ANU Archives’ current exhibition, *Struggle, Solidarity and Unity: 150 Years of Maritime Unions in Australia* explores the rich history of Australia’s Maritime Union, which is celebrating 150 years of unbroken organisation this year.
Welcome to Ngunnawal country.

From the First Nations Portfolio there is great work happening:

The Murru waaruu (On Track) Seminar Series seeks to deliver on the outcomes of the 2022 Marramarra murru (Creating Pathways) Economic Development Symposium. Over the course of 2023, six Murru waaruu seminars will explore the development and implementation of a policy framework that facilitates the economic empowerment of First Nations Australians.

Delegates attending these invitation-only seminars will make a significant contribution to progressing the First Nations economic development, prosperity and wealth creation agenda in Australia. The outcomes of each Murru waaruu seminar will be recorded in an Issues Paper that will form part of a policy compendium, to be published at the conclusion of the series, to help chart Australia’s First Nations economic policy and institutional framework.

ANU COVID-19
A reminder that the ongoing monthly COVID inspections and reporting occur for all buildings we are in. This month’s inspections did not identify any issues. If you see supplies are running low of hand sanitiser or masks do let the relevant people know in your building.

Please continue to read all messages from the University about COVID-19. All updates will be communicated to staff and students via the weekly On Campus email newsletter. Visit the ANU newsroom webpage for all previous staff and student editions.

The ACT government’s announcement made this week can be seen [here](#). I draw your attention to:

The ACT’s COVID-19 Management Declaration and the one remaining public health direction will be lifted on 28 February 2023.

The only remaining direction requires people who test positive using a RAT to report their result to ACT Health. The ACT is currently the only Australian jurisdiction to have this as a legal requirement and the Chief Health Officer has concluded that it is no longer justified.

However, Canberrans are still strongly encouraged to report their positive RAT result online using the form which will remain on the [ACT COVID-19 website](#).

Do watch ANU news for announcements about the University’s policy and practice.

LSCC
The Library Staff Consultative Committee met on 14 February and discussed the wonderful work occurring across the Division this year. Please take the time to read the WHS paper, consultation log and the SIS Local Plan that have been sent out for your feedback. The new Pulse

ANU Press and open access

**cOAlition S** confirms the end of its financial support for Open Access publishing under transformative arrangements after 2024

From the statement: Transformative arrangements – including Transformative Agreements and Transformative Journals – were developed to encourage subscription journals to transition to full and immediate open access within a defined timeframe (31st December 2024, as specified in the Plan S Implementation Guidance). After careful consideration of the outcomes of transformative arrangements, the leadership of cOAlition S reafirms that, as a principle, its members will no longer financially support these arrangements after 2024.

**Open Access Books**

Dan Pollock [examines](#) how the growth of the Directory of Open Access Books (DOAB) has developed over the last 18 months. Key findings:

- The number of titles has doubled since our last analysis, to just over 60,000 from around 500 publishers.
- There was a 17% year-on-year growth in the number of titles from 2021 to 2022.
- The top 10 publishers account for around 48% of total output.

**3rd United Nations Open Science Conference 2023**

The presentations are available on the Conference [website](#). The recordings of the Conference are available on [UN WebTV](#) and will be added to the Conference website soon.

**NIH Releases Draft Public Access Plan**

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) [released](#) its "Plan to Enhance Public Access to the Results of NIH-Supported Research." Comments on the Public Access Plan are due by 24 April 2023. Comments should be submitted through the [online portal](#).

**New titles**
module for First Aid Officer is now mandatory for all existing and new first aid officers.

Very successful activities in O-Week included the launch of the laptop scheme. Filling a number of positions, we have a mix of promotions for staff within the Division and some new staff. Where there are vacancies, adjustments are made whether getting help from elsewhere or adjusting priorities. Reminder to talk to your supervisor if you have any concerns about workloads.

WHS
Reminder: if you have any feedback on the SIS WHS Local plan please send it to Margaret and myself by COB 6 March.

Library Advisory Committee
Thank you to Dr Clement Yongxi Chen from ANU College of Law for his service on the committee. Welcome to new LAC member for the College of Law Cameron Roles.

CAUL & CONZUL
- CAUL is developing a new strategic plan and is seeking feedback.
- CAUL has an Equity, Diversity and Inclusion survey out to seek information.

Copyright
- The Ministers RoundTable was held on 23 February. Great discussion – key issues identified for deeper investigation are orphan works, quotations, remote education, AI/technology implications, and definition of broadcast.
- CAUL response to the copyright enforcement review in draft.

Laptop Loans
The laptop loans scheme commenced in the Chifley Library on Wednesday in O-Week with the first loan within a couple of hours to a very grateful student. Thanks to SAAF for funding the scheme and to everyone for their assistance in making it happen!

Additional rooms/hubs
Thank you to everyone for opening up more rooms for students and consultations including:
- Law office space
- Law - meeting room space
- Hancock - second additional offices on level 2
- Chifley - old reserve room
- More coming soon!

University Research Committee
An action packed agenda for this week’s meeting included:
- 2023 URC annual workplan
- Strategic research initiatives governance framework
- ANU collections

Move to DSpace7
Thanks to everyone working on this project.

New research resources
- Fourth world economic development: the establishment of capitalism in three aboriginal communities in Cape York Peninsula, Queensland?
- Circulator-Free Brillouin Photonic Planar Circuit
- A surprising formula for Sobolev norms
- From the Savannah to the Corporate Office: The Evolution of Teams
- Influence of moral disengagement on responses to climate change

Keeping up to date
Research methods in information behaviour research
Annie T. Chen a, Melissa G. Ocepek b, Yan Zhang's guest editorial offers insights. It introduces a special issue of Library & Information Science Research (LISR) which brings authors and researchers together to present different perspectives and approaches to the methods in information behaviour research.
Read it here.
Refocussing the services of the EI unit
Research ethics management system project update
Ethics committee annual report
Research Infrastructure Sub-Committee report

Reconciliation Action Plan
Working Group

The Group, chaired by the Vice Chancellor, met this week and considered matters including the terms of reference and activities. In terms of developing the next RAP in the month of October, University-wide consultation was conducted on the Draft ANU Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) 2023/24. 146 pieces of feedback were collected from 31 submissions. Key matters raised included communications, Cultural Learning, Engagement and research and education and systems, processes & environment. There was a deep and valuable set of discussions.

Research Data Management Framework for Institutions

The report Research Data Management Framework for Institutions: an output of the Australian Research Data Commons Institutional Underpinnings Program. I was very privileged to chair the Editorial Committee and be a member of the Expert Working Group.

The Future of Education at ANU Symposium

Recently the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) hosted the University’s Future of Education Symposium - the first event in a series of conversations about enhancing student learning and experience at ANU.

Feedback

To Erin Le Nevez:

I truly appreciated your help, guidance and support. I feel very relieved and happy indeed. Thank you very much for your help to bring the New Year joy I now feel. I wish you happiness and joy for the rest of 2023 too.

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Roxanne Missingham
Director, Scholarly Information Services

Privacy Act review

Privacy Act Review – Report [PDF 4.15 MB]
Privacy Act Review – Report on a page [PDF 237.33 KB]

There are many important issues raised in the review.

From the release “uncertainty about what information should be protected in accordance with the Privacy Act. Privacy risks arise out of a broad range of information relating to individuals as a result of digital technologies.

Current exemptions from the Act require recalibration to address contemporary privacy risks and meet current community expectations. Greater flexibility in the Privacy Act would enable it to respond to a broader range of circumstances, including emergency situations.

The proposals would:

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ALIA Information Online 2023

When? 17-18 May 2023
Where? Online
More details: the conference theme is Shaping the Future World. It will challenge us to look at technology and information in new ways. Visit ALIA’s website for more information.

Open Repositories 2023
When? 12-15 June 2023

AI: the fifth industrial revolution? podcast - AI and copyright: an uneasy fit? How does the content generated by AI fit within existing copyright laws? Our experts discuss how copyright laws may, or may not, apply to AI-generated content. Hall & Wilcox - Lisa Ziegert and Ben Hamilton speak

Copyright implications of generative AI: input data: Includes analysis of Google Books case, Dall-E model, Copilot lawsuit, Stability AI and Midjourney and DeviantArt lawsuit. Concludes “The answer is not clear at this point whether a generative AI system may use input data that is protected by copyright law. On one hand, new works are being created from the input data with minimal display of any copyrighted works. On the other hand, the manner in which generative AI systems can be used is far-ranging – a user of these systems may produce seemingly identical copies of protected works and/or produce works that are intended to be market substitutes.

IFLA Marrakesh Monitoring Report: 2023 Update: The Marrakesh Treaty, signed almost 10 years ago, provides an opportunity to lift unnecessary barriers to access to information for people with disabilities, but are governments taking this up? IFLAs Marrakesh Monitoring Report looks at the laws in place, both in countries that have and have not ratified or signed the Treaty, to build an understanding of how far governments have taken the necessary steps to maximise access.

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Where? Stellenbosch, South Africa

More details: The theme for the conference will be Repositories unlocked for machine and humankind. Click here for more information.

From HR
Don’t forget to change your address in HORUS should you move your place of residence.

Family and domestic violence leave
An amendment to the Fair Work Act 2009 which replaces the current entitlement to family and domestic violence leave in the National Employment Standards came into effect on 1 February 2023.

Under the changes, all full-time, part-time, and casual employees will be able to access ten days of paid and five days of unpaid family and domestic violence leave in a 12-month period.

As the University’s entitlement is greater than what is provided in under National Employment Standards, there are no changes to the current process or entitlement to family and domestic violence leave for non-casual staff.

Policy updates have been published on the ANU website.

ARDC
$3.6 Million to Address Australia’s Food Security Data Challenges
In partnership with key stakeholders in food security, the Australian Research Data Commons (ARDC) is investing in developing innovative digital infrastructure solutions with the aim of improving research into Australia’s production, consumption and distribution of safe and high-quality food.

The ARDC is pleased to announce $3.6 million investment in the following projects, with a total of over $5.7 million in co-investment from our partners.

See more here.

ARDC Joins the International Data Spaces Association
The ARDC is excited to join the International Data Spaces Association (IDSA) as a member.

IDSA aims to create the future of the global, digital economy and leads development of a standard for ‘data sovereignty’.

With the support of over 140 member companies and institutions, they have created the International Data Spaces architecture which is a secure system for sovereign and trusted data sharing.

See more here.

Entries Now Open: The ARDC Eureka Prize for Excellence in Research Software
The inaugural Australian Museum Eureka Prize for Excellence in Research Software, sponsored by the ARDC, recognises software as a critical part of research and innovation. Enter now.

See more here.

Feedback to inform the government response to the Privacy Act Review Report is being sought. The deadline for feedback is 31 March 2023.

Chokepoint Capitalism
Listen to Rebecca Giblin and Cory Doctorow in conversation with Andrew Leigh on the Experience ANU podcast to hear more on their new book Chokepoint Capitalism, which documents how big tech and big content have captured creative labour markets and how we can win them back.

arXiv annual report
A very successful year. You can read more here.

Evaluating Equity and Inclusion in Cultural Heritage Grantmaking
Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) has launched the publication of Evaluating Equity and Inclusion in Cultural Heritage Grantmaking: CLIR’s Amplifying Unheard Voices Program.

When the Mellon Foundation funded the first iteration of the Amplifying Unheard Voices (DHC-AUV) program in 2020, its officers encouraged CLIR to contract with an external research team to undertake a comprehensive program evaluation. The Foundation’s support gave CLIR its first opportunity to commission a formal assessment of its regranting activities since the launch of the organization’s earliest “hidden collections” call for proposals in 2008. CLIR subsequently hired Jesse Johnston and Ricardo L. Punzalan to conduct an in-depth documentation review, focus groups with program stakeholders, and more than fifty interviews with applicants.
The team’s methods and the results of their investigations are summarized in the report. Their findings will inform CLIR’s future work and will be of interest to other organizations seeking to improve access to rare and unique materials, especially those with the potential to deepen public understanding of the histories of people of color and other communities and populations whose work, experiences, and perspectives have been insufficiently recognized or unattended in the past.

Building digital capability

The Jisc online event *Getting started with building digital capability* took place on 26 January. You can now view the event recording and transcript on the [event page](#).