

## Information Session with the Careers Centre

**Date:** Monday 16 March 2009  
**Time:** 1 – 2pm  
**Venue:** Education Seminar Room 325, Education Building  
**Speaker:** Yvonne Soper, Career Education Office  
**Target Audience:** **PhD Students only**  
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**The Career Education Officer (Postgraduate)** at the Careers Centre is a new part time role created specifically to work on a project to look at the career needs of PhD Research Students. In carrying out this role, Yvonne Soper has already met with various people in industry / sectors as well as students and key university staff stakeholders to canvass their views on career opportunities and issues for Postgraduate Research Students.

Yvonne would like to meet with you, Faculty of Education and Social PhD students, to discuss your career needs and concerns. By sharing your concerns at this session, you can help contribute to this research project, as well as benefit from the information and insight Yvonne has already gathered from working on this project.

Also covered will be services available at the Careers Centre specifically developed for PhD Research Student groups.

### **Coming up in March with the Careers Centre are:**

Presentation by Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade – 17 March (12 – 1pm)  
Public Service Fair – 18 March (all day)  
Careers Fair – 24 March

Yvonne will talk to you about how you can use these types of presentations and fairs to make yourself known to prospective employers, and how the skills learnt during the PhD candidature can be applied in the prospective workplace.

**Students from ALL stages in their PhD candidature are invited to attend and participate! The earlier you start planning your career path, the better.**

**Yvonne Soper** has a Bachelor of Human Movement (Sport Science), Graduate Diploma in Psychology, Master of Psychology and a Graduate Diploma in Career Counselling for Elite Performers. She is a professional member of the National Association of Graduate Career Advisory Services and a registered Psychologist. Yvonne has seven years experience providing Career Counselling and Life Management support to elite and professional athletes. She has managed career and education programs at three sports institute, including the Australian Institute of Sport as well as managed the Career Training Scheme for professional Rugby Union.

Before working in sport, Yvonne worked for five years in the university sector as a Psychologist and International Student Advisor. She has also tutored and lectured in psychology within the university sector.

**Careers Centre website:** <http://www.careers.usyd.edu.au/>

**Careers Centre events calendar:**

[http://webapps.ucc.usyd.edu.au/careers/student/jobs/events\\_calendar/2009](http://webapps.ucc.usyd.edu.au/careers/student/jobs/events_calendar/2009)

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