

## Faculty of Arts

### Areas of research supervision

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#### School of Communication and Creative Arts

##### Contemporary Arts Theory, Collaborative Arts and Professional Practice

- cultural studies
- critical studies
- cultural festivals
- interdisciplinary arts and media
- collaborative arts industry models
- arts institutions
- arts policy
- curatorship.

##### Communication studies

- analysis of media messages
- communication and cultural policy
- communication and culture in Asia
- communication technology and policy
- contemporary politics and the media
- corporate citizenship
- cultural and communication industries
- cultural theory
- development communication
- industrialisation of knowledge
- intercultural communication
- international communication
- interpersonal communication
- mass communication
- media and globalization
- media and international relations
- media discourses
- media effects on society / audiences
- new communication technologies
- organisational communication
- political communication
- Southeast Asian media
- television and Asia.

##### Dance

- contemporary choreographic practice
- Australian dance history
- dance and video
- interdisciplinary performance practice
- gender issues in dance
- performance analysis

##### Drama

- community theatre
- design for performing arts
- drama practice and process
- interdisciplinary studies in media and performing arts
- feminist perspectives on presentation and representation

- performance analysis
- performance, subjectivity and social change
- performance making
- intercultural performance
- music theatre
- theatre history
- theatre production.

##### Journalism

- Australian print media
- broadcast media (radio and television)
- crime reporting
- electronic journalism
- journalism ethics
- journalism values/newsroom cultures
- law and new technology
- media and the law
- media culture and language
- newspaper layout and design
- reporting Southeast Asia
- sociology of the journalism profession
- subediting
- technology and the media
- the internet
- UK media.

##### Linguistics and Applied Linguistics

- acoustic phonetics
- conversation analysis
- critical linguistics
- discourse analysis
- educational linguistics
- forensic speech analysis
- foreign accent
- interpreting and translating
- language and society
- language of the professions and the workplace
- narrative theory
- philosophy of language
- psycholinguistics  
(including: child language acquisition and development; reading theory & processes and Vygotsky)
- second language acquisition
- stylistics  
(including: structuralist and critical discourse analysis)
- twentieth century linguistics
- twentieth century linguistic theories (de Saussure to Searle).

##### Literary studies

- aesthetics and language
- Asian-Australian writing
- Australian literature (including drama)
- children's and adolescent literature (including: picture books)
- colonial and post-colonial children's literature and theory
- contemporary film
- contemporary poetics
- contemporary women's literature
- cultural citizenship

- erotic literature
- European literature/European philosophy
- film, television and other media for children
- Irish literatures in English
- life writing
- literary theory (including: feminism, ecocriticism, postcolonial)
- literature and myth
- literature and philosophy
- literature and public culture
- literature and the sacred
- migrant literature
- narrative theory
- North American literature
- postcolonial and multicultural literatures and literary theory
- post-modernism
- representations of war in literature
- romanticism
- Shakespeare studies and historicism(contemporary theories)
- the sublime and literature
- theories of space (Deleuze & Guattari)
- theories of play and post-modernism
- tragic theory: from antiquity to contemporary.

#### **Media arts**

- media production in digital and analogue imaging, e.g. video, photography, film, sound, 3-D animation, interactive multimedia
- screen writing, script development, multimedia design
- cinema studies and screen theory, e.g. film and television, feminist theory, screen semiotics, narratology
- representation theory
- interactivity theory
- media studies, e.g. historical research, audience research, regulation and censorship.

#### **Professional Writing**

- writing of poetry, fiction, film, drama, biography and libretto
- the publishing industry
- factual writing
- editing
- contemporary criticism
- characterisation
- translation
- intellectual property
- literary translation
- visual art in books
- film noir: direction for writers
- travel writing.

#### **Public Relations**

- crisis and issues management
- international public relations
- public relations theory
- media relations
- political public relations
- government communication
- aboriginal land rights campaigns

- public relations in Africa
- electronic public relations
- public relations and cultural theory
- corporate citizenship
- public relations and civil society
- grass roots activism
- Asia Pacific public relations.

#### **Visual arts**

- art and narrative
- art and subjectivity
- art as subversion
- computer graphics
- conceptual issues in the visual arts
- contemporary art practice
- design studies
- drawing
- feminism and art
- graphics
- magic realism
- painting
- photography
- sculpture
- sociology of art
- visual representation.

#### **School International and Political Studies**

##### **Arabic Language**

- Arabic linguistics
- Arabic business communication
- Arabic and Middle Eastern studies.

##### **Arabic Studies**

- Arabic language and cultural identity
- Arabic theoretical linguistics
- Arabic business communication
- Arabic language in intercultural communication
- second language acquisition
- media and society in the Arab-speaking world.

##### **Asian Studies**

- Chinese area studies
- cultural development and heritage
- Indonesian area studies
- Indochinese area studies
- human settlements, urbanisation and urban history
- multilateral trade.

##### **Chinese Language**

- Chinese linguistics
- Chinese business communication
- Chinese studies.

##### **Community Development**

- active citizenship
- advocacy developments
- associative democracy and voluntary association
- capacity building for community development
- citizenship and human rights
- community development theory
- community organisation, management and development

- globalization, risk society and international development
- measuring social capital
- non-government organisations
- participatory social research methods
- rights of indigenous populations
- social capital and community organisation
- social justice
- social policy development.

#### **Indonesian Language and Culture Studies**

- Indonesian and Malay literature
- Indonesian linguistics
- Indonesian business communication
- Indonesian culture
- Indonesian folklore
- Indonesian studies.

#### **International Development Studies**

- colonial society, gender and race
- conflict management in development
- credit programs, enterprise development and rural finance
- economic development, trends, policy and planning
- foreign aid, aid-trade relations
- gender and development
- globalisation, regional development
- heritage conservation
- humanitarian emergencies and disaster management
- income generation and poverty alleviation
- MDGs, PRSPs and development indicators
- microenterprise and small enterprise development
- microfinance, banking with the poor
- NGOs and development
- participatory strategies in development
- political development concepts and measurement
- politics of development
- poverty concepts, measurement, mapping
- pro-poor growth
- project cycle management
- project design, progress monitoring and impact assessment
- sustainable development
- urban and regional development.

#### **International Relations**

- Asian security
- Australian defence
- Australia's foreign relations and foreign policy
- conflict studies
- environmental politics
- feminist theories of international relations
- gender and war
- humanitarian intervention
- human rights
- European security
- international humanitarian law
- international organisations
- international political economy

- post-communist democratisation
- terrorism
- theoretical approaches to the study of international relations.

#### **Middle East Studies**

- Middle East history
- state and civil society in the Middle east
- Arab-Israeli conflict
- Islam and politics in the Middle East
- civil conflicts, minorities and the flow of refugees from the Middle East
- women, religion and politics in contemporary Middle Eastern societies.

#### **Philosophical Studies**

- philosophy and the holocaust
- philosophy and health
- philosophy of religion
- contemporary philosophy
- comparative philosophy
- ethics
- political and social philosophy
- hermeneutics
- philosophy and psychoanalysis
- aesthetics

#### **Politics and Policy Studies**

- Australian comparative politics
- critical theory
- democracy and citizenship
- globalisation
- health and pharmaceuticals
- history of political thought
- industry and innovation
- local government
- political leadership
- public policy
- regional and rural policy
- social and political theory
- the politics of Islam.

#### **Psychoanalytic Studies**

- groups and organisations
- Lacanian psychoanalysis
- psychoanalysis and politics
- sexual identity
- clinical issues in psychoanalysis
- politics of psychoanalysis
- philosophy and psychoanalysis.

#### **School of History, Heritage and Society**

##### **Anthropology**

- anthropological theory
- health and illness
- political and economic anthropology
- ritual and religion
- social change and development
- societies and cultures of South Asia and Australia
- states, ethnicity and violence.

### **Australian Studies**

- Australian social, cultural and political history
- globalisation
- heritage issues
- indigenous studies
- immigration, multiculturalism and identity
- women's history
- urban and regional studies.

### **Criminology**

- crime
- crime prevention
- drugs and law enforcement
- fear and crime
- managerialism
- police accountability
- police culture
- policing
- private security and private policing
- public order policing.

### **Cultural Heritage and Museum Studies**

- cultural heritage and museums, history, philosophy and practice
- cultural tourism
- folklore (including children's folklore)
- heritage and development in the Asia-Pacific region
- heritage contestation; shared heritage
- heritage law, planning and economics
- ideology and heritage
- industrial heritage
- intangible heritage
- memory, identity and heritage
- urban history and heritage
- world heritage.

### **Gender Studies**

- contemporary issues in feminism such as work, the body, violence, health, education, sexuality and politics
- feminism across the generations.
- feminist ethics/bioethics
- feminist research methodology
- feminist theory and practice in an international context
- sexuality across the generations
- sexual politics
- youth culture.

### **History**

- African-American history
- American history
- Australian and British education history
- Australian economic, social and political history
- Australian foreign, defence and military history
- British foreign and defence policy and diplomacy, late nineteenth and twentieth centuries
- cultural contact and missionary activities in the Pacific
- European and British social, cultural and intellectual history
- Indonesian history, nineteenth and twentieth centuries

- international history, nineteenth and twentieth centuries
- Jewish history
- Papua New Guinea history in the colonial period, 1884–1975
- postcolonial histories
- social history of sport
- women's history.

### **Sociology**

- gender
- social policy
- citizenship and human rights
- environmental sociology
- health and gender
- medical sociology (health and illness)
- migration, race, ethnicity and identity
- social theory
- social change
- theories of deviance and social control
- sociology of work and occupations
- sociology of popular culture and the media
- sociology of the body
- tourism
- qualitative and quantitative research methods
- sociology of sport
- festivals and carnivals
- drugs and alcohol
- sociology of ageing.