### LEADERSHIP / VISION / PASSION CONNECT: UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG PROFESSOR OF ECONOMICS

### APPOINTMENT DETAILS





### TOP 2% OF WORLD UNIVERSITIES

QS World University Rankings 2012/2013 Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2012/2013 Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU) 2012



### **GLOBALLY RATED A FIVE STAR UNIVERSITY**

QS World University Rankings 2012/2013 Australian Good Universities Guide 2013



### GLOBALLY RANKED AS ONE OF AUSTRALIA'S BEST MODERN UNIVERSITIES

33rd in the world — Times Higher Education Top 100 Under 50 Rankings 2012 30th in the world — QS Top 50 Under 50 Rankings 2012

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State-of-the-art Facilities

**Global Connections** 



# VICE CHANCELLOR'S INTRODUCTION



The University of Wollongong (UOW) is an ambitious institution. Our aim is to connect great minds in the pursuit of novel ideas and innovations that will help solve global challenges. In the process, we believe UOW can also reach our stated goal of joining the Top 1% of research universities in the world.

We are a powerhouse of learning and teaching excellence and we assert our standing as a significant research-intensive university, having been ranked in the Top 10 research-intensive universities in Australia in the 2012 federal government research performance assessment process (Excellence in Research Australia - or ERA). Furthermore, as a relatively young institution, we are proud to be ranked among the Top 50 modern universities in the world and equal first in Australia according to the latest THE and QS ratings.

Over the past 18 months, UOW has undertaken a major evolutionary step toward its goal of universal recognition as a global destination of choice in higher learning and pioneering research. We have transformed our senior executive and faculty shape to ensure we are optimally structured and resourced to succeed well into the future.

It is a great time to be joining UOW, as our new faculties take shape and look to build our profile in key discipline areas. We are seeking visionary and passionate senior scholars across several business disciplines and have a number of Professorial positions advertised during this exciting period of strategic growth.

Within this document, we invite applications for the position of **Professor of Economics** within our new Faculty of Business. This position will enhance the research capability and reputation of our Economics discipline. We have a strong focus on Applied Economics (ERA Rating 3 - 'World standard'), with a growing number of highly research intensive and well published Early Career Researchers in applied micro and labour economics.

This appointment will be awarded to a genuine academic leader who enjoys collaborating with similarly passionate and dedicated scholars, both within their discipline area and beyond; who will thrive in an environment where they can take a senior role in shaping the research agenda; who has a track record in mentoring ambitious young researchers; and has a track record of high quality scholarly output in applied economics.

On behalf of the University and the Faculty of Business, I thank you for your interest in this position.

Professor Paul Wellings CBE Vice-Chancellor





### ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG

UOW is currently in an exciting period of transformational change. We are one year in to a new strategic planning cycle and have just realigned our faculties, schools and disciplines. We are doing this to serve an agenda that aims to place UOW in the top 1% of the world's research universities. This is complemented by a Global Challenges Research Program that will focus our research in areas of national and international significance.

We are internationally renowned for our applied research, which is enhanced by partnerships with industry, community and government, and focused on national economic, technological and social objectives. Our Global Challenges Program will bring together researchers from a variety of disciplines to work together on three of Australia's biggest challenges: managing an ageing population, coping with industrial transformation and sustaining coastal environments.

Throughout our 60-year history, we have shaped the future through teaching, learning, researching and connecting with the community on a local and global scale. In that time we have built a world-class institution with strong global recognition for our programs, student experience and progressive research. We also have the highest levels of staff engagement and organisational progress in the higher education sector across Australia and New Zealand.

Since our inception, our enrolment has grown to over 30,000 students from 143 nationalities. We have a proud and dedicated workforce of over 2,000 full time staff, spread over nine campuses, and are supported by engaged, high quality professional and administrative staff.

#### **OUR PURPOSE:**

- We aim for a position in the top 1% of world universities.
- We aim to offer an empowering learning experience, informed by research and our external context.
- We aim to enrich all our regional communities through a strong and connected presence.
- We aspire to make UOW a destination university and Wollongong a university city.

#### OUR VALUES:

The commitments under our 2013-18 goals endorse and promote the University's core values of:

- Excellence through initiative, enterprise and achievements that take society forward
- Intellectual openness and freedom of opinion
- Integrity
- Mutual respect and collegiality
- Diversity of cultures, ideas and peoples
- Indigenous perspectives and reconciliation
- Foresight, guality and accountability as an institution
- Community partnerships and mutual development
- Equity and social justice





#### **GOAL 1: RESEARCH & IMPACT**

Build an outstanding research community that values emerging researchers and supports research-active staff to achieve the highest quality results and disseminate their benefits to user communities.

#### **GOAL 2: LEARNING & THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE**

Deliver student-centred, challenging programs to the highest standards in a technology-rich learning environment that attracts high quality students and develops all students for their graduate roles in society and the global workplace.

#### **GOAL 3: CONNECTING COMMUNITIES**

Integrate teaching, research, and community and business linkages at global and regional level to enhance our research base and our contribution to student and community development.

#### **GOAL 4: STAFF & CULTURE**

Foster a culture of continuous improvement by rewarding initiative, creativity and performance in an environment which develops staff and encourages the highest quality standards.

#### **GOAL 5: SUSTAINING A VIBRANT UNIVERSITY**

Ensure our capacity to deliver our mission by continuing to transform and modernise systems, business processes and the built environment.

#### **GOAL 6: CHANGE & TRANSFORMATION**

Drive the standing and global recognition of UOW and its qualities through selective investments in strategic initiatives and by engaging with key supporters to deliver our long-term vision.

#### For more information about our strategic plan: www.uow.edu.au/planquality/strategicplan

For more information about the University: **www.uow.edu.au/about** 

For information about Research: http://www.uow.edu.au/research

For information about Learning and Teaching: www.uow.edu.au/about/teaching

For information about our Faculties and Schools: www.uow.edu.au/about/faculties

For information about staff Awards & Agreements: http://staff.uow.edu.au/personnel/awardagree





At UOW we are, and always have been, about academic excellence. We're in the top 2% of universities world-wide and we're aiming higher every day. We're proud of what we have achieved so far, but we're not done yet.

#### **TOP 2% OF UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD**

264th in the world – QS World University Rankings 2012/2013 305th in the world – Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2012/2013 346th in the world – Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU) 2012

#### **GLOBALLY RANKED AS ONE OF AUSTRALIA'S BEST MODERN UNIVERSITIES**

33rd in the world – Times Higher Education Top 100 Under 50 Rankings 2012 Equal 1st in Australia – Times Higher Education Top 100 Under 50 Rankings 2012 30th in the world – QS Top 50 Under 50 Rankings 2012

#### **GLOBALLY RATED A FIVE-STAR UNIVERSITY**

5 Star rating – QS World University Rankings 2012/2013 1st in Australia for Educational Experience and Graduate Outcomes – Australian Good Universities Guide 2013

#### TOP 100 IN THE WORLD FOR GLOBAL GRADUATES

5th year in a row that employers have ranked our graduates in the top 100 universities in the world – QS World University Rankings Graduate Employers Survey 2012

#### EXCEPTIONAL STAFF ENGAGEMENT LEVELS

UOW staff reported the highest level of employee engagement and organisational progress in the higher education sector in the 2012 'Your Voice' organisational climate survey. ('Your Voice' is used in 37 Universities across Australia and New Zealand). Here are some of the results from that survey:

- 89% of staff believe that UOW has a strong focus on achieving positive results
- 92% of staff know their job contributes to the success of UOW
- 93% of staff feel they have good working relationships with their co-workers
- 86% of staff believe that UOW has a strong research culture
- 85% of staff believe that UOW has a strong teaching culture
- 86% of staff believe that UOW engages with the community in meaningful ways
- 88% of staff feel a sense of loyalty and commitment to UOW
- 90% of staff like the kind of work they do
- 91% of staff are proud to say they work at UOW





## UOW GOVERNANCE AND STRUCTURE

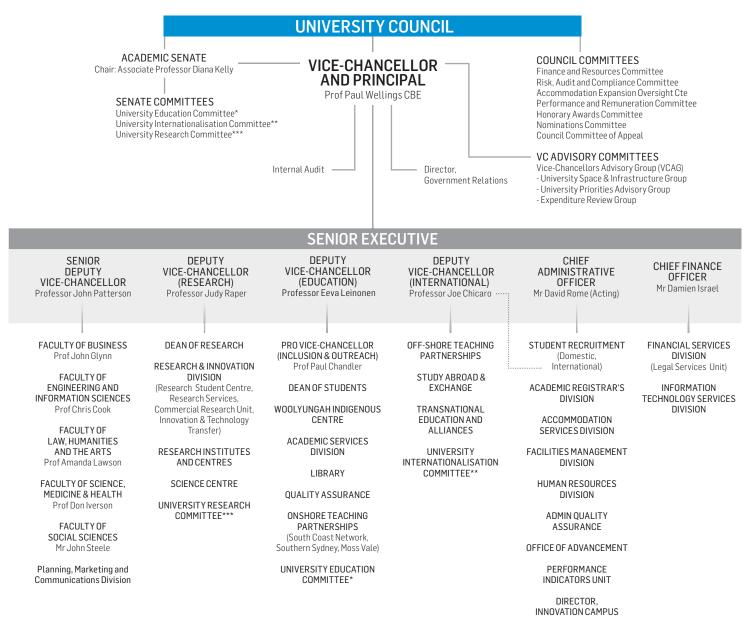
UOW is governed by the University Council, which is supported and informed by a number of Committees acting under the delegated authority of Council to fulfil UOW's Vision and Goals.

The Academic Senate is the peak body advising the University Council and Vice-Chancellor on academic matters and broad issues affecting the academic excellence of the University. A central role of Academic Senate is to evaluate, endorse and recommend policies to University Council.

The aim of our various committees is to provide leadership in the development of policy and strategy and play a key role in the management of all University activities. A key part of this position is that it has executive responsibility for servicing the University Council, its major Committees and implementation of Council decisions. It also serves as Executive Chair of UniCentre Ltd and has executive responsibility for the university's Innovation Campus including development and operations.

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For more information about governance and structures: www.uow.edu.au/governance



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UOW's growing research intensity attracts national and international grant funding and brings academic talent and expertise from around the world to work in our beautiful region.

Many UOW faculty are leaders in their fields who conduct world-class research and serve as advisors to industry and government agencies. Our research often contributes to innovation where firms, government and others deliberately incorporate knowledge generated from UOW's research into their activities and outcomes so as to improve or develop new products (goods and services), processes and organisational forms.

Such innovation is a critical ingredient to future regional growth, competitiveness, wealth and prosperity and in providing the capacity, and associated adaptability, for the region to tackle emerging economic, social and environmental challenges.

ICENCES

### **KEY FACTS:**

- Rated amongst the 'Top 10' research universities in Australia (ERA 2012)
- \$431M in research & commercialisation income
- 275 invention disclosures
- 60 successful patents
- 50 commercial licence agreements
- 4 new start-up companies











RESEARCH IMPACT



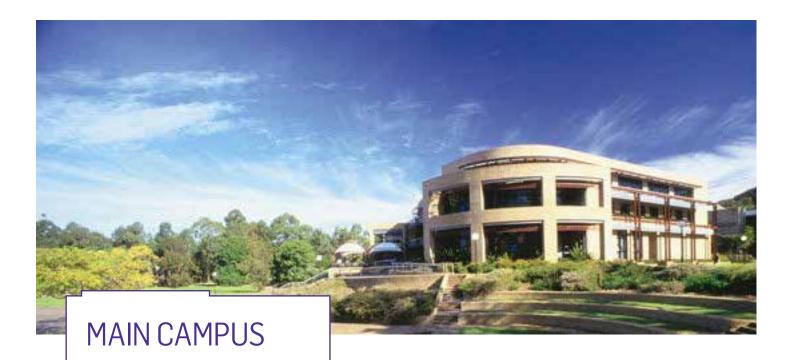
**KNOWLEDGE** INNOVATION



**KNOWLEDGE** TRANSFER







#### WOLLONGONG CAMPUS

UOW's main campus is located in the thriving regional city of Wollongong, which offers a sought after lifestyle and easy access to Sydney. Sitting in the foothills of the Great Dividing Range, our main campus is just 10 minutes from the famous beaches of the New South Wales south coast, 3kms from the city centre and just 80km south of Sydney.



Top: McKinnon Building (Central Campus)

Top right: SMART Infrastructutre Facility

Middle right: Early Start Education Research Facility (currently under construction)

Bottom right: UOW Library



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#### **INNOVATION CAMPUS (iC)**

Named 2011 Best New Business and Industrial Park Development in Australia by the Property Council of Australia at their Innovation and Excellence Awards, our \$400 million community of business and research enterprises is home to some of Australia's leading researchers and R&D.

iC comprises 135,000sqm of research, innovation and office space; cutting edge research centres; high-tech infrastructure and an ecologically sustainable residential and work environment.

Developed on 33 seaside hectares in North Wollongong, it is located just one hour from Sydney international airport and is just a 10 minute drive to UOW's main campus.

Top: UOW Innovation Campus at dusk

Top right: iC Central Adminstration block

Middle right: Interior of Enterprise 1 - R&D office space

Bottom right: Main entrace way

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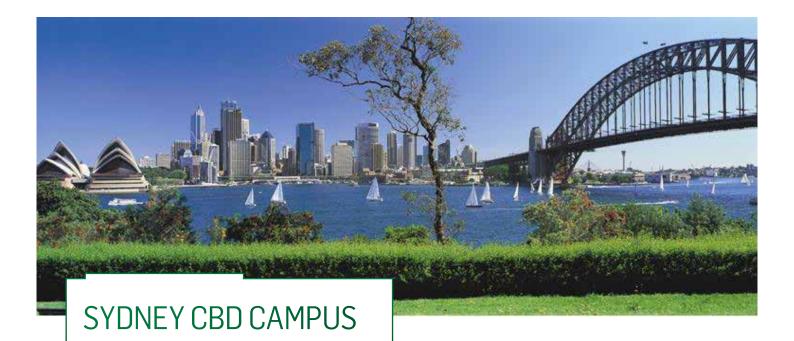












#### SYDNEY BUSINESS SCHOOL

Sydney Business School operates from two locations: UOW's Main Campus; and at the heart of Sydney at 1 Macquarie Place on Circular Quay, situated by iconic Sydney landmarks.

The School provides world-class postgraduate courses with flexible learning formats so that Wollongong and Sydney-based managers and professionals have the opportunity to expand their horizons.

The Sydney Business School is home to our Faculty of Business postgraduate programs, including our well-established executive DBA, EMBA and MBA programs, as well as a range of tailored Masters by coursework and Graduate Certificate programs.

Top: Our CBD campus represents Australia's premier Business School location.

Top right: The Gateway Building, 1 Macquarie Place.

Middle right: An Executive MBA cohort in boardroom discussion mode.

Bottom right: PhD discussion group.

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At UOW, we reward initiative, creativity and performance in an environment that develops staff and encourages the highest quality standards. Our status as a world-class university is reflected in our progressive workplace. Our people are vital for us to sustain our culture of excellence and innovation so we are committed to the growth and success of every employee.

### MY NAME IS PROFESSOR CHRIS COOK.

I'm the Dean of Engineering at UOW and graduate of the University of Adelaide, with a double degree in Science and Electrical Engineering as well as a PhD from the University of New South Wales.

I think the collegial atmosphere at UOW

is quite extraordinary. We're big enough to be internationally competitive, but small enough that we can run everything in a very friendly way.

#### IF I WERE TO DESCRIBE UOW IN ONE WORD I'D SAY "ENTREPRENEURIAL"



MY NAME IS UWANA EVERS.

I work for the Centre for Health Initiatives.

I'm currently a PhD student in health promotion, and have undergraduate degrees in Psychology and Commerce.

For me the best thing about being a student at UOW is all the opportunities I've had. Studying overseas on exchange in

Sweden and in Switzerland allowed me to see the world in a new and exciting way!

IF I WERE TO DESCRIBE UOW IN ONE WORD I'D SAY "OPPORTUNITY"







# TEACHING & RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE

At UOW we provide all the amenities you would expect of a world-class university, from cutting-edge research and teaching environments, conference centres and the new Innovation Campus, to everything you need for education, business and entertainment.

#### **RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT**

Backed by internationally renowned research centres, our awarded Innovation Campus, and state-of-the-art facilities, we're leading the way in research and development.

**SMART Infrastructure Facility:** The first of its kind in Australia, SMART is a \$61 million centre of integrated laboratories which harness UOW expertise to address Australia's infrastructure needs – today and into the future. It is located on our main campus.

**Illawarra Health and Medical Research Institute (IHMRI):** IHMRI is a partnership between UOW and the South Eastern Sydney Illawarra Area Health Service. Through collaboration between academic and clinical researchers, IHMRI aims to directly benefit clinical practice and health service delivery. It is located on our main campus.

Australian Institute for Innovative Materials (AIIM): An Australian first, AIIM will use innovative fabrication methods to take multifunctional materials from fundamental research to the proof-of-concept stage. AIIM will transform traditional industries and form the basis for new high-tech health and energy manufacturing industries. AIIM is located at the Innovation Campus, in North Wollongong. ARC Centre of Excellence for Electromaterials Sciences (ACES): A multidisciplinary approach to solving some of the biggest challenges facing society – six Australian research

biggest challenges facing society – six Australian research strengths working with industry and researchers worldwide. ACES is also located at the Innovation Campus, in North Wollongong.

**Sustainable Buildings Research Centre (SBRC):** Leading the way to a restorative future, SBRC works to improve the energy-efficiency of new and existing buildings through advanced retrofit technologies, integrated component testing, skills training and ongoing research. The SBRC is located on our main campus.

**Early Start:** Early Start is an exciting multi-disciplinary initiative based in our Faculty of Social Sciences. Developed in response to a new wave of research confirming the critical impact of education on children's health, development and life outcomes, Early Start will radically transform teaching, research and community engagement in the higher education sector. The \$44 million Early Start facility will connect many different services across regional, rural and remote communities, nationally and internationally, using the latest technologies.







CAMPUS SERVICES





### **KEY FACTS:**



- 9 campuses

- Over 20 commercial retail operators
- 2,353 direct employees
- 450 degress on offer



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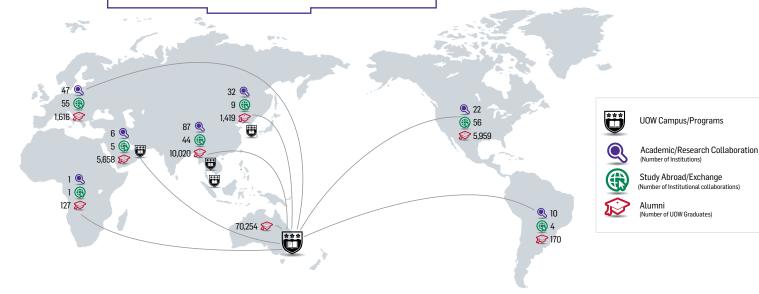


UOW is a thriving enterprise, servicing over 24,000 enrolled students, nearly 2,500 employees, and over 110,000 alumni worldwide. On campus, we provide all the amenities you would expect of a world-class university, from cutting-edge research and teaching environments, conference centres and the new Innovation Campus, to everything you need for education, business and entertainment.

UOW's state-of-the-art sport and recreation facilities are open to, and widely used by, the public. Many high profile Australian and international sporting teams have used UOW superb sporting facilities as training bases — from the United States and Australian national swimming squads to the Wallabies rugby union team and the St George Illawarra Dragons in the National Rugby League. But just as importantly, UOW makes its world-class facilities available for all kinds of community groups — from learn-to-swim classes to local primary and high schools staging their swimming carnivals in the international-standard 50metre pool, to junior coaching clinics, junior sports squads that train and play on the sports fields and people attending fitness classes at Wollongong's bestequipped gymnasium.

Other facilities at the University Recreation and Aquatic Centre (URAC) include high quality cricket fields, a field for rugby and AFL, a championship-standard hockey field with artificial surface, tennis courts, physiotherapy centre, indoor courts for basketball, netball and volleyball and a sports hall (called the Sports Hub). UOW teams competing in sports like men and women's hockey, AFL, rugby union, rugby league and cricket, host visiting teams at the campus for matches. URAC also houses the headquarters of the Illawarra Academy of Sport. As part of this support of junior sport in the region, URAC also accommodates regional development officers for NSW-ACT AFL, NSW Rugby Union and NSW Tennis. In April 2012 URAC was the headquarters for the NSW Academy Games, hosted by the Illawarra Academy of Sport. More than 700 emerging athletes took part in the Games, which will be hosted in Wollongong until 2014.



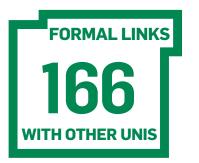








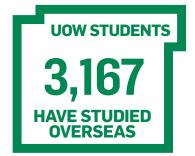


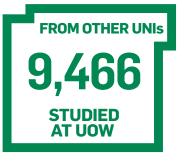


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**STUDY ABROAD AND** 

**STUDENT EXCHANGE** 









"Our vision is to be a globally respected Business faculty that brings together individuals and organisations in order to share cultures and ideas, with the primary objective of contributing to equitable and sustainable global organisations."

Professor John Glynn Executive Dean UOW Faculty of Business

### FROM THE EXECUTIVE DEAN

It is indeed an exciting time to be joining the Faculty of Business at the University of Wollongong. Having just come through a major university-wide structural transformation in which the resources of our Sydney Business School and Faculty of Commerce have been combined and recognized as one of UOW's pillars of future success, we are now in a phase of significant strategic growth, with several professorial appointments on offer across key discipline areas.

The Faculty Mission is to educate responsible leaders through high quality teaching and applied research. It is the University's largest faculty and boasts an emerging reputation internationally for teaching excellence and innovative research. This reputation is reflected in the demand for the Faculty's undergraduate and postgraduate programs within Australia and offshore, and also in its large number of significant regional, national and international research linkages and strategic industry alliances.



### ABOUT THE FACULTY OF BUSINESS

#### **RESEARCH ENVIRONMENT**

The Faculty received National recognition for its research performance through the Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) Initiative, receiving the highest ERA rating given nationally for research quality (above world standard) in the area of tourism. Our Applied Economics and Management disciplines received ERA ratings of '3', confirming our world class research in these areas. It is home to the Institute for Business and Social Research (IIBSoR) and the Australian Health Services Research Institute (AHSRI); both recognised research strengths of the University of Wollongong. In years since 2008, members of these research Institutes have secured funding worth over \$30 million. Over 40% of journal articles by IIBSoR members were published in A\* and A ranked international journals. Another cross-discipline research initiative, the Social Innovation Network (SInet), is strongly connected to the Faculty. SInet is a network of researchers in the Social Sciences recognised and funded by the University. SInet is a collaboration of research nodes from a wide range of discipline areas with 18 Centres across several Faculties forming the core of SInet. Eight of these Centres are located in the Faculty of Business.

#### **TEACHING AND LEARNING**

Teaching and learning in the Faculty of Business has achieved national recognition. The University of Wollongong was one of only four universities in Australia to score in B and A in all four discipline groupings, including Business and Economics, in the Federal Government's 2009 Learning and Teaching Performance Fund. In addition to this, the Faculty scored highly against national benchmarks, receiving positive ratings in the Course Experience Questionnaire (CEQ) for all disciplines in relation to graduate qualities, overall satisfaction and good teaching. Our academics regularly win awards and receive grants and recognition relating to the quality of their teaching.

#### QUALITY

The Faculty intends to continue its commitment to quality and review degree progression on a five-year quality cycle. Further, the Faculty continues to explore new undergraduate and postgraduate program potential. In order to recognise and celebrate the important academic achievement of our students, the Faculty works with industry, who sponsor over 45 prizes for academic excellence. The Faculty's internship program is a flagship in cooperation with industry, and provides students with a valuable opportunity to gain practical experience while continuing their studies.

#### PARTNERSHIPS

The Faculty of Business actively engages with partners through a broad range of mechanisms, including curriculum review processes, events, joint programs with TAFE, visiting programs for international and nationally renowned academics, the Faculty of Business Internship subject, prizes and awards to students, sponsorships, alumni activities and research and commercial consultancy.

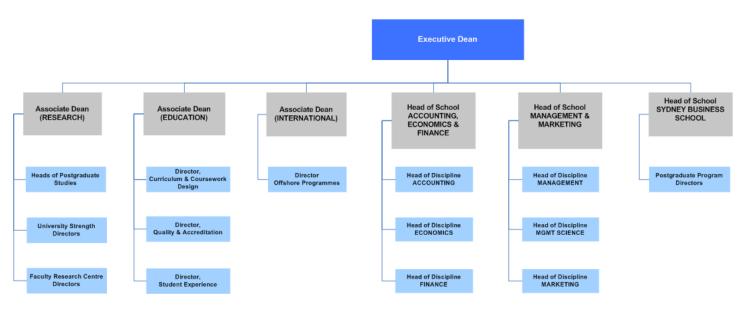




The Faculty of Business is governed by an academic structure that has six key dicipline areas as its core: accounting, economics, finance, management, management science and marketing. The Sydney Business School is responsible for delivering all postgraduate coursework programs.

The structure provides:

- A focussed environment for driving UOW's strategic agenda for research, learning and teaching excellence and our journey towards a top 1% rating;
- String disciplines that are enabled to be the effective platforms for international teacjing and research recognition for our Faculty.



Note: Draft structure - roles reporting toAssociate Deans currently under review.





The Economics Discipline at UOW is an active, vibrant and outward-looking one. It has strong international connections especially in Asia and United States. Our academic staff are motivated to continue the Discipline's growth into the future through quality teaching and research.

Economics has featured as a discipline at the University of Wollongong since 1975. We currently have 21 academic staff, three administrative staff and over 30 postgraduate research students. The Discipline offers a full range of undergraduate and postgraduate subjects. A range of undergraduate majors in Economics are available, together with an Honours program and postgraduate courses of study at masters and doctoral levels.

#### **BACHELOR OF ECONOMICS AND FINANCE**

The Faculty of Business has recently launched a new specialist degree in the Bachelor of Economics and Finance. Organisations employing business graduates increasingly demand that they hit the ground running with the understanding of these inter-relationships and their contexts.

The Bachelor of Economics and Finance is the only single degree of its kind in NSW. This high-level degree is unique as it combines two very important disciplines to look at decisions on a macro (local, national and global) and micro (on a household) level whilst understanding financial systems that govern these processes.

The Bachelor of Economics and Finance degree also offers an applied research project where the top 5% of students in the course will travel to International Exchanges to experience the heart of finance. For many students, their careers will extend overseas, so exposing the students early to a global perspective gives them a distinct advantage.

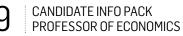
#### RESEARCH

Our Economics Discipline has a very active research profile, producing high quality publications, attracting regular competitive grants from the Australian Research Council (ARC) and other awarding bodies, and ranking highly amongst Australian university economics departments. Members of the School continued to publish in a wide range of refereed and highly ranked national and international journals.

We have a high proportion of active early career researchers which, along with a supportive Faculty, has allowed us to develop the research profile of our school as evidenced by an increase in ERA from 1 to 3, with a stated goal of achieving 4 in the coming round. Recent grant successes include a Discovery Early Career Researcher Award (DECRA) granted to Associate Professor Peter Siminski, to investigate the human costs of conflict, the social determinants of life outcomes, and consequences of induced employment disincentives for older men.

Other distinguishing features of research performance in the School are the relatively even distribution of output and the fact that almost all members of the discipline contributed to this output. It operates an active seminar program, a working paper series and is home to four research centres: Centre for Small Business and Regional Research (CSBRR), Centre for Human and Social Capital Research (CHSCR), and Health, Environmental, Development and Growth Economics (HEDGE).

Research specialisations include human and social capital, economic development, regional economics, economic history, and industry economics.





#### ECONOMICS RESEARCH CENTRES

#### Centre for Human and Social Capital Research (CHSCR)

The Centre has the objective of fostering high quality research into issues that involve aspects of human and social capital. Members of the CHSCR are actively engaged in collaborative (as well as individual) research, on topics such as education, health, household-time allocation, labour markets, poverty and inequality, productivity, and social-capital networks. By drawing upon a wide range of complementary skills, knowledge and research methodologies - theoretical, empirical and historical - members aim to publish their research output in prestigious refereed journals. www.business.uow.edu.au/research/chscr

#### Health, Environmental, Development and Growth Economics (HEDGE)

HEDGE has a focus on the interrelated issues of health, environment and economic development and growth. The principal objective of the centre is to serve as a forum for generating ideas and fostering socioeconomic research in the said areas that lead to high quality studies and publications. The centre forms part of the University-based Social Innovation Network. www.business.uow.edu.au/research/hedge

#### Centre for Small Business and Regional Research (CSBRR)

The Centre for Small Business and Regional Research (CSBRR) was set up as a centre of excellence to provide expertise on issues of concern to small and medium-sized enterprises and to regional development more broadly. Its creation brings together researchers from across the University of Wollongong who share a common interest in this area. The CSBRR also works with researchers from other institutions and bodies both in Australia and internationally who are interested in SMEs. www.business.uow.edu.au/research/csbrr

#### **RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS**

Members of our Economics Discipline continued to play an active role in the milieu of the discipline nationally and internationally through membership of editorial boards, by refereeing articles and graduate theses, and by participation in academic societies. Dr Ed Wilson is President of the Economic Society (NSW) and Simon Ville is President of the Economic History Society of Australia and New Zealand. Relationships with other universities and organisations domestically and internationally continue to flourish.

The School runs a very active and successful seminar series. Over the past year we have hosted the following distinguished scholars:

- . Professor Thomas Pogge (Yale University and ANU)
- Dr Jason Lindo (University of Oregon, Eugene)
- Assoc Professor David Goldbaum (UTS)
- Dr Jaai Parasnis (Monash University)
- Professor Lance Fisher (Macquarie University)
- Professor Russell Smyth (Monash University)
- Professor Robert Slonim (University of Sydney)
- Professor Pascalis Raimondos-Møller (Copenhagen Business School)
- Dr Maria Racionero (ANU)
- Professor Nancy Gallini (University of British Columbia)
- Assoc Professor Paul Pezanis Christou (Université Louis Pasteur/UNSW)
- Assoc Professor Arghya Ghosh (UNSW)

#### Annual Public Lecture in Economic and Social Policy

The Annual Public Lecture was delivered in 2011 by Dr Michael Schaper, Deputy Chairman of the national competition regulator, the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission, with special responsibility for small business issues. Mr Schaper's lecture was entitled "Are free markets also fair markets? Open competition and the small business sector".

In 2012 the discipline hosted Professor Henry Ergas, Professor of Infrastructure Economics SMART Infrastructure Facility. His lecture was entitled "Where did the Euro come from and where is it going?"

In 2013, the Discipline hosted Dr Richard Denniss, Executive Director of The Australia Institute, who gave a presentation entitled 'How the economy is going and what politicians can really do about it'.

#### 2012 Labour Econometrics Workshop

UOW hosted the 2012 Labour Econometrics Workshop (LEW). Professor William N. Evans presented the keynote address on the topic "The White/Black Education Gap, Stalled Progress, and the Long Term Consequences of the Crack Epidemic." William is Professor of Economics in the Department of Economics at the University of Notre Dame.







MIT Prof Joshua Angrist visited UOW in 2010.



2011. Pictured with Prof Amnon Levy



# ECONOMICS RESEARCHER PROFILES

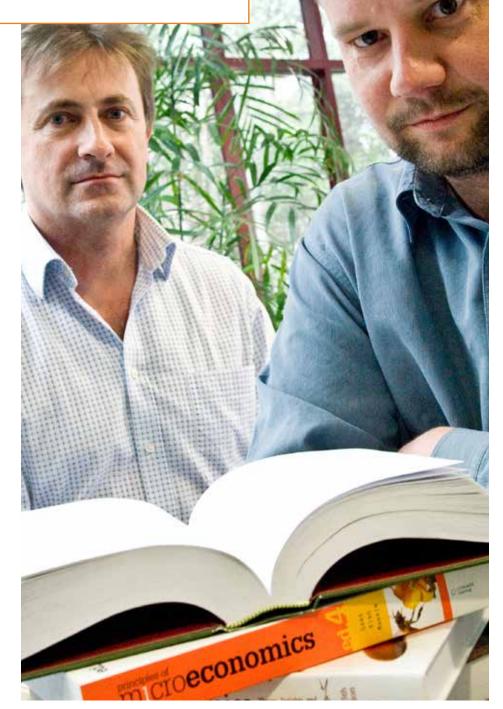
#### SIMON VILLE, PROFESSOR

Simon Ville is Professor of Economics, primarily specialising in the teaching and research of the economic and business history of Australia, New Zealand, and Europe. He is a Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences in Australia and a member of the ARC Research Evaluation Committee for ERA 2012. He was President of the Economic History Society of Australia and New Zealand (2003-11) and editor of *Australian Economic History Review* (1997–2003). He serves on the board of international journals and academic societies including *Business History Review* (USA) and *Business History* (UK).

Professor Ville has written extensively for leading international journals in economics, economic and business history, management, and law. His current ARC research grants deal with the economic and social consequences of Vietnam era conscription; the retention of skilled migrant women in Australia; and industry associations and wool marketing in Australasia.

#### **AMNON LEVY, PROFESSOR**

Professor Amnon Levy (PhD, Berkeley) is a veteran member of the School of Economics. He is an expert in conceptualisation and dynamic and stochastic modelling of microeconomic and macroeconomic issues. His research effort has been focused on analysing the formation and use of physical, financial, human, social and environmental systems and capitals and their implications for income distribution, growth, individual utility and national and international welfare and stability. He has published extensively on these issues in the Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Development Economics, American Journal of Agricultural Economics, Journal of Urban Economics, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Journal of Macroeconomics, European Journal of **Operation Research, Mathematical Social** Sciences, Review of Income and Wealth and Ecological Economics. He served as referee for these specialised journals as well as for general ones such as the American Economic Review and Review of Economic Studies.



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#### PETER SIMINSKI, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

In just five years since completing his PhD, Dr Peter Siminski has established himself as one of Australia's leading applied microeconomists. His research is primarily in health, labour and public economics, with a focus on the effects of Australian government programs on economic outcomes and behaviours. Since 2011, he has published in journals such as the *American Economic Review*, the *Review of Economics and Statistics*, the *Review of Income and Wealth* and Australia's leading economics journal: the *Economic Record*. He won the prize for best paper published in the *Economic Record* in 2009. He is currently Associate Professor, Australian Research Council DECRA Fellow and Director of the Centre for Human and Social Capital Research.





### **PROFESSOR OF ECONOMICS:** POSITION SUMMARY

#### **POSITION INFORMATION**

We are specifically looking for an **applied micro-economist**, preferably with a strong research track record in labour, education and/or health. This person will be committed to helping drive the success of the discipline in meeting the Faculty Mission of developing responsible leaders through high quality education and applied research.

**Research leadership** is a core requirement - a demonstration of a high quality publication track record is essential along with a proven record of successful external research grants.

The candidate should possess the ability to **mentor early career researchers**, attract PhD students and external research funding, and foster a vibrant and collaborative research environment

Evidence of **research impact** is desired, along with success in building research relationships with government and industry partners.

The position will provide inspired and energetic research leadership over the coming decade. The intention is to build on and develop existing research strengths. Candidates for the position will have a **strong national and international research profile** through an established record of research achievements and evidence of research leadership.

The Faculty integrates research into the overall portfolio of academic activities and therefore is interested in candidates who have broad leadership experience and an understanding of, and commitment to, the interaction of research, teaching, and outreach in the development of overall strategy.

In this role you will help to further cultivate a dynamic collaborative environment that will foster excellence and innovation in research, teaching and community engagement across the Economics Discipline and the Faculty of Business in order to promote these activities locally, nationally and internationally.

In undertaking this role you will increase the research profile of Economics in the University, national and international academic communities. You will foster joint or collaborative work among existing Economics academic staff and with researchers elsewhere in the University and in other institutions and provide broad leadership to the Discipline of Economics and the Faculty.





#### **ESSENTIAL:**

#### Education & experience:

- PhD in Economics, preferably in an area relevant to the research strengths of Economics at UOW;
- Extensive successful record of high ranking publications and competitive grants;
- Extensive successful record of leadership in research and PhD supervision;
- Demonstrated ability to build cross-faculty/discipline research links;
- Experience in governance roles.

#### Knowledge & skills:

- Proven national and international research reputation in Economics;
- Strong leadership skills reflected in the ability to build successful research teams;
- Strong technical knowledge of theory and methodologies applicable to their area of specialisation;
- Capacity to transfer discipline knowledge, train, supervise and mentor students and less experienced staff colleagues;

#### Personal attributes:

- Strong leadership skills;
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills and the ability to collaborate in research projects;
- A capacity to develop Discipline's collaborative links within the Faculty and University and with other centres of research excellence nationally and internationally;
- Sensitivity to personal, cultural and ethnic differences in behaviour and expectations.

#### **DESIRABLE:**

- Engagement with professional bodies and industry partners;
- Aligning research interests with school research centres.

For more information about this role, please refer to the contact details provided at the end of this document.



# ACCOUNTABILITIES

#### MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ROLE:

- Undertake original research and publish output
- Apply successfully for external research funding
- Supervise Higher Degree Research students
- Foster collaboration among existing UOW staff
- Mentor staff colleagues
- Contribute to senior governance of Discipline
- Represent Economics at the Faculty level and Economics and / or Faculty at the University level
- Teach in core and specialist areas
- Observe principles and practices of Equal Employment
  Opportunity
- Have OH&S responsibilities, accountabilities and authorities as outlined in the

http://staff.uow.edu.au/ohs/commitment/responsibilities/ document.

#### **OUTCOMES:**

- Top tier international refereed journal publications
- ARC and other Grant income
- Quality of theses and timeliness of completions
- Quality journal publications and grant income
- Improved performance of Discipline
- Effective administration of Discipline
- Achievement of Discipline and Faculty aims
- Student learning and satisfaction
- To ensure fair treatment in the workplace
- To ensure a safe working environment for self & others.





Situated on the beautiful south coast of New South Wales (NSW) at the foot of the Great Dividing Range, Wollongong offers a relaxed and healthy lifestyle in a temperate climate.

Wollongong, one of Australia's most liveable cities, is a thriving regional centre. It boasts cosmopolitan dining, a lively arts scene, regular local and visiting performing arts and musical productions, and professional sports teams. While the picturesque Illawarra region provides a multitude of weekend getaways, Sydney is also within easy reach. Of course, UOW adds to the economic and cultural wealth of one of Australia's most liveable cities, and connects with local communities through a range of collaborative programs.

#### **CULTURE AND THE ARTS**

Artists have long been inspired by the majestic Illawarra region, and the Wollongong City Gallery is a great place to enjoy many of their works, alongside a permanent collection of contemporary Aboriginal art. The Illawarra Performing Arts Centre showcases the work of local and touring opera companies, musicals, comedy, ballet and concerts. The WIN Sports & Entertainment Centre also hosts cultural events, concerts and other large-scale productions.

Close to UOW's main campus you will also find the Wollongong Conservatorium of Music, which overlooks the Botanic Gardens and provides music education to the community. It attracts students from all backgrounds and of all ages, abilities and interests.

#### HEALTH

Wollongong's quality health infrastructure includes a major teaching hospital and a number of excellent private hospitals. The city also has an extensive network of health specialists, many of whom are associated with the UOW's Graduate School of Medicine and the Illawarra Health and Medical Research Institute. Wollongong has a total of nine public hospitals and four private hospitals, as well as 24 private nursing homes.

#### SCHOOLS

The city and surrounding Illawarra region has around 140 government primary and secondary schools and more than 50 fee-based independent schools and colleges. The city's comprehensive high schools are complemented by four specialist high schools: Wollongong High School for the Performing Arts, Keira Technology High School and the selective Smiths Hill High School, all in Wollongong, and Illawarra Sports High School at Berkeley in the southern suburbs



The Friday farmers markets in Wollongong CBD



Home of the Wollongong Conservatorium of Music, is just a 2min walk from main campus



There are numerous quality schools to choose from



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#### RECREATION

Boasting some of the world's most pristine beaches, the region is also home to impressive golf courses, state-of-the-art sports facilities, parks, and cycling and walking paths. The city's spectacular natural setting provides many recreational opportunities, from surfing, fishing and diving, to mountain climbing, hand-gliding and bushwalking.

#### **SPORT**

Sport plays a big role in the lives of Wollongong's residents. With its state-of-the-art sports facilities, and fabulous golf courses, it's not hard to see why. WIN Sports & Entertainment Centre hosts many sporting events, and is home to the St George Illawarra Dragons National Rugby League team as well as our very own professional basketball team, Wollongong Hawks. The Illawarra Academy of Sport also provides sports coaching and education programs for its scholarship athletes, with the main aim being to improve sporting ability and to equip athletes with skills which will enhance their prospects of future success.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT**

With a number of movie complexes, shopping centres, bowling alleys and restaurants, there is always something to do in Wollongong. The WIN Entertainment Centre hosts many concerts and shows for all ages, while Wollongong is also home to many fine dining experiences. Wollongong has many shopping complexes and hosts local produce and art and craft markets. At night, there are a number of clubs, pubs and hotels.

#### TRANSPORT

There are many ways to get around the city of Wollongong. The Green Shuttle bus circulates the Wollongong area, connecting the beach, city, Innovation Campus, UOW colleges and the University itself. This is free service that runs 7 days a week. The UOW shuttle bus operates in the surrounding suburbs of the University as well as to and from North Wollongong train station. There is also an extensive train service connecting Sydney and its suburbs.

For more information about the City of Wollongong: www.uow.edu.au/about/wollongong



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The University of Wollongong is being assisted in this appointment process by the executive search consultants at Perrett Laver.

Perrett Laver will support the Selection Committee and assist in the assessment of candidates against the requirements for the role and to identify the widest possible field of qualified candidates.

Applications should consist of a full curriculum vitae (CV), full employment history, and relevant achievements.

CVs should be accompanied by a covering letter describing briefly how candidates meet the selection criteria outlined in the position summary, why the appointment is of interest and what they believe they can bring to the role.

#### **CLOSING DATE**

The closing date for applications is midday on Sunday 1st September 2013 (AEDT)

Shortlisting for this position is expected to take place in September, followed by interviews with shortlisted candidates over September/October.

# HOW TO APPLY

To apply, in confidence, please write marked for the attention of **Alison Morris** to **uow\_economics@perrettlaver.com** 

or upload your application onto Perrett Laver's secure candidate portal at **www.perrettlaver.com/candidates** 

#### **MORE INFO**

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# LEARN MORE

Above: Stanwell Tops, just 20km north of UOW Main campus, was home to Australia's "Father of Flight", Sir Lawrence Hargraves. Hargraves successfully lifted himself 16 feet off the ground on the beach below in 1894, using only the tandem box kite he invented, and that made him famous around the world.

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