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## Julie Bishop, ANU's first woman Chancellor

ANU Vice Chancellor, Professor Brian Schmidt AC, has welcomed the announcement that former minister for foreign affairs, [The Hon Julie Bishop](#), will take up the role of Chancellor of The Australian National University from 1 January 2020, succeeding another former minister for foreign affairs, Professor Gareth Evans AC, QC.

In a recent blog, Professor Schmidt wrote, "Julie has been a pillar of the Australian community, and a long-time supporter of ANU and our mission to be a powerhouse of research, teaching and knowledge for the nation. This is a significant announcement for ANU, not just because of the calibre of our new Chancellor, but because it also offers me the first opportunity to reflect on the enormous contribution our Chancellor, Gareth Evans, makes to our community. Gareth is a friend, mentor and personal counsel to me and I have been immensely grateful for his wisdom and support over the past three years. He is a magnificent champion of ANU and his tireless work to ensure the University maintains its highest standards of education, research and social principles has played a huge part in our national and international

reputation. I am looking forward to continuing to work closely with Gareth until he concludes his role at the end of the year.”

### **A long list of ‘firsts’**



Pro-Chancellor, Professor Naomi Flutter, in an announcement on August 1, wrote, “It is my immense honour to announce that the next Chancellor of The Australian National University will be The Hon Julie Bishop (above). Continuing her long list of ‘firsts’, Julie will be our University’s first female Chancellor. Her three-year term will begin on 1 January 2020.

“Earlier this year, I wrote to the ANU community to invite you to participate in the Chancellorship Forums which I co-hosted with our Vice-Chancellor, Professor Brian Schmidt AC and my Council colleague Anne-Marie Schwirtlich AM. Helpfully, these Forums - coupled with engagement with the Academic Board and the ANUSA and PARSA leadership teams - provided great insight into your priorities for our next Chancellor. You highlighted the need for an eminent, distinguished individual, befitting our University’s stature. It was clear you wanted someone who understands our distinctive role as the national university - contributing to matters of great national and international significance - and someone who appreciates the transformative power of universities, through their teaching and research.

“In Julie, we have such a person. Her credentials for this critical University role are exceptional. I am confident she will serve our University with distinction.

“After a 20-year Parliamentary career representing the seat of Curtin in Western Australia, Julie is very well known. Over the coming years, our ANU community will get to know her much better, as she leads us through the next phase of our strategic transformation.

“For most of her professional life, Julie has maintained a deep interest in education. Her generation was the first in her family to attend university; she studied law at the University of Adelaide. Julie served on the Council of Perth’s Murdoch University in the late 1990s and from 2006-2007 as the Federal Minister for Education and Science. The New Colombo Plan

is one of her signature initiatives, aimed at lifting knowledge of the Indo-Pacific in Australia by supporting Australian undergraduates to study and undertake internships in the region.

“In Julie, I know we will have a compelling and effective advocate for our University including with the Australian Government. As Australia's Foreign Minister, she always represented our national interests strongly, navigating often sensitive foreign policy issues.

“Julie has long been a regular visitor to ANU and knows our University well. In 2017, she opened the Crawford Australia Leadership Forum, saying that ANU is "...the Australian Government's university and I believe it plays a vital role in the development of public policy".

“Between now and January, when Julie's term commences, we will also have opportunities to farewell our current Chancellor, The Hon Gareth Evans QC AC. Gareth has served ANU for nearly a decade with incredible energy and intellect, always being a source of great encouragement, helping us realise our potential and providing wise, steadfast guidance to the University's Council, three Vice-Chancellors and the executive leadership team...”

## **Celebrating 73 years**

In celebrating the ANU's Foundation Day on August 1, the Chancellor, Professor Gareth Evans AC, QC, announced the new [ANU Master Plan](#), which will guide the shape and environment of the campus over the next 20-30 years. The new Master Plan is based on seven key principles: clearly defined hubs, landscaped promenade links, a vehicle-restricted heart, strong city connections, harmonious ANU-distinctive design, vibrant living and working environments, and environmental sustainability.

Vice-Chancellor Brian Schmidt AC says, “I am most excited about the development of interconnected hubs - to extend the vibrancy of Kambri across our campus. The new plan also will focus on accentuating the campus's natural environment, and energy efficiency.

“And since (paraphrasing from a fellow Vice-Chancellor) a University is a feudal system of staff and students united by common parking grievances, the plan looks at how we can best meet the future parking needs of the University in a way sympathetic to our campus environment. I encourage you to take a look at the Master Plan in the coming weeks, and make sure we stick to it over the coming decades.”

Commenting on the University's 73<sup>rd</sup> birthday, he went on to say that the ANU was where “...our community comes together to celebrate ANU, and all that it stands for. At the heart of our University is the principle is that we are a place which embraces the spirit of open, honest and respectful debate. We cannot take this for granted. I am saddened to see violence emerge at the University of Queensland campus in the contest of ideas relating to the future of Hong Kong. We've always been able to have tough conversations peacefully at ANU and I expect all us to continue in that tradition.”

## **Report on performance-based funding**

The Minister for Education has appointed an expert panel for performance-based funding for the Commonwealth Grant Scheme to provide advice on the design and implementation of the scheme for implementation in 2020. Members of the panel are:

- Professor Paul Wellings CBE (Chair), Vice-Chancellor, University of Wollongong;
- Professor Rufus Black, Vice-Chancellor and President, University of Tasmania;
- Professor Greg Craven AO, GCSG, Vice-Chancellor and President, Australian Catholic University;
- Professor Dawn Freshwater, Vice-Chancellor, The University of Western Australia; and
- Professor Sandra Harding AO, Vice-Chancellor and President, James Cook University

The Panel has considered extensive sector feedback through targeted consultations and public submissions, conceptual and statistical analyses, and review of relevant performance funding models, which provides an evidence base for developing the scheme. The final report presents the Panel's considerations and recommendations on the design and implementation of the scheme.

According to the report, Australian higher education is a strong world-class sector. The performance-based funding scheme contributes to the evolution of the whole higher education funding system by balancing certainty with greater responsiveness to public funding system priorities on teaching and learning, while respecting sector differences.

The panel has found that performance measures can be complex and challenging. Its report states, "An analysis of the performance funding models across a number of countries further indicates that there is no 'ideal' model, with each model showing strengths, weaknesses and policy trade-offs.

"Acknowledging the complexity of this task, the Panel sees the merit of implementing the scheme in 2020 with a simple and resilient model that is predictable with low administrative complexity. This will allow adjustment to shifting national priorities and the changing higher education landscape over time. While stakeholders' views on the design and implementation of the scheme are varied, importantly, we have a broad consensus on a contextually responsive scheme that recognises sector differentiation. The contextualisation of design elements would mitigate the potential perverse outcome of driving sector convergence."

### **Objectives and underpinning principles**

The Panel noted the critical importance of the objectives and key principles for guiding the scheme's development, particularly optimising potential intended impacts on steering effect on institutional accountability for and awareness of national priorities, and minimising potential unintended impacts such as driving sector uniformity, as identified from relevant performance funding systems.

Australia's performance-based funding scheme aims to:

Create more accountability for the spending of public money on specific national higher education priorities.

Promote and develop sound performance assessment of teaching and learning at universities.

Create financial incentives to improve specific areas of university performance.

The following four principles of the scheme offer a meaningful conceptual framework against which the assessment of potential options of the design, measures and thresholds was made:

- Fit for purpose – to promote a high-quality education system – to provide effective and reasonable incentive to improve universities’ performance and student outcomes;
- Fair – to reflect a university’s overall performance – to recognise a university’s distinct mission, student characteristics and geographical location;
- Robust – to be reliable with evidence based on accurate and trusted data – to be valid using a transparent, clearly defined and rigorous methodology; and
- Feasible – to allow for accurate performance measurement in a cost-effective and timely manner (for both universities and government) for implementation from 2020 – to be simple to implement and administer.

### **Design, measures and thresholds**

The Panel proposes a small set of core measures for 2020, in order to implement and administer a simple model and to allow the Government to align the scheme to the national priorities of the day. The scheme will also include the option for universities to submit a qualitative narrative to help contextualise their performance against the core measures. Further contextualised measure thresholds will recognise the varied missions of these universities and their students’ characteristics.

The Terms of Reference have defined broadly the parameters of performance measures. The Panel proposed four measures for the scheme based on the following considerations:

**Student success:** As widely supported by the sector, adjusted attrition rates are a contemporaneous measure (lagging by a year). The first-year attrition rates are a very good proxy for long-term failure to complete (9-year non-completion rates). A potential dimension should include students transitioning from higher education to the vocational education and training (VET) sector.

**Equity group participation:** Widely supported at the consultations, with little to no opposition from submissions, participation by Indigenous, low socio-economic status, and regional and remote students have also been a focus of recent government equity policy. The Panel supports a measure with equal weightings given to participation of these student groups to recognise their vital importance.

**Graduate outcomes:** ‘Overall employment rate’ is a relevant measure to capture the complexity of employment in terms of the changing nature of professions and varied job-seeking patterns, despite the limitation of this short-term measure in reflecting a contemporary view of graduate outcomes. This is also in line with the sector support for a broader definition of employment rates based on a similar notion.

**Student experience:** A large proportion of stakeholders were in favour of this measure. It is also the only student-centric measure currently under consideration that directly links to student experience. The Panel proposes the measure of student satisfaction with teaching quality due to its relevance to the purpose of this scheme.

Thresholds for these performance measures have been set with contextualisation in mind, as shown below:

A university-specific ‘improvement’ approach is applied to the Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT)-based measures (graduate outcomes and student experience), whereby a university’s threshold is based on its own historical performance. This threshold-setting approach, well supported by the sector, presents a

strong method for contextualising a university's performance. A further contextualised element to these measures is applied: the graduate-outcomes measure is adjusted to account for local employment rates, and the student-experience measure is adjusted to account for correlation with study area.

A sector-wide approach is applied to the equity-group measure, whereby a university's performance threshold is set relative to the sector average. The nature of this particular measure—rewarding enrolment of equity groups—is itself a contextualisation method and so does not employ modifications to determine performance thresholds.

A sector-contextualised approach is applied to the measure of attrition, whereby a university's performance threshold is set through a statistical means accounting for the university's student and course characteristics.

### **Growth, treatment, and allocation of funding**

The performance-based funding scheme should apply the national population growth rate for 18–64 year olds to each university from 2020. This approach is far simpler and fairer than applying more regional-based population growth rates. This view is supported by a large proportion of stakeholders. Moreover, a national population growth rate applied to universities in regional and remote areas would create capacity for these universities to grow, and in some instances grant them the flexibility to respond to their local industry and business needs.

The Panel noted stakeholders' diverse views on the treatment of the funding at stake from 2021. This could be resolved through a 'cumulative limited' option. This would allow the funding at stake for a university under the performance-based funding scheme to grow cumulatively each year, until it reaches 7.5 per cent of its maximum basic grant amount (MBGA). Beyond this point, the total performance-based funding amount at stake for a university would remain at this level of 7.5 per cent. As a contextualisation feature of the scheme, a revitalised mission-based compact process would promote dialogue between the department and individual universities enabling negotiation of the conditions to receive their unallocated funding. This would drive the development of effective strategies for performance improvement and better practice, taking into account distinctive university contexts.

The report states, "The 'way forward part' of our effort is to build an Australian model that is resilient to adjustment and refinement over time, and to mitigate potential risks of implementation. The proposed model has very low implementation risk: it relates to a limited number of measures; its impact scales slowly over time; the total amount is unlikely to be distorting; and an incremental approach to funding allocation reduces the risk of shocks. The Panel hopes that this model, placing contextualisation at the fore, will contribute to the higher education sector by ensuring the system performs strongly, sustainably and responsively. The Panel is looking forward to working closely with the sector to progress this important reform.

Full report

[https://docs.education.gov.au/system/files/doc/other/ed19-0134 - he- performance-based\\_funding\\_review\\_acc.pdf](https://docs.education.gov.au/system/files/doc/other/ed19-0134_-_he_performance-based_funding_review_acc.pdf)

## **Obituary**

### **THOMAS ALURED FAUNCE**

**(1958–2019)**

Thomas (“Tom”) Faunce died unexpectedly from a heart attack on 7 July 2019. His death was distressingly premature. Tom was an extraordinary man: a medical practitioner, a lawyer, a musician, a campaigner and law reformer, a novelist, a bioethicist, and a fine human being. It is a privilege to have been his friend, guest and colleague.

Tom’s family was well-known in the ACT. His great-great-grandfather, Alured Tasker Faunce, was the first resident police magistrate of Queanbeyan, Molonglo, Gundaroo and the Monaro in the 1830s. His great-grandfather was the Reverend Canon Alured Dodsworth Faunce, who served in the Goulburn Anglican diocese at St John’s, Bega, and St Clement’s in Yass, while his grandfather fought with Ryrie’s 2nd Light Horse Brigade at Gallipoli, Beersheba and Romani. His father was Dr Marc Faunce, who was head of Royal Canberra Hospital and consulting physician to five Australian Prime Ministers and six Governors-General. In the early phases of his career Tom worked as a commercial solicitor at Mallesons and Freehills, a registrar in intensive care at Wagga Wagga Base Hospital and the Canberra Hospital, a senior registrar in intensive care at the Alfred Hospital, Melbourne, and as an RMO at Calvary John James Hospital.

Tom was a Professor at the Australian National University (ANU) College of Law and the ANU Medical School, where he chaired the Professionalism and Leadership Theme, and taught health law, bioethics and human rights. He also sat on the ANU Central Research Ethics Committee and on the Australian Capital Territory Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal for health practitioner matters. He was a consultant to UNESCO on its Global Health Law Database and a Class A (non-alcoholic) Trustee on the Board of Alcoholics Anonymous Australia. He was a Senior Fellow in the Higher Education Academy and sat on the Council of Burgmann College. Tom was a polymath in the great Renaissance tradition. He held degrees in Arts and Law from ANU (1983), as well as medical qualifications from Newcastle University (1992), and a PhD from ANU (2001), which was awarded the J.G. Crawford Prize for Excellence in 2002. He was closely involved in multiple efforts directed toward reform of the law, most latterly making music concerts safer by providing pill-testing resources, and was the author of numerous submissions to parliamentary inquiries. His first music CD (with Mark Walmsley), *Sustainocene: Beautiful World from Global Artificial Photosynthesis* (2016) told stories about people attempting, despite all their usual imperfections, insecurities and obstacles, to apply universally applicable principles in a world where every road and building is making, without exploiting plants, clean fuel, food and fertilizer just from sunlight, water and air, primarily using nanotechnology.

Tom was the author of multiple books, *Pilgrims in Medicine: Conscience, Legalism and Human Rights* (Nijhoff, 2005), *Who Owns Our Health?: Medical Professionalism, Law and Leadership Beyond the Age of the Market State* (University of New South Wales Press, 2007), *Nanotechnology for a Sustainable World* (Edward Elgar, 2012) and *Nanotechnology Toward the Sustainocene* (CRC Press, 2014). His most recent work was a novel, *Split by Sun: The Tragic History of the Sustainocene* (2018), which investigated the connections between a murdered woman in Hampstead and assassination attempts on the President of the Whole Earth Council. It explored a range of issues which had latterly caught Tom’s critical attention, including whether humanity should deploy solar energy technology to progress enforceable rights of ecosystems, electronic citizen-voting on laws, the marriage of corporations to public goods, community-scale industry, the abolition of war and nuclear weapons, the facilitation



of universal basic income, healthcare, education and the replacement of religion with widespread experience of unitive consciousness.

The term “Sustainocene” was coined by the Canberra-based Australian physician Bryan Furnass in 2012 to refer to a period where governance structures and scientific endeavour co-ordinate to achieve the social virtues of ecological sustainability and environmental integrity with “steady state” economies that value the services of the natural world in economic calculations, but also grant them enforceable rights (through guardians).

Tom contributed regularly to multiple journals and books on medical law, including latterly a typically feisty chapter on “Health Care and International Trade and Investment” in I. Freckelton and K. Petersen (eds), *Tensions and Traumas in Health Law* (Federation Press, 2017). He was a much-valued stalwart of the *Journal of Law and Medicine* from its early days in the 1990s. Tom’s first article in the Journal was with Bernadette McSherry: “Chinese Whispers: Judicial Narratives and the Regulation of Clinical Medicine” (1996) in 6 *JLM* 147. From 2006 (volume 14) until volume 26, he edited the *JLM*’s *Medico-Legal Reporter*, generating consistently provocative and innovative pieces on contemporary health law litigation. Even the editorial on protection for whistleblowers provided by *qui tam* actions, an issue about which he had written extensively, was reviewed by Tom and improved by his input. As a contributor to the *JLM*, Tom was a pleasure and never-ending source of surprises. He was unerringly timely in his contributions and eclectic and thorough in his research, which ranged over remarkably wide areas at the interface between law and medicine, including constitutional law issues, the role of the Therapeutic Goods Administration, problematic conduct by Big Pharma, nanotechnology, genetic testing, commercialisation of research, ever-greening and market power, vaccinations, consumer law, Australia’s handling of refugees, anti-doping law, whistleblowers, withdrawal of treatment and pill-testing. Generally, Tom worked with others for the *Reporter*, encouraging them to generate fresh and often iconoclastic perspectives on emerging medico-legal issues.

Above all Tom was passionate – about his work, politics, his creative pursuits, environmental issues and his family. He loved to argue and to debate. He disseminated information regularly to his large circle of scholarly friends and acquaintances. He had little time for the intellectually sluggardly or for the contamination of medical care by Big Business or Government. His concerns were for patients, the vulnerable and the sustainability of the Earth’s resources. He was a great dinner companion and consistently generous of spirit. He brought people together. Because of the breadth of his interests, and his remarkable talents, he always had a left-field perspective and extra information that he could add to discussions. And his views were always thought through, strongly held and forthrightly expressed. Sometimes there was a need to edit out some of his more exuberant adjectives or expostulations against multinational corporations but he was never resistant to such conservative moderation of his published assertions! Another quality of Tom was that he was so warm, sincere and compassionate that it was impossible to reject out of hand his latest idea or to be offended by it.

He was a great encourager and collaborator and he cared about the future of our planet. He revelled in the accomplishments of his son “Mr B” in the Under 15 cricket team, posting them regularly on social media, with the proviso on his Facebook page that “Thomas believes the good in people will ultimately triumph over Facebook.” Tom devoured life and made his friends and colleagues think about issues in new ways. He was truly a visionary and an inspiration. His intellectual legacy in medical law is substantial and will guide many who follow in his footsteps. His death is a shock to his many friends and colleagues, a tragedy for



his wife Roza and his son Blake and a great loss for the international medico-legal community.

Ian Freckelton QC

## The perils of Spanish

In a rather long article on the *Game of Thrones* series, in *The London Review of Books* (June 6, 2019), John Lanchester commented on the number of hours it takes to learn passable Spanish. This prompted the following letter to the editor from David Lobina:

It is a good thing John Lanchester didn't combine his two interests by watching the last season of *Games of Thrones* dubbed into Spanish. He would have been flummoxed when one of the characters shouted 'Sicansios', a word not to be found in a Spanish dictionary but which bears some resemblance to 'She can't see us.' It turns out that the translators were stumped by the Geordie accent of one of the actors and decided to go 'phonetic'.

## Bookshelf Bookshelf Bookshelf Bookshelf

### *A Memory of Ice: The Antarctic Voyage of the Glomar Challenger*

by [Elizabeth Truswell](#) 

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In the southern summer of 1972-73, the *Glomar Challenger* was the first vessel of the international Deep Sea Drilling Project to venture into the seas surrounding Antarctica, confronting severe weather and ever-present icebergs.

*A Memory of Ice* presents the science and the excitement of that voyage in a manner readable for non-scientists. Woven into the modern story is the history of early explorers, scientists and navigators who had gone before into the Southern Ocean. The departure of the *Glomar Challenger* from Fremantle took place 100 years after the HMS *Challenger* weighed anchor from Portsmouth, England, at the start of its four-year voyage, sampling and dredging the world's oceans. Sailing south, the *Glomar Challenger* crossed the path of James Cook's HMS *Resolution*, then on its circumnavigation of Antarctica in search of the Great South Land. Encounters with Lieutenant Charles Wilkes of the US Exploring Expedition and Douglas Mawson of the Australasian Antarctic Expedition followed. In the Ross Sea, the voyages of the HMS *Erebus* and HMS *Terror* under James Clark Ross, with the young Joseph Hooker as botanist, were ever present.

The story of the *Glomar Challenger*'s iconic voyage is largely told through the diaries of the author, then a young scientist experiencing science at sea for the first time. It weaves together the physical history of Antarctica with how we have come to our current knowledge of the

polar continent. This is an attractive, lavishly illustrated and curiosity-satisfying read for the general public as well as for scholars of science.

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## *Archaeologies of Island Melanesia: Current approaches to landscapes, exchange and practice*

Edited by [Mathieu Leclerc](#) and [James Flexner](#)

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Island Melanesia is a remarkable region in many respects, from its great ecological and linguistic diversity, to the complex histories of settlement and interaction spanning from the Pleistocene to the present. Archaeological research in Island Melanesia is currently going through a vibrant phase of exciting new discoveries and challenging debates about questions that apply far beyond the region. This volume draws together a variety of current perspectives in regional archaeology for Island Melanesia, focusing on Vanuatu, the Solomon Islands, New Caledonia and Papua New Guinea. It features both high-level theoretical approaches and rigorous data-driven case studies covering recent research in landscape archaeology, exchange and material culture, and cultural practices.

Professor Patrick Vinton Kirch, Professor of Anthropology, University of Hawai‘i writes, “The island world of Melanesia—ranging from New Guinea and the Bismarcks through the Solomons, Vanuatu, and New Caledonia—is characterised more than anything by its boundless diversity in geography, language and culture. The deep historical roots of this diversity are only beginning to be uncovered by archaeological investigations, but as the contributions to this volume demonstrate, the exciting discoveries being made across this region are opening windows to our understanding of the historical processes that contributed to such remarkably varied cultures. *Archaeologies of Island Melanesia* offers a sampling of some of the recent and ongoing research that spans such topics as landscape, exchange systems, culture contact and archaeological practice, authored by some of the leading scholars in Oceanic archaeology.”

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## *Critical Perspectives on the Scholarship of Assessment and Learning in Law, Volume 1: England*

Edited by [Alison Bone](#), [Paul Maharg](#) 

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The *Assessment in Legal Education* book series offers perspectives on assessment in legal education across a range of Common Law jurisdictions. Each volume in the series provides:

- Information on assessment practices and cultures within a jurisdiction.
- A sample of innovative assessment practices and designs in a jurisdiction.

- Insights into how assessment can be used effectively across different areas of law, different stages of legal education and the implications for regulation of legal education assessment.
- Appreciation of the multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary research bases that are emerging in the field of legal education assessment generally.
- Analyses and suggestions of how assessment innovations may be transferred from one jurisdiction to another.

The series will be useful for those seeking a summary of the assessment issues facing academics, students, regulators, lawyers and others in the jurisdictions under analysis. The exemplars of assessment contained in each volume may also be valuable in assisting cross-jurisdictional fertilisation of ideas and practices.

This first volume focuses on assessment in law schools in England. It begins with an introduction to some recent trends in the culture and practice of legal education assessment. The first chapter focuses on the general regulatory context of assessment and learning in that jurisdiction, while the remainder of the book offers useful exemplars and expert critical discussion of assessment theories and practices.

The series is based in the PEARL Centre (Profession, Education and Regulation in Law), in The Australian National University's College of Law.

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## **Matters of possible interest**

### **Syria and the latest International Review of the Red Cross**

The conflict in Syria has exhibited some of the worst trends in modern warfare. It has seen siege tactics and indiscriminate attacks against civilians, hospitals, health and aid workers. It has seen the fragmentation of armed groups and the intervention of numerous external actors. An estimated 470,000 people have lost their lives. A further 13.5 million rely on humanitarian assistance to survive. Acknowledging this humanitarian cost, the International Committee of the Red Cross is launching the latest edition of its quarterly academic review, focused on the conflict. Join the ICRC Australia Mission and a panel of experts on Monday, **August 19**, for a discussion of Syria's changing conflict and what this means for communities caught in the crossfire. Co-hosted by the ICRC and the Centre for Military and Security Law, drinks and refreshments will be served from 5.30pm ahead of a 6pm panel start at the ANU Centre for Arab & Islamic Studies.

Please register via Eventbrite or email [can\\_canberra@icrc.org](mailto:can_canberra@icrc.org).

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**21 Aug, 12 for 12:30**, Collegiate Lunch, Molony Room, Richard Rigby, former diplomat, will give a talk on “China, millennial shape-shifter: then, now and in between.” He will address the question of why “What is China”? is not as straightforward as it may seem. Change has been constant, and often dramatic. Borders have been malleable in the extreme, with implications for territorial arguments based on history. Despite this, continuities are equally strong, encapsulated in a few key themes.

**4 Sept, 12 for 12:30**, Molony Room, Collegiate Lunch, Dorothy Horsfield will give a talk on her long-standing interest in Russia and Moscow.

**4 Sept, 12 for 12:30**, Molony Room, Collegiate Lunch. Dr Dorothy Horsfield, Foundation Fellow with the ANU’s Australian Studies Institute, will talk about liberalism in Putin’s Russia in the context of the protests for free and fair elections which have brought thousands of people onto the streets of Moscow in the run-up to the September city council elections.

**Reminder to ANUEF members - please pay your annual membership fee if you have not yet done so.**

## Meet the author

**August 29:** British author **David Nicholls** will be in conversation with **Alex Sloan** on David's new novel, *Sweet Sorrow*.

**September 5:** British author **John Connolly** will be in conversation with **Jeff Popple** on crime fiction and John's latest crime novels, *The Woman in the Woods* and *A Book of Bones* and *He*, based on the life of Stan Laurel.

**September 10: Professor Richard Baldwin** will be in conversation with **Professor Anthea Roberts** on Richard's new book *The Globotics Upheaval*.

**September 16:** British author **Jasper Fforde** will be in conversation with **Colin Steele** on Jasper's latest novel *Early Riser*.

**September 24: Allan Fels AO** will be in conversation on Allan's memoir *Tough Customer*.

**October 1: Chris Hammer** will be in conversation on Chris’s new novel *Sunset*.

**November 15: Archie Roach** will be in conversation with **Christopher Sainsbury** on Archie's memoir - yet to be titled - with music at Llewellyn Hall.

**November 25-29: TBC Blanche d’Alpuget** will be in conversation on her updated biography of Bob Hawke.

**December 8: Annabel Crabb and Leigh Sales** in association with Chat 10/Looks 3. Llewellyn Hall.

<http://www.anu.edu.au/events/anu-the-canberra-times-meet-the-author-series>

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## Administration

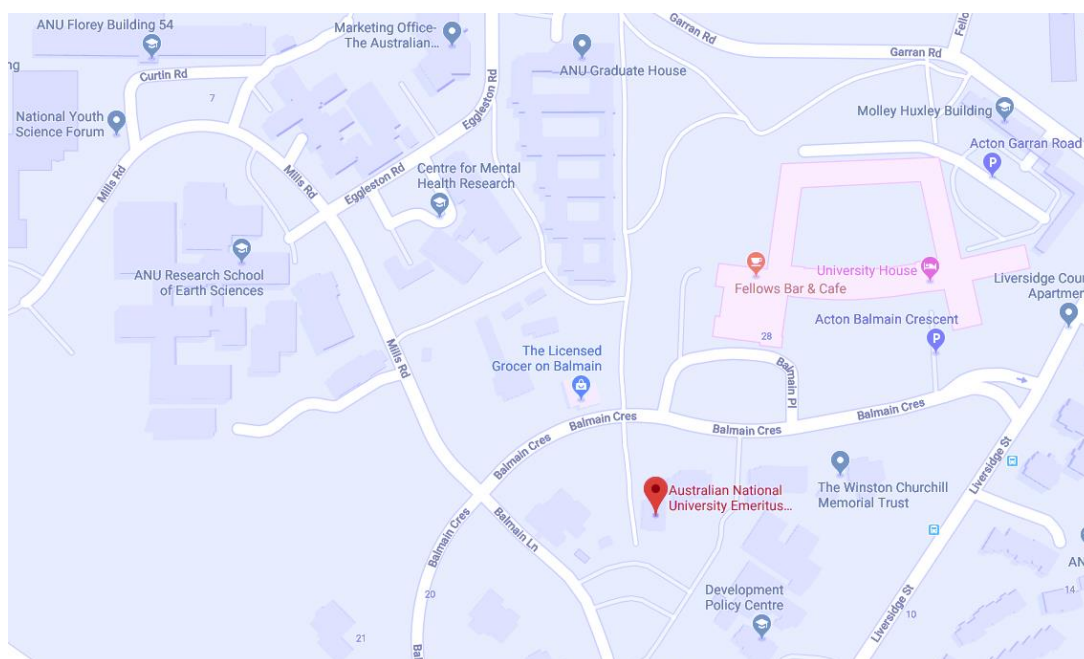
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Requests for booking the Molony Room should be addressed to Secretary of the ANU Emeritus Faculty Jan O'Connor at [jantancress@gmail.com](mailto:jantancress@gmail.com) or Tel: 6247 3341

### Finding the Molony Room

The Molony Room is at 24 Balmain Crescent, on the south side of Balmain Crescent almost opposite University House.

It is Building 1c on <https://tinyurl.com/vckuknbi> set back between No 22 Balmain Crescent, which is the Acton Early Childhood Centre, and No 26 Balmain Crescent, which is the Academy of the Social Sciences. There are four free car parking spaces reserved for ANUEF members visiting the Molony Room in the Balmain Lane Car Park immediately south of the Molony Room. The room is marked on: <https://tinyurl.com/y7gsyqgh>



**The next edition of *Emeritus*, the ANUEF e-magazine, will be published in September, 2019**