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2018 PACIFIC RESEARCH COLLOQUIUM

Monday 26 November – Friday 7 December, 2018

The Australian National University, Canberra, ACT, Australia

About the Pacific Research Colloquium (PRC)

Each year the Department of Pacific Affairs (DPA) (formerly the State, Society and Governance in Melanesia (SSGM) program) at the Australian National University brings early career social science researchers from the Pacific to a two-week intensive workshop in Canberra, Australia, to work with experienced researchers, develop skills for social science research in the Pacific and present a paper on their current or proposed research.

Examples of social science research fields include law, anthropology, development studies, political science or public administration, gender studies, geography, sociology, Pacific Studies, and public health.

The PRC is funded by the Australian Government under the Pacific Research Program and is part of DPA's broader commitment to building social science research skills in the region.

Who Can Apply

We offer a limited number of scholarships to early career social science researchers from Pacific Islands Forum countries to participate in the PRC. Scholarships cover full travel costs to and from Canberra, insurance, visa, accommodation and living expenses.

A limited number of positions may be available for: (a) Pacific researchers funded by an institution (e.g. university, government agency, NGO), subject to agreed arrangements with DPA; (b) Early career Australian and New Zealand researchers doing Pacific-related social science research attending on a self-funded basis.

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To apply to attend the PRC you need to:

- > Be currently undertaking social science research;
- > Be doing research on, or applicable to, the Pacific;
- > Be from a Pacific Islands Forum country;
- > Hold a passport & be eligible for an Australian visa; and
- > Be proficient in the English language.

You do not need to be a university graduate. We value diversity and inclusion, and particularly welcome applications from women and people with disabilities.

We do not accept applications from people who have previously attended the PRC.

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The two-week program includes:

- > Intensive introductory training on research design, methodology, methods and planning;
- > Mentoring and feedback on your research and papers;
- > Guided introductions to research resources;
- > Visit to Parliament and social events.

Successful applicants will be required to develop, submit and revise a research paper with mentorship from ANU scholars. Papers may report on research that is proposed, ongoing, or recently completed. Papers must be individually authored by the applicant.

To encourage high standard work, we offer a separate four week Visiting Fellowship to the participant from the Pacific who authors the most outstanding paper presented at the PRC. The fellowship may include an opportunity to present at a workshop or conference at the ANU.

DPA also offers all interested PRC participants ongoing mentoring as they develop their research and write publications after the PRC. Participants may have the opportunity to submit papers for publication as DPA Discussion Papers or In Briefs.

To Apply:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2018PRC>

Application Deadline: 6 April 2018

Successful Applicants will be notified by 21 May 2018

First Draft Paper Deadline 21 July 2018

Revised Paper Deadline 15 October 2018

Air travel tickets (for scholarship awardees) will not be provided until we receive the revised paper.

For more information:

<http://dpa.bellschool.anu.edu.au/our-projects/pacific-research-colloquium-2018>

Or email: dpa@anu.edu.au

