditions:

1. Applicants must have a PhD awarded no earlier than 1<sup>st</sup> March 2010;
2. Fellows must become employees of The University of Newcastle and are expected to be based full-time at the University for the duration of the Fellowship (other than for periods of approved leave or travel);
3. Appointments must commence by September 16, 2013, unless approved otherwise by the Pro Vice-Chancellor (FEDUA);
4. A minimum cost economy class airfare to Newcastle will be organised for the successful applicant;
5. A salary (taxable) will be provided, at Academic Level B1 (Lecturer) pro-rata for 3-months of the [University's Academic Salary Rates](#) as outlined in the University of Newcastle Academic Staff Workplace Agreement 2010 – 2013.
6. The fellow is required to cover living costs in Newcastle from their salary and to provide a final report covering all aspects of the work undertaken prior to the end of their 3-month term.
7. The fellow will be required to comply with all University policies including the [University Intellectual Property Policy](#).
8. Appointment is subject to you obtaining the appropriate visa to enter and work in Australia.

## Conditions and Benefits

- Full time Academic Level B Step 1 - \$84,700 per annum (pro-rata for 3 months)
- A basic employer contribution of 9% for superannuation will be made by the University into Unisuper Accumulation
- Return economy airfare to Newcastle.

Further information on benefits and conditions of employment is available at the following link:

<http://www.newcastle.edu.au/service/employment/conditions.html>

## Application Form and Information

Applicants must provide a signed Application Form (see below) with the following attachments typed on single sided A4 pages, using Arial 11 point font size with at least a 2 cm margin on each side, scanned and saved as one PDF.

**1. Research Interests:**

Applicants should provide a maximum one page description of their research interests and the directions they see themselves pursuing at the postdoctoral level.

**2. Curriculum Vitae:**

Include full academic record at undergraduate and postgraduate level; prizes; awards; postdoctoral and other academic appointments; and full publication record.

**3. Details of all Other Current Fellowship Applications:**

Attach details of all current applications for Fellowship or Salary support for 2014 (include details of Funding Agency and Scheme, Project Title and Funding Requested).

## Further Information

For additional information on the position contact Dr Bill Palmer via telephone: +61 2 4921 5157 or email: [Bill.Palmer@newcastle.edu.au](mailto:Bill.Palmer@newcastle.edu.au)

## Related Links

- [Faculty of Education and Arts](#)
- [University of Newcastle Annual Report](#)

## Closing Date

**Applications close Wednesday 31 July 2013.**

**Note:** Your application **must** include:

- Application Form
- Research Interests (one page max)
- Curriculum Vitae
- Academic Evidence
- Details of all Other Current Fellowship Applications
- Referee details

**LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

## Submitting Your Application

Applications should be lodged on-line as described below. Please do not forward applications to the contact person.

- Visit the [Job Vacancies](#) at the University of Newcastle webpage
- Click on the highlighted position name
- Click on the 'apply now' link
- Complete online application attaching your Application
- Click on the 'submit application' link

**Note:** Applications must be in PDF.

If you do not have access to the internet, please telephone +61 2 4921 5266 during business hours (AEST) or email [employment@newcastle.edu.au](mailto:employment@newcastle.edu.au) to discuss alternative methods of applying.

*The University of Newcastle values [equity and diversity](#).*

# 3-MONTH POST DOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS – Semester 2, 2013

## APPLICATION FORM

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Please read the preceding advertisement and position description in full before completing this form. Complete the form in Arial 11 point font.

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2013. LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.** Applications should be lodged on-line at [University Job Vacancies](#).

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### 1. APPLICANT DETAILS

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Given Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

PhD Award Date (on testamur): \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Work) \_\_\_\_\_ (Mobile) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. ATTACHMENTS

#### 2.1 Research Interests:

Maximum one page description of research interests

#### 2.2 Curriculum Vitae:

Include full academic record at undergraduate and postgraduate level; prizes; awards; postdoctoral and other academic appointments; and full publication record.

#### 2.3 Details of all Other Current Fellowship Applications:

Attach details of all current applications for Fellowship or Salary support for 2013 (include details of Funding Agency and Scheme, Project Title and Funding Requested).

### 3. REFEREES

Details for two referees, including an email and/or fax address for each nominated referee.

### 4. SIGNATURE

#### Applicant:

I certify that the information contained in this application is correct:

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Print Name

Signature

Date