

Educational Research Group of Adelaide - ERGA



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The Role of Honours in Contemporary Australian Higher Education

Friday 22 May, 9.00am – 12pm
N218, Level 2, Engineering North Building
The University of Adelaide

Program:

9.00 - 9.15am	Intro and welcome by Dr Katrina Falkner (Associate Dean – Learning and Teaching and ERGA Executive Committee Member)
9.15 - 10.00am	Presentation on project findings, continuing issues and resource outcomes by Dr Margaret Kiley.
10.00 - 10.20am	Morning tea
10.20am - 12noon	Discussions, plenary, summary

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The Education Research Group of Adelaide (ERGA) and The Australian Learning and Teaching Council (ALTC) Honours Project Team invite you to attend this workshop.

As many of you will be aware, in the last five years, many Australian universities and individual disciplines have been debating and reviewing their Honours Programs. A team of researchers led by Dr Margaret Kiley (Australian National University) including Professor David Boud (University of Technology Sydney), Dr Robert Cantwell (The University of Newcastle) and Dr Catherine Manathunga (The University of Queensland) have been undertaking an Australian Learning and Teaching Council-funded project into *The Role of Honours in Contemporary Australian Higher Education*. Originally intended as a scoping project, the team has uncovered many questions, issues, developments and considerations that will be of interest to those involved in the planning and practice of Honours.

The team aim is to promote a lively and open-ended discussion of the many issues surrounding Honours at present, facilitated by Dr Kiley. She will present the major findings and resources produced by the project, and then facilitate discussion between the participants. The event provides an opportunity for cross-institutional, intra-disciplinary and cross-disciplinary conversations on Honours. The team is inviting all universities in the region to participate and would like to see all levels of colleagues with a stake in Honours represented.

Dr Kiley is an experienced academic staff developer working in the Centre for Educational Development and Academic Methods (CEDAM) at the ANU. Her research expertise for over fifteen years has been in postgraduate supervision including:

- The examination of doctoral these
- Experiences of international students undertaking research degrees
- Students' and supervisors' conceptions of research
- Students' and supervisors' expectations of the research experience

She has been a member of the organizing committee for the International Quality in Postgraduate Research (QPR) biennial conferences held in Adelaide, since their inception in 1994. She is the co-editor of the QPR proceedings and manages the QPR website (see <http://qpr.edu.au/>). Margaret is also a member of the Management Committee of the national fIRST consortium (for Improving Research Supervision and Training). <http://cedam.anu.edu.au/people/dr-margaret-kiley>

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