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RESEARCH

- **MREII (Major Research Equipment Grants)**
  The 2016 MREII Guidelines are now available and can be downloaded [here](https://www.unsw.edu.au/research/mreii).
  Applications are to Head of School on 28th September via Ria Riadi at pa.mpu@unsw.edu.au.

TEACHING

- **Discipline Maps** – visualisations of the curriculum to enhance learning on clinical placements.
  Dr Arvin Damodaran received a UNSW L&T grant to develop ‘discipline maps’ as a representation of the learning activities and resources in the undergraduate medical degree that have relevance to a particular rotation, arranged in an accessible visual map, automatically generated to re-align with clinical disciplines. Direct your queries to Arvin@unsw.edu.au.

- **Free symposium: Standards-Based assessment - 15 Oct 2015, UNSW**
  Staff involved in teaching and assessing students, designing courses, streams or programs, or interested in providing better guidance and feedback to students are invited to attend this free symposium in October. This symposium will increase your understanding of the role of standards-based assessment and allow you to join colleagues in examining the practicalities of implementing learning outcomes and performance standards in your teaching. Registrations will open shortly (details [here](https://www.unsw.edu.au/teaching/)).

- **POWH Library changes**
  The POWH Library (EBB north wing) will be reorganised to better use space. Old journals that can be accessed by staff online will be removed, shelving discarded, and the main area reconfigured with additional furniture to support more individual and group study spaces. Remaining hardcopy material will be relocated to the library's mezzanine level. The timing of this depends on when the hospital can arrange for the removal of journals (limited access by stairs and site restrictions due to building works).

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

- **Infrastructure update**
  A range of Infrastructure upgrades deployed in June and July have improved the fault tolerance and reliability of services such as eMed. In related infrastructure news, Embryology Wiki, Cell Biology wiki, and SOMS wiki sites, which are used by thousands of researchers worldwide, have been moved to a robust load balanced hosting environment similar to Wikipedia.

- **Apps go live**
Four new UNSW Medicine mobile apps have been released to the iTunes App Store, Google Play, and Windows Phone Store, including:

- Images of Disease for **iOS**, **Android**, and **Windows Phone**.
- Biological Resources Centre app for **Apple iPad**.
- Medicine Clinical Assessments app for **iOS**, **Android**, and **Windows Phone**.
- Medicine Observational Assessments app for **Apple iPad**.

**Wifi installation in the EBB**
The school has been working with NSW Health to install cabling and WAPS hardware in the north and south wings of Edmund Blacket Building to enable wifi to be accessible to staff and students. NSW Health have upgraded fibre optics between Comms rooms in the building (the backbone for future wifi cabling in other parts of EBB). It is expected to be available by September, following minor work and testing. eHealth is working with eduroam and NSW LHDs, buying wireless equipment to facilitate eduRoam in SESLHD and POWH in particular. Eduroam is a secure roaming access service provided by AARNet that allows users from participating institutions to securely access wireless network at their host institution using their standard username/password credentials as they do at their home institutions. Conjoint staff at UNSW will have remote access in the EBB (North and South wings) to the UNSW network, whilst others with have access to their home university (eg nursing students to the UTS network and visitors from other Australian universities).

**NEWS**

- Malcolm Turnbull opens $67 million Mechanical Engineering complex…[read more]
- UNSW has again dominated the annual Top 100 Most Influential Engineers in Australia with 22 researchers and alumni appearing on this year’s list…[read more]
- UNSW wins RoboCup World Title…[read more]
- National honour for UNSW chemist Alex Donald…[read more]
- First medical cannabis trial aimed at adults with terminal cancer…[read more]
- Laughter therapy could lead to reduced medication levels in aged care facilities… [read more]
- There’s a new treatment for severe depression - with fewer side effects… [read more]
- I feel a bit sick – should I stay at home or go to work?… [read more]

**EVENTS**

- 4 Aug – Prof David Watson presenting on the Professorial Inaugural Lectures [details]
- 5 Aug - POWH Grand Rounds in John Dwyer Lecture Theatre at 8-9am. (Coffee and tea are available from 7.30am)
- 5 Aug - Lowy Cancer Research Centre seminar: Epigenetics in haematological malignancies [details]
- 9 Sept - Third Annual Kirby Institute Symposium [details]
- 15 Sept – NDARC Annual Research Symposium [details]
- 14-15 Oct - Drug trends conference and Drug policy modelling program symposium [details]
- 16 Oct – POWCS Postgraduate Research Seminar [details]

If you have any suggestions or comments, please email Ria Riadi

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