



THE UNIVERSITY OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Achieving International Excellence

Convocation, the UWA Graduates Association



Postgraduate Research Travel Award Ceremony 2010

5.30pm, 30 October 2009

Watersports Complex
Hackett Drive, Crawley

Postgraduate Research Travel Awards Ceremony 2010

The Convocation Postgraduate Research Travel Awards are a competitive scheme open to all Postgraduate Research Students at The University of Western Australia, who have submitted a research plan. They provide funds for either interstate or overseas travel and are aimed at enhancing the student's research.

The Postgraduate Research Travel Awards were established by Convocation to mark the 75th Anniversary of the University.

These awards are made possible through the generous and ongoing donations by graduates of the University, and funding from the Postgraduate Students Association and the University Research Committee. One award is also provided from the former BankWest Visa Card Scheme.

The Council of Convocation would like to thank all the individuals and organisations that have contributed to these awards.

Convocation's Vision Statement

To be universally recognised as the representative voice of the graduate body in the governance and affairs of the University and in its interaction with the broader community.



Program

5.30pm Arrival of guests

6.00pm Welcome

Mr Simon Dawkins, Warden of Convocation

Address

Professor Alan Robson AM, Vice-Chancellor

Presentation of Postgraduate Research Travel Awards

Geoffrey Kennedy Postgraduate Research Travel Award

Professor Alan Robson AM, Vice-Chancellor

Alexander Cohen Postgraduate Research Travel Award

Clinical Professor Alexander Cohen AO

Ken and Julie Michael Postgraduate Research Travel Award

His Excellency Dr Ken Michael AC & Mrs Michael

BankWest Postgraduate Research Travel Award

Ms Ann Enright, BankWest

Postgraduate Students Association Research Travel Awards

Mr Raoul Oehmen, President, Postgraduate Students Association

Convocation Postgraduate Research Travel Awards

Professor Robyn Owens, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Research and Research Training)

Presentation made by 2009 PGRTA Winner

Ms Holly Clifford, Postgraduate research student

6.30pm Photographs and Refreshments

Convocation

All graduates of The University of Western Australia are permanent members of Convocation, the UWA Graduates Association.



Convocation Postgraduate Research Travel Awards Winners



Geoffrey Kennedy
Postgraduate Research
Travel Award

Talitha Santini

School of Earth and Environment

Identification of mechanisms underlying treatment efficacy for remediation of bauxite residue deposits with a view to improving environmental outcomes.

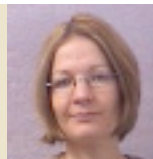


Alexander Cohen
Postgraduate Research
Travel Award

Cyril Donnelly

School of Sports Science,
Exercise and Health

Integration of optimisation methods with empirically validated knee modelling techniques to estimate risk of ACL injury at the subject level.

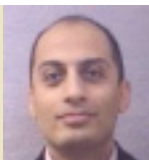


Ken and Julie Michael
Postgraduate Research
Travel Award

Evelyne Deplazes

School of Bimolecular, Biomedical
and Chemical Sciences

Investigation of the structure and function of mechanosensitive ion channels using spectroscopy and computer simulations.



**BankWest Postgraduate
Research Travel Award**

Mohammad Behdad

School of Computer Science and
Software Engineering

Devising an adaptive approach for electronic fraud detection in highly dynamic environments.



**Postgraduate Students
Association
Postgraduate Research
Travel Award**

Rachael Hains-Wesson

School of Social and Cultural
Studies

To undertake overseas independent research towards a PhD, specialising in children's theatre and the role of the imagination, at the University of Wisconsin-Madison USA, under Prof Manon van de Water.



**Postgraduate Students
Association
Postgraduate Research
Travel Award**

J. Florian Wellmann

School of Earth and Environment

Combining geological and geophysical modelling tools to improve understanding of geothermal systems.



**Convocation
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Travel Award**

Joeline Bizzantino

School of Paediatrics and
Child Health

Investigating the
immunogenetics of asthma
exacerbations in children.



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Travel Award**

Gemma Cadby

School of Population Health

Prognostic features of
melanoma in the Western
Australian melanoma
health study.

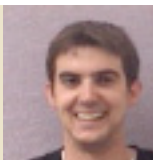


**Convocation
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James Dunne

School of Sports Science,
Exercise and Health

Using computational
modelling, we can estimate
muscle forces and joint
loads to predict risk of injury.



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Travel Award**

David Erceg-Hurn

School of Psychology

Investigation of the effects of
advertising prescription
antidepressant medications
direct to the public.

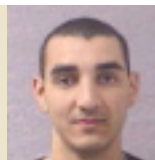


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Marcal Gusmao

School of Plant Biology

Identify adaptation
mechanisms of grass pea to
water deficit conditions.



**Convocation
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Travel Award**

Kamel Hammani

School of Biomedical and
Chemical Sciences

Role of pentatricoptide
repeat (PPR) proteins in
organelle gene expression in
plants.



**Convocation
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Travel Award**

Paula Hooper
School of Population Health

Evaluation of the implementation and health impacts of the Western Australian Governments "Liveable Neighbourhoods Community Design Code".



**Convocation
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Travel Award**

Amy Lampard
School of Psychology

The psychological factors that maintain eating disorders.



**Convocation
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Travel Award**

Marcus Lee
School of Sports Science,
Exercise and Health

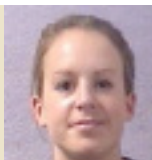
Creating realistic 3-dimensional visual environments for accurate assessments of how visual cueing affects movement patterns and knee injury risk.



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Karina Price
School of Medicine and
Pharmacology

Investigation of the role of Micro RNAs in the progression and metastatic spread of colorectal cancer, using both cell like and human tissue models.



**Convocation
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Kathryn Ramsey
School of Paediatrics and
Child Health

Investigating the link between early life exposure to arsenic via drinking water and non-malignant lung disease.

Matilda Award for Cultural Excellence 2009



Convocation, in conjunction with the UWA Student Guild, makes an annual presentation of a cultural award (known as the Matilda Award) recognising excellence and outstanding achievement in cultural pursuits such as music, literature, public speaking, dance, visual arts and drama.

The significance of the nominee's contribution is considered at international, national, state, community and university levels.

The 2009 Matilda Award winner was Hayden Teo, for his public speaking.



Public Speaking Award

Hayden Teo
Faculty of Law

“Hayden’s achievements in public speaking span law and business. He has successfully represented the University in regional, national and international forums. His achievements reflect an ability to inspire others. Hayden has been recognised for his leadership as UWA Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) President and for his contribution to teaching.”



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