Dear Colleagues,

This DVC(R) Bulletin #53 provides an update on important issues affecting researchers at UNSW. If you missed the previous bulletins – the contents are available at [http://research.unsw.edu.au/deputy-vice-chancellor-research-bulletin](http://research.unsw.edu.au/deputy-vice-chancellor-research-bulletin).

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1. HERDC – Inclusion of On-line Books & Book Chapters

The 2013 HERDC specifications have been delayed and may not be available before our internal close-off for 2012 publications. We have some expectation that when the specifications are released, they will permit the inclusion of books and book chapters which have only been published online and/or have not been offered for sale.

In anticipation of these changes, and to ensure UNSW claims all publications to which it is entitled, please ensure all online books and book chapters, where they meet the definition of “research” are added to ResPubs between now and the 3rd May close-off.

Further information can be obtained from your Outreach Librarian.

2. UNSW Research Pricing Tool – Launch April 2013

New arrangements for pricing externally funded research including contract research projects, and competitive grants, that are not listed on the Australian Competitive Grants Register (ACGR), have now commenced and will apply to new grant applications and contract research projects from 2 April. The UNSW Research Pricing Tool is now available via the Research Gateway to assist researchers to price their projects in accordance with the new arrangements. Access requires z-pass authentication. Log in to the Gateway at: [https://research.unsw.edu.au/user/login](https://research.unsw.edu.au/user/login) then follow the link to the Pricing Tool at: [https://research.unsw.edu.au/unsw-research-pricing-tool](https://research.unsw.edu.au/unsw-research-pricing-tool)

Academic staff will have access to the Pricing Tool from 2 April 2013. All general staff will need to request access to use the pricing tool by completing the form available at: [https://research.unsw.edu.au/unsw-research-pricing-tool](https://research.unsw.edu.au/unsw-research-pricing-tool)

If Faculties/Schools/Centres or individual staff need any assistance or training sessions regarding the new pricing arrangements and/or use of the pricing tool please contact the Research Partnerships Unit via email [contract.research@unsw.edu.au](mailto:contract.research@unsw.edu.au).
NOTE: UNSW requires ALL grant applications and proposals for research funding to be submitted to sponsors via the Grants Management Office. A budget created in the UNSW Pricing Tool should be emailed by researchers for review and feedback to:

- the Grants Management Office for non-ACGR grant applications  
  mygrants.gmo@unsw.edu.au.
- the Research Partnerships Unit for contract research and consulting projects:  
  contract.research@unsw.edu.au.

If the project proceeds, the GMO/RPU will require an exported MS Excel copy of the final budget prepared within the Pricing Tool.

3. **2013 Innovation Awards – NOW OPEN**

Applications for the UNSW Innovation Awards – 2013 are NOW OPEN. The UNSW Innovation Awards recognise and reward the significant effort and ingenuity of UNSW staff and students, along with potential partner organisations, in the creation and transfer of new knowledge and innovations into society and the economy.

The Awards recognise innovations in any field of activity across UNSW and at any stage in development.


PLEASE forward to staff and students in your respective areas.

4. **2013 Postdoctoral Researcher Handbook**

The 2013 edition of the UNSW Postdoctoral Researcher handbook is now available on the web at [http://research.unsw.edu.au/freegate/postdoc/index.html](http://research.unsw.edu.au/freegate/postdoc/index.html). The handbook covers the resources and support for postdoctoral researchers, including career and professional development programs, research funding, research policies and guidelines.

5. **Researcher Development 2013**

The Researcher Development Unit (RDU) is offering a range of workshops for research academics to “pick and choose” to meet their development & training needs.

Workshops are now open to support researchers in the following areas:

- [Building your research profile](http://research.unsw.edu.au/)
- [Supervisor Development](http://research.unsw.edu.au/)
- [Research Projects](http://research.unsw.edu.au/)

6. **Do you know… the importance of Peer Review at UNSW**

Peer review is critical to ensuring that only the most robust of research is funded and published. Researchers, irrespective of discipline, should provide fair, prompt and rigorous evaluations. Researchers should only comment on research within their area of expertise, respect confidentiality when reviewing others work and not review work of others where conflict of interest may exist.
Under the terms of funding agreements with the Australian Research Council (ARC) and the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC), it is a requirement for all grant holders to participate in the peer review process.

Further information on the ARC and NHMRC Peer Review statements can be found at:

- [ARC Peer Review Processes](#) and
- [NHMRC Peer Review Processes](#).

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