1. RESOURCES AND SUPPORT

DESIGN AND ANALYSIS OF SURVEYS WORKSHOP
Do you need to design a survey? Do you know the best principles and practice of survey design? Join us in February 2017 to learn about samples and populations, survey methods (face-to-face, mail, phone, online), questionnaire design, measurement, sources of error in surveys, sampling methods, non-response, sensitive questions, estimation of means, proportions, cross-tabulation of categorical data and analysis of ordinal responses. More information: http://go.unimelb.edu.au/2etn Enquiries: Deborah Maillardet 8344 6995 / dmai@unimelb.edu.au

PRODUCING EXCELLENT GRAPHICS SIMPLY: NEW WORKSHOP TIME
Make next year count. Produce effective graphs quickly and effectively. Join us on 24 February 2017. We will show you how to represent statistical inferences graphically and much more. Our view is that it is worth considering the use of Minitab solely for graphical purposes, even if you have learned and use other statistical software for analysis. Minitab is freely available to all staff. More information: http://go.unimelb.edu.au/iz5n Enquiries: Deborah Maillardet 8344 6995 / dmai@unimelb.edu.au

IMPORTANT UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE LINKS
- University of Melbourne Graduate Researcher Hub for all current graduate researchers, with resources and information to get you from orientation through to graduation
- Graduate Researchers Homepage on Research Professional: your homepage for research funding
- Skills development opportunities offered by the University of Melbourne.
- The Thesis Whisperer [blog]: just like the horse whisperer – but with more pages
- Career Services and resources to support your career development and prepare for employment
2. EVENTS, PERFORMANCES, SYMPOSIUMS, CONFERENCES AND EXHIBITIONS

VCM&MCM GRADUATE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM 2017

We would like to invite all graduate researchers to participate in the 2017 Graduate Research Symposium which will be presented as a Faculty wide event on Friday 24 February 2017 at Southbank. It will be part of the compulsory Orientation Program for all new faculty researchers. What a great audience!

These Research Symposia are designed to provide an opportunity for you to “test” your research projects in a semi-formal and supportive interdisciplinary environment. There will be a strong emphasis on Confirmation Seminars at this event, as many of you will be due for Confirmation at this point. It will also provide a forum to get to know other graduate students and share research and research experiences. Lunch will be provided.

The presentation format for a Standard Presentation for Masters and PhD level will be 30 minutes duration with a presentation/performance of 20 minutes and a 10 minute response/question time.

For PhD Conversion, Confirmation and Completion Seminars, a presentation timeslot of 60 minutes duration including 40 minutes presentation and 20 minutes response time will be allocated.

What do you have to do to be involved?

1. To present your work, submit an Abstract by Monday 23 January 2017. This should include:
   - Student number and full name;
   - Presentation title, indicating if this is a Conversion, Confirmation or Completion Seminar – or your Progress Review seminar presentation;
   - 100-150 words abstract in word format;
   - An image of your work with an image credit that you are happy for us to use in publicity;
   - Any technical requirements for the presentation;
   - Your Course and Supervisor/s detail.

Submit this abstract electronically by the due date to vcamcm-research@unimelb.edu.au

2. If you are presenting a paper, we would ask that you commit yourself to attending the whole day;

3. We encourage you to come along on the day as an audience member if you do not feel ready to present;

4. Encourage other students (including new researchers and honours students) and your peers to attend;

5. Encourage your supervisor to attend.

While it is a requirement that all PhD candidates approaching confirmation and completion will present at such a forum, the Symposium is open to all graduate researchers, and especially new research students should attend and participate.

With your participation, we look forward to a robust and innovative Symposium program this year. This is just one of the research initiatives taking place in 2017.

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**FREE RESEARCH BAZAAR CONFERENCE: DIGITAL RESEARCH TOOLS**
The Research Bazaar is a free three-day conference aimed at helping researchers with digital tools and digital literacy. The event will run from 31 January to 2 February 2017. All career stages, departments, schools and research areas are welcome. The event will also be rich in social activities, making for great networking opportunities. Please share widely to colleagues, friends and students. More information: [http://melbourne.resbaz.edu.au/resbaz2017](http://melbourne.resbaz.edu.au/resbaz2017) Enquiries: Dejan Jotanovic / dejan.jotanovic@unimelb.edu.au

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Choose three or more plays from MTC's thrilling 2017 season to enjoy exclusive staff savings on your theatre subscription. Great prices are also available for students and those aged under 30. Tickets to the first three shows in MTC's 2017 season are also now on sale, including the glittering Broadway comedy, Born Yesterday, starring Christie Whelan Browne. Book your tickets now for the perfect Christmas gift. Look out for the MTC Brochure in your mail next week. More information: [http://mtc.com.au/unimelb](http://mtc.com.au/unimelb) [Source: James Wright, MTC]

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### 3. FUNDING, RESEARCH AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND OUTCOMES

### 4. FACULTY OF VCA & MCM RESEARCH OFFICE LOCATION AND CONTACT LISTING

**RESEARCH OFFICE LOCATIONS**
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