



ANU COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & ECONOMICS

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STORM REPAIR UPDATE 1

Eventhough the College did not sustain the extreme damage experienced by ANU areas such as Research School of Chemistry, Research School of Earth Sciences or the School of Music after the 27 February storm, there was damage to rooms and public areas in all of the various buildings the College occupies.

Major water damage occurred in the College Tea Room and a section of this room is still partitioned off because of concerns about the viability of the ceiling in that area. Also 10 offices and adjoining corridors on the second floor of the PAP Moran Building suffered damage, together with over a dozen offices, plus corridors and public areas in the College administration area on Level 1 of the Copland Building. Isolated rooms on Level 2 of the LF Crisp and Hanna Neumann buildings also suffered water damage from the event. Several rooms in the Sir Roland Wilson Building were also severely damaged, with 5 or 6 others suffering water damage to ceiling tiles.

A number of staff also suffered damage to their personal property such as books, journals and other items, which has caused considerable inconvenience and upset.

Due to the constraints imposed by its insurer, the University has had to use outside contractors to carry out the repairs resulting from the storm. Individual major construction companies have been appointed to each of the 4 maintenance zones into which the University is divided. Manteena Constructions have been appointed to carry out repairs to damaged buildings in our zone. Manteena have carried out an inspection of all buildings (except Sir Roland Wilson) and assessed and logged the scope of work to be carried out. Unfortunately there are buildings in other areas of our zone which received more serious damage than our buildings did and they are being dealt with on a worst first basis.

It is hoped that repair work in the College buildings will commence in approximately a month and it is envisaged that the Tea Room will be the starting point. The more seriously damaged rooms will likely be dealt with first, although rooms which have only stained ceiling tiles to be replaced, may be dealt with at the same time.

Further updates will be included in each College Newsletter until the work is finished.



Contact Don Puttick if you discover unreported storm damage or for other facilities enquiries. infrastructure.cbe@anu.edu.au

EVENTS

11 May 2007 - 3.30pm

ABIS Special Seminar

Sir Roland Wilson Building (with refreshments after)

DESIGNING ELECTRONIC INTERMEDIARIES : INSURANCE CASE STUDIES

Erwin Fiel is currently working as a researcher for the Telematica Instituut in the Netherlands, where he conducted research on designing electronic intermediaries. Erwin Fiel will present his research on business-to-business electronic intermediaries, with a particular emphasis on two case studies in the Dutch insurance industry.

15 May 2007 - 5.30pm - 7.00pm

ANU COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & ECONOMICS ANNUAL PRIZE AND SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION

University House Great Hall

24 May 2007 - 5.00pm - 7.30pm

ANU GRADUATE STUDIES EVENING

University House

The ANU is holding a Graduate Studies Information Night. In addition to providing information about coursework programs, information about higher degree research programs (PhDs) will also be available. Academic and administrative staff from the College will be attending to answer questions from potential students.

The College will be giving two presentations:

6.30pm-7.00pm - MBA and related programs

7.00pm -7.30pm - Programs in Economics and Business (including Finance, Information Systems, Accounting, Marketing)

1 June 2007 - 6.00pm

CBE PUBLIC LECTURE - CHINA AND THE WEST IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Manning Clarke Lecture Theatre

If the 21st century is going to be Chinese, Hutton argues that the country's leaders must share the same values as the West and a belief in the judiciary, freedom of the press, independent accountability and representative government. The West has a vital role to play, and rather than fearing China's growth, it should support the changes the country is facing. To do this, the West must reaffirm its beliefs in globalisation, their institutions and the rule of law. This is not happening at present and Will Hutton maintains that western leaders must act now for the future stability of the world. Will Hutton is Chief Executive of The Work Foundation and a columnist (and former editor in chief) for *The Observer*.

4 July 2007- 5.30pm-7.00pm

COCKTAIL RECEPTION FOR ANU ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

AFAANZ Conference - Jupiters Gold Coast

Staff attending the AFAANZ Conference are invited to attend a Reception for ANU Alumni and friends. Attending staff may bring 2 guests. Please RSVP to Sarah Barrow in the Marketing Office if attending.

12 July 2007 - 2.00pm

GRADUATION CEREMONY

Australian Institute of Sport Stadium

SCHOOL NEWS

ABIS

The School is working closely with the Australian Computer Society Foundation to provide work based experience for students over periods of up to 48 weeks in the information systems and related areas.

New appointment - Ms Suzanne Webby -Associate Lecturer

ECON

Members of the School continued discussions with the Department of the Treasury regarding a postgraduate economics program for introduction in 2007.

Professor Warwick McKibbin received good media coverage recently for his comments on climate change and emissions trading in the *Sydney Daily Telegraph* 19 April, *Science Alert* 23 March and various commentaries on ABC Radio over April.

New appointment - Dr Jose Rodrigues Neto - Lecturer

FAS

Recent conferences on experimental markets and enterprise risk enjoyed good attendance and support from participants.

MMIB

The MBA has received some positive publicity recently with a profile of Gavan Murphy's Integrating Business Project and interview with Chris Nailer in the *Australian Financial Review* on 16 April. The work of students in the Integrating Business Project was also reported in the *Canberra Times* on 3 May as the success of Wizard Power in securing a government grant was aided by work done in international business planning by students from the MBA.

Departures - Dr Stephen Chen is moving to Macquarie University
- Dr Jean-Pascal Bassino is returning to France

PHD COMPLETIONS

The College celebrates the following PhD students who have passed this year. These graduands will be graduating at the July graduation ceremony.

Economics - Sambit BHATTACHARYYA, Thanh Quang LE

ABIS - Yao Hua TANG

MMIB - Anne HOLMES, Chaiwat CHITRAVAS

FAS - John DANIEL, Souliphone PHOLSENA, Jie SUN

COLLEGE NEWS

DIARY DATE - PRIZES AND SCHOLARSHIPS CEREMONY

All staff are invited to attend the Prizes and Scholarships Ceremony. The occasion celebrates our high achieving students and is a good opportunity to mix with industry donors and students. Staff who have ready access to academic dress are encouraged to wear it for this occasion.

CHINA AUSTRALIA GOVERNANCE PROGRAM

Through the work of Dr Brian Brogan, Visiting Fellow, the College is involved with the China Australia Governance Program which provides a support for strategic engagement between Australian and Chinese government agencies to progress priority governance issues. The project runs until 2010. Brian has recently facilitated the delivery of a number of components of the program including:

- The Joint Fiscal Management Training Program - conducted in collaboration with officials from Indonesia.
- The Supervised Study Program for Jiao Guohua of the Budget Affairs Commission
- Working Visit on the Long Term Fiscal Impacts of Social Security which resulted in a detailed report
- Visit by Budget Affairs Commission (Beijing) last month.

STUDENT AMBASSADORS

The College now has 12 Student Ambassadors who will represent the College at local recruitment and other events. The Ambassadors were selected after an interview program and have undergone a training and information program. The students were on hand to welcome Careers Advisors to campus on 20 April and an Ambassador attended the Melbourne Careers Expo on 21-22 April. The Ambassadors for 2007 are:

Sophie Saunders	B. Economics
Thomas Roth	B. Commerce / B. Laws
Kyle Auret	B. Economics / B. Laws
Lisa Qin	B. Commerce / B. Laws
Janine Bialecki	B. Finance / B. Laws
Victor Dong	B. Commerce
Stephen Condylis	B. Commerce / B. Economics
Kimberly Kishore	B. Actuarial Studies / B. Finance
Samuel Harper	B. Commerce / B. Economics
James Nagle	B. Economics / B. Laws
James Tyson	B. Commerce / B. Laws
Cameron Systemans	B. Economics / B. Asian Studies

RECENT SUCCESSES

The College was recently advised that it is the successful tenderer for the Department of Finance and Administration's postgraduate management program. The Deputy Dean, Alex Clarke, is leading the College's team which is engaged in discussion with the Department to determine how the College can best meet the needs of the Department and which courses will be offered as part of the program.

Professor Shirley Gregor has been appointed to the Council of the Association for Information Systems as the Asia Pacific representative. The Association for Information Systems is an international a professional association which serves as the premier global organisation for academics specialising in Information Systems.