

Graduate Women WA

Empowering Women and Girls Through Education

Graduate Chorus

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Congratulations to our 2014 scholars.

Our bursary evening is great night that showcases our goal of promoting higher education for women. A central criteria of the award decision is that the money received is used to increase the scope or value of the research. Better research and better opportunities in the future.

Save the Date!

Film night

2nd Tuesday
every month

Watch e-news for film
announcement

Committee Night

2nd Wednesday
every month

Observers welcome

Annual Dinner

Watch for Date

*Change is in the
air for 2014.*



Your role

With all these changes in the air, we are asking you for ideas to make use of Graduate House for the benefit of members.

Wendy McCallum is co-ordinating some landscaping to enable us to enjoy the pergola area, and your committee wants to explore ways to create greater social interaction between members and possibly associates or friends. Our book and poetry clubs are strong groups – what else would you like? Possibly a coffee club, speakers, or Friday after- work get-togethers? To get a ground swell of support we need ideas that the committee can use.

Good news

As well as congratulating those amazing women scholars at our awards evening, the committee has been quietly congratulating itself on successful negotiations with UWA. It has been agreed that UWA will fund three scholarships to UWA female students for 5 years, as well as a similar commitment to the St Catherine's College scholarship.

From the Top....

Looking to the Future

The Committee recently reviewed the operations of Graduate Women WA and realised the current office structure had to change. Karen Bothwell, who commenced as secretary for the association 17 years ago, has become a vital member of our team as the Executive Officer. Recent discussions have meant that Karen's hours have reduced to less than one day a week (currently Tuesday) following our financial review. Karen has been participating in formulating the changes and has made a return to Primary teaching in a part time capacity.

Thanks Karen for once again fitting in and getting on with the job. It is not often one finds a proactive and generous person as Karen. We value the continued to support you have given us as we re-invent ourselves.

Committee is gearing up

The committee has a lot of work to do developing a plan for the future. We are delighted to welcome Hope Alexander onto the committee; her presence brings new energy to the group. At the last meeting, she introduced Janine Ripper an internet and social media savvy friend. Janine has presented us with some ideas, and has had discussions with Membership Convenor Felicity Bradshaw, and with Newsletter Editor Jenny Jones. Expect more on this front.





Graduate Women WA Scholars 2014

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Graduate Women WA 90th Anniversary Bursary
University of Western Australia– PhD research.

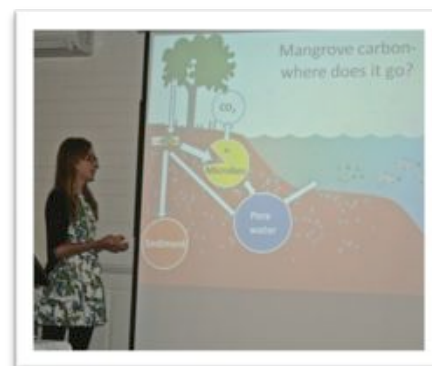
Researching the combination of mediation and arbitration to understand its usefulness in resolving international commercial disputes in a private manner.



Tegan Davies

Graduate Women WA Mary Walters Bursary
University of Western Australia – PhD research

Carbon Dynamics in Mangrove Sediment of Northern and Western Australia



Karen Atkinson

Graduate Women WA Jillian Bradshaw Bursary.
Murdoch University – PhD research

A novella and exegesis that explores place and memory theory, using five case studies of five novels to examine how stories are implicated in the formation of memory in relation to place, and representations of place and cultural memory by both Aboriginal and non-aboriginal writers.

Katrina Kell

Graduate Women WA Foundation Scholarship
Murdoch University – Masters by Research

‘Chloe’ (Young & Jackson’s Hotel)

Thesis employs creative and critical writing to reconstruct the life of the Chloe, the woman.

It also investigates Chloe’s influence as a powerful symbol of femininity in a male dominated environment, on Australian soldiers during WWI.

***Marianne Nyegaard***

Graduate Women WA Mary and Elsie Stevens Scholarship
Murdoch University – PhD

The population biology of the Ocean Sunfish – the heaviest bony fish, through photo identification, satellite tagging and genetic analysis.

Michelle Marnewick

Graduate Women WA Joyce Riley Scholarship
The University of Western Australia - Phd/Master of Psychology (Clinical)

I am very grateful to Graduate Women WA for their generous Mary Walters Bursary which enabled me to travel to the USA and Canada last year to communicate my findings at the World Parkinson’s Congress and to visit a distinguished motor control lab at Teachers College Columbia University. I have since secured a postdoctoral fellowship at this very same lab; I do not think I would have secured this position without having travelled there, so I would like to give my sincerest thanks to Graduate Women WA for this fruitful opportunity.

Perception of facial expressions of emotion in Parkinson’s disease.

Facial expressions of emotion are an observable way in which we communicate our unobservable emotional states. To perceive facial expressions of emotion to infer the emotional states of others plays a very important part in our daily lives – it contributes to social integration, which is known to be essential for mental and physical well-being. As such, an impaired ability to perceive facial expressions of emotion can be detrimental to the regulation of individual and social behaviour.

Introducing Graduate Women WA St Catherine's Scholarship 2014 Winner

Holly Gardiner

My name is Holly Gardiner and I am the 2014 recipient of the Graduate Women's St Catherine's College Scholarship. I am very grateful to have received such assistance, especially from such a great organisation like Graduate Women Western Australia. Both education and equality are very important to me, so I really couldn't have received a better scholarship!



GWWA Scholarship recipient Holly Gardiner with GWWA St Catherine's rep Ruth Taylor.



I grew up on a farm outside the small town of Kellerberrin, three hours east of Perth. I spent my first 10 years with my family, and have fond memories of playing with my younger brother, helping my mum around the house, and working with my dad on the farm. Because we spent all our time together, we are now a very close family, for which I'm so grateful.

A fascination with science

I've always been fascinated by science, so I'm so excited to finally be studying it in university. I'm currently doing a Bachelor of Science at UWA, majoring in Chemistry and Physics. It's definitely challenging, but so much fun and very rewarding. It's a great feeling to be able to study what I want to. I'm not quite sure what I want to do with my life yet, but I'm considering research or maybe a job in the oil and gas industry.

Life at St Catherine's

The best part about university is living at college. I love being surrounded by people, and everyone at St Catherine's is wonderful. There's so much freedom, room for academic and personal growth, and the food isn't too bad either. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Graduate Women for providing me with the chance to experience college life; I'm having a blast!

Graduate Women WA – Member In Profile



Thanks for your help with the newsletter Janine, you're a star!
Jenny Jones - editor

Janine Ripper is a transformational life coach, virtual assistant (specialising in social media), and mentor, with a hunger for helping people live an authentic – and balanced – life. Janine is also passionate about writing and blogging, with two blogs on the go, and the concepts for a book series flying around in her head.

Janine graduated from Murdoch University in 1998 with a Bachelor of Art in Communications Studies, when she started working at Telstra in a Customer Service Delivery role. She then moved into a career in project management, where she became an accredited PRINCE2, P3O and MSP Practitioner, and accomplished Project Manager.

In the last few years Janine became a Manager and Project Management Specialist, consulting to organisations in areas from PMO implementations and management, establishing and refining project management standards and frameworks, through to hiring and mentoring people in best practice.

For all of her hard work, sweat and tears, Janine was awarded the Telstra eXtreme Care Customer Project Management Excellence Award and Telstra Executive Director Award for Excellence in Project Management in 2008. She was also a finalist in the Belmont Small Business Awards 2013.

On the flipside, Janine has crashed and burned more than she would like to admit, succumbing to anxiety and depression and other bodily symptoms as a result of overworking and stress. Her fiancé also suffered a brain injury in 2012, which was a huge wake up call!

After a lot of soul searching, Janine has now made her exit from the corporate world and is starting her own business. Her aim is to change her life, and to help individuals and organisations refine or rediscover their purpose, embrace authenticity, and harness social media and blogging to make a difference.

Janine is currently completing her Certificate IV in Life Coaching and Certificate IV in Small Business and has recently become involved with the Graduate Women WA Inc. where she is helping to redefine their vision and define their social media strategy.

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Are you interested in a new you?

Graduate Women WA member Gemma Ossolinski is working on full randomised control trial for a smart phone app called Future Me, a new, novel motivational tool for weight loss.

She is looking for people wishing to participate in the trial. If you are interested you will find more information at

http://healthsciences.curtin.edu.au/news_general-practice-registrar-joins-health-sciences.cfm

and

<http://healthsciences.curtin.edu.au/lose-weight.cfm>

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